



President's Highlights

Hello Fellow Sewist,

The weather is finally cooling off here in Texas. What a relief! We have all been busy behind the scenes, therefore, there are many events to cover this month.

First I want to remind EVERYONE to vote! Monica Tetteh, our Election Judge has sent out an email to you with the ballot for officers for the Plano Chapter for 2021. We need a quorum to have this pass, so please VOTE! The deadline is October 3rd - that's just three days away!

October 24th is our Annual Meeting via Zoom. In the past this has been our Annual Luncheon which I always thoroughly enjoyed as well as many of you. Sure to be missed this year! It will be at 9:00AM, via Zoom, as already

stated, and probably the "business" part of the call will be about 15 minutes. And this year we have a special speaker, Marcy Harriell, which many of you may know as Oonaballoona.



We can't wait to experience Marcy's exuberant personality and learn about her experience sewing with African wax prints! About a week prior to the meeting I will be sending out the link. So mark your calendars and join us.

Debby Bowles, our Membership Chairperson, has been videoed and interviewed by her Church since the Plano Chapter made masks for the 100 homeless people they know of in the area. [Here's the link.](#)

Have you explored the new Apparel Arts Productions website which is known to us as Suzy Furrer? She has closed the actual doors but opened up via the internet. Class size is limited, therefore, you will be obtaining superb instruction. [Click here to learn more about this new offering](#)

Coming soon in a few days is the social media and blog post with the winners of our Red Hot Mess Challenge for 2020. These ladies have outdone themselves. And this year everyone is a winner! Stay tuned for the 2021 Challenge. I know the Special Events Committee is working on another exciting Challenge.

Have you made your room reservations for Conference in 2021? It's at the Newport Beach Marriott Hotel from July 6th through the 12th. There already is a block of rooms available at a great price. [Book today so you don't miss out on any of the fun.](#)

We are offering zippers again, members only, for one week. Please contact me by October 7th if you are interested and I will be glad to send you a list of what is still available. Pick up will be at my house (18016 Benchmark Drive, Dallas) around the middle of October.

Since we don't have an official Newsletter anymore, we would like to post here first some great buys. You do not have to be a member to purchase any of these items. All of these machines are in working order but we would recommend taking it to a reputable dealer for cleaning. If you or anyone you know is interested, you may come by and "try" the machine out.

Pfaff Tiptronic #1047 - \$30.00

Pfaff Creative #1473 - \$300.00

Janome Jem Platinum #760- \$300.00

And last, but definitely not least, Pam Walker is in the process of organizing another Farmers Market. It will be held on October 10th at the Willowbend Shopping Mall parking lot near the food courts. It's the same location as last year. It will be open from 9:00AM to 2:00PM. She's looking for volunteers and shoppers. There are over 1,000 bolts of new cotton fabric (still wrapped in cellophane) that she obtained from the DFW Sewing Relief organization, which was donated to them by Michael's. She will also have the usual variety of fabrics measured and sold by the yard. This one promises to be the best so far.

That seems to wrap up what's happening in our Chapter lately. Stay safe and Happy Halloween!

Happy creating,

Marie

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Let's Get Together at Our Chapter Events

Check out the [calendar](#) to get info on Neighborhood group meetings, Homegrown Workshops, Special Events and other sewing related events around town.

What New on Social Media?

In case you missed it, here are the a couple of our most popular posts from last month.



Diane Ericson's Loss

Diane first lost her husband in 2017. She lost her home, studio and her entire life's work to the wildfire.

[Find out more on Facebook:](#)

A Sewist Shirt!


If you haven't seen this cute t-shirt from [@tipstitched](#) Etsy shop you need to check it out....

[See more on Instagram>>](#)

Click the buttons below to follow us on social media and keep up with the latest sewing community and chapter news.

 [Plano ASG Facebook](#)

 [Plano ASG Instagram](#)

 [Plano ASG Website](#)

Monthly Neighborhood Group Highlight

Every month our neighborhood groups host fun and educational meetings. Each month we will highlight one of them to help you get to know them better. If something peeks your interest, go visit and join the fun!

Meet the Community Service Group

Over
1500
items
made
and
given
to
local
needs



In 2019 our Community Service group made and gave over 1500 items to various area groups in need. Obviously 2020 has been very different. Our

chapter at large mobilized to donate over 3000 face masks but our Community Service group has sadly been unable to gather. But when we are all back to normal... JOIN THE FUN of sewing together for a cause.

This group meets the 1st Friday of each month at 10:00 AM at the Hobby Lobby at Alma and 15th Street in Plano (900A W15th Street). Stay tuned. When things open back up, this group will be back!

To join the mailing list and receive monthly emails about Community Service meetings, scroll to the **very bottom** of this email and click "Update Your Preferences" and check the box by the Community Service group.

Don't Forget Your Member Benefits!



- [Conversations](#): Member only discussion board
- [ASG Online! Videos & Projects](#) plus [Chapter tutorials](#)
- See our [website](#) for store discount details and exclusions.

Your Chapter Advisory Board (& More)

- President: [Marie Barrese](#) (click on the name to email)
- Co-VP and Special Events Chair: [Karen Neal and Beverly Vance](#)

- Community Service Chair: [Carol Boyd](#) (volunteer!)
- Donations Manager: [Mary Anderson](#) (donate!)
- Homegrown Workshop Coordinator: [Terri Baker](#)
- Membership Co-Chairs: [Debby Bowles and Linda Davis](#)
- Retail Liaison: [Maggie Tinnin](#)
- Retreat Coordinator: [Sharon Carter-Merlo](#)
- Social Media/MailChimp Manager: [Sheryl Belson](#) (send me pictures!)
- Special Events Photographer: [Barbara Pena](#)
- Storage Unit Team: [Pam Walker](#), [Mary Anderson](#), and [Jane Dempsey](#)
- Treasurer: [Sandie Griego](#)
- Secretary: [Terri Baker](#)
- Website Co-Chairs: [Kelli Robertson and Sheryl Belson](#)



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