



President's Highlights

Hello Fellow Sewist,

Is Spring here yet? Hope all of you survived our great storm of a few weeks ago with little damage. We only lost power for about 8 hours but it was enough to freeze the pool and damage the outside pipes. Other than that, we are fine.

We're looking into starting up Community Sew again, via Zoom this time around. Carol has graciously agreed to host it for a short time. The details are being ironed out now, but please let me know if you are interested in participating. You will not be expected to use any of your fabric or other sewing items except thread, your machine and your time. At the Zoom meeting Carol will present the item being made and explain how it's made. Then those who have signed up will receive the pattern and instructions for picking up the needed

supplies. It's that easy! So many are suffering more than we are. Let's give back to the community!

The question on everyone's mind at this point is whether National will be able to produce an in-person conference by early July. They are currently exploring options of pushing the dates to later in the summer to provide greater comfort levels for safe traveling. It will likely be a few weeks at least before we have any news on this. Meanwhile, be assured that they are doing their best to plan a great conference and will let you know of any developments if dates are pushed back. And if you are planning on attending in 2021, whenever it may be, make your room reservations now since that can be cancelled easily at the last moment.

Sadly the Fabric Map on our website is out of date. Many of our beloved stores have closed and a few others have opened. We are looking for someone to take over the upkeep of the Map. For now the job would be to check out all the places that are on the map to make sure the locations, addresses, phone numbers and contacts are correct. Then to add the places that have opened since. We will then pass this list onto the person who is responsible for the actual map itself. If you are interested in this project, please contact me. We are not imposing a time line. This can take as long as it takes. A person could finish it in a month or 6 months.

Kelli Robertson is working to keep our Fabric Store Map information up-to-date. Please contact her with any openings or (sadly) closings at robertsonkelli@hotmail.com. She will update our website in a special section she created under the Fabric Store Map.

One of our members, Nia Kelly, has been attending El Centro college and the Dallas College News did a write up. It's an amazing story which I'm sure you will enjoy. What a trooper! [Dallas College News Update](#)

Did you know that Michael's now sells fabric? Most of it's on line but I understand a few stores are carrying a supply. It's quilting cottons and flannel, fleece and nursery prints. And they are offering 20% off your first order. Check them out! They are the company that was responsible for us receiving hundreds of bolts of cotton that we sold at the last Farmer's Market.

We are starting to record our Zoom meetings. If your schedule does not allow you to attend a certain Neighborhood Group meeting, sign up to receive the email announcing the meeting and afterwards you will receive a link to the recording.

Happy creating,
Marie

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Let's Get Together at Our Chapter Events

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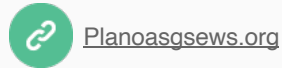


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