







Greetings,

I have quite a few announcements today. Some of the Neighborhood Groups have restarted and this makes me so very happy!

As I stated earlier, Community Sew has restarted and we made 14 adult bibs for the Assisted Living facility that requested them. Now we are on

to making nap mat covers for a Day Care Center in Richardson. We are not meeting in person.

Electric Quilt is restarting also. Maggie has a few requirements since it's taking place in her home so if you are planning on attending, please contact her personally.

Formerly Toujour Couture is cancelled for the September 2nd meeting. Jami Roux and I felt meeting in person at this time was too much of a risk. Therefore, we are hoping to restart in October. We will keep you posted.

Designing Divas is meeting at the church with everyone sitting 6 feet apart at their own table! Check out our calendar to find out more information about these Neighborhood Groups.

Our Fabric Map has been updated and on our website. Thanks to Davie Marie Hurlbert and Barbara Speer for their hard work and diligence.

Our storage unit is overflowing with donations (which is a good thing) but we need help! There are bags of fabric that need to be sorted, measured, marked and rolled to get ready for our next Farmer's Market. If you have any time, please contact me. I will be glad to meet you at the storage unit and provide you with a few bags of fabric and the tools you will need to accomplish this task since we are not allowed to do any measuring there.

Here is a note from our Special Events Team:

We're remaining optimistic that we'll all be able to get together on October 2 for our annual elections and afternoon tea at Bonnie Ruth's in Plano! Our theme this year is "The Bag Ladies' Tea," so bring any kind of bag you've made during this pandemic or make up something for the occasion. Keep in mind, however, that we're using that term "bag"

loosely. Think handbag, tote bag, market bag, makeup bag, Halloween trick or treat bag (it's October after all!) or any kind of item you call a bag. No recent makes along those lines?? No problem, grab a paper grocery bag, scissors, colored paper & glue and come up with a clever creation! Just have fun with the theme however you see fit and bring along your creations. Prizes will be awarded!

We will, of course, send more details about the tea in September once we feel comfortable that we can pull this off safely. Keep your fingers crossed and hope to see you in October!

Which brings me to one of the reasons for our October 2nd meeting, voting of officers for next year. Soon you will be receiving an email from Monica Tetteh, our Election Judge. It will contain the ballot that you will need to fill out and send back as soon as possible. At the October 2nd meeting she will announce the results.

By Labor Day I will determine if we will have the Tea in person at Bonnie Ruth in Plano. Otherwise it will have to be via Zoom like last year.

On to some very good news...our very own Terri Baker has won two First Prize Ribbons in the Texas State Fair this year. One was for her Chanel inspired jacket and the second was for an embroidered pillow. And she won a Second Place Ribbon for a table runner. Congratulations to Terri!!! Stay tune for a blogpost and pictures.

Last week everyone received an email regarding our latest blog. I hope you all had a chance to read it. It was written by Jami Roux and it was about her doll making during this pandemic. The story is good but the pictures are worth a peek. My favorites are the Sunflower and strangely enough the Covid-19 Doll! Take a moment to check the blog out if you haven't yet. You'll be glad you did.

Happy creating,

Marie

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Let's Get Together at Our Chapter Events

Check out the <u>calendar</u> 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.



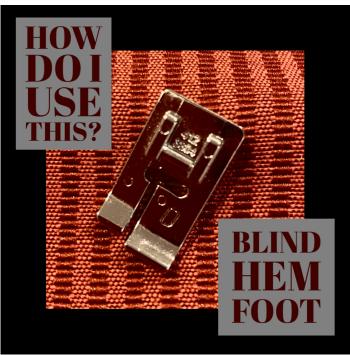
Baylor Mask Effort

It's so nice to see the masks we've been making

in the hands of people who needed them!

Find out more about this recent Facebook

post>>



A Plano ASG Tutorial Short

Did you know you can accomplish the look of a hand stitched hem with your sewing machine?

Watch the video on Instagram>>

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







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 T.A.G. Groups



We have 2 Teach Another Generation (T.A.G.) groups that both offer hands-on sewing projects for the younger generation. T.A.G. is open to 8-18 year olds and meets 2nd Saturdays at Plano Sewing Center during the school year. Tiny T.A.G. is open to 6-7 year olds and meets 3rd Saturdays at Markita's house in McKinney. Both require advance registration, available on our website and a \$5 kit fee.

To join the mailing list and receive monthly emails about T.A.G. meetings, scroll to the **very bottom** of this email and click "Update Your Preferences" and check the box by the West Side Sew group.

Don't Forget Your Member Benefits!



- Conversations: Member only discussion board
- ASG Online! Videos & Projects plus Chapter tutorials
- See our <u>website</u> for store discount details and exclusions.

Your Chapter Advisory Board (& More)

- President: <u>Marie Barrese</u> (click on the name to email)
- Co-VP and Special Events Chair: <u>Karen Neal and Beverly Vance</u>
- Donations Manager: <u>Mary Anderson</u> (donate!)
- Homegrown Workshop Coordinator: <u>Terri Baker</u>
- Membership Co-Chairs: Mary Jo Forbes and Linda Davis
- Retail Liaison: Maggie Tinnin
- Retreat Coordinator: Sharon Carter-Merlo
- Social Media Manager: Maria Quain
- Special Events Photographer: <u>Barbara Pena</u>

• Storage Unit Team: Pam Walker, Mary Anderson, and Jane Dempsey

Treasurer: <u>Sandie Griego</u>
 Secretary: <u>Joanne Jensen</u>
 Website: <u>Kelli Robertson</u>



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