



# President's Highlights



Hello Fellow Sewist,

Happy Fourth of July to you all! Hope you are keeping cool in this sweltering heat. A few announcements regarding Neighborhood Groups. Couture will not be meeting in July (they never do) and TAG is cancelled for July due to low attendance. The Wednesday night Zoom meeting will be held on the 12th. This is another program you won't want to miss.

The J. Erik Jonsson Central Library at 1515 Young Street is looking for 9 sewing teachers. They just received 10 new Singer model 4423 machines for their Fiber Art Space and need to be taught how to use them. DAFA received this request and has passed it on to their members also. If you are interested, please contact me. This would be a paid opportunity.

DAFA now has their Annual Funtastic Fiber Exhibition going on now through August 12th. It's at the CC Young Residences at the Point in Dallas. It's a very inspiring exhibit containing many forms of fiber art. If you're in the neighborhood, please stop by. It's open all day.

The date for our Annual Meeting and Luncheon is October 28th, so mark your calendars. The Special Events Team has come up with a new place to dine along with Alexia from Illuminations Fabric. It's an event you won't want to miss. And you will have a chance to meet the new Board members, if elected.

The first two pictures you see above are the Male Mannequin and Juki Merrow Edge Serger that were purchased with the generous donation we gave to Dallas College (formerly El Centro) a few years ago. We are working on collaborating with them with another donation and an educational program for us. Stay tuned...

I've been able to visit several Neighborhood Groups this past month. First is **"Upping Your Game"** where Sally Ann Flak demonstrated how she uses cork in her handbags and totes.

She is an extremely talented lady. And very helpful in explaining what she's learned to be useful and what not to do.



And from the same meeting here is a picture of Christine Bilton's jacket she's working on with fabric from the last Challenge. She's always so very creative!



And now on to **Hoopla Sisters**. These gals really know how to sew and embroider up a storm! Take a look at these items...



And here's Ladybug, always present at the meetings. :-)



At **Couture** this past month Debbie Ramseyer and Stacey Procter showed us all about upcycling. We all came away with great tips and ideas. I think we'll be "shopping" for fabric at resale and Good Will stores! :-)

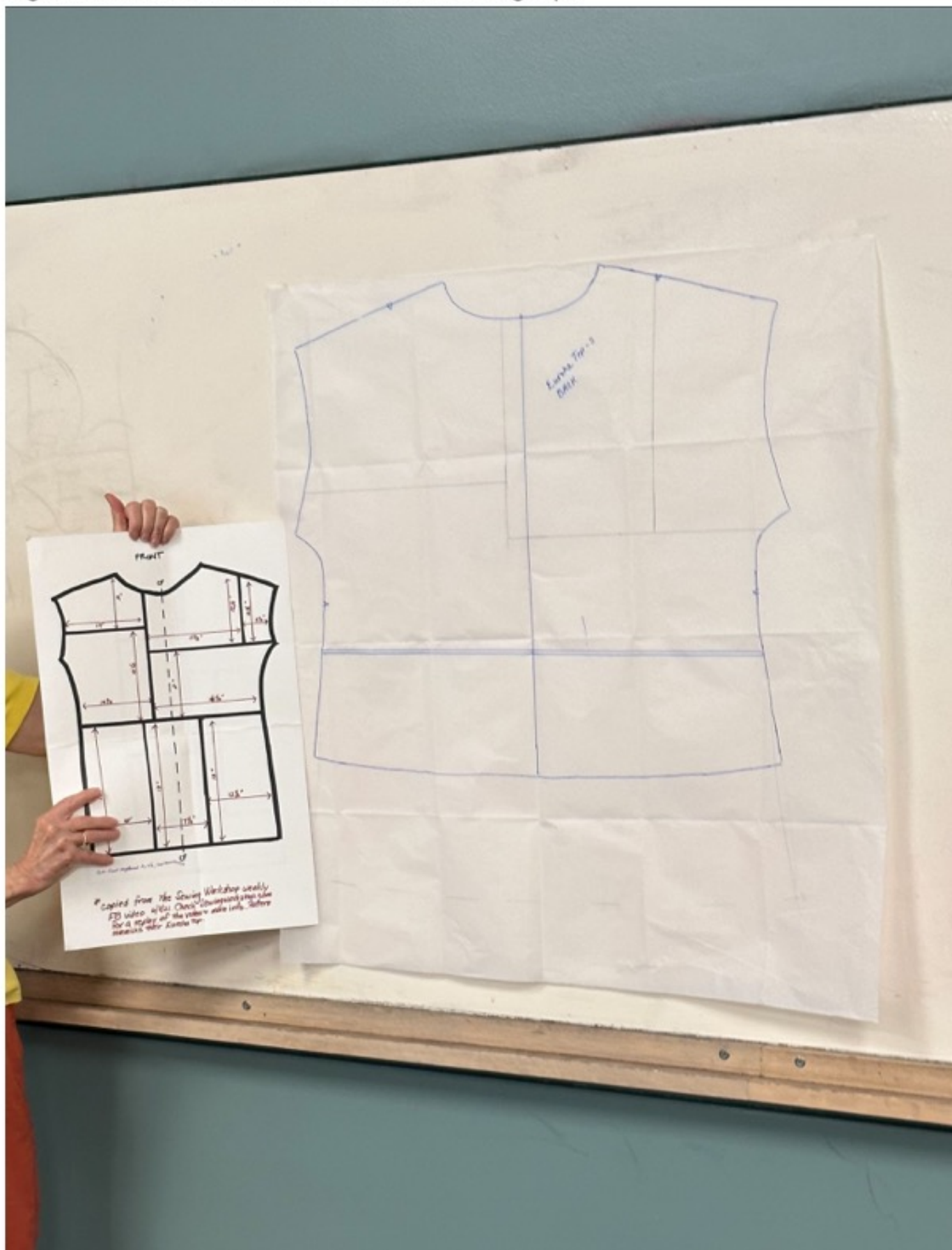




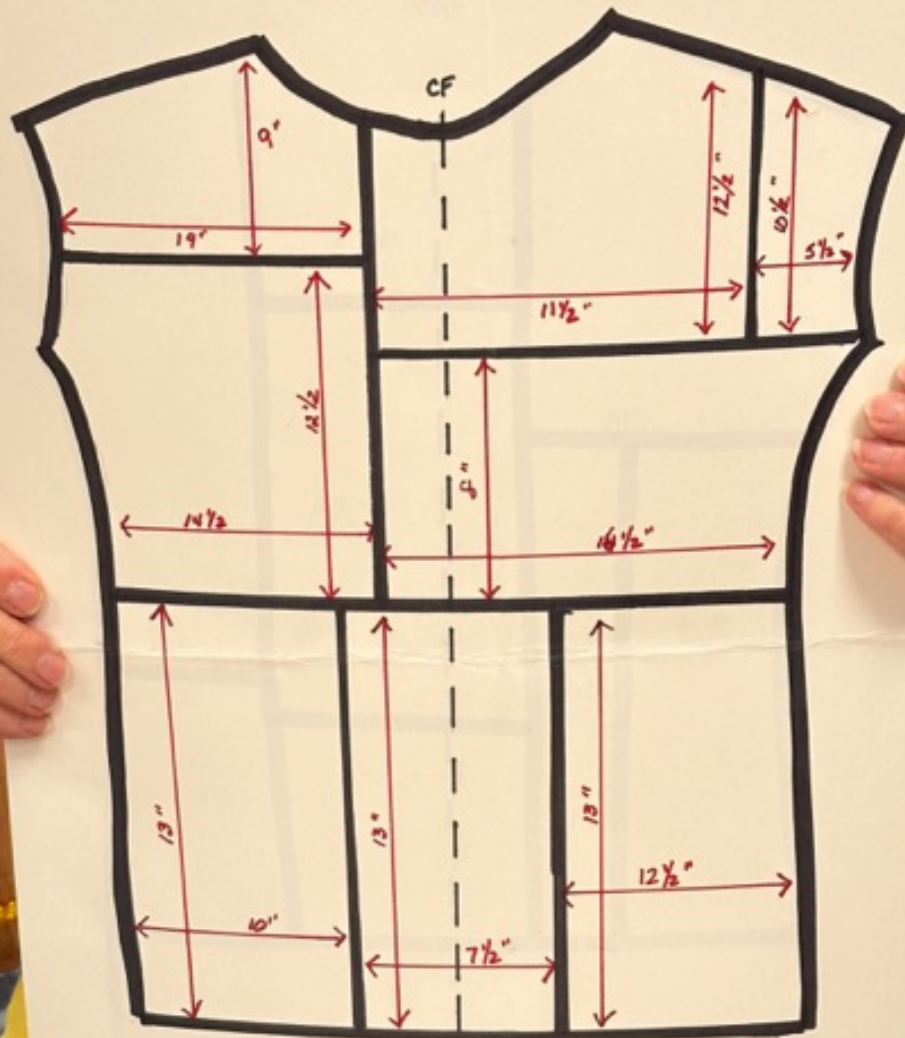




And last but definitely not least, here is **Divas of Denton**, our newest meeting in Lewisville. Joanne Jensen is explaining The Sewing Workshop's way of piecing together several fabrics to make an interesting top.



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Note: Front lengthened by 6 1/2", and waist by 1 1/2"

\* copied from The Sewing Workshop weekly FB video 6/8/21. Check [Sewingworkshop.com](http://Sewingworkshop.com) for a replay of the video & more info. Pattern mimicks their Eureka top.

And here's some of the members deciding what fabrics look well together. Stay tuned. Hopefully next month we'll see the final product.



And lastly, the deadline for registering at the State Fair is coming up - July 24th. There are 14 Contests with 1,100 categories...something for everyone. Go to [bigtex.com](http://bigtex.com) for the details.

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.

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

