

As I type this on January 31st, I can't believe this is winter—it's 75 degrees outside! But I'm not complaining. I've lived in the DFW area since 1981, and lived through our cold, freezing, icy winters when everything shuts down for days. And then the sun comes out and warms everything up again. Seasons come, seasons go.

We've got a lot going on this month at Plano ASG. Our annual Sewing Retreat takes place February 7-11 in Sunset, Texas. Sharon's expecting a full house, and everyone is looking forward to a great time sewing, quilting, chatting, and catching up.

Right on the heels of that is our GALentines Lunch on February 13, 11 AM at Campisi's in Plano. We celebrate Valentine's a day early with our gal friends. You should have gotten an email invite to this, so RSVP as soon as you can. Looking forward to seeing you there.

Of course, Valentine's Day is the 14th, so spend some time with the ones you love.

Suzy Furrer is back in the sewing limelight again and on the [Craftsy.com](https://www.craftsy.com) platform. She's got two sessions starting this month: Pattern Making 1 & 2, and Construction 1 and Design/Sewing Lab. Check out [Craftsy.com](https://www.craftsy.com) for pricing and dates.

Rounding out February is the Quilted Jacket Class taught by our own Sally-Ann Flak. The 2-day class is February 23-24; price is \$170. Class will be held at Fabric Fanatics, 910 W Parker Rd Suite 325, Plano, TX 75075.

Lastly, since it's a leap year, we have one extra day in February 2024! 366 days this year.

All my best to you my sewing friends. See you around our Chapter.

Joanne Jensen
President, Plano ASG.