



# The Sewing Notion

Oklahoma City, OK Chapter of the American Sewing Guild  
Advancing sewing as an art and life skill.



***Rustyne's Rhetoric***  
***By Rustyne Harris***  
***Oklahoma City Chapter President***

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Here's hoping everyone is staying warm and getting to do lots of sewing. Can you believe this weather? I know for a fact that I am ready for spring and all of the fun things we have planned.

First let me say how very much your cards and best wishes meant to me and my husband during the hard time we had this fall. My father-in-law went to a much better place on January 12<sup>th</sup> and although we hated losing him we didn't want him to suffer any longer. Again thank you for keeping us in your thoughts.

I understand that our CHRISTMAS in January was very successful. All had a good time. Thank you Nell for taking over with such short notice and Kim for meeting with me just before I left and making sure that we had all of the necessary eating and drinking tools. I know the food was good because it always is.

Georgie did the presentation for the February meeting. Her program was very interesting. I am sure everyone found it to be fun and educational. Some ladies even brought their projects that they made to the March meeting.

We will continue our quarterly "Brown Bag Dinner" meeting in April. If there is anyone in our group who has a special talent or program that they would like to share with us at these quarterly meetings please get in touch with me and we will get you scheduled in. This is your chapter and I want above everything else for you to enjoy our meetings and have fun and educational programs.

The CAB and I are trying to schedule some programs this year that will challenge our talents and allow each and everyone of us to demonstrate what wonderful imaginations there are in our group. Announcements will be made as programs are finalized. I know of at least three set and sews that are planned.

Everyone needs to start planning for this year's "Roman Nose Retreat". The dates will be May 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. We always have so much fun at the retreat, sewing all night, eating, laughing, learning and just enjoying really great ladies who enjoy the same things we do. Ask anyone who has attended in the past and they will tell you how much fun we have.

The program in March was given by Kim. She showed us how to use the new felting machines and all of the fun things that can be done. Everyone enjoyed the evening.

As I said earlier, there are lots of fun things coming up. So get your machines ready so we can get set, ready and sew.

I am looking forward to the exciting year ahead.  
Your Proud President,

*Rustyne*

# Welcome

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## MEETING PLACE

We meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30pm in the Warr Acres Community Center. The community center is located on the NW corner of Ann Arbor (between MacArthur and Meridian) and NW 42nd Street.  
**Please come join us!**

### Say Hello to our Newest Members!

Lori Kendrick  
Karla MacSwain  
Karen Jackson

We welcome you and encourage you to get involved in a Neighborhood Group

**OKC Chapter Name Tags are available for \$5.00.**

**Contact Eleanor Todd Fuller at 405-350-3339 if you'd like one.**

## NOTICE

This newsletter will always appear on our website for the Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild. Visit the site on a regular basis as the content changes often. Note this web address in your Favorite Places to visit.  
[www.okcasg.org](http://www.okcasg.org)

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Have you visited the ASG website? At the bottom of the page is a "members only" listing. To enter, the user name is "sewing" and the password is "friends". You will find a wealth of good information on this website. [www.asg.org](http://www.asg.org)

**SUSAN CLEVELAND RETREAT**  
Oaktree Country Club, Edmond, OK



April 11, 2008, 1:00 PM  
LUNCHEON AND TRUNK SHOW \$55.00

April 12, 2008, 9:00AM  
PIPING HOT CURVES-EYE OF THE PIPER  
(hands-on) \$75.00

Enjoy the entire sewing event for \$120.00!



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209 S.W. 2nd Street  
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Sign up before April 1st to have your name entered in a drawing for \$75.00 Fun to Sew Gift Card.

Susan Cleveland is a quilting designer/author/teacher and Piping Hottie! She specializes in her Piping Hot Binding and Piping Hot Curves techniques. Her quilts are loosely based on traditional patterns and showcase precision piecing, thread embellishments, and details. Piping accent curves and special binding techniques. You can learn more about Susan @ [www.piecesbewithyou.com](http://www.piecesbewithyou.com) or [www.NowSewing.net](http://www.NowSewing.net) Behind the Seams episode "Love Those Curves".

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Email me at [marilynmarusa@cox.net](mailto:marilynmarusa@cox.net)

E-mail  
→ Me ←

I would love to put your new email on our email list. So many are returned each time I send out a notice for an ASG event or meeting reminder.

To update your email address—Email me ([marilynmarusa@cox.net](mailto:marilynmarusa@cox.net)) and let me know.

**Upcoming Board Meetings**  
**Join us—see your CAB at work!**  
**(call Marilyn at 209-0431 for meeting location)**

# NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS

Neighborhood Groups are small, personal, and fun. This is a wonderful place to meet new friends who enjoy what you like most - sewing. All ASG members are encouraged to attend a group and may participate in as many as you wish. Find the one that fits you best. If there is not a group in your neighborhood, start one! Bring a guest. Nonmembers wishing to learn more about ASG may visit two group meetings before being asked to join our Chapter. Contacts are below.

## **The Happy Sewers**

4th Friday of each month at 10am  
Meets at members homes-call for info  
Jackie Ward  
405-324-8430

## **Southside Scissors Wizards**

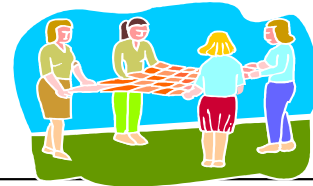
1st Tuesday of the month 10:00am  
Hancock's store at I-240 and Penn  
Pat 366-8295 or Jane 946-3580

## **Stitch'N Bitch Neighborhood Group**

1st Wednesday of each month at 10am  
Meets at members homes-call for info  
Marilyn Traub  
405-843-7538

## **Sew Fine Sisters**

3rd Saturday of each month at 1:00-4:00  
at The Stitching Post Classroom  
Rustyne Harris  
405-745-3065



**Happy Sewers**—We meet in our homes and sewing is out of the question for lack of room. Some have demo each person does a demo when she has it at her house, we have had quilt blocks, ruffled pillows, we are sending hugs and Bears to Iraq. We have also sent some boxes and plan to send more. Jane Vaughn left us to go to work full time we miss her. We will continue to meet in the home and have demos. We meet the 4th Friday of the month at 10:00am. This seems to be most of our news as of now. Jackie

**Southside Scissor Wizards** Neighborhood—The Southside Scissor Wizards had a great Christmas Dinner at Marilyn Conners beautiful Holiday decorated home in December. We all enjoyed the delicious covered dish dinner and getting to know each other better. Everyone was excited about their Holiday plans. Susan Mills showed her beautiful quilted jacket, Jane showed the precious velvet Christmas dress and matching doll dress for her granddaughter. January meeting was canceled due to date conflict. February meeting will be February 5. We will be making Valentine post cards with embroidered designs, which will be colored with crayons and attached to card stock, with the sewing machine, for mailing to our friends. We will be discussing future meeting program ideas. At our March meeting we made "Special Occasion Aprons", with Georgie Melot's pattern. It was fun to see all the different fabric choices. Several new technique, such as using the ruffler and tube turners and bias tape maker.

Other programs this year will be working on the Crazy Patch quilt blocks for the chapter quilt, Iris paper folding, and maybe a sweat shirt project.

Southside Scissor Wizards meet on the 1st Tues of each month at either Hancock Fabric or B-Sew Inn at Penn and I-240, at 10:00 Am. Please come join us any time. Contact Jane at 946-3580 or Pat at 366-8296

## coming events

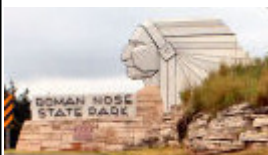
**Saturday March 22nd, 2008 - 9:00am-12:00pm Georgie Melot Pincushion Roundup. \$10.00 plus kit or materials.**



**Saturday April 19th, 2008 - Sit and Sew at the Stitching Post 1:00pm—4:00pm making the ASG National Community Service Project - the Anti-Ouch Pouch.** Supplies needed for each pouch: 15" of 44"-45" wide soft fabric, preferably cotton (18" for larger woman). Two large handfuls of fiberfill. 6" of hook-and-loop tape, such as Velcro. Bring your sewing machine and standard sewing notions.



**April 24 - 26th, 2008 The Region 6 ASG annual meeting is in Plano, TX. Shopping on Thursday, meeting on Friday and Saturday concluding about 4 - 4:30pm on Saturday.**



**May 16th - 18th, 2008 - OKC Chapter Retreat at Roman Nose State Park**

**May 27th, 2008 1:00pm and 6:00 pm Hatched in Africa TRUNK SHOWS, Demonstrations and DOOR PRIZES They would love to meet you! Price of tickets will be \$15.00 purchased in advance and \$20.00 at the door. Contact: Pat Fritze E-Mail: skipat@cox.net**



**June 19-21 (Thursday-Saturday) June 18-Pre-day Sit and Sew Classes Martha Pullen's Sewing Market Arlington Convention Center**



**July 10-14, 2008 American Sewing Guild Annual Conference Rosemont IL**

**Saturday July 26th, 2008 - "Sew What's New" day.**

**Saturday August 16th 2008 Kim Boyles—needle felting workshop**



**Saturday Sept 20th 2008 OKC ASG at the Oklahoma State Fair**

**Saturday Oct. 25th, 2008 - Rustyne Harris - new 'Just Jennifer' jacket. \$10.00 plus kit or materials.**

**Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild Retreat  
at Roman Nose State Park Lodge  
May 16-18, 2008**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate's Name or indicate that you need a Roommate:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Guest or Member (circle one) Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Smoking or Non-smoking (circle one)

Per person:

**\$125.00 for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday** *(you share a room with another person).*

*Due to the recent ice damage at the lodge, we will have a different block of rooms. One twin and one double bed in each room is all that is available.*

**Due by April 1st for reservations.**

**Bring to meeting in April or mail to Kim Boyles**

**7208 Green Meadow Ln.**

**Oklahoma City, OK 73132-3978**

**Make checks payable to "OKC ASG"**



**Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild  
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**Santi from Hatched in Africa Embroidery**

**May 27th, 2008**

At B-Sew Inn at I-240 and Penn at 2:00pm and 6:00pm repeat trunk show.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**I will be attending: 2:00pm or 6:00pm (please circle one)**

**Cost is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door**

**Make checks payable to "OKC ASG"**

**Bring to ASG meeting or mail to:**

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**Norman, Ok 73072**

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### Feb

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Cheryl	Svetgoff
Linda	Weston

### March

Trudy	Armijo
Nell	Caldwell
Dorothy	Cassel
Sue	Chapman
Bev	Davis
Gayle	Dekker
Heather	Freeman
Martha	Henson
La Rue	Kennedy
Christine	Kuelzer
Charli	Meador
Omega	Miller
Dorothy	Niles
Donna	Oram
Lorri	Scroggins
Lynn	Smith
Cherry	Steele
Dolores	Threatt

### April

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Pat	Alyea
Emily	Bouse
Barbara	Carr
Marilyn	Conner
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Anna	Denny
Mildred	Dodson
Karen	Haymaker
Raedean	McGruder
Peggy	McLean
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Peggy Ann	Peterson
Denna	Pivinska
Anna Lou	Plott
Deane	Rounsaville
Patricia	Self
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### May

Bonnie	Bamberg
Pam	Cadamy
Pat	Geddes
Darice	Ann Hall
Ellen	Hickerson
Cathie	Hladik
Nancy	Kendrick
Loretta	Moffit
Pam	Reynolds
La Rue	Robertson
Kathryn	Rone
Rayvon	Smith
Betty	Warren
Pat	Watkins
Vaughncille	Weidner

### June

Starlyn	Arens
Kim	Boyles
Sue	Brown
Mattie	Cory
Luella	Courtney
Carol	Fletcher
Linda	Guild
Annette	Hazelwood
Pat	Hook
Betty	Martin
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Marilyn	Traub
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Paula	Wolff

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**Did you know you can renew your membership on line?** To do so go to the [www.asg.org](http://www.asg.org) click on "Membership" at the top left, scroll down to "Renew Member." Under "Choose a Chapter" enter "Oklahoma City"; Enter your Member ID# and click "Renew". You can pay with a credit card



## Happy Birthday

**February 15 Rustyne Harris**

**February 21 Donna Pitts**

**February 22 Jo Balding**

**February 27 Suzanne Robinson**

**March 17 Pat Watkins**

**March 22 Toni Schulte**

**March 27 Marilyn Traub**

**March 27 Cathie Hladik**

**March 30 Dorothy Cassel**

**April 04 Patricia Fritze**

**April 09 Joan Kessler**

**April 09 Kathryn Rone**

**April 09 Amanda Laughlin**

**April 10 Verna Stucker**

**April 20 Deane Rounsaville**

**April 24 Loretta Moffit**

**April 26 Mattie Cory**

**April 28 Karen Jackson**

**April 29 Carol Vines**

**April 30 Sherry Osborn**

**May 02**

**May 03**

**May 03**

**May 04**

**May 19**

**May 22**

**May 23**

**May 25**

**May 29**

**May 30**

**Sue Chapman**

**Kathleen Osborn**

**Joanna Wilson**

**Martha Duerksen**

**Norida Brooks**

**Marilyn Marusa**

**Cherry Steele**

**Martha Wyckoff**

**Carolyn Schulz**

**Nell Caldwell**

**June 03**

**June 04**

**June 05**

**June 11**

**June 11**

**June 13**

**June 14**

**June 23**

**June 23**

**Emma Myers**

**Cathy O'Malley**

**Mildred Dodson**

**Jane Vaughan**

**Christine Kuelzer**

**Trudy Armijo**

**Saen Gibson**

**Nancy Helquist**

**Starlyn Arens**

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## Members Only Area



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- [Digitized Logos](#): In this area, you will find the machine embroidery design files for the ASG logo, the 25th Anniversary logo, and the Sewing Friends logo.
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- [ASG By-Laws](#)

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## Top 10 Reasons to Join:

1. You love to sew and love to share your love of sewing.
2. You want to improve your sewing skills like others do their golf score.
3. You want to develop sewing friends; friends who speak your language -- know what a "stash" or a "wadder" is.
4. You need someone you can trust to take your measurements and not tell.
5. You want companions for road trips who experience the same "joy in the journey" of stopping at as many fabric stores as humanly possible in a given day.
6. You have uses for the money you will save utilizing ASG member discounts.
7. You could benefit from an appreciative audience for your sewing successes and helpful suggestions for your challenges ("How to save that disaster")..
8. You want to attend a national conference where you can learn from the top national sewing instructors and eat lunch next to your favorite (sewing) TV personalities, give direct input to sewing industry representatives, shop an exhibit hall full of sewing products and experience unique tours with fellow sewing enthusiasts.
9. You believe that sewing is an art form as well as a valuable life skill.

### And most important,

10. You make a difference!

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	<input type="checkbox"/> Please bill my MasterCard / VISA (Circle one)
	Account Number _____ Expiration Date _____
	Signature _____



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May 12th—Georgie Melot - 'Share the love of Sewing' Members urged to bring a beginning sewer. Perhaps a child or grandchild.

June 9th—Sherrill Lewis from The Bead Ranch

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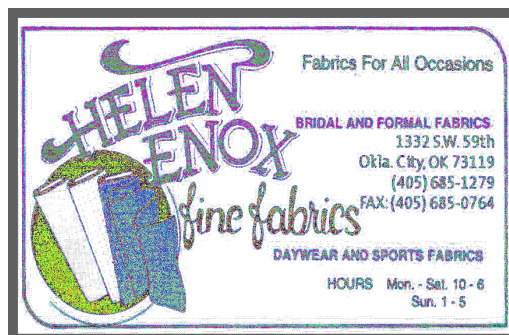
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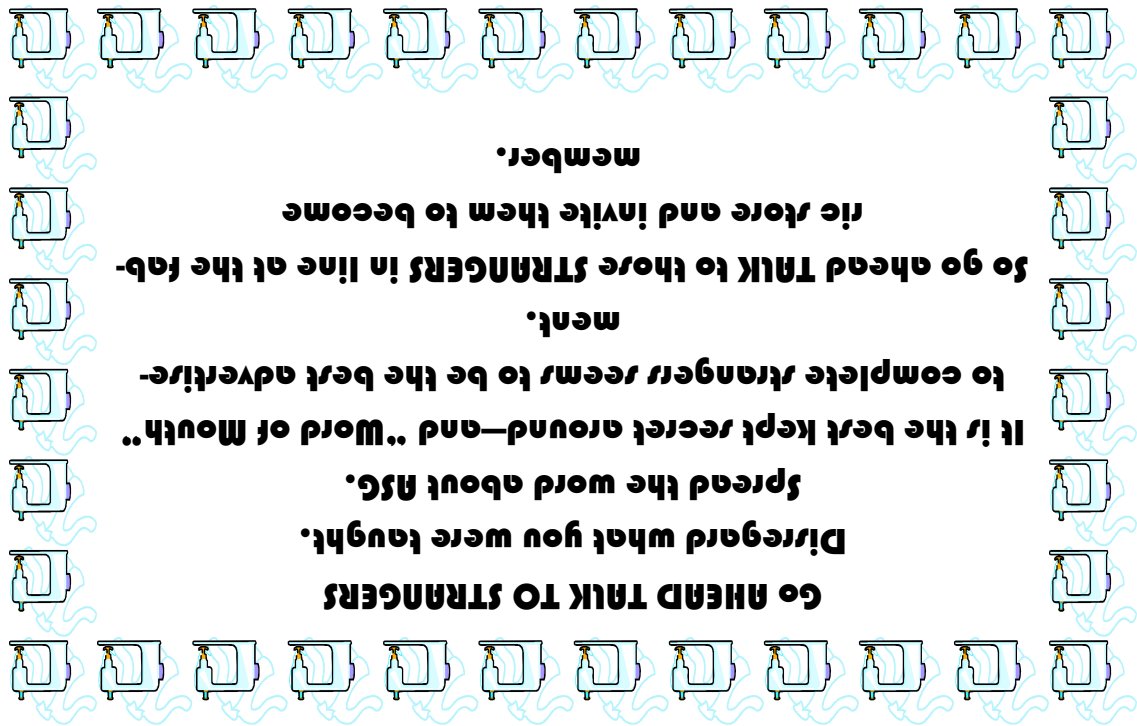
Sept 8th—Hands-on project Brown Bag supper.

Oct 13th—open

Nov 10th—OESD

Dec 8th—Christmas Party





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