



# The Sewing Notion

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



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***By Rustyne Harris***  
***Oklahoma City Chapter President***

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## RUSTYNE'S RHETORIC

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Oklahoma City Chapter President

I always seem to get the feeling when August comes around each year that the year is nearly over and I just haven't gotten everything done that I would like to. Oh well, maybe some day I will have more free time and will be able to tackle all of the things I would like to have done back when.

It has been a fun and busy summer so far. Thanks to all of you in our chapter I was able to attend the ASG National Convention in Chicago, IL. I attended many classes and lectures during the five days of the convention. I hope I will be able to pass on the knowledge I gained during the week I spent in the classes. I attended Leadership Day on Wednesday, learned a lot and hope I will be able to continue helping make our chapter bigger and better.

Thank you to everyone who brought Anti Ouch Pouches for the ASG Community Service Project for 2008. I know that there was lots of love and care put into each and every one of the pouches that were made. I know that our items will be a welcome addition to the project. We distributed around 100 of the pouches in the Oklahoma City area and delivered about another 100 to ASG Headquarters.

Please remember that CAB election time will be here soon. All positions will be open. Although I know some of the present members are planning on running again it doesn't hurt to have some competition. If you don't want to run for one of the officer positions please consider applying for an appointed position on one of the committees.

The following is a description of the Board positions:

**PRESIDENT:** Responsible for overseeing all aspects of Chapter business; primary contact person for all information coming from ASG Headquarters and the Regional Representative.

**FIRST AND SECOND VICE PRESIDENTS:** Assists the president in duties defined by the CAB, which may include neighborhood group liaison, planning special events, hospitality, community service and education.

**SECRETARY:** Records minutes of the meeting and circulates copies to all CAB members and National Headquarters; oversees the election of CAB members.

**TREASURER:** Maintains the CAB bank accounts and reports to the CAB and National Headquarters; receives reservations for chapter events; collects all money raised through special events and sales, and memberships.

At the end of July we held our annual "Sew What's New" day. It was a great success, everyone told me how much they enjoyed the day and that the teachers did a fantastic job. Everyone went home with several finished projects and ideas for many more. The garage sale was also a great deal of fun. You know that old saying that someone else's trash is another's treasure. Well I can tell you that lots of people took home some treasures. I on the other hand tried to be very careful and stayed away. Ha!

In early August some of us took the hand beading class from Sherrell of the Beading Ranch. It was lots of fun and I know several people got hooked on a new hobby. I am looking forward to some of the new projects that will be shown throughout the next year. You can do beading on almost everything.

Then came the end of August and Kim taught a class in machine/hand felting. There were several really nice and pretty projects made that day. I know we all had fun and I will be looking forward to see all of the finished items at the next meeting.. *(continued bottom of page 4)*

# 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!

Jo Ann Hale  
Sarah Thompson  
Susan Kilpatrick

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)

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**Moore, OK 73160**  
**405-794-6900**  
**fax 405-794-6904**

### Embellishment Class

On Saturday, August 16, 2008, Marilyn Marusa, Norida Brooks, Rustyne Harris, Pat Fritze, Nell Caldwell, Sheri Osborne, Loretta Moffitt and I had an embellishment class at Fun to Sew in Moore. Everyone had a different project and even though I was the "teacher", I know I learned more than I taught. Most of you know when we get together as a group, we all learn and our projects usually turn out better because of the input of others we are with. Well so was this class. We got our projects going and then went to McAlister's for a wonderful lunch. No, we did not have the wonderful chocolate spoon cake that looked heavenly in the picture but we did drool. After lunch, we walked back to the store about 10 feet away. We stopped and waited for Rustyne to drive her car off the curb and get it between the lines. We might have to send her to driving school. Everyone had an embellisher machine. One person was in the process of selling her machine, but has decided to keep it for not. Right Nell? Anyway, we had so much fun, we decided to start an embellisher neighborhood group. So if you want to join us for embellishment fun look for more information in the near future. We would like to express our appreciation to Pam Gosnell for the use of her classroom for the day. Till next time, Kim



# 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**

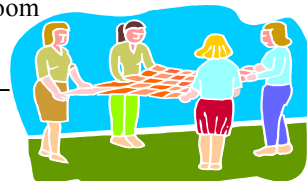
1st Tuesday of the month 10:00am  
Hancock's store at I-240 and Penn  
Pat 366-8295 or Jane 946-3580

## **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. We will continue to meet in the home and have demos. We meet the 4th Friday of the month at 10:00am.

**Southside Scissor Wizards** Neighborhood group took a couple of months summer break but will be back together on the 1st Tuesday of each month starting Sept. 2 at B-Sew Inn. We were ask by B-Sew Inn to use their facilities for our meetings. So this is where our monthly meetings will be. In September, Joanna Wilson will be leading us with hands-on instructions for making a casserole carrier. This will come in handy to carry our covered dish for our Christmas ASG Dinner. Oct. meeting will be iris folding Holiday cards and November meeting will be Origami folding book marks. Everyone is welcome to attend our get together from 10:00-noon on the 1st Tues of each month. Contact Pat Fritze 366-8296 or Jane Brown 946-3580

(Continued President's message)

On September 15<sup>th</sup> we will be doing our annual Oklahoma State Fair Day. This is always a fund day. Although we will not be able to sell chances for our raffle quilt we will have it on display and we are trying to figure out a way to make it possible to get chances for the drawing. If you haven't purchased your ticket yet you better get in there and get your name on the list. It is one beautiful piece of art and certainly well worth the \$1.00 per ticket.

In October we will be doing the Just Jennifer II Jacket class. I will have sign up sheets at the September meeting. We will be able to purchase the pattern, fabric packs and sweatshirts. I will have more information of the color choices and prices by the next meeting.

Looking forward to the coming fall season and all of the fun we always have. See you at the next meeting.

To my "Sewing Friends"  
Your Proud President,

*Rustyne*

### coming events



**Monday Sept 15th 2008 OKC ASG at the Oklahoma State Fair**

**Saturday Oct. 18th, 2008: Rustyne Harris - new**

**'Just Jennifer' jacket. \$10.00 plus kit or materials.**

**February 2009: Education of the Textile Arts at Dallas**

**ASG Region 6 meeting will be April 18, 2009 in San Antonio, TX**

**JUNE 18-20, 2009: Martha's Sewing Market in Arlington TX**

**Summer 2009: ASG Conference in Albuquerque New Mexico**

**Summer 2010: ASG Conference Atlanta Georgia**

The Oklahoma City American Sewing Guild will be sponsoring a hands-on class for construction **the "new" Just Jennifer Jacket** on Oct. 18 from 10:00-3:00 at B-Sew Inn on I-240 and Penn.

Pattern, Class, and Fabric (you furnish sweat shirt) ASG member: \$50.00 Non members: \$55.00

Pattern: \$9.50 Fabric: \$22.00 Member Class: \$30.00 Non Member Class \$35.00

Bring sewing machine and usual sewing supplies. (scissors, pins, tape measure and etc.)

If you need sweat shirt to match fabric or need more information contact Rustyne Harris 570-5099 or Pat Fritze 366-8296

Come join the fun and see what a great group of sewing friends there are in ASG. ASG Membership is \$40 for the first year and \$35 each year after.



### OKC ASG Neck Tie Challenge

**Make any item out of at least 50% men's neck ties. To be judged at the December 8th 2008 Regular Meeting**

**Some ideas I found on the internet are:**

[http://www.hgtv.com/hgtv/ah\\_moneysaving\\_recycle/article/0,,HGTV\\_3131\\_2979828,00.html](http://www.hgtv.com/hgtv/ah_moneysaving_recycle/article/0,,HGTV_3131_2979828,00.html)

<http://www.craftbits.com/viewProject.do?projectID=888>

[http://www.sonyastyle.com/sections/Wear/Necktie\\_Purse](http://www.sonyastyle.com/sections/Wear/Necktie_Purse)

[http://familycrafts.about.com/od/craftyaccessories/ss/necktiepurse\\_7.htm](http://familycrafts.about.com/od/craftyaccessories/ss/necktiepurse_7.htm)

[http://www.masterstech-home.com/the\\_sewing\\_room/Sewing\\_Projects/NECKTIE\\_VEST\\_folder/NecktieVest.html](http://www.masterstech-home.com/the_sewing_room/Sewing_Projects/NECKTIE_VEST_folder/NecktieVest.html)

<http://www.craftster.org/forum/index.php?board=7;action=display;threadid=4773>



**(there are a million other ideas out there—what is yours?)**

## Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild 2009 Ballot

Election of officers for the Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild will be held at the Nov 10h 2008 meeting for the year 2009.

Bring this ballot to the Nov meeting or mail to:

Marilyn Marusa  
1544 Sawmill Road  
Edmond, OK 73034

Vote by checking the box or the following officers or write in a name.  
Positions are up for election:

- |  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> PRESIDENT: Rustyne Harris         | Write in name: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1ST VICE PRESIDENT: Kerry McNutt  | Write in name: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2ND VICE PRESIDENT: Georgie Melot | Write in name: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TREASURER: Kim Boyles             | Write in name: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SECRETARY: Dorothy Niles          | Write in name: _____ |

Print your name: \_\_\_\_\_ ASG Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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If you can download this newsletter and are also receiving a snail mail copy, please contact me and I will take you off the snail mail list.

To see if you can download the newsletter goto [www.okcasg.org](http://www.okcasg.org)—click on Newsletters—click on one of the newsletter buttons.

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.





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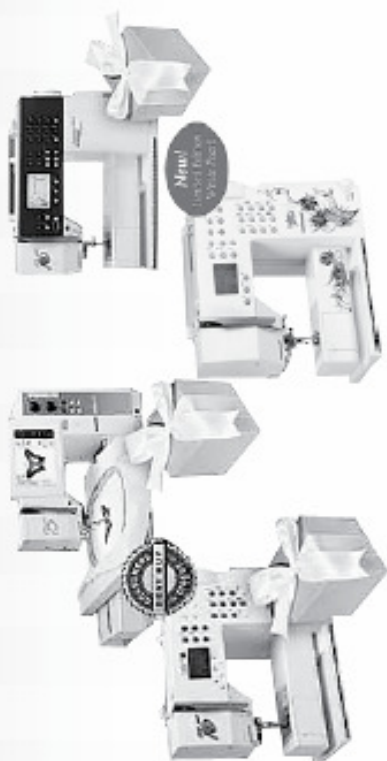
**B-Sew Inn**  
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center.com](http://www.dentonsewingcenter.com)  
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## Don't Forget Membership Renewal Notices

### Sept

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JANE BROWN  
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RUSTYNE HARRIS  
CAROLYN LANEY  
MARILYN MARUSA  
MARGARET SNODDERLY  
BARBARA YOUNG

### Oct

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### Nov

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SHERRY L JOHNSON  
VANESSA KING  
DONNA PITTS  
ELEANOR TODD FULLER  
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If you received your renewal notice in the mail and have not yet sent it in, please don't forget to do so right away or renew online so that you will not miss out on any membership benefits!!

**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.



Our own local 2nd Vice President Georgie Melot traveled recently to film a series of "Sewing with Nancy" shows recently. She is promoting her new book: "Ready Set Serge" which will be available soon. I bet we can get autographed copies! Go Georgie!





## Happy Birthday

September 05 PATRICIA DARDEAU

September 26 ANNETTE MYERS

October 03 MARY TERESA RAGLAND

October 04 JANE BROWN

October 08 CAROLYN LANEY

October 10 MARINA STEPANOFF

October 16 LUELLA COURTNEY

October 20 LORRI SCROGGINS

October 24 ANNA LOU PLOTT

October 26 MARY ANN BLACKWELL

October 29 KERRY MCNUTT

November 05 DARLENE PORTER

November 10 IRENE MORGAN

November 12 DEBORAH PRICE

November 17 ANNA DENNY

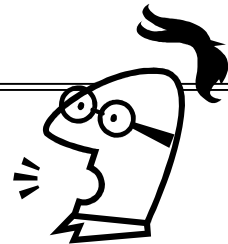
November 26 SUSAN MILLS

November 27 PAM CADAMY

November 28 MARTHA PATRICK

Have you heard the one about the wife who always buys fat quarters because her husband thinks they are free samples.

Have you heard the one about the husband who walked into his wife's sewing room and said  
"Gosh, I bet you have a hundred dollars worth of fabric in here!"



### Sharing Information with Our Members

## Members Only Area



- [Special Offers](#) - Special offers on sewing-related products, events, and services only for ASG members
- [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.
- [ASG Wallpaper](#) - Download the ASG logo in jpg format to use as wallpaper on your computer. Clicking the link will open the page with the graphic. Simply right click with your mouse, and choose "Save Picture As" to save it to your hard drive.
- [ASG By-Laws](#)

([www.asg.org](http://www.asg.org)). Enter "Members Only". Username: sewing Password: friends. Click on "Special Offers" for terrific discounts on sewing products and seminars, free downloads and free shipping, and even more from 33 "ASG Notions" advertisers. These Special Offers are available only to ASG members. The list of special offers will change to coincide with each issue of Notions. So be sure to visit this new "Special Offers" area early and often!




## 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!

American Sewing Guild CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP FORM	
Name _____	<input type="checkbox"/> New Chapter Member - \$40.00
Address _____	Chapter nearest you (City/State): _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal - \$35.00 (If received <b>before</b> expiration date)
Phone (____) _____ Date _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Late Renewal - \$40.00 (If received <b>after</b> expiration date)
E-mail _____	How did you hear about ASG?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Web <input type="checkbox"/> Magazine _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Check enclosed payable to: "American Sewing Guild"
	<input type="checkbox"/> Please bill my MasterCard / VISA (Circle one)
	Account Number _____ Expiration Date _____
	Signature _____



Return to:  
The American Sewing Guild  
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(Please allow 4-6 weeks for processing)

See over

**Our Fancy Patch Quilt Raffle** will be drawn March 31, 2009. We will show the quilt at retail stores and perhaps the State Fair. Prices for tickets - \$10.00 for 12 tickets; \$5.00 for 6 tickets; \$1.00 for 1 ticket.



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**AD DEADLINE FOR THE Dec/Feb ISSUE IS Nov 25th**

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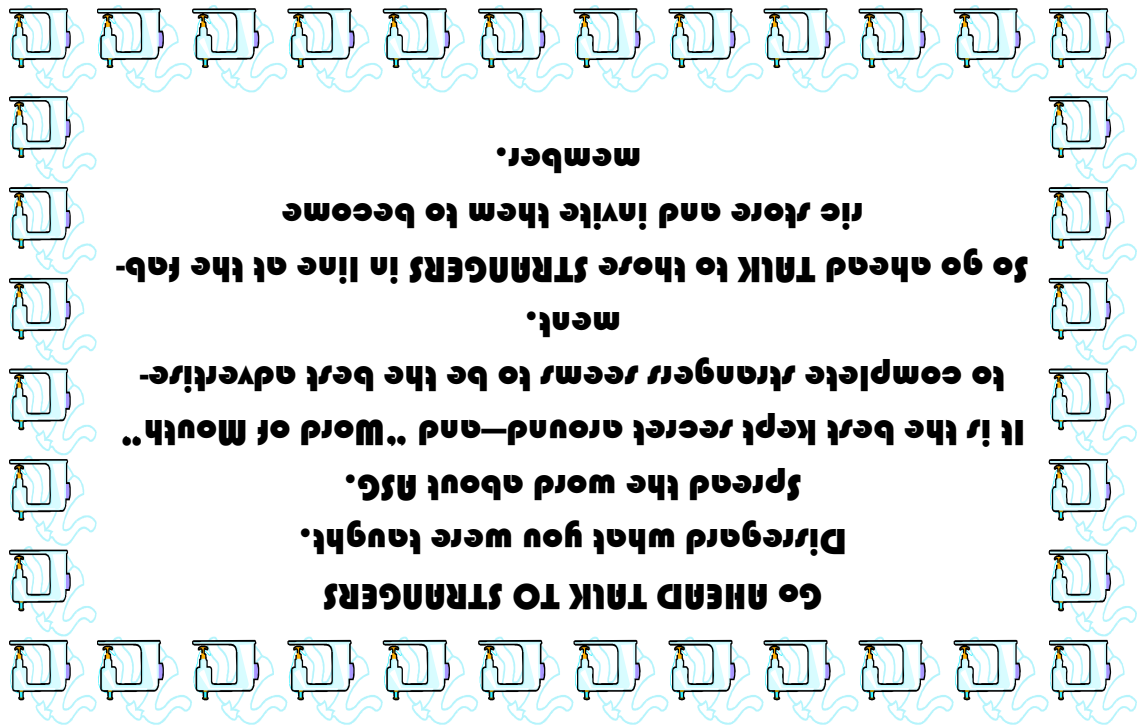
Oct 13th—OESD

Nov 10th—Phyllis Steelman and her presentation is titled "Photos to Fabric".

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