



The Sewing Notion

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

2019 Programs

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Regular Monthly meetings are the second Thursday of the month at 6:30pm
Will Roger's Exhibition Building
3400 NW 36th St, Oklahoma City, 73112

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August 1-4, 2019—ASG Conference Boston DoubleTree by Hilton Boston North Shore Danvers, MA

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August 10, 2019—Mini Retreat 9:00am—4:00pm at the Will Rogers Exhibition Building
for those that are interested, we will make a round storage bin in the afternoon-- fabric info will be provided later

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December 12, 2019—Holiday dinner

*Brown bag dinner meeting is where we each bring our own dinner and work on a sewing or craft project together. Time to visit and get to know other members.

If you know a friend who has a sewing interest, encourage them to join us. We have business size cards with our meeting location and time to share. It makes it easy to give out the information. Check with Jane Brown or pick some up at the next meeting when you sign in.

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2019 Sewing Retreat Committee members

Annette Myers

Tammy Eskew

Martha Sheriff

Welcome

Meeting Location

2nd Thursday of each month

6:30 pm

Will Rogers Exhibition Building

3400 NW 36th St, Oklahoma
City, 73112

Say Hello to our Newest Members!

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

Amy Garner

OKC Chapter Name Tags are available

Pin Backing: \$5.00

Magnet backing: \$7.00

Contact Carolyn Schulz

or

okcasg@gmail.com

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.com

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Have you visited the ASG website? At the
bottom of the page is a "members only" listing. You will
find a wealth of good information on this website.

www.asg.org

From the President

Happy Summer everyone,

We had a wonderful turnout at our May Sewing Retreat. The goody boxes were great - Thanks to Dorothy for the idea!!!. Annette found some fantastic door prizes and Tammy's feed bag tote bag was a hit-- I've made 5 more so far!!! The fabric sale and the silent auction were also a success with our members.--- looking forward to next year's retreat.

Meeting info:

July 11th, Claire Kennedy will be talking about Dior-- also, don't forget that the Dior Exhibit is at the Dallas Art Museum this summer.

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Sept 12th, Fabric swap challenge and work on heart bags

October 10th -- brown bag

November 14th, sew heart bags

December 12th, dinner

We have some openings in our committees-- if you would like to be a part of one, please let us know. We would love to have your input.

Hope everyone has a great 4th of July!!!

See you at the next meeting!!

Kim

Membership Renewal Notice

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 click on "Member Login". After logging in you should be on the "Members Only" page. Then click on the large button "Account Information". Select the "Renew Membership" tab. You can pay with a credit card or Paypal.

July

Barbara Carr
Tammy Lee Eskew
Kerry McNutt
Kristin Sawyer
Cheryl Svetgoff
Vaughncille Weidner
Paula Wolff

August

Jo Balding
Karen Harrison
Joan Kessler
Ruth Ann Leder
Gwen Peard
Lee Ann Stusnick
Frances Tate

September

Jane Brown
Rustyne Harris
Carolyn Humphrey
Carolyn Laney
Marilyn Marusa
Lynn Smith

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On the Internet go to <https://www.asg.org/>

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The ASG Conference is a once-a-year opportunity for members to meet and hear from the guild's leaders and experts.

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**August 1-4, 2019 ASG Conference Greater Boston Area
DoubleTree by Hilton Boston North Shore
Danvers, MA**



The ASG annual Conference is a once-a-year opportunity for sewing enthusiasts to gather to celebrate all things sewing, quilting and embroidery.

Shopping: The vendor-packed Exhibit Hall is full of both large and small sewing and quilting businesses selling fabric, notions, patterns, sewing furniture, machines, threads, projects, DVD's, books and more.

Education: The conference offers daily educational opportunities in the form of workshops, seminars and lectures. Classes are tailored to every sewing interest from couture sewing to stash management, from fitting and alterations to surface design and embellishment, from hand sewing to serger sewing, as well as every level of sewing skill.

Fellowship: Tours, get-togethers, lunches, the annual Fashion Show and more!

<https://www.asg.org/resources/conference/>

DID YOU KNOW??????????????

A screenshot of the Amazon Smile website. The top navigation bar includes the Amazon Smile logo, a search bar, and a dropdown menu. Below the navigation bar, there's a section for the supported charity, "American Sewing Guild National Headquarters". The location is listed as "Houston, TX". The mission statement is: "Organization Promotes Sewing In The Communities Through Guidance, Encouragement, Assistance And Instruction Via Conventions, Seminars, Craft Shows And Litterture." (Note the typo in "Litterture"). To the right, it shows the total amount generated by the user, which is "\$" as of December 29, 2018. Below that, it states "All charities have received \$105,515,619.04 as of October 2018". There are links for "Change", "About AmazonSmile", and "Your AmazonSmile impact".

You can support the American Sewing Guild through your purchases on amazon.com.

Setup your amazonsmile for the "American Sewing Guild Inc".



Neighborhood Groups

The Happy Sewers

The Happy Sewers neighborhood group meets the third Friday of each month in members homes at 10:00 am. Please call Jana Burgess at 405-652-9473 and leave a message for location and program information. Visitors are always welcome.

Southside Scissor Wizards

Southside Scissor Wizards neighborhood group meets the first Tuesday of each month. We normally meet at B Sew-Inn, SW 74th street and Pennsylvania Ave at 10:00 am. Please call 405-652-9473 and leave message for Jane Brown for any updates on location and program. Visitors are always welcome. FYI after our group meeting is over you can use B Sew-Inn's sewing room for the remainder of the day unless they have a special event planned.

May: Zipper pouch from a place mat

June: Non-slip sewing machine foot pedal pad

July: Passenger Seat Belt Pillow



Have you ever asked yourself why join a neighborhood group?

Who doesn't want to talk about their sewing obsession, share their latest projects. If your non-sewing friends get a glazed look in their eyes when you talk about your latest fabric score or your embroidery triumph, then you need to find a sewing group. Here are just a few more ideas why you should join one.

- A. A place to develop skills. Many are based on the premise of continuous learning new monthly projects to work on and include the tradition of "show and tell" so much fun to see how each member's creativity and personality showed up in the last month's project. All members are happy to help if someone would like assistance with a particular technique.
- B. Giving Back. If you are interested in helping in your community many sewing groups or individual members are involved in making thing for charity organizations, great place to learn what's needed in your community.
- C. Learn about new resources. Members love to share where to find out about new resources for fabrics, craft supplies and patterns, whether it's an undiscovered fabric store to a new pattern or online sites.
- D. Get feedback or a critique. Want some constructive criticism of a sewing project? Sewing groups are great places to get the feedback you need. That's especially true when garment sewing, getting help and ideas for fit problems is priceless. Getting input from sewing friends can help save a project your ready to trash.
- E. Get suggestions for special fabrics or quilt fabric scraps. Your fellow sewing group members can help you brainstorm just what to do with a special fabric, fabric scraps or craft project leftovers you have been treasuring for ages. We love to share our ideas and you'll go home with dozen new ideas to use.
- F. Fun. Communicating with like-minded fanatics to discuss all things sewing, embroidery, and crafting. Neighborhood groups are a warm and happy place to stretching yourself with new challenges. I always leave a meeting with renewed energy, there's always something to learn when it comes to all things sewing.

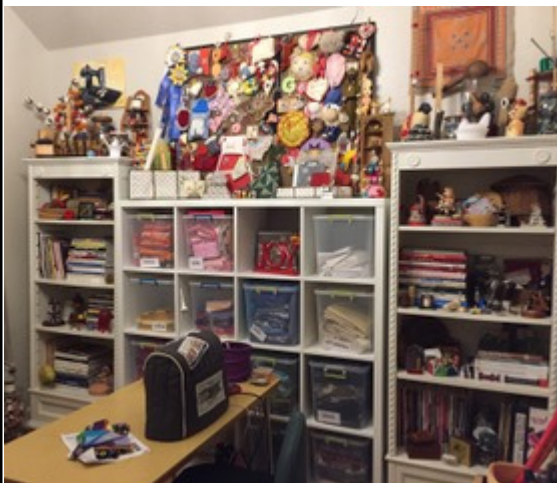
Spotlight on Georgann Giudice

I have only been a member of the OKC-ASG for a short time and was encouraged to join by my quilting buddy Karen Harrison. It's a good group here in OKC, very friendly, creative and productive. I look forward to getting to know each of you better as I get more involved.



When I was a young girl my mother would give me a needle and thread, scissors and scraps of fabric and I have been sewing in some form or fashion ever since. I started with doll clothes, moved to clothing, decorative items and quilting. My first personal clothing item was a gathered skirt made by hand in Brownie Scouts. We learned the running stitch, the blind hem stitch, the back stitch, how to make a French seam, sew on a button, make a button hole and install a zipper. No small accomplishment for eight year olds. I was extremely proud and wore it often. The most complicated clothing item, I have tackled, was probably the pair of dress

pants I made for my oldest son, when he was about five. Installing the zipper was no joke! No more making men's dress pants. Once and done!



The part I like best about any kind of sewing is the creative aspect. I doubt I have ever followed, to the letter any pattern, from clothing to quilting. If I make a mistake, I try to come up with a way to incorporate it. Ripping only when necessary. And while mending/altering is at the bottom of my list of interests it often stimulates creativity.

As many of you know, my husband and I are retired from active duty, Salvation Army officers, which means we are ordained ministers in The Salvation Army, a protestant church. Although retired, my husband and I are still actively involved in the ministry and appreciate very much

the items OKC-ASG has given to the ministry to women at TSA Center of Hope here in OKC.

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Would you like to be a part of "OKCASG Spotlight"?

Email Kim Benson <kimcaptjack@gmail.com>

or Marilyn Marusa <marilynmarusa@cox.net> for more information.

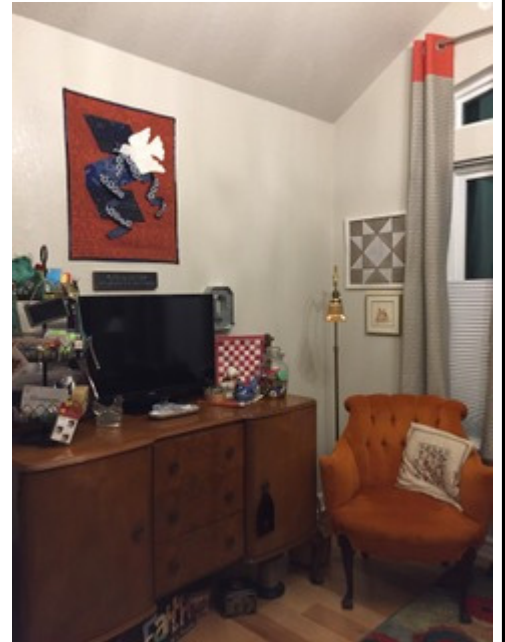
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While active we served in many places, primarily in the central and western parts of the US, from as far east as Detroit, MI and as far west as Honolulu, HI and finding groups of sewers/quilters was one of the ways I quickly found friends in my new temporary community. Sometimes I found them by taking adult education or adult recreation classes or by joining a guild.

Gathering with women and men, but mostly women with common creative interest....it's good for the psyche. Gathering with the OKC-ASG members brings pleasure and creative stimulus to my life and I greatly appreciate it. But since my life is busy, I don't get a lot done. I will never be called prolific. I have stitched, formed friendships, laughed, shared secrets, eased burdens and learned lessons. For this I can be grateful.

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another." 1 Peter 4: 10

Georgann Giudice

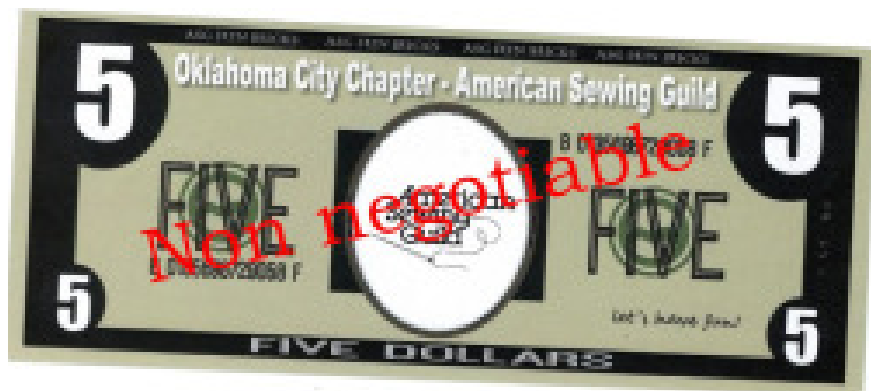


Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild Bucks

Members can earn \$5 ASG bucks:

- as a new member
- bringing in a new member
- submitting/presenting a brown bag project (\$10 for individual or \$20 a team)
- winning Fabric swap challenge \$20 for 1st, \$10 for 2nd

HOW TO SPEND ASG BUCKS: Retreat, Buy a name badge, at Fabric Swap or towards membership renewal MAXIMUM AMOUNT TO EARN OR SPEND IN ONE YEAR IS \$45



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The Stitching Post Inc.***

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316 N Broadway Moore
<http://www.sewbargain.com/>

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Stillwater Store:
217 S Perkins
405-707-0700
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405-942-2700
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Prairie Quilt

101 S. Main Street
Hennessey, OK 73742
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www.quiltnow.com/
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9323 N Pennsylvania Ave
Oklahoma City, OK
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Fabrics Unlimited

2229 NW 138th St C
Oklahoma City, OK
(405) 755-2664

Keepsake Fabric & Quilts

2990 SE 19th St Suite 10
Moore, OK 73160
(405) 822-0039

Bernina of OKC***

6817 N May Ave
<http://www.berninaokc.com/>

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8345 N Rockwell Ave, OKC
5327 E 41st St, Tulsa, OK
3449 W Main St, Norman, OK
10131 E 71st St, Tulsa, OK
519 N Main St, Stillwater

Nancy's Notions***

www.nancysnotions.com

OKC Fabric Market

Hopefully opening May 1, 2019
10956 N. May Ave
Oklahoma City, OK
405-531-0546

Beth's Quilting Quarters & Fabric Shoppe

114 N Main St, Blanchard, OK
(405) 485-3880

Savage Quilter

6903 N May Ave,
Oklahoma City, OK
(405) 840-1466

Sooner Quilts

7821 S Sooner Rd
Guthrie, OK 73044
(405) 282-2070

Threads of Tradition

928 W Main St
Yukon, Oklahoma
(405) 693-2500
<http://threads-of-tradition.com/>

Trumans Fabric and Foam LLC

10808 S Portland Ave
Oklahoma City, OK

Thompson's Creations

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Oklahoma City, OK

B-Sew Inn***

Southern Hills Shopping
Center
I-240 and Penn
1624 Southwest 74th
<http://www.bsewinn.com/>

Vu's Fabrics

340 S Kelly Ave
Edmond, OK
(405) 330-9050

The Okies Fabric Stash LLC

1315B Gateway Plaza
Midwest City, OK 73110
(405) 455-5084

Lady Bird Fabrics

16508 N Pennsylvania Ave.
Edmond, OK
(405) 562-3409

I keep finding fabric/sewing stores I have missed including in this list. Contact me if you have any you would like included. Marilyn Marusa

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2019 Annual Retreat



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Prices are costs per issue. A camera-ready ad is preferred. The Sewing Notion welcomes sewing related ads but reserves the right to refuse any ad for any reason. For current deadline, please email Newsletter Editor:

marilynmarusa@cox.net

Claire Kennedy is presenting our July 11th meeting on Christian Dior!

Don't miss this exhibit
Dior: From Paris to the World
Dallas Museum of Art
May 19, 2019 to September 1, 2019

Gallery Talk: Dior's New Look
Wednesday, June 5, 12:15 p.m.

When Christian Dior unveiled his New Look in 1947, he introduced his own unique vision of femininity for the postwar era. Join Annette Becker, Director of the Texas Fashion Collection, for a talk about what defined Dior's New Look and his "top to toe" approach to design.

Late Night Talk: Dior and His Decorators: Victor Grandpierre, Georges Geffroy, and the New Look
Friday, July 19, 7:00 p.m.

Author Maureen Footer will speak about her book *Dior and His Decorators*, which examines the work of Victor Grandpierre and Georges Geffroy, the designers behind Dior's first couture house. With a trove of evocative vintage photographs, Footer will discuss the part these designers played in launching the Dior brand by creating the backdrop for his New Look.

Late Night Film: Dior and I
Friday, July 19, 9:00 p.m.

Frédéric Tcheng's 2015 documentary *Dior and I* provides an exclusive look inside the Dior atelier as new artistic director Raf Simons designs his first haute couture collection.

<https://www.dma.org/art/exhibitions/dior>



Membership Benefits

Sewing Classes and Special Events

Whether you're new to sewing, returning to sewing, looking to advance your sewing skills or just want to participate in on virtual group meetings, you will find ASG's free online sewing classes and programs a major benefit of membership.

Discounts

Many local retailers offer discounts to ASG members. Be sure to ask when you shop, "Do you offer an ASG discount?"

In addition, almost half of the advertisers in Notions, our quarterly publication, also regularly offer discounts on their sewing products, publications and events, free shipping, and lots more. Those Special Offers are listed and updated every quarter on the password-protected Members Only section of this Web site. Join now to receive your password, and take advantage of the great benefits of membership in the ASG!

Chapter Meetings

Think of a chapter as a community of people who are excited about sewing. All kinds of people! Some with advanced or professional sewing skills, some novices at the beginner level, and the majority who fall somewhere between those two levels. They want to learn new skills, they want sewing friends to share their successes and challenges, and they want to belong to a group that will support their adventures in sewing.

Chapters come in all sizes - larger chapters often sponsor quarterly chapter-wide special events that may feature local or national speakers, member fashion shows, or specialty workshops. Some chapters also sponsor many smaller neighborhood or special interest groups within the larger structure which meet more frequently (usually monthly). Smaller chapters may meet on a monthly basis as one group. Often, these local Neighborhood Groups provide opportunities for sharing ideas and "hands-on" sewing experiences in a smaller, more social atmosphere. Find a chapter in your area.

Conference

ASG members pay a special member's price for conference registration where attendees participate in workshops and seminars taught by nationally recognized professionals. Members may also shop the Exhibit Hall, enjoy special events and attend optional workshops and tours. Visit our Conference page for more information.

ASG Chapters publish a newsletter 4-6 times a year that communicates local Chapter events, neighborhood group locations and activities, lists of discounts with retailers and features special interest articles.

Notions

Members receive regular ASG Notions emails with news, articles and more. In addition, most ASG Chapters publish a regular newsletter that communicates local Chapter events, neighborhood group locations and activities, lists of discounts with retailers and features special interest articles.

ASG MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Daytime phone number _____

E-mail _____

How did you hear about ASG? _____

Return to: American Sewing Guild

9660 Hillcroft, Suite 510, Houston, TX 77096

☐ New Member \$50

☐ Junior Member (New and Renewal)
to age 17, or age 22 with student ID \$25

Chapter Oklahoma City

☐ ASG Member at Large \$50

☐ Renewal Member \$45
(if received before membership expiration date)

☐ Late Renewal \$50

Chapter Oklahoma City

Payment

☐ Check payable to "American Sewing Guild"

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OKCASG in Social Media

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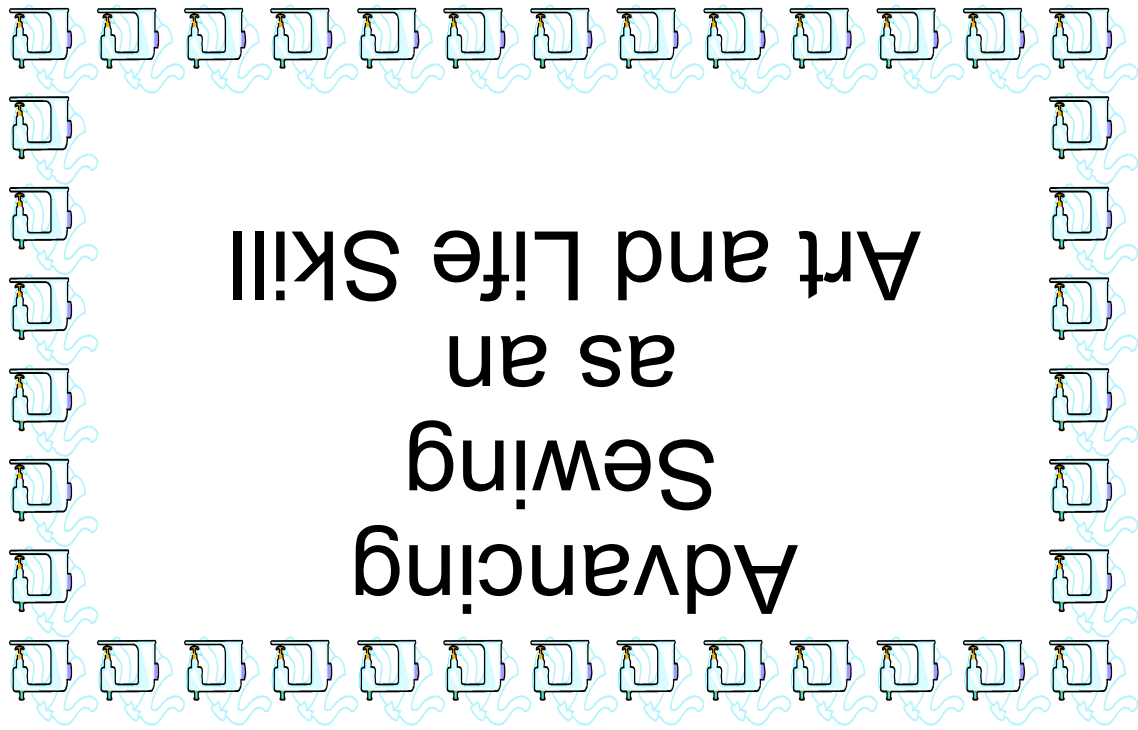


**1624 W I-240 Service Rd, Southern Hills Shopping Cntr
Oklahoma City, 405-680-9100, www.bsewin.com**

Membership Information

Currently, we have 91 members in our chapter.

That number changes as memberships are renewed on an annual basis throughout the calendar year. We love visitors to check out our meetings, however, we must limit the number of times a visitor can attend before they join. The first meeting is free to attend, but after the 2nd, we ask that you join our chapter. Dues are \$50.00 for the first year, and \$45 for renewals. Your dues can be quickly re-couped if you take advantage of all the savings and discounts posted on the national ASG website, as well as the % off many retailers.



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