

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

2025 Programs

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#### For each "Meeting" - see Andrea's Challenge on the page 4!

April 10, 2025 (Thursday) - 6:30pm- At Will Rogers Exhibition Hall. Andrea will present how to use the asg.org website.

April 12, 2025 (Saturday) - 9:00am-5:00pm- At Will Rogers Exhibition Hall. Sew Day and CAB meeting at 9:00am.

May 8, 2025 (Thursday) - 6:30pm– Location to be announced. Helen De Roo as speaker on zoom.

June 12, 2025 (Thursday) - 6:30pm - At Will Rogers Exhibition Hall. Debbie Hadlock Heck "Custom Quilt Jackets"

June 28, 2025 (Saturday) - 9:00am-5:00pm- At Will Rogers Exhibition Hall. Sew Day and CAB meeting at 9:00am.

July 10, 2025 (Thursday) - 6:30pm - At Will Rogers Exhibition Hall. Our speaker will be Martha Coates on Corset Making

July 18 & 19, 2025 COQG Quilt Show we have a booth at the show!

August 14, 2025 (Thursday) - 6:30pm - At Will Rogers Exhibition Hall. Back to school—Skills Roundup!

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

When you bring stuff for the "free" table, at a regular meeting or a mini retreat, please remove all items that you brought at the end of the event. Each person is responsible for their stuff they have brought. Any items that are thrown away must be put in the dumpster at the west end of the parking lot, not put in the trash cans inside the building.

#### **Chapter Advisory Board**

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# 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 Thiessen Mary Barrett Joquita Butler

OKC Chapter Name Tags are available Magnet backing: \$8.00 Contact Carolyn Schulz : (405) 706-4670 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.

https://okcasg.org

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. <u>https://asg.org/</u>

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 Membership Chair or pick some up at the next meeting when you sign in.

#### From the President

Hi Friends,

It seems that 2025 is off to a crazy start, with the weather impacting our meetings at the beginning of the year. Hopefully, everyone was able to take advantage of those cold days to stay indoors and create some beautiful items.



We have received a fantastic response to our heart bag kits. I haven't gotten an exact count yet, but many completed kits were returned at the March meeting, and many more have been

checked out. It would be amazing if we could reach our goal early this year and get a head start on next year. Keep up the good work; it is very much appreciated!

Many exciting things are happening in the upcoming quarter. The Annual Retreat is scheduled for May 2-4 at Canyon Camp in Hinton, and our Retreat Committee is tirelessly working on the final details to ensure a fun and memorable event. Don't forget to submit your application, as space is limited.

It was wonderful to have the Central Oklahoma Quilt Guild as our guest at the March meeting. They shared information about their upcoming show on July 18 and 19, 2025, which will take place from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM at the Oklahoma State Fairgrounds in the Centennial Building.

What makes this even more exciting is that they have invited us to have a booth at their event. Participating in events is a great way for the community to learn about us. I became a member of ASG after visiting a booth at the Quilt Expo! We will need volunteers to help man our booth, and sign-up sheets will be available soon to coordinate our schedules.

At the March meeting, Tammy Eskew showcased her Crazy Quilt Creation and challenged us all to create our own Crazy Quilt-styled projects. Kits were distributed, and in September, we will all present our creations.

It is exciting to be part of a talented and creative community of sewists and friends. I am eager to see what opportunities and projects the remainder of the year will present.

Andrea

## Andrea's 2025 Monthly Challenge

Please interpret the theme as you wish. There is also a theme color every month if you choose to use that in conjunction with or in place of the theme.

**January:** New Year, Fresh Starts. Start a brand New project Color: White

**February:** Love Me Hearts and Love Color: Pink

**March:** Stick with the old and Try something New Sew with a fabric type you don't often use Color: Your Choice

**April:** Spring is here Something springy or floral Color: Green

**May:** May the Force be with you Light or Dark, your choice or a little of both Color Suggestions: White or Black

**June:** A June Wedding Make something from an old Bridesmaid Dress or Fabric or something you could wear to a wedding Color: White or Blue

**July:** Baby You're a Firework Sparkling or Fourth of July themed Colors: Red, White or Blue

**August:** It's getting Hot in Here Something cool for the warm weather Color Suggestions: Yellow

**September:** Sustainable September Recycle, Recreate, or, Sew something with fabric you didn't buy.

**October:** Something Spooky Color: Orange

**November:** Give Thanks Anything Thanksgiving or Fall Themed Autumn Colors

**December:** Baby it's cold outside Create something Warm Color: Red or Green We are sad to report that our member, Aaron Deal, passed away in January.

Aaron Eugene Deal, age 58, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, passed away on January 18, 2025. He was born on February 17, 1966, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, to James "Jim" Eugene Deal and Martha Kay Deal.

Aaron graduated from Western Heights High School in 1984 and spent his life living in both Texas and Oklahoma. He had a deep love for the outdoors, enjoying activities such as fishing and hunting. Aaron also had a passion for canning, cooking, baking, and cake decorating, which he pursued with great enthusiasm. His creative spirit extended to quilting, where he was an active and talented member of the American Sewing Guild. His love for crafting was surpassed only by his generous and loving nature. Aaron was a devoted member of Mosaic United Methodist Church in Oklahoma City, where he found a strong sense of community and fellowship. He was preceded in death by his father, James "Jim" Eugene Deal.

Aaron is survived by his loving mother, Martha Kay Deal of Oklahoma City; his brother, Richard Allen Deal and wife LaDale of Kingston, Oklahoma; as well as many uncles, aunts, cousins, and dear friends who will cherish his memory. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Southern Hills Outreach Foundation, an organization close to Aaron's heart. Click Here To Donate A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, January 23, 2025, at Southern Hills United Methodist Church, located at 8200 S Pennsylvania Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73159.

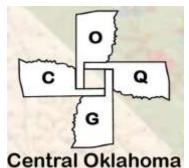
Aaron's warmth, kindness, and creativity will be greatly missed by all who knew him. May his spirit continue to inspire those who loved him.



Central Oklahoma Quilt Guild 2025 Quilt Show Admission \$12.00 July 18 & 19, 2025 = Friday & Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Oklahoma State Fair - Centennial Building 609 Kiamichi Pl, Oklahoma City, OK 73107

COQG has offered OKCASG a complimentary booth at their quilt show in July!

We will schedule people to be at the booth in approximately 2 hours increments and talk about the American Sewing Guild. We will have some kind of give away or raffle to attract visitors to our booth.



**Quilters Guild** Sening Friends Together: Sewing Friends Together! 60 pears SLICOL Sewing Sering riends Together! Friends Together! Guild The Guild provides up-to-date 14 10 sewing information and friendly support system for sewers at all levels of experience. Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Don't forget your "Irene's Challenge" project donated by her daughter, Tammy Eskew. Irene was an amazing tatter and crazy quilt maker and long time ASG member.

Bring your creation back to the September 11, 2025 meeting. I can't wait to see what everyone comes up with.



Inspiration: One of Irene's projects.



## OKCASG ROCKS!!!!

#### Salvation Army Women's Center—Georgann Giudice

If you did not get a chance to donate items and are still interested contact Georgann Giudice (405) 996-7945 majorg16@yahoo.com Sample size/travel size/full size: Shampoo/Conditioner Hand Cream **Body Lotion** Deodorant Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Floss Makeup, Lipstick, chapstick Perfume **Feminine Hygiene Products** Clothing - New or Used in good condition Hats Scarves/Mittens/Gloves Shoes, Boots Coats Sweaters Pants Socks Large Tote bags/ cosmetic bags or any kind of bag for the clients to store or carry their things in. **DVD** Movies Heart Bag Report—Kelli Howery

Hi All.

We are off to a strong start on our heart bag goals.

I was traveling and missed the March meeting, so I don't have an updated count for everyone just yet. As a reminder our goal is 225 bags by the end of this year.

Ways you can help meet our goals: Take a kit - make the bags in the kit Make a bag using fabric from your stash Make a bag using fabric from our stash Make a bag using fabric We appreciate your help, in the way you want to contribute. If you need fabric, a pattern, a kit, inspiration, please let me know. I'm happy to make arrangements for delivery or pick up of fabric, kits or bags. Cheers, Kelli / 405-761-0220

We are looking forward to our annual retreat in 2025! Planning is underway and we will keep you posted on the dates, cost and more.

Sew your best! Michaelene and Karen F.



Selling my Bernina 165 Sewing and Embroidery Machine for \$300. Machine works great and has been well maintained. Needle threader is broken. Embroidery module is limited to embroidery cards and built in stitches. Comes with the case, foot control, extension table, embroidery module in bag, Instruction book for sewing and embroidery, 9 presser feet, 11 embroidery card collections, a bag of bobbins, and a Bernina 23" Lucite extension table. Great machine to take to retreats or as a back up. Kerry McNutt klgmcnutt@att.net 479-8798-1723



### Norman Area Quilt Guild May Class!!

CLASS: SCRAPPY COOL CURVES Pattern with Beverly Martine When: May 19th Where: McFarlin UMC, Norman Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm Price: \$50

> CONTACT: Kelli Howery 405-761-0220 kellihowery@gmail.com







# You're Invited to Southeast Sewcial Escape 2025

## What is Southeast Sewcial Escape?

Southeast Sewcial Escape was created in response to the halt of national ASG conferences due to rising costs in travel and hospitality. But ASG members still crave opportunities to gather with other members from around the country in a learning and social environment. So a group of ASG members from three chapters (Atlanta, Nashville, Upstate SC) banded together to develop a plan to meet this need.

We believe Southeast Sewcial Escape is the answer. <u>Click here to register.</u>

This is a regional conference that targets ASG chapters from Southeastern states in a central location, but all are welcome. The event will be held September 19-21 at the lovely Embassy Suites, in Chattanooga TN. Classes will be offered in a track/intensive format, led by 4 nationally recognized teachers. Attendees must bring a sewing machine for your use. Here are the 4 weekend track choices:

Embellishment and Jackets with Nick Coman Embellished Couture Skirt with Helen Haughey Upcycling with Catherine Hay Bodice Fitting with Jen Stern-Hasemann Our dream is that this will not be the last Southeast Sewcial Escape and to inspire other regions to host regional conferences in their own areas as well.

Visit our website to learn more about the conference, the tracks, and to register: <a href="https://southeastsewcialescape.org/">https://southeastsewcialescape.org/</a>

# **Hope Pregnancy Center**

#### **Boutique Needed Items**

Books for babies/toddlers	Gender neutral onesies for our positive bags	
Boys 6-month – 12-month clothes	Boys outfits with long pants 0-12 month	
Diapers	Wipes	
New baby bottles	Receiving blankets	
Hooded bath towels	Bath soap/lotion sets	
0-24 month age-appropriate toys	Bathtub insert for bathing infants	

#### Gift basket items for our Empowered Parenting Clients

(Each month we have a door prize drawing for our EP clients--both male and female)

#### **Practical Items**

Gift cards

Baby Care Items

Personal care items for Mom and Dad

#### **Fun Items**

Fuzzy Socks

Tools/Chargers

Games for the family

#### **Older Sibling Dinner Activity Kit**

(Older siblings often come to our Parents Empowered dinner)

Activity kit with crayons and fun worksheets

Puzzles

Games















































Congratulations Judy Dry!—winner of our Fabric Gift Challenge





















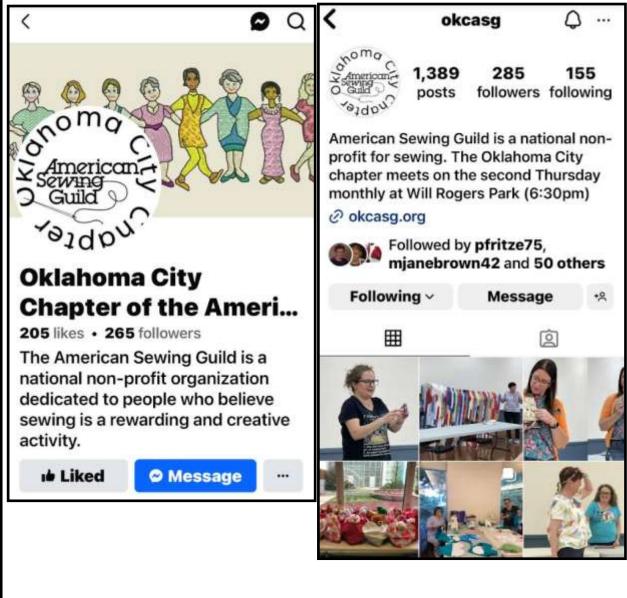




# Social Media—Marilyn Marusa

**Everyone, share...share...share and be sure and Like and Follow our pages.** -Marilyn

Facebook: <u>https://www.facebook.com/okcasg</u> Instagram: <u>https://www.instagram.com/okcasg/</u>



To tag our OKCASG on your post, add the @okcasg

## HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT TO BUY OR SELL??

Try our classified ads. They are a real bargain! See the rates listed below. Just compose your ad and get it to the Newsletter Editor by the deadline.

#### Advertising Rates per year with 4 quarterly newsletters

Business Card (3 1/2" x 2") \$15.00 Quarter Page (3 1/2" x 5") \$25.00 Half Page (3 1/2" x 10") \$35.00 Half Page (7 1/2" x 5") \$35.00 Full Page (71/2" x 10") \$50.00

#### Classified Ads:

Members \$2.00 + .10/word

Non-Members \$5.00 + .10/word

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@gmail.com

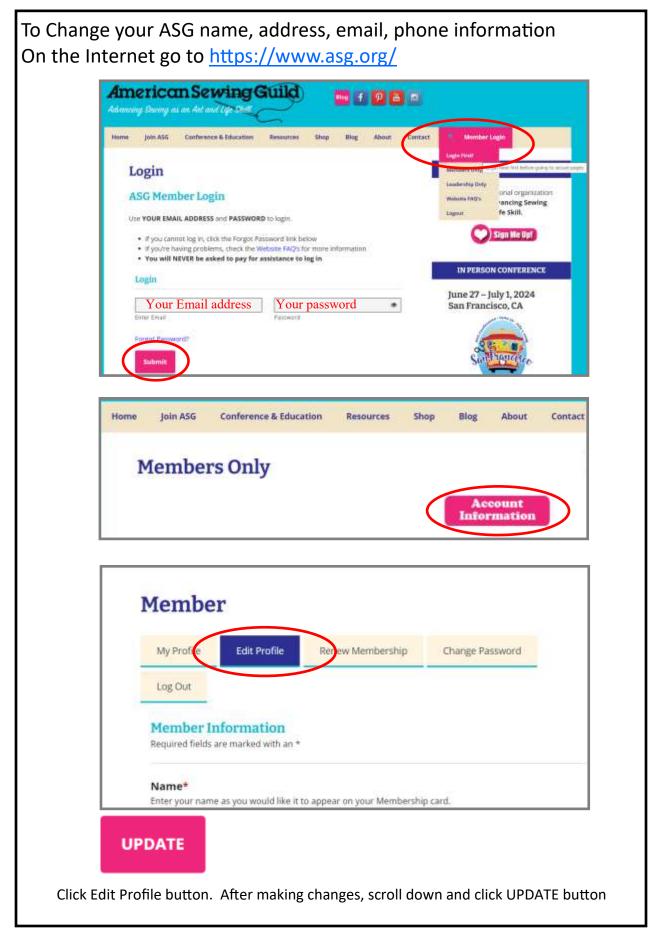
## Membership Renewal Notice

To renew your membership, Click on this link and follow the steps to renew on-line or print a form to mail in.

https://www.asg.org/join-asg/

(AR) = auto-renewal—make sure your method of payment is still good

<b>March</b> Judy Dry	<b>April</b> Dana Beach Carmen Burger Amy Garner Jonathan Guilliams Jo Ann Hale Julie Nichols Dorothy Niles Carolyn Schulz VaughnCille Weidner	<b>May</b> Bonnie Bamberg Ellen Bennett Nancy Kendrick Wilma Mathiews	<b>June</b> Linda Linn Carmen Morales





## **Neighborhood Groups**

#### **Scissor Wizards**

Scissor Wizards neighborhood group meets the second Tuesday of each month. 10:00am-4:00pm. We are now meeting at Beth's Quilting Quarters 114 N Main Blanchard, OK 73010. FYI after our group meeting is over you can use the sewing room for the remainder of the day unless they have a special event planned. Please call (405) 229-6612 (Lynn Smith) for any updates on location and program.



#### **Fashion Sewers**

With a concentration of sewing garments, we have a new group! We work on our own clothing projects, help each other with fitting and solve garment sewing problems.

We are meeting on the 3rd Saturday of each month at Hilltop Assembly of God, 419 SE 47th, 73129 As we are still acquiring equipment, bring a power strip, electric cord, and any chair cushions you may need.

Also, the cost of the church is 5 non perishable food items OR 5 household items, ie toilet paper, laundry soap, hygiene items. This supports our monthly food pantry.

Next meeting is April 19th! Contact okcasg@gmail.com for any updates.



#### **Sewing Happy Hour**

No Alcohol is to be served at sewing happy hour Meeting the 4th Thursday of the Month at 6:30 PM. (a little different for Nov and Dec because of holidays-see calendar on 1st page) The meeting place is Trove Arts and Crafts Store Members should receive a reminder before the meeting. Erica and Andrea

Feeling stressed after a long day at work? Come to happy hour... Sewing Happy Hour!! Socialize with friends while making a fun and easy project! We host a make &

take project class on the fourth Thursday evening of each month at a local library. Members take turns choosing and leading the class. Everyone is welcome to attend, please let Erica know if you are interested in leading a project. Date, time, location, and project details will be posted on the ASG Facebook page and emailed to all members. Snacks and treats are allowed, but please no alcohol. Thanks, Erica RagsReborn



#### 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.

## Local Retailers

The Stitching Post Inc. 5928 NW 16th St OKC, OK (405) 495-4699 http://www.sewbargain.com/	Bernina of OKC 6817 N May Ave (405) 840-8911 http://www.berninaokc.com/	Threads of Tradition 928 W Main St Yukon, Oklahoma (405) 693-2500 http://threads-of-tradition.com/
Sew N Sews 217 S Perkins Stillwater, OK 405-707-0700 5127 N Portland OKC, OK 405-942-2700 http://www.sewnsewsokc.com/	World Weidner Creative Center Should have a soft opening April 7th. May 3rd Grand Opening 6925 NW Expressway OKC	Truman's Fabric and Foam LLC 10808 S Portland Ave, OKC, OK (405) 692-0020
Prairie Quilt 101 S. Main Street Hennessey, OK 73742 405-853-6801 www.quiltnow.com/ www.prairiequilt.com/	OKC Fabric Market 10956 N. May Ave Oklahoma City, OK (405) 578-4100 https://okcfabricmarket.com/	<b>B-Sew Inn</b> 6926 Northwest Expy Oklahoma City, OK 73132 <u>http://www.bsewinn.com/</u>
<b>Oklahoma Quiltworks</b> 9323 N Pennsylvania Ave Oklahoma City, OK (405) 842-4778	<b>Beth's Quilting Quarters &amp; Fabric Shoppe</b> 114 N Main St, Blanchard, OK (405) 485-3880	Vu's Fabrics 340 S Kelly Ave Edmond, OK (405) 330-9050
Nancy's Notions www.nancysnotions.com		The Okies Fabric Stash LLC 1315B Gateway Plaza Midwest City, OK 73110 (405) 455-5084
Keepsake Fabric & Quilts 2990 SE 19th St Suite 10 Moore, OK 73160 (405) 378-2710	Sooner Quilts 7821 S Sooner Rd Guthrie, OK 73044 (405) 282-2070	
Sewciety Quilt Co. 111 24th Ave NW Ste. 110 Norman, OK 73069 (572) 522-3676	Sew Sweet Quilt Company 25788 190th Street Purcell, OK 405-764-4457	
Bush Family Affair Quilts by Gail 401 W Chickasha Ave Suite # 202, Chickasha, OK 73018 (in the Petroleum Building) (405) 224-2280	Andi's Quilt Co. 16524 N Pennsylvania Ave Edmond, OK (405) 562-3134 https://andisquiltco.com/	Thompson's Creations 3620 NW 58th St Oklahoma City, OK (405) 917-5665

#### 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 passwordprotected 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.

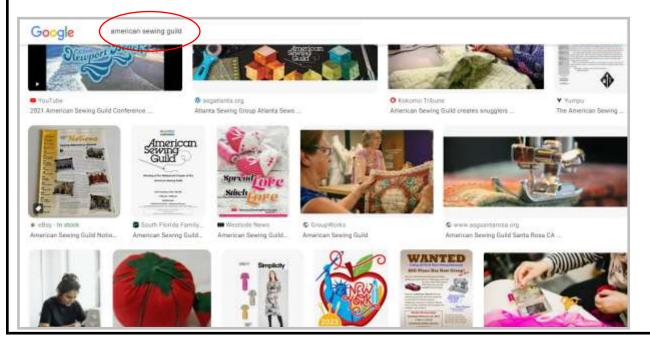
ASG Chapters publish a newsletter 4-6 times a year that communicates local Chapter events, neighborhood group locations and activities, lists of discounts with retailers and features special interest articles.

#### 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		<ul> <li>New Member</li></ul>
Address		ASG Member at Large\$60
City	State Zip	Renewal Member
Daytime phone number_		Late Renewal
E-mail		Payment
How did you hear about /	ASG?	Check payable to "American Sewing Guild" MasterCard   Visa   AmEx   Discover
<b>Return to:</b> American Sewing Guild 9660 Hillcroft, Suite 510, Houston, TX 77096		Account#:CVV# Expiration Date:CVV# Signature:

Try searching for "American Sewing Guild" on-line. You will find Sew much information from all over the USA. We are a wonderful, giving organization.

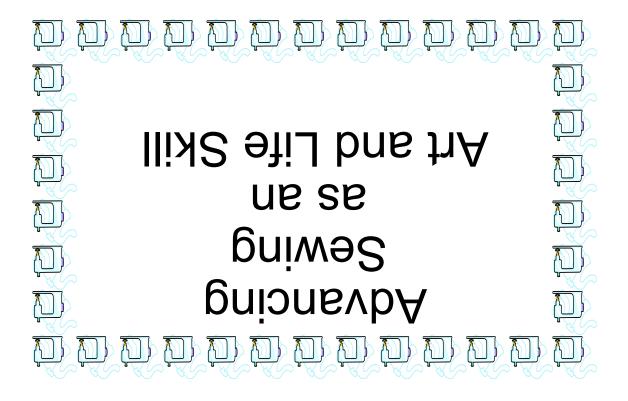




## Membership Information

Currently, we have 82 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 \$60.00 for the first year, and \$55 for renewals. Your dues can be quickly recouped if you take advantage of all the savings and discounts posted on the national ASG website, as well as the 10% off many retailers.



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