



The Sewing Notion

<http://okcasg.com/>

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

2020 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

July 9, 2020—Scissor Wizards 'Lined Washable Tote' Project (Kits are furnished):

Supplies needed:

Sewing Machine

Basic Sewing Supplies, clips if you like to use

At Machine Ironing Station (if you have)

6" square ruler, can be larger

White, light grey and a darker grey sewing thread

(fabric is not the same in all kits)

Aug 13, 2020—*brown bag-- cut out heart bags

Aug 15, 2020—mini retreat 9 am- 4 pm

Sept 10, 2020—Fabric Swap Challenge

Sept 18-20—OKCASG Annual Retreat at Canyon Camp Hinton OK

Oct 8, 2020—*brown bag-- cut out heart bags if needed

Nov 12, 2020—elections/ sew service project

Dec 10, 2020—Annual Holiday dinner

June 17-19 2021—Quilt, Craft & Sewing Festival Oklahoma Expo Hall at the Fair-grounds

*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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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

No new members
so encourage each other!

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

Hello Fellow Members,
Hope everyone is doing well as we try to get back to the new normal. Our meetings are back on schedule with the next one on July 9-- it will be a brown bag with project-- Everyone who is attending needs to bring their sewing machine, scissors, red or white thread, etc. The Scissor wizards will present the project for the meeting. We will also have our first mini retreat on August 15 from 9 am-4pm. We will do the potluck lunch and have the fabric swap.. August 13th meeting, we will cut out heart bags.



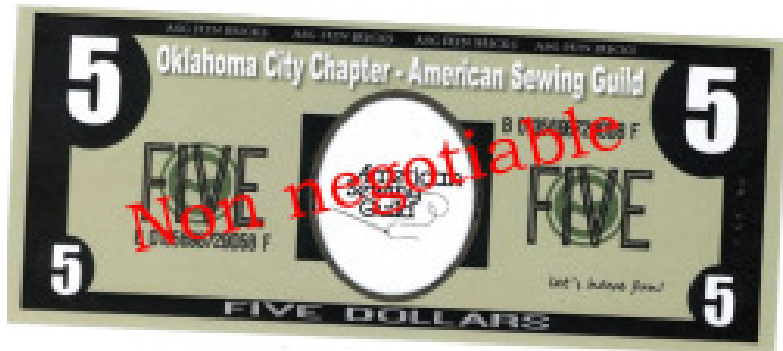
Our sewing retreat is September 18-20. New forms need to be filled out at the meetings and the deadline for the sewing retreat is September 10th. We will also have a silent auction-- any donations will be appreciated.

See you in July,
Happy Sewing!
Kim

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.

NOTE: These bucks are a local perk. If you want to use your bucks to pay for anything on the ASG National web site, we can write you a check.

Ideas from ASG Springfield Lincolnland Sew Whats New “TOOL TIME” by Rene Gallaher

Need to pick up some aids on the cheap? Check out the dollar store.

Extra large zipper bags- keeps all your stuff together for your projects

Shelf gripper liner- to keep your foot pedal from skipping around

Lint roller- to pick up those tiny threads that collect on your sewing table, ironing board and quilt tops

Flannel backed tablecloth- toss it in hot dryer for 5 minutes then tape it to the wall for a design wall

Tacky palm working gloves- for free motion quilting

Paint or makeup brushes- to clean your sewing machine

Cuticle sticks or bamboo skewers or large BBQ sticks- as stiletto or place under buttons before you sew it to give it height

Flexible chopping board- subs for template plastic

First aid tape- it has some texture to it, place it on your rulers to keep them from slipping

Silicon sheets- use under your pressing surface when using interfacing

Super glue- you can apply a dab on the tip of your finger to act as a thimble when done just peel it off

Crochet hook- having trouble getting thread through a bobbin use a #13 steel crochet hook

Did You Know Harbor Freight has cheap sewing tools?

Mallets for leather, vinyl, and grommet work

Scissors

Great clamps

4-inch magnetic car parts holders. You can personalize it in whatever color you want

Metal magnetic strips to hold your tools

How do you keep track of all your sewing projects?

Keeping a sewing planner is a great way to keep track of the patterns you have sewn. The following is a list of apps for you to check out. (some of these may only be available on apple devices.)

Pattern Box

Along with keeping track of your patterns it lets you keep track of your fabric inventory, notions you have on hand and projects you are working on.

Cora-Sew Your Fabric Stash

Helps fabric lovers stay organized and sew their stashes, your fabric stash is always with you.

Stash Star

Lets you track all your creative projects from quilting to woodworking, sewing to ceramics.

Sew Organized

Organize your fabric. Search your fabric stash by name, fabric type, size and more. Maintain records of washing instructions on your fabric purchases. Organize your sewing patterns. Search your patterns by name, type and more. Track measurements for everyone you sew for. Create a sewing shopping list. Maintain a list of works in progress so you don't leave projects unfinished.

Isewme (all one word)

Provides creation of projects and associated people, fabric, patterns, stock, documents, and photos, creation of people and their measurements, addition of fabric, addition of patterns, accounting of stock and addition of notes.

How many thimbles do you have or collect? Here's some thimble trivia...

In the Parker Brothers board game Monopoly, first created in 1904, the thimble was one of the eight traditional metal pieces. However, in 2017 it was retired. Thimbles are given as gifts in "Peter Pan", who thinks they are kisses. In the 1992 movie "Batman Returns", Cat woman used thimbles to create the base of her claws. The popular TV show and comic strip "Popeye" was originally called "Thimble Theater Starring Popeye". The character "Elizabeth" in the video game "BioShock Infinite" uses a thimble to cover her severed finger. Video montages and series of clips are often called "Thimble collections". In the 2000 movie "Chicken Run", "Nick" and "Fetcher" attempted to sell a couple of thimbles to "Ginger" as a quality, hand crafted tea set.

A beautiful reason to keep a sewing journal. You're not necessarily keeping it just for yourself but also for those that follow you. Think of that one special item that you treasure that someone made for you. Wouldn't you love to hear the story of this item? Tell your stories in your sewing journal!

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

American Sewing Guild National Headquarters

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Location: Houston, TX

Mission: Organization Promotes Sewing In The Communities Through Guidance, Encouragement, Assistance And Instruction Via Conventions, Seminars, Craft Shows And Literature.

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\$4.70

as of February 16, 2020

All charities have received

\$156,109,909.51

as of November 2019

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Setup your amazonsmile for the
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Advertising Rates

Business Card \$25 for a year
\$15 for 1/2 year
1/4 Page \$35 for a year
\$25 for 6 month period
1/2 Page \$50 for a year
\$30 for 1/2 year
\$13 for one newsletter
Full Page \$75 for a year
\$40 for 1/2 year
\$22 for one newsletter
Classified Ad: \$10 for 1 newsletter

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

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
Kerry McNutt
Paula Wolff
Tammy Lee Eskew

August

Jo Balding
Lee Ann Stusnick
Gwen Peard
Ruth Ann Leder
Frances Tate
rica Ngo

September

Carolyn Laney
Rustyne Harris
Marilyn Marusa
Jane Brown
Lynn Smith
Luella Nabors
Carolyn Humphrey
Heather Freeman
Karen Fulkersin
Marjan Fardadfard



2020—18th Annual Oklahoma City Chapter of the American Sewing Guild Sewing Retreat

Sept 18, 9:00 am until 12:00 pm Sept 20, 2020 on Sunday
Canyon Camp and Conference Center
31600 Camp Road Hinton, OK

Whole weekend (based on double occupancy) Price includes: Lunch & dinner Friday, 3 meals Saturday, breakfast on Sunday. If you would like, bring your favorite snack to share.

Sewing Guild will furnish the room to sew in, tables, iron, ironing boards, and cutting mat and a project to do at your leisure.

Bring: Your own sewing projects. Sewing machine. Scissors and/or Rotary cutter.

Measuring instruments. Pins. Needles. Extension cords. Lamp or light and any other sewing supplies you need.

Note there is no cell phone service in the canyon. There is wireless Internet access.

We try to fit as many tables in as possible. When we have 50 attending the retreat it is not possible to have a table by yourself. Please be prepared to share a table with a neighbor.

If you did not receive a refund from MAY, go ahead and submit form again with box checked that you already paid.

OKC Chapter of the ASG 2020 Retreat at Canyon Camp Hinton OK September 18-20, 2020

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

ASG Member Number: _____ Roommate's name: _____

Emergency Contact Name & phone: _____

☐ **I have already paid and did not receive a refund.**

☐ I would like a handicap room. (4 are available)

☐ Friday or Saturday ONLY-lunch & dinner included. ASG member \$50.00 non member \$70

☐ Full retreat per person—double occupancy—ASG member \$150.00 non-member \$170.00

☐ Full retreat per person—single occupancy—ASG member \$185.00 non-member \$200.00

☐ I will need a table for selling items—\$10.00 (retreat attendees only)

No registrations after OKCASG meeting on September 10th

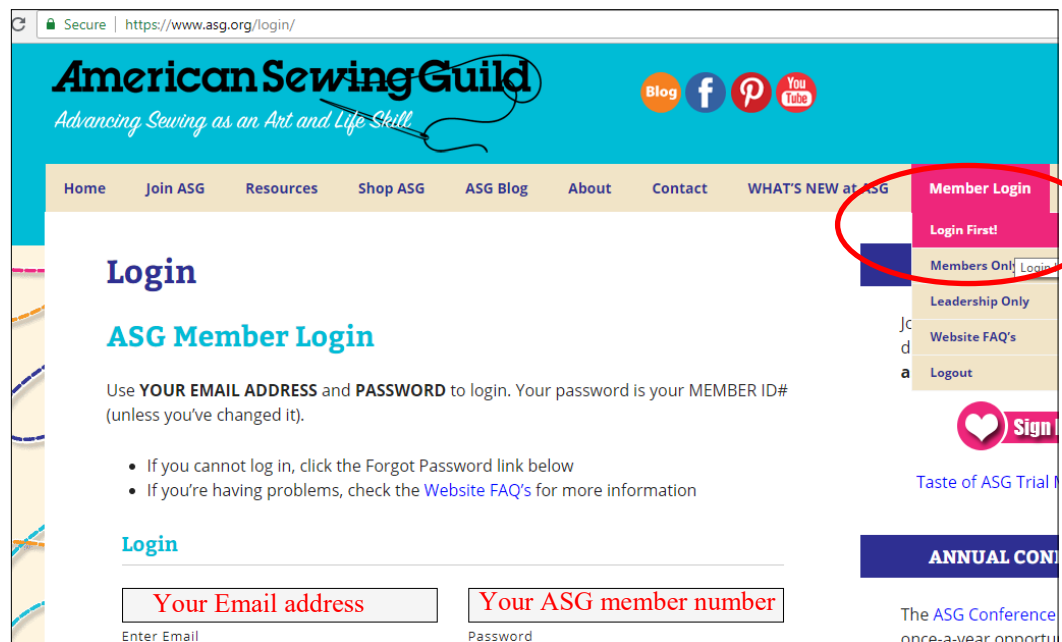
(1/2 of registration will be refunded if cancellation is made by Sept 1st, 2020.

A complete refund if you have a catastrophic event and cannot attend.

You must email Kim Benson (kimcaptjack@gmail.com) with an explanation prior to retreat.

Turn in at meeting or mail to:
Nancy Helquist, Treasurer
1936 E. Lakeside Terrace
Mustang, OK 73064-6152
Make checks payable to
“OKC ASG”

To Change your ASG name, address, email, phone information
On the Internet go to <https://www.asg.org/>



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Use **YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS** and **PASSWORD** to login. Your password is your MEMBER ID# (unless you've changed it).

- If you cannot log in, click the [Forgot Password](#) link below
- If you're having problems, check the [Website FAQ's](#) for more information

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Enter Email Password

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Login First!
Members Only
Leadership Only
Website FAQ's
Logout

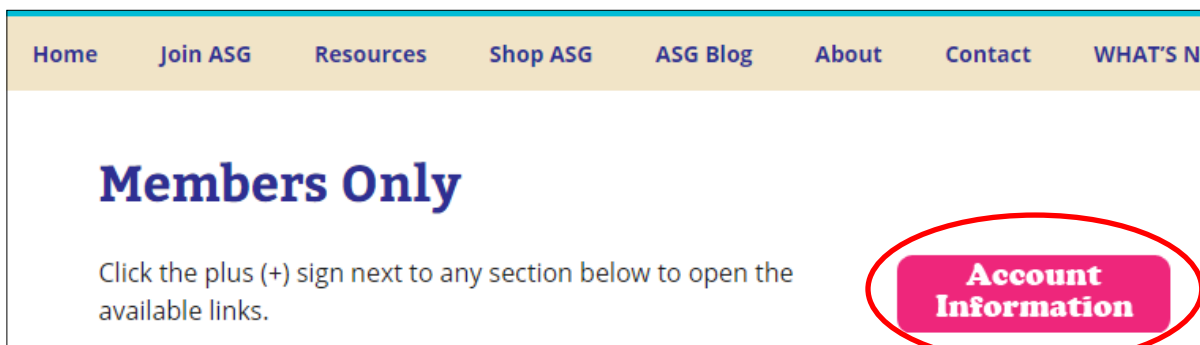
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Taste of ASG Trial

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The ASG Conference
once-a-year opportunity

Click Submit button



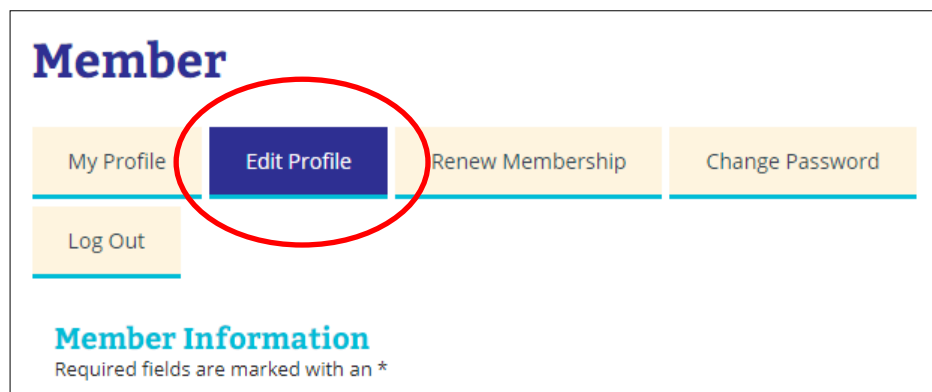
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Member Information

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Click Edit Profile button. After making changes, scroll down and click UPDATE button



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.

July 7th meeting: Bring your lunch as we will be dining in. We will have the whole room to spread out for social distancing. Please wear a mask until everyone is situated at their sewing places. Scissor Wizards will be making sample lined washable totes for the July 10th chapter.



Guests are always welcome, but this time please notify of attendance at the chapters 800 number.

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.

Local Retailers ***10% Discount to ASG members

The Stitching Post Inc.***

5928 NW 16th OKC
316 N Broadway Moore
<http://www.sewbargain.com/>

Sew N Sews***

Stillwater Store:
217 S Perkins
405-707-0700
Oklahoma City Store:
5127 N Portland
405-942-2700
<http://www.sewnsewsokc.com/>

Prairie Quilt

101 S. Main Street
Hennessey, OK 73742
405-853-6801
www.quiltnow.com/
www.prairiequilt.com/

Oklahoma Quiltworks

9323 N Pennsylvania Ave
Oklahoma City, OK
(405) 842-4778

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

Sewciety Quilt Co.

106 E Main St
Norman, OK 73069
(405) 857-7691

Bernina of OKC***

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

JOANN Fabrics and Crafts

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

3620 NW 58th St
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 marilynmarusa@cox.net

June2020—ASG Simplicity Pattern Challenge and cutting out Leah's Heart bags.



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"

☐ MasterCard | Visa | AmEx | Discover

Account#: _____

Expiration Date: _____ CVV# _____

Signature: _____

OKCASG in Social Media

"Like" us on Facebook to keep up with the latest news and see what's going on at the meetings if you can't attend.

You can view our Facebook page even if you are not a member of Facebook.

Click on link below...

<https://www.facebook.com/American-Sewing-Guild-Oklahoma-City-Chapter-168481843174057/?fref=ts>



For Cares and Concerns of Chapter Members

Please contact
to Nancy Helquist
okcasg@gmail.com
Phone (call or text):
405-652-9473

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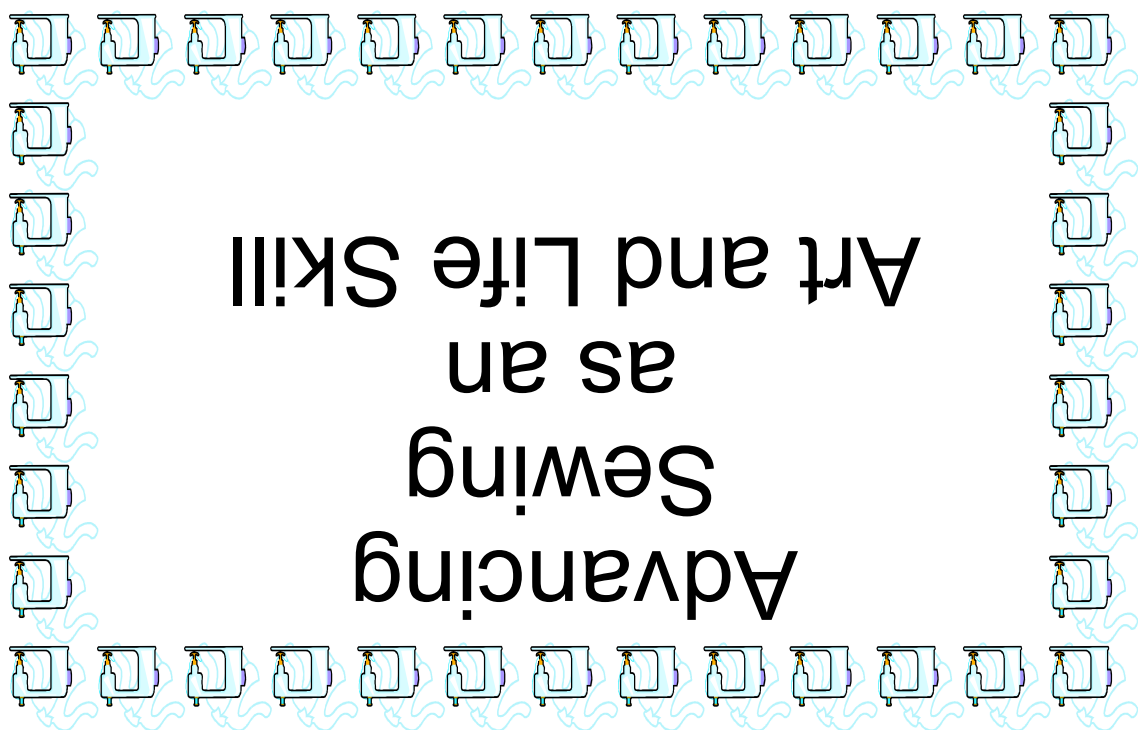
**1624 W I-240 Service Rd, Southern Hills Shopping Cntr
Oklahoma City, 405-680-9100, www.bsewin.com**



Membership Information

Currently, we have 90 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 10% off many retailers.



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