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Please watch for e-mail blasts to cover new information between newsletters. Your chapter board wants to keep you up-to-date and current!

“SHOW & TELL LUNCHEON

June 1, 2019

Sponsored by the ASG Garment Group

LOCATION: United Presbyterian Church, 2400 W Northmoor RD, Peoria

REGISTRATION: 9 am

PROGRAM: 9:30 am



The Garment Neighborhood Group invites all ASG members to create items to share at the “Show & Tell Luncheon”.

Our speaker this year is Kate Varness, founder of Green Light Organizing & Coaching. She works with heart-centered women who struggle with letting go of clutter and who want to feel the peace and freedom of being organized. Kate is a frequent instructor of personal growth classes at Illinois Central College and author of *Who Am I now? Realign Your Home & Life*. She is in high demand as a speaker. Our chapter is fortunate to have Kate design a special presentation for us. She will be sharing insights and encouragement to let go and organize our sewing spaces.

Bring anything you have made -- garments for you or your family, accessories, home decor items, quilts, crafts, embroidered items, community service projects – whatever you like to make. It’s fun to share this day with visitors. So, invite friends or family members to come with you.

Our theme this year is Sew Fit Sleepwear and Leisure. This is the introduction to our contest this year.

We will have our contest at the annual meeting on November 2, 2019 in Peoria. It can be anything sleepwear or leisure! Get your creative juices going!

2019 LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Mail Registration Fee and Reservation Form to: Suzy Baker-Bachman, 28839 Tazewood Rd, Metamora, IL, 61548-9679. (309) 444-8603 (309) 453-7897 C suzybakerbachman94@yahoo.com.

DEADLINE: May 28, 2019. Make check payable to: Central IL Chapter ASG

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ e-mail: _____

Emergency contact name _____ Phone (____) _____

Member \$20 Yes___ Non-Member \$25 Yes___



SUMMER PICNIC



The annual picnic will be held on July 20, 2019 at the Tremont Community Center, 216 Sampson, Tremont, IL 61568 at 12:00 pm.

Meat, drinks and table service will be provided. Please bring a dish for all to enjoy.

The program will be Deon Maas on "Textiles Around the World."

Please bring Show & Tell to share with the group.

NOTE: The garment group will NOT meet at the library in Peoria on this day! We are combining the garment group meeting and the annual picnic.

2019 PICNIC RESERVATION

RSVP to: Patty Schmidt

(309) 691-0987 PKSchmidt@aol.com

DEADLINE: July 15, 2019.

Sew Special...2019



Join us as we invite Linda Lee to Central Illinois in Peoria on October 11th and 12th, 2019. So, mark your calendars! You won't want to miss her workshop and Sew Special presentations.

Linda is well-known in the sewing world. She has the Sewing Workshop in Topeka, KS where she sells fabrics and teaches classes. Linda's training and experience in interior design has come in handy as she travels the country teaching the art of combining beautiful fabrics for the fashion conscious home seamstress.

Along with teaching fitting skills and sewing techniques, she designs patterns under the name of The Sewing Workshop. These patterns are for the modern seamstress who is interested in architecturally interesting styles that flatter with flare.

Along with five talented staff members, she operates out of her pattern making studio in Topeka Kansas. There, you will find a huge inventory of fabrics which are sold online.

Linda produces a monthly series of inspirational tutorials called Sew Confident! In these, she breaks down the latest fashion trends into real life sewing experiences for people who want to sew better than they can buy.

She has nine Craftsy classes and thirteen books under her belt. She has the depth of experience and enthusiasm needed to pass on the fine art of sewing clothing to her students.

Linda's loves include cats, fashion labels Marni and Akris, Roger Federer, Fillmore Street in San Francisco, Oreo Blizzards and vintage hand stitching.

Linda's books include "Sewing Beautiful Pillows," "Scarves to Make," "Sewing Stylish Home Projects," "Sewing Edges and Corners," "Mastering Miters," "Sew Sensational Pillows," "Designer Home Sewing," "Sew Easy," "Sew Easy Bags" and "Sew Easy Scarves."

Her Friday workshop will include tips and techniques for sewing knits—including the ever-popular active wear. We will learn techniques and sew a sample to include in a sample swatch book to take home. Supplies include usual sewing supplies, sewing machine & serger. Can't bring a serger? No worries, we're sure we will be able to share. Also tips using a cover stitch will be discussed. There will be cover stitch machines at the workshop to observe. Bring a sack lunch and snack to share. Coffee and water will be provided.

Saturday's program will include a talk about Story Boards and their use. Linda will have a trunk show showing us garments that are made from her line of patterns and techniques she used to make them. Finally, she will talk about "Fine-tuning Our Sewing Skills." A Continental Breakfast and noon luncheon is included along with door prize drawing.

Please don't miss this event. It's a great way to learn new sewing skills, meet fellow sewing friends and spark your sewing interests. We know you will enjoy Linda. Mark your calendars now!

Registration forms will be available soon on the website and included in next month's newsletter and through e-mail blasts.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINES: August 1, November 1, February 1 and May 1. Send information to Sue Barnabee, 21795 E Barnabee Rd., Farmington, IL 61531, or scbarn@gmail.com (309) 647-0111.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Anyone have sewing projects that never make it to the finish line? I'm talking UFOs, those unfinished objects that lurk under stacks of stuff or hide out in storage bins. Evidently, the problem is serious in my sewing room. I found UFOs that haven't seen the light in decades. Why didn't I finish these projects and why are they still in my sewing room taking up space and now personal energy?

Turns out there are volumes written regarding why people start projects and never finish them. In fact, the editor of Threads covers this in her letter to readers in the latest issue. The reason a project is not finished is most likely easy to come up with. However, the important thing is to finish the project or clear it out and move on with the creative sewing process.

One UFO in my stash is a silk night shirt from a class I took on heirloom techniques. I vividly remember the mistake of sewing pintucks on the wrong side of the fabric. In my mind, the project was ruined. Now I am looking at sumptuous silk and thinking the mistake adds interest to the shirt. I need to finish this project as it will be so comfortable to wear during the summer.

Next in the stack are two charity lap quilts. This project fell victim to lack of interest. I had made so many and the fabrics weren't particularly inspiring. But, with a little effort and serger pedal to the metal, done! Ahh, the sense of accomplishment as two UFOs go out the door.

Now my attention is drawn to neatly cut fabric with the pattern pieces still pinned in place. A dress intended for my daughter when she wore a size 7. She is now 29. Too many demands for a young mother's time put this project on hold many years ago. The good news is the dress will fit my granddaughter, if I hurry.

There are several quilt kits and other projects I will never finish. I decided to salvage some of the fabric and donate the rest. What a load off to have all this unfinished stuff taken care of. My challenge to you is to face your UFOs head on, especially if your creative mojo is suffering every time you see an unfinished project.

Don't let perfection keep you from reaching the finish line with an otherwise well executed project. Remember to keep the focus on projects you love, and don't waste another sewing second on an ugly UFO. Salvage what you can and make a point to clear UFOs out of your physical and mental space. In other words.....look at the show and tell you are creating!



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AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD



ASG members may attend any and all Neighborhood Group meetings in the Central Illinois Chapter and anywhere around the country. Prospective members are encouraged to attend two meetings before joining the chapter.

Please contact the Neighborhood Group leader to confirm monthly meeting times, programs and locations, especially if you are traveling a distance. Programs sometimes change.

WHERE	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	CONTACT
Chapter Advisory Board (CAB) 1 pm, North Point Hardee's Members are welcome				Cyndy Monier Chapter President (309) 364-3831 cmsews@reagan.com
CHAMPAIGN/URBANA 2nd Tuesday, 1 pm Champaign Public Library, 200 W Green St, Champaign	6/11/19 Contact your Chairman	7/9/19 No meeting	8/13/19 Sewing With Loosely Woven Fabric, Jennifer Hines	Sharon Gerth (217) 367-7652 shrngerth@gmail.com Kathy Hatch (217) 355-1213 kathychatch@gmail.com
FULTON COUNTY 4 th Thursday, 1 pm Wallace Park, Canton 11:30, lunch optional	6/27/19 Replacing Zippers in Coats	7/25/19 Matching Prints	8/22/19 Christmas in August	Sue Barnabee (309) 647-0111 scbarn@gmail.com
GARMENT SEWING 3 rd Saturday, 10 am North Branch Library, Peoria	6/15/19 Sloper Class 10am-12pm Cyndy Monier	7/20/19 Annual picnic in Tremont, 12:00pm Textiles around the World, Deon Maas	8/17/19 Sewing Lingerie	Sue Barnabee (309) 647-0111 scbarn@gmail.com
GALESBURG 3rd Monday, 6 pm Quilting Bee, 1580 E Knox, Galesburg	6/17/19 Buttons and Zippers	7/15/19 Upcycling	8/19/19 Pattern Hacks Deon Maas	Pat Pearson (309) 344-2670 galesburgsews@outlook.com
PEORIA EVENING 2nd Tuesday 6 pm Lakeview Library, Peoria	6/11/19 Working with Leather and Faux Leathers Patty Schmidt	7/20/19 Picnic, Tremont Bring dish to share & show & Tell	8/13/19 Resizing T-Shirts Pat West	Patty Schmidt (309) 691-0987 PKSchmidt@aol.com
WOODFORD COUNTY 3 rd Thursday 4-6 pm Eureka Public Library	6/20/19 Sewing with beads	7/18/19 Sewing with Knits	8/15/19 Community Sewing - Bibs	Robin Staudenmeier (309) 868-3441 erstauden@gmail.com Carol Luginbuhl (309) 868-3441 rclug@outlook.com

CHAPTER NAME CHANGE

It's official! Our new name is Central Illinois Chapter of the American Sewing Guild. Also note our web site change. See us at www.centralillinoisasg.com.



MEET MEMBER/RETAILER MARGARET COUCH



I grew up on a farm near Streator IL. I joined a 4-H group and sewing was one of my projects. My first projects were pajamas and a pleated skirt (all made on a treadle sewing machine). I was hooked.

After graduating from high school, I chose to enroll at the University of Illinois in home economics education (as it was called then) as my major. After marriage, grad schools for my husband, and the birth of 4 children, we moved to Normal in the early 70s. My husband was hired to teach at Illinois State University.

The children were all in school so I decided to work at Greta's Fabrics in Normal (I was there 5 years). The shop closed after a fire.

A friend, Marlene Stearns, also worked at Greta's. We decided that we should open a similar shop featuring quality fashion fabrics and BERNINA sewing machines. Calico fabrics were just coming on the market. (Greta's had maybe 6 bolts) So, it was decided maybe we should have some too. Thus Sewing Studio was born in 1983. Marlene retired after 12 years and moved away.

Over the years, quilting has become increasingly popular and fashion sewing has been declining. Quality fashion fabric availability was also decreasing. Thus we kept adding quality quilting cottons - some which could be used for garments as well.

Sewing machines have changed a great deal since the treadle sewing machine I learned on. My first sewing machine was a Singer Featherweight that a great aunt gave me for college graduation (the best gift ever). We are now sewing on computers that sew as well as embroider.

What is around the corner? Who knows. Quilting fabrics have also changed for the better. We now have digitally printed cottons with sharper images and more vivid colors. The quality of cotton fabrics has improved and designs are more beautiful. Batiks are very popular too. So garment sewing is available if you look at these fabrics.

It was hard to retire after 35 years. I did a lot of garment sewing in the early years of the shop but now I am finishing up projects that were started years ago and mainly making quilts for my family or as gifts.

ASG MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION	
Name _____	<input type="checkbox"/> New Member \$50
Address _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior Member (New and Renewal) to age 17, or age 22 with student ID \$25
City _____ State _____ Zip _____	Chapter _____
Daytime phone number _____	<input type="checkbox"/> ASG Member at Large .. Central Illinois
Email _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Renewal Member \$45 (if received before membership expiration date)
How did you hear about ASG? _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Late Renewal \$50
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	Account# _____
	Expiration Date: _____ CVM# _____
	Signature: _____

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<https://syfabrics.com>
www.thinkturnerprints.com
www.voguefabricsstore.com
www.westelm.com

NOTE: The Galesburg Neighborhood Group has a new meeting place at Quilting Bee, 1580 E Knox St. in Galesburg at the same time on the 3rd Monday, 6-7:45 pm



MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

JUNE

Carol Clark
Barbara Fahel
Christy Keimig
Judy McFarland
Jeanie Simpson

JULY

Colleen Abel
Vicki Ghidina
Jennifer Hines
Jean Montgomery
Diane Storey
Janice Webster

AUGUST

Deborah Lane-Christian
Shirley Lippert
Julie-Ann McFann
Linda Swett
Carol Wolstenholm

SEW WITH SUE

If you haven't kept up with Deon Maas' travels to Australia you can find her blog here: www.deontoaustralia.com.

Logantex, the maker of Sophia fabric has gone out of business. Many love this fabric. You might try some of the fabric web sites to see if some is still available.

CAB members have visited the Fab Lab in Champaign/Urbana to see what is new in sewing. We have been in contact with the Art Guild of Peoria and OSF Jump Center to see how we can help establish a Makers Space in Peoria. It would coordinate sewing with other technologies for a lab where we could stretch our sewing elements and have equipment we may not have at home. There is more to come.

The Sewing Studio is closed in Normal. It has moved to Hudson, IL.

CAB is trying to give you more to stretch your sewing abilities. We hope you will participate. Let us know if we are not doing the things you want to learn. The more you participate in our programs, the more you will learn.

We have a survey on line to help us know what your needs and wants are. One is active until June 1. A second survey will come in June. Please take a few minutes to take both of the surveys.

Sue Barnabee is a former Family and Consumer Sciences teacher, and member of Haute Couture Club of Chicago and Stitcher's Guild of Peoria. Her articles and projects have appeared in Sew News, Creative Machine Embroidery, Woodworker's Journal and McCall's Quilting magazines.

ASG CONFERENCE 2019



Greater Boston Area

August 1-4, 2019

DoubleTree by Hilton, Boston North Shore

www.asg.org/resources/conference



COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

ANTI-OUCH POUCH



Anti-Ouch Pouches (AOPs) were designed by chapter member Deon Maas. This underarm hanging pillow is intended to add a little comfort to people's lives during a stressful, painful time. The pillow hangs from the shoulder, fitting snugly under the arm to cushion and ease the pressure of the underarm and breast area after breast surgery, upper body surgeries or during radiation treatment.

Tens of thousands of anti-ouch pouches have been lovingly sewn and donated to breast centers across the United States. The American Sewing Guild featured the Anti-Ouch Pouch as the 2008 National Community Service Project. Read more at <https://www.asg.org/resources/giving-back>.

The Anti-Ouch Pouch will continue to be an ongoing project for our chapter. We take them to the OSF Susan G Komen Center and Methodist Diagnostic Center in Peoria. Digital mammography detects so many more cases of breast cancer thus increasing the need for AOP's. If you have questions, contact Deon Maas at tommaas@mymctc.net or Sue Barnabee at scbarn@gmail.com. Follow this link www.asg.org/files/community_service/Anti_Ouch_Pouch.pdf for the pattern.

Please consider donating soft fabric, stuffing or completed AOPs. We donate hundreds every few months in our area at OSF Komen Center and Methodist Diagnostic Center.

GOWNS FOR ANGELS OF CENTRAL ILLINOIS



Gowns for Angels of Central Illinois began in 2013 to provide families at OSF Saint Francis's NICU gowns for end of life issues. This is a very difficult time for the families and many do not live in the area. These infants are often, due to their size or circumstance, unable to use store bought gowns let alone the logistics of purchasing them in a town where one is not familiar with. Gowns for Angels has enough inventory on site to include not only end of life pictures, but also baptismal and family pictures when an infant is facing a serious surgery.

The all volunteer group is made up of 4 organizing board members and a wonderful group of stitchers. Two of the board members are NICU nurses. There are two events a year to bring us all together for lunch, shop for new donated supplies and bring in the gowns made. The group has a permanent home, Mary's Place, located at 3029 N. Prospect, Peoria.

Kim Aldag of OSF coordinates the project to make Angel Dresses from wedding and formal gowns. The Angel Dresses are for babies who never recover in the neonatal intensive care unit at Children's Hospital of Illinois at OSF St. Francis Medical Center in Peoria.

The gowns are made for baby boys and girls to serve as baptismal/end of life gowns. Navy, gray and black are used for pant sets for the boys. The gowns are made to fit the small premature babies. One wedding dress can make up to 10-12 Angel Gowns. Each little outfit comes packed in a special, pretty keepsake box. In the box, along with the gown, is a handmade blanket, hat and booties.

Over 100 wedding dresses have been donated since the project began. There is a need for pink, blue or black gowns. They currently have a supply of wedding dresses. They also need ribbons, lace, buttons, thread and other notions, cash donations or JOANN Fabric gift cards to purchase sewing supplies. Dresses do not need to be cleaned before you send them. Unless your gown has been trashed, sewers have had lots of luck spot cleaning and working around damage.

ASG members can contact Sue Barnabee, scbarn@gmail.com (309) 647-0111 or www.facebook.com/gowns4angels to make donations or for more information.

CRITTENTON CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER



*...protecting and nurturing
children and families.*



Crittenton Development Center serves Central Illinois children and families by providing loving child care and a 24-hour staffed crisis nursery.

The center is in constant need of bibs. You can donate them directly, contact a CAB member for pick up or bring them to a chapter/neighborhood meeting. The pattern is on the web site. www.centralillinoisasg.com/CommunityServiceCrittenton.html

Our chapter donates custom-made bibs, crib and cot sheets, burp pads and wash cloths to help defray the costs of purchasing them. Those patterns are on the web site link above. Crittenton has said the items our chapter provides are "much higher quality" than those they can purchase. Please consider helping. Supplies to make the items will be provided for you.

Our support at Crittenton Child Development Center is done by donating items that they need. This is a project we will be continuing. Contact Kim Caywood for information at kimkwould2010@sbcglobal.net.



A WORD FROM YOUR COMMUNITY LIAISON



The first Charity Sewing Day was held April 19 at the North Branch Library. We were able to make 50 cot sheets for Crittenton Center and while we were there, WMBD news arrived to do a story on our group. You can see the story here:

<https://www.centralillinoisproud.com/news/local-news/local-organization-serves-community-through-sewing/1939804898>

Our next Charity Sewing Day will be September 13 at the North Branch Library from 10:30 am to 3 pm. If you can't make the sewing days, you can always make cot sheets, crib sheets, burp pads, anti-ouch pouches and bibs at home. The directions for these items can be found on our website:

<https://www.centralillinoisag.com/community-service>

Now that Spring has finally arrived it's time to think ahead to this year's annual retreat. The retreat will be held August 26-28 at the Chiara Center in Springfield. Last year was the first time we held the retreat at the Chiara Center and everyone had a great time. We did a lot sewing, talking and laughing. We even played some games for some awesome prizes! This year we decided to bring our own food. Some ideas are: to be responsible for our own breakfasts, then lunches and dinners we will either order out, go somewhere, or maybe do crock pot or easy meals. We are able to do this because the room we sew in has an attached kitchenette complete with dishes. Hope to see you at the retreat!

Kim Caywood, Community Liaison

SUMMER DREAM SEWING RETREAT '19

Do you dream of uninterrupted sewing in a tranquil location offering comfortable accommodations and beautiful scenery? Turn your dream to reality and register for the annual summer sewing retreat scheduled for August 26-28th at the Chiara Center in Springfield, IL. Bring any project you desire, as much or as little sewing paraphernalia, and enjoy 3 days and 2 nights of sewing bliss with like-minded sewing enthusiasts.

Registration fee includes room, access to a well-lit sewing area (The Guild Treasury is covering the cost of the sewing room) and wooded grounds with walking paths. This year we will provide our own food. Each person will be responsible for their own breakfasts. For lunch and dinner we will either order out, go somewhere or do an easy crock pot meal. Space is limited to the first 15 participants, so register early to avoid disappointment. More info will be available upon registration. Please fill out this registration form and mail promptly to secure your spot.

SUMMER RETREAT REGISTRATION

Name _____

Address _____

City: _____ ZipCode _____

Email _____ Phone(_____) _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone:(_____) _____

Room preference Members SINGLE @ \$190 _____ DOUBLE @ \$138 _____ Sharing a room with _____

(NON-MEMBER: Please add \$30.00 to above room rates)

Make checks payable to Central Illinois Chapter ASG and mail to: Kim Caywood, 1441 W. Cimarron Dr, Peoria, IL 61614

Your check is required to hold your place. Contact Kim Caywood with questions at kimkwould2010@sbcglobal.net or 530-701-4940

Registrations due by August 9th. Sorry no refunds unless ASG cancels the retreat.



ILLINOIS STATE MAKE IT WITH WOOL



Have you started your Illinois State Make It With Wool project? 2019 is the 58th year of the Make It With Wool contest in Illinois. Contact Marilyn Donoho, 7450 W County Line Road, Paw Paw, IL 61353, (815) 627-9422 or black1959@aol.com, for more information and entry forms.

The MIWW contest offers the opportunity to focus attention on the beauty and versatility of wool; encourages the use of wool fabric or yarn in sewing, knitting, crocheting, spinning and weaving wool fabrics and yarns; offers the opportunity to compete for valuable prizes.

Start sewing your wool garment now for the state contest at our annual meeting! It would be nice to have more ASG members in the competition. ASG members receive a \$10 discount off the state entry fee. The Central Illinois Chapter ASG is a sponsor of the Illinois State Make It With Wool contest. The Garment Group and the other Neighborhood Groups are willing and able to help you if you need it. The 2020 national contest will be in Scottsdale AZ.

WELCOME TO OUR CHAPTER, NEW MEMBERS!

Aaron Brown, Bourbonnais, IL
Cathy Kieser, Washington, IL

**Please introduce yourself to our newest member at your next neighborhood group meeting or chapter event.
A special THANK YOU to all members who have renewed your ASG membership!**

ANTI-OUCH POUCH CAMPAIGN

Mark your calendars and gather your fabric!

The Community Service Sewing Day for Anti-Ouch Pouch mastectomy pillows is Friday, September 13th from 10:30 am to 3:00 pm at the North Branch of the Peoria Public Library, 3001 W. Grand Parkway. We have a lot of fun as we get a lot done. Because of your efforts in 2018, we have enough pillows to cover our 2019 donations. We are now planning ahead for the 2020 donations...but we need fabric! Please go through your stash for soft woven fabric and keep an eye out for suitable \$1-\$3 a yard at stores and second hand shops.

Our goal is for guild members to make at least 300 pillows by the end of 2020. We will again have pre-cut bundles of 10-20 kits for you take home and sew during the year.

Have time to make a few pillows this year? Pick up a bundle at the Garment Group meetings or grab a bundle at a guild event!

You don't have to be a sewer to participate in the Community Service Sewing Day. These are a some of the non-sewing jobs: putting ASG labels on bags, stuffing pillows, folding instructions, placing pillows and instructions in bags, cutting pillows, assembling bundles of 10 or 20 kits.

For more information, call Kim Caywood at 530-701-4940. email: kimkwould2010@sbcglobal.net or Deon Maas at 309-645-4911. email: tommaas@mymetc.net

CENTRAL ILLINOIS CHAPTER DATES TO REMEMBER

June 1, 2019—June Luncheon, United Presbyterian Church, Peoria, IL

June 7-8, 2019—Road trip to Cedar Rapids ASG, Marla Kazell

July 20, 2019—Chapter picnic, Tremont

August 26-28, 2019—Sewing Retreat, Chiara Center, Springfield, IL www.centralillinoisasg.com

September 13, 2019—Community Service Sewing Day, Peoria North Branch Library, AOP, Peoria, IL

October 11, 2019—Workshop with Linda Lee, United Presbyterian Church, Peoria, IL

October 12, 2019—Sew Special with Linda Lee, United Presbyterian Church, Peoria, IL

November 2, 2019—Central Illinois Chapter Annual Meeting. www.centralillinoisasg.com

November 2, 2019—Make It With Wool Contest, United Presbyterian Church, Peoria, IL black1959@aol.com

January 2020—National Make It With Wool, Scottsdale AZ





Spring has sprung. Easter has come and gone. It's graduation season so it must almost be summer!

Our Central Illinois Chapter of ASG has just been popping with energy and new activities. This spring saw the major success of our Stash Sale in April. We made new connections with many sewists who did not know we existed before and added eight names to our mailing list. Plus, we made about \$300 for the ASG treasury and another \$300 for the United Presbyterian Youth Group Mission Trip. That means our members took home a total of about \$2,400 as they emptied their stashes AND had a lot of fun!

We provided support to Illinois State University students by participating in their Illinois State Fix It Friday events. So much fun to sit with young, energetic students just finding their passion for sewing, hearing their stories, and providing a little expertise and hands-on support. www.isufixitfriday.org/.

Then a hand full of us traveled over for the ISU Spring Style Show where we got to see their work along with other students, young aspiring design students just finding their wings. It was so fascinating to see what they're dreaming and their wild variety of skills.

We also supported very young hands (3-12 years old) with their first sewing projects at a Peoria Play House Maker Workshop on April 6. It was such a fun, easy project for us. A couple of hours of threading machines and offering words of encouragement along with lots of oohs and aahs.

Another activity we initiated last year was our Saturday "One-Day Sewing Retreats". This year we have already hosted three more. I love the community of hanging out with others who share my indescribable and unexplainable passion for stitching and laughing. Just show up and sew. A \$5 "table fee" is a donation to the United Presbyterian Youth Group mission trip.

Over the last couple of months, a number of us have toured the "FabLab" in Champaign, the Peoria Art Guild, and the Jump Center at OSF. Our interest is thinking about how we might connect with others in this new concept of "maker spaces". We don't know where this might go. However, we're curious and can imagine all sorts of opportunities for our ASG chapter.

All of these activities are on top of our traditional activities; Neighborhood groups, the Three-Day Sewing Retreat in Springfield, our June Luncheon, Sew Special, and our Annual meeting. These activities are the backbone of our chapter. You can find all the information you need on our website under "special events" at centralillinoisasg.com/special-events. Don't forget to look for and share our 2019 Brochure and calendar.

Do you have an e-mail address? Have you been receiving e-mails from us? We have been doing a lot of communication via e-mail. So many activities "pop up" between newsletters. We also love to send activity "reminders". If you have not been receiving e-mails from us, please share your e-mail address with me at charlottecronin@comcast.net.

Happy Sewing! Charlotte

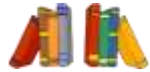
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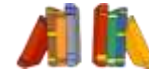


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