



Albuquerque Chapter of the American Sewing Guild

Advancing Sewing as an Art and Life Skill

# Biased Opinions

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## Notes from our Co-Presidents

Sewing is a huge part of my life, thanks in part to three women who were my mentors. First was my mom. She taught me to sew when I was 7. She bought fabric for me and let me raid her stash and she was always willing to hem a dress for me. She encouraged me and praised my work. My mom's sewing buddy, my aunt, was a fearless sewer, attacking any project that came her way, including aprons, clothes, teddy bears and car upholstery. She sewed constantly, and while she was not precise, she was generous with her gifts and her knowledge. And then, there was Nova, a friend of my parents. She was a talented lady who sewed beautifully. It was a joy to see the garments she wore and the gifts she gave our family.

Each lady guided me in her own way, sometimes intentionally, and sometimes just by example. I treasure the items they made for me, but I am most grateful for their most lasting gift – the love of sewing.

*Becky Arnold, Co-President*

Hello Ladies. Summer is truly here and all my flowers and trees are in bloom. I can look out from my sewing room window and see the fruits of my efforts. Now that most of the planting and yard cleaning are done, I will be in the sewing room putting together my entry for the New Mexico State Fair. The June meeting was so inspiring and we thank Mary Lou Sullenberger, Renee Hollis, Kristy Fink and Debbie Dickey for their encouraging words making us want to get busy and get some sewing done. I suggest you look through your archived magazines and find more sophisticated seam finishes than serging. In the process you also may pick up some great ideas for your garment. Pick fashions and colors that flatter your figure and by all means think about what great accessories you can use with your ensemble. I am talking about Opening Day at the Fair, of course. If you have never participated in Opening Day, I am here to tell you it is fun to be with your friends and colleagues with whom you may be competing and you also learn so much about sewing. Okay, so get busy planning your entry and I'll see you at the July meeting.

Unfortunately, the Santa Fe Opera Backstage Tour and Mystery Adventure will have to be cancelled. It was scheduled for July 17 and I have had a personal conflict occur that precludes this trip. I will try to reschedule it at a later date.

Our new Librarian is Leslie Sullivan and the new Community Service liaison is Jane Casey.

*Donna Jo Finley, Co-President*

## General and Chapter Advisory Board (CAB) Meetings

**General meetings** are held on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday** of each month at 6:30 PM at the Asbury Methodist Church, 10000 Candelaria between Juan Tabo and Eubank. Guests are welcome to attend.

**Chapter Advisory Board** meetings are held on the **1<sup>st</sup> Thursday** of each month at 6:30 PM. The meetings will be held at the Asbury Methodist Church. All members are welcome to attend. Contact either of our co-presidents if you have an item you wish to have discussed at the CAB meetings.

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## Calendar of Events

### July 8<sup>th</sup> ASG meeting at 6:30 PM

It's not sewing, but it is **important!** We will learn about **Self Defense for Women**. **Dr. Sean Ross** from the Personal Defense Club will be the presenter. He has over 20 years experience in classical martial arts and modern combatives. Dr. Ross has made it a personal life mission to help everyone stay safe and strong. Dr. Ross asks: What are your personal boundaries and what is your plan to defend them? You may be faced with a stranger who gets too close, the co-worker who gets too friendly or the person hanging out in the parking lot near your vehicle. Knowing what your boundaries are and having a plan of action is what will get you safely through these experiences. Join us in July and find out what to do!

### August 12<sup>th</sup> meeting at 6:30 PM

Another fun meeting when **Dr. Pam Cornish** will enlighten us about **Feng Shui and Your Sewing Space**.

### September 9<sup>th</sup> meeting at 6:30 PM

For that little girl in all of us, **Julia Ainslow- The Doll Doctor** will brighten our evening with information for preserving and displaying our wonderful dolls. She will bring dolls to look at and have some for sale.

### October 14<sup>th</sup> meeting at 6:30 PM

We will get to know about the **Christina Kent Early Childhood Center**. **Carrie Aiken, Executive Director** will share with us the world of 2-5 year olds. We will learn the ways our members can help support the program efforts.

### November 11<sup>th</sup> meeting at 6:30 PM

**Sharon Carlson** will be our guest speaker. She will share her experiences with her successful business **Mama's Home Tie-Dyes**.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

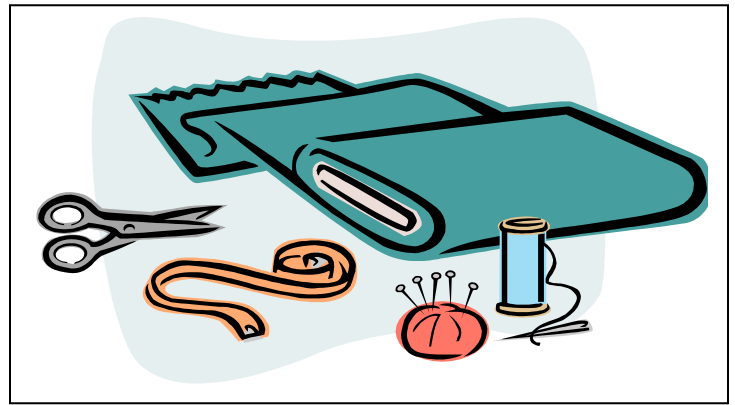
The **Handweavers Guild of America' Convergence Conference** will be held at the Albuquerque Convention on **July 18-25 2010**. The conference will feature special lectures, workshops, one day studio classes, seminars, exhibits, special events and a commercial vendors' hall full of fibers, fiber related equipment and an artist market. Classes range from novice to advanced instruction. These classes cover a variety of fiber techniques, weaving, spinning, dyeing, basketry, felt making, garment construction, and sewing with hand wovens.

Day admission of \$18.00 per person includes Vendor Hall Admission, Special Interest Group open meetings, and Gatherings and Admission to Art Exhibits in the Albuquerque Convention Center. For more information, go to the Handweavers Guild of America website and click on CONVERGENCE.

**ASG Conference 2010** will be held in Atlanta, Georgia on **August 4-9 2010**. Many wonderful workshops and seminars are scheduled. Other highlights are the Fashion Show on Friday evening and the ASG Sewing Hall of Fame Dinner on Saturday evening. Full conference registration for ASG members is \$500. Complete information can be found in the Spring issue of *Notions* and on the ASG web site.

The **NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR** is coming in **Sept**. This is your chance to shine. Plan to enter in the Home Arts Division and participate in the many contests. Needlework, fiber arts, and sewing, are among the many categories in which you can participate. Go to [www.exponm.com](http://www.exponm.com). Click on **Competition/Entries**. Then click on **Premium Book**, then choose the department you wish – sewing is in the **Home Arts** department. Participating in the competitions and exhibits is great fun. So, get a move on, September is just around the corner.

**Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>** We will have our **annual garage sale** at the Asbury Methodist Church from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Start gathering your items!



## Neighborhood Groups

**MATERIAL GIRLS SIT AND SEW** meets on the 4th Sunday of each month from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at Ann Silva's Bernina Sewing Center. New members are welcome to join the group to "play." Call Donna Jo at 873-2815 if you have any questions.

**PINE NEEDLES** meets on the **last** Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM at Los Vecinos Community Center in Tijeras, **except** in **November** and **December** when the meeting is moved to avoid the holidays. The June meeting will include a demonstration of spool knitting and redwork as well as a quilt block exchange. Call Claudia Broadwater at 281-8828 for more information. **RUNNING STITCHES SIT AND SEW** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Mondays of each month at Abbey Lane Vacuum & Sewing from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM and on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at Providence Church on Encantado east of Tramway. Bring a sack lunch to the meetings. Call Kim Kelbe at 440-8269 if you have any questions.

**TREADLEPUSHERS** meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month from 10:00 AM–Noon at the member's homes. The June meeting is the program planning for next year and a pot luck luncheon. There are no meetings during July and August. Contact Kendra Margel at 856-7048 for further information.

**WESTSIDE SIT AND SEW** meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month at Quilts Olé in Corrales on Corrales Road from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Call Marge O'Connell at 890-5797 for further information.

## Meet Our Leaders

In each issue of *Biased Opinions*, we will introduce you to our Board members. We hope you will enjoy getting to know them. (Editors)

### *Jane Casey*

Once upon a time, many years ago, in Appleton, Wisconsin, a little girl transferred to a school that sent its 7th graders on a short walk to a public middle school where the girls were taught to sew and the boys were taught woodworking. This is how and when I learned to sew. Over the years, I took classes to enhance my sewing skills and learn new techniques.

I graduated from Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and lived in the Midwest with my husband until he was transferred to Albuquerque in 1970. When the youngest of our 4 children started kindergarten, I began substitute teaching. A few years later, I enrolled at UNM to earn a teaching certificate, refresh my major and minor subjects and add teaching minors. I retired from Eldorado High School in 1999.

As a young married person, I made most of my own clothes and when I had 4 children, I made nearly all of theirs as well. During the years I worked at Eldorado, however, I made only one garment: a formal for my youngest daughter. I did learn to quilt, but returned to garment sewing when I retired.

Judy Darsey, who worked at Eldorado when I did, encouraged me to join ASG, which I did just before I retired. I think I have learned more about sewing in the years since I joined the guild than I learned all the years prior to that.

In addition to sewing, I knit, crochet and embroider, walk, travel and read. My husband still works part time and is not allowed to retire until he has a hobby. My two oldest children live in the area and the two youngest live in Texas. We have a young dog named Sunshine Carmelita who takes me walking every morning and has learned not to drag thread and fabric scraps all over the house.

### *Renee Hollis*

I have been a member of the American Sewing Guild for approximately 16 years. I started out being a Charter member of the Orlando, Florida guild. We had a lot of help getting started from the Tampa group. I was a neighborhood group coordinator while I lived there. The Orlando Guild is very different from the Albuquerque Guild. There were not monthly member meetings, but neighborhood group meetings. The board met twice a year, but communication between the board and the NHG leaders was very efficient. After being active there, I moved to Pennsylvania.

I contacted the Pittsburg Chapter President and found out where they met and the days. I attended two different neighborhood meetings every month and sometimes three. When I go home to Pennsylvania, I attend the Pittsburg meetings and sewing camps. They are really fun. I have met many wonderful friends through the sewing guild. I didn't give up my charter membership until I moved to Albuquerque.

I have been here for ten years. One of the first calls was to Leslie Ashcraft, who was President, to find out when the guild met. Since that call, I have actively participated in everything that the guild has to offer. I enjoy the monthly meetings and really enjoy our neighborhood group weekly "sit-n-sews." I have held various positions, starting as "fill in" Hospitality, Member-at-Large, Retail Liaison (3 terms) and Vice President. I have audited the books when asked, was Historian and new Retail Liaison again.

Currently, I am Arts and Crafts manager and the go-between for the Albuquerque Folk Festival and the Guild. I have enjoyed every position and urge more of you to become involved. Community service is my main thing to do at the "sit-n-sews", mainly, cancer caps and pillows. I also have represented the Guild at Beauty and the Breast and the Fiber Arts.

I am married and have 2 sons and 3 grandchildren and a mother who lives in Pennsylvania. My passion for sewing and helping anyone who wants to learn is endless. I basically make garments and do alterations. I have tried quilting, but do not find it fulfilling. I guess I will continue to sew until I go blind.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

Here are some new opportunities for our chapter to participate in community service projects.

### “Refugees in Our Midst”

Women’s Global Pathways – NM was founded in February 2009 by Nkazi Sinandile, who was a refugee herself 30 years ago and understands the great needs of refugees. Mama Kazi, as she is known by the refugees in Albuquerque, conceived a comprehensive program designed to assist women to rise out of poverty. Collaborating with local organizations, Women’s Global Pathways is committed to empowering, motivating and supporting refugee and immigrant women and girls, while promoting their social economic and political well-being. The organization helps refugee and other immigrant women adjust to their new life in New Mexico. Assisting women in transition from welfare to “self help” in a nurturing environment is a major goal of the program. Women’s Global Pathways-NM operates as an all volunteer, not-for-profit organization and is fiscally sponsored by the La Mesa Presbyterian Church. Programs such as this are always in need of donations of household items and of course, tax deductible monetary donations.

Our guild can help supply some of the non-monetary donations noted below:

- Multiple harness floor and table looms
- Sewing machines in good working condition
- Fabric, in bolts, or any size larger than cast-off scraps
- Polyester fill for pillows and batting
- Yarn

If you can donate any of these items, contact Pastor Tey Hammond c/o La Mesa Presbyterian Church, 7401 Copper, NE, Albuquerque, NM 87108. For more information, go to the following web site.

[www.southafricanorionduet.com](http://www.southafricanorionduet.com)

Also, let Jane Casey know that you have made a donation so that our guild can get credit for community service.

### Haiti Project A request from Sherry Boberg

In 2006, I went to Haiti with a group from church working with the Haitian Christian Foundation. We support an orphanage in Ranquitte, a church and a school in Maizire and an orphanage in Cap Haitian I returned to Haiti twice since my initial trip. I met Mr. Moise who runs a school and feeding station in Cap Haitian and Mrs. Altragrace Touissant who works with the Cap Haitian orphanage. When I was there, we gave Mr. Moise a treadle sewing machine. He is using it not only to repair garments, but to teach the children a trade. Sewing classes are an important part of the school program. We recently provided funds to Mr. Moise to purchase another treadle machine as a single machine does not suffice. They use a treadle machine because electricity often is not available. It is cheaper to purchase the machine in Haiti (at a cost of \$200 American dollars) than to pay shipping and customs fees.

Needless to say, there was little available in Haiti, especially regarding sewing supplies, and even less since the earthquake. The need for supplies is legion – pins, needles (hand and machine), tape measures, fabric, etc. Any of these items would be appreciated and used to provide the children an opportunity to learn a marketable skill. Mr. Moise notified me in late May of the need for sewing supplies. I sent an envelope the first of June and have just heard that it arrived in good shape.

When Mr. Moise made his plea for help, I thought of the ASG. As members of the ASG who are passionate about advancing sewing as a life skill, your help in providing some sewing supplies would be greatly appreciated. If items are sent in a manila envelope, at a cost of approximately \$5 an envelope they are considered first class mail and the corrupt custom agents cannot gouge the Haitian Christian Foundation for customs fees. The envelopes will be shipped to Florida where Missionary Flights International takes them as first class mail free of charge.

If you are able to help with this project contact Sherry Boberg for further details. Her e-mail address is [Torchsingz@aol.com](mailto:Torchsingz@aol.com) and her phone number is: 505-344-4470.

The Index from the Home Page of the National ASG web site is noted below. There is a wealth of information on that site. Have fun exploring [www.asg.org](http://www.asg.org).

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Please take advantage of them! These companies need to know that ASG members appreciate their support.

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## Ask Thimblina.....

Dear Thimblina:

I have been confused by the term “quilter’s cotton”. What is the difference between “cotton” and “quilter’s cotton”?

Confused

Dear Confused:

There is a difference in the cotton fabric sold in quilt shops and those sold in fabric chain stores. The cotton fabric sold in the quilt shops is a better quality and is more expensive. This is still useable in garments as well as quilts. Quilters prefer to use 100% cotton as opposed to cotton blends. I have found that both work well in my quilts as long as I prewash everything that goes into my quilt. Usually I do not prewash my batting, but that can be washed also. When I use 100% cotton in regular clothing, I may have to iron the garment more than if I had used a cotton blend. I find them interchangeable. I am sure that there are “purists” who don’t agree with me, but that has been my experience.

Happy Sewing,  
Thimblina

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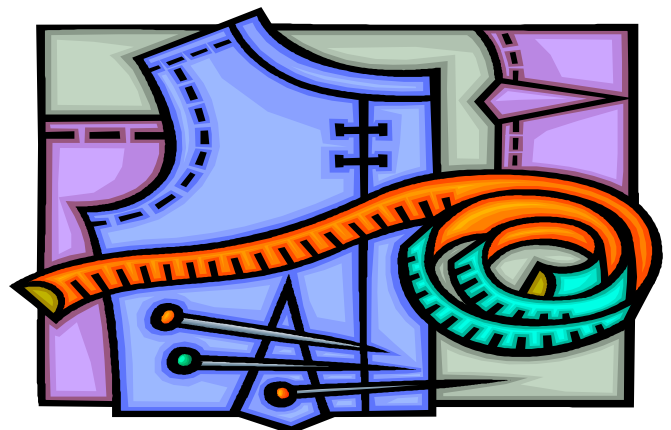
Spring (April-May 2010) **Deadline** for items to be include **March 15**. **Publish** at the beginning of **April**

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## Who's Who and What's Where

By Renee Hollis

**Please support our valued retailers and always mention that you are an ASG member.** I am highlighting these two retailers because they share the same location and hours. Other retailers will be highlighted in future issues of Biased Opinions.

### Quilts Olé

The minute you walk in the door you know that you are going to have a fun time. Owner Sandra Eichenberg's shop is a burst of bright colors. Everywhere you look the bright array of quilt fabric is arranged by color hue: reds, greens, etc. Not only are there brights, but also complete sections of Oriental and Batik fabric. Colorful flannels are displayed in their own space. There are prints everywhere that scream FUN.

Patterns are displayed on the end caps of the fabric shelves. I did see quite a few apron and handbag patterns. Another section of the shop houses the quilting books.

Quilts, wall hangings and handbags adorn the shop. Most are samples for the classes being offered – basic to advanced quilting and handbag construction to name a few. A separate room is there for classes. In addition to the many classes offered, there is a Sampler Block that is an ongoing monthly treat. Kits are available for \$7.

As many of you know, I am not a quilter, but I love going into this shop .... and I almost always walk out with a purchase of fabric. This last visit, I discovered they carry Jeana Kimball's Foxglove Cottage straw needles. I had never even heard of them, but they are very popular with the quilters. Another product on display is an Accuquilt – I didn't have time to see a demonstration. If you have never visited this shop, you are missing out.

Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30 AM to 5 PM  
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### Lavender Lamb

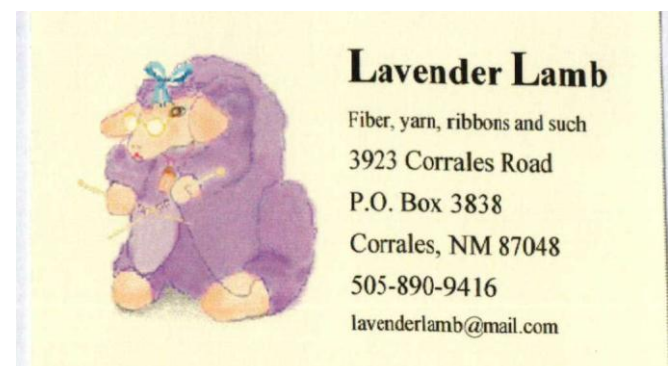
Located in the same shop as Quilts Olé is the Lavender Lamb, is a lovely yarn/fiber shop owned by Betsy Neuhaus. In the far back area is a wonderful variety of interesting fibers. Fibers that I know very little about since it has been awhile since I have knit. I've heard of yarns of wool to silk, rayon, orlon, etc and more recently Bamboo, but I never heard of fibers made from corn, milk, yak, possum and camel. Touching the different yarns was an educational experience. Lavender Lamb also carries recycled silk and regular silk.

For those of you who do not knit or crochet, there is roving for needle and wet felting. Silk ribbon also is available for those who do embroidery. Prescneicia brand and Finca perle cotton and embroidery floss made of 100% Egyptian cotton that does not fade is there. In the very near future, a shipment of Brazilian rayon yarn will arrive. New Mexico yarns are in stock, also. Another item I found unusual was a rack of flat feet ... this alone is worth the trip to check them. Angelina and other great yarns for embellishment of quilts and garments also are available.

There are samples of knitted hats and other items on display. Pattern books, all the supplies for felting, embroidery, knitting and crocheting are available. There are classes available for every type of yarn available. These classes are listed on the Quilts Olé website: [WWW.quiltsole.com](http://WWW.quiltsole.com)


Other offerings of the Lavender Lamb are repairs for knitted and crocheted garments and throws. This shop has much to offer and I don't think the owner would object to the yarn being touched. So, take a trip to Corrales and check out both the fabrics and fibers.

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