

TOMORROW...TOMORROW...OUR TUESDAY MEETING IS TOMORROW...at the Parkway Presbyterian Church, 3707 Santa Fe. Meeting starts at 10 am.

Sue Lathrop is presenting the program about printing designs, photos, etc on fabric. She then embellishes the transferred image with a lot of free motion and other techniques. Her beautiful creations will inspire and delight you...and motivate you to try it yourself when you realize how easy it is to do! The Stash Bash is our afternoon activity. For the Stash Bash, you bring items (fabric, notions, patterns) that no longer inspire you, "ticket" them with your name, price, yardage, etc, and then everyone shops at the Stash Bash. The Stash Bash tickets are on the website and I can send them to you via email. The Stash Bash will close at 2 pm. You are welcome to pick up any unsold items. Any unclaimed items at 2:30 pm will be put to good use in our Community Service projects and other charitable activities.

Like usual, bring your your old rotary cutter blades, your wine corks, and your fabric scraps. We will celebrate both the December and January birthdays.

By the way...check out our new amazing website -- www.asg-corporuschristi.com Ledell has been adding more pictures and more information! Our website has information on upcoming meetings as well as pictures of past meetings. Also, the Quilt Guild newsletter is now posted under "Other Sewing Groups" so check them out!

At tomorrow's meeting, tickets will be available for the **Pamela Leggett lecture and you can sign up for the classes**. Flyers will be in the chairs and Betty Surprenant is ready to take your lecture lunch order.

Also, we still have openings for the **Fitting Retreat with Marilyn Elliott on Jan 26-29** (Thursday-Sunday morning) at Camp Zephyr in Sandia (www.campzephyr.org). At the retreat Marilyn will work with anyone on any pattern, even if you didn't attend the earlier classes. This is the only event for Marilyn Elliott in 2012. Your room/meal is \$164 for the 3 nights/9 meals in a semi-private room. Private rooms are available at \$209. Marilyn's fee is \$90 for the three days. We also have a day camper option at \$5/day and \$7/meal, plus Marilyn's fee (which is \$35 for one day and \$70 for 2 days). Call (563-3336) or email me if you are interested, need more information, or want to register. Like our other retreats, you need to pre-pay. Marilyn's \$90 fee is due at registration and the room/meal fee is due by January 10th (our Tuesday meeting). These amounts are non-refundable unless someone takes your place.

We **need volunteers to judge the textile events** at the Nueces Livestock Show on January 17. Six ladies are needed at 10:30 am (lunch provided) and 3 are needed at 2 pm. Please call Judy Johnson 547-7221 or 290-1801 cell if you can volunteer. We donated \$1200 to the sewing events at the Nueces Livestock Show and \$500 to the San Patricio Livestock Show. So, please volunteer to help judge and support our young sewers!

Also this week...

- Estate Sale on Jan 12th - sewing notions, beading and crafting supplies, and lots of storage containers- very reasonably priced! From 10-2 pm, Judy Johnson is coordinating the sale at 6702 Meadowheights Dr which is in the Holly/Airline area. Check and cash only. Call Judy's cell at 290-1801 for additional information or directions.
- Focus on Fit at Elisabeth Chism's house -- For your flexibility, Elisabeth will be available every Wednesday and Thursday to help fit either a ready-to-wear garment or a "personally designed" garment. Please call her (853-0968) to coordinate the date/time.

Other Activities:

- The Rio Grande Chapter will have Suzy Seed, a national Sulky Thread Educator, on Saturday Jan 28 from 9-4 pm. The program is called Thread Play and the price is \$25 for ASG members plus a \$30 kit fee. Non-members are welcome at \$40 for a ticket, plus the kit fee. They are limited to 25 participants. If you are interested, contact Diane Parry at bparry@rgv.rr.com
- Floriani Seminar at the Singer Sewing Center on February 3,4. The 3-hour seminar is \$30 and filling up fast! A third seminar has been added because of the high response. Contact Susan at 991-5151 to register. The same seminar is given both days. Each attendee will receive a free package of Floriani items. Susan also has the Frixion pens (that erase with heat) in a variety of colors.
- Peggy Sagers' Education for the Textile Arts (ETA) Conference is on February 11-12 in Dallas at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The platinum package is \$149 which includes 2 nights at the hotel, 2 class days, and access to the vendor hall. It is possible to take 11 classes in this 2 day period. For more information, go to Peggy's website www.silhouettepatterns.com and click on the conference.

All the best... Jean