

President's Message

Fresh starts, aren't they the best? I love the possibilities the start of a New Year has! SEW MANY possibilities, I 'could' finish a bunch of those UFOs this year, I 'could' ace those skills that have been eluding me, I 'could' get my sewing room cleaned and organized and I 'could' enjoy every minute I get to spend with my sewing peeps. I do know that at least one of these things WILL happen, lol!



I'm so proud of the year we've had at Gold Country ASG and really excited for what the CAB team is working on for 2026. Join in, take a class, visit another Neighborhood Group, share your skills with others and THANK YOU for making our group one of the best!



Dates to Remember

- **March 19-21** — Spring Sew Camp, Light of the Hills Church (see pg. 2)
- **March 29 – April 3** — Spring Camp Sew & Sew at Zephyr Cove (see page 3)
- **April – early May** — Spring Picnic (details later)
- **June 12** — Reno Quilt Show Bus Trip (details later)
- **Mid-Sept** — Fall Annual Event, Light of the Hills Church (details later)
- **Oct 4-9** — Fall Retreat, Zephyr Cove (details later)
- **November** — Fall Sew Camp 2, Light of the Hills Church (details later)



**American Sewing Guild
Gold Country Chapter
Placerville, CA**

Spring 2026 Sewing Camp-1

**Light of the Hills Lutheran Church
3100 Rodeo Road, Cameron Park, CA 95682**



**Mar 19th – 21st, 2026
Thursday & Friday: 9am–5pm
Saturday: 9am–2pm**

**Member: \$30
Non-Member: \$40**



- Bring your sewing machine & supplies. They will be securely locked overnight.
- Show and tell. Door prizes.
- Free tables: Disperse your extra fabrics & notions and make someone happy.
- Thurs - Catered lunch, Fri - Pot luck, Sat – Catered lunch

Seats are limited- Register early to save your spot

Register by Mail Only

Write a check, make it **payable to Gold Country ASG**.

Include your phone number, email address, and any diet restrictions.

Mail the check and information to the following address:

Callie Neville at 6661 Thunder Head Lane, Placerville, CA 95667.

To reserve your seat or get more information, please contact

Huong Doan, 916-425-9551, hdoan54@yahoo.com, or

Louise Mast, 909-493-0350, lbmast@yahoo.com

CAMP SEW & SEW 2026

March 29-April 3, Sunday-Friday

Zephyr Point Conference Center
660 Hwy 50, Zephyr Cove, NV 89448

Bring your choice of projects and enjoy the camaraderie, continuous sewing, food, and more. The sewing area is very large so we do anticipate having cutting tables available. We will be working in the Inspiration Point conference room (great views of the Lake).

NOTES:

- The sewing workroom is open/available from 4pm Sunday until noon on Friday.
- Also, there is no large parking area near our rooms/workroom, so you will have to drive down, drop off your sewing and personal items at the workroom, pick up your keys and settle into your room, then park back by the main lodge (and parking garage).
- Bedrooms will be in the Tallac Center on the first floor and the workroom access is from the first floor, middle of the building. Entrance at the middle of the building is on the 2nd floor; there is an elevator.
- No alcohol is allowed in public areas (cafeteria or sewing workroom).

ROOMS:

All rooms have 2 queen-size beds and a private bath. There are a limited number of 3-bed rooms.

FEE/person (ALL prices increase \$25 after Feb 1):

- **Members:** \$650.00 (shared)/\$1040.00 (single)
LATE: \$695 (shared)/ \$1065 (single)
- **Non-Members:** \$695.00 (shared)/\$1065.00 (single)
- **LATE:** \$720 (shared)/\$1090 (single)

Registration Policy: Gold Country ASG members may pay at any time before March 8th, but we recommend you submit your registration early to reserve your space. Registration for camp closes on **March 8, 2026**. Make checks payable to Gold Country ASG. **NO refunds after February 5, 2026.**

MAIL REGISTRATION TO: Callie Neville, 6661 Thunder Head Lane, Placerville, CA 95667

For information: contact Verla Jackson, verlamj@gmail.com Limit is 24 attendees (for sewing space).

Name: _____ Name on nametag: _____

Full Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

ASG Chapter: _____ ASG Member #: _____

- Check here if you want to participate in Secret Pals [☐]

Room/meal options

- ROOM choice: [☐] single, [☐] double, [☐] seeking a roommate to share, or [☐] triple
- My roommate(s): _____ and _____
- I'd like gluten free, vegetarian, or vegan meals (please circle your preference)

Check payment amount:

- \$ _____

For information email: verlamj@gmail.com

No Meeting in March

2nd Saturday Sit n Sew



American Sewing Guild

WHO: Everyone is welcome, even if you've never sewn before, membership NOT required

WHAT: A 'make and take' beginner sewing project, instruction and materials provided OR bring your own project, we can help if needed!

WHAT Is Required? A few basic sewing supplies. We provide the rest. Your machine or borrow ours.

WHEN: 2nd Saturday each month,
10:00 am-4:00 pm (bring your lunch)

WHERE: **The Clubhouse @**
3550 China Garden Road, Placerville

WHY: Learn something new and make new friends

MORE info / RSVP:

no membership required

gail.butler@hotmail.com

or text 530-306-1057



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Gold Country ASG Neighborhood Groups 2026

The Art of the Stitch - Using the Concepts of Art and Techniques in Your Work

4th Monday 9:30 a.m., meets virtually

Bobbi Bullard 530-903-0843, bobbibullard@gmail.com

Clothes Fit Fun - Clothing Construction and Fit

1st Thursday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Light of the Hills Church, Cameron Park

Teri Prouty sewist4fun@gmail.com

Patti Garcia nursepattyg@yahoo.com

Sew Scrappy – Quilting and Small Pieced Projects

3rd Wednesday 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Light of the Hills Church, Cameron Park

Liz Harris 530-363-0981, harris5296@yahoo.com

Anne Mintmier 530-644-2739, amintmier@gmail.com

Sew Elegant – Small Projects

3rd Monday 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Light of the Hills Church, Cameron Park

Karen Starkel 916-817-1524, kstarkel@icloud.com

Sew Threads of Love - Charitable Projects for the Community

1st Wednesday 1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m., Placerville Senior Center

Trish McCrum 530-622-5505, biltrish@comcast.net

Cathy Kinzel 530-303-3568, randckinzel@gmail.com

Sew Threads of Love Too – Charitable Projects for the Community

2nd Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Rollingwood Clubhouse, Jackson, Amador County

Grace Nolan gracenolan@comcast.net

Jan Hopkins bjhpks49@gmail.com

Specialty Garment Techniques

2nd Tuesday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Raley's O-N-E Market, 3935 Park Dr., El Dorado Hills

Julia Johnson SGT@tojulia.com

Roxann Harris rox090522@aol.com

Sew-n-Sews Reno - All Things Sewing Related

Reno, Nevada

Verla Jackson verlamj@gmail.com

Neighborhood Group Leader Coordinator - Louise Mast lbmast@yahoo.com

Clothes Fit Fun

Clothes Fit Fun - Clothing Construction and Fit

1st Thursday 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Light of the Hills Church, Cameron Park

Teri Prouty sewist4fun@gmail.com

Patti Garcia nursepattyg@yahoo.com

The Clothes Fit Fun group donated
10 girls' dresses to the Dress a Girl
Around the World program.



..and had a great time at their Holiday Potluck



Community Service

Community Service is a major focus of ASG.

Thanks to our two Community Service groups, our Chapter made an impressive impact on our communities during 2025. Together the Sew Threads of Love and the Sew Threads of Love Too groups donated a total of 453 items to 13 agencies. The variety of items included quilts, dining vests, walker bags, tote bags, pillows, cat cage covers and mats, to name a few.

These donations went to:

Marshall Cancer Center Family Caregiver Support Program
El Dorado Community Health Center Amador Lifeline
American Legion Women's Auxiliary A-PAL and Tri Co. Wildlife Care
Amador Residential; Memory Care Homeless Emergency Shelter
Senior Center Amador Co. Military Veterans Donation Drive
Sutter Hospital Thrift Store Sierra Wind Wellness; Recovery Center

In addition, as mentioned before, the Clothes Fit Fun group donated 10 girls' dresses to the Dress a Girl Around the World program.

A big thank you to those members and groups who represent our chapter by helping and serving so many needs in our communities.

Sew Threads Of Love

Sew Threads of Love Too

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Chapter Advisory Board Meetings

You are invited!

CAB meets the second Monday of
each month at 1:30pm

In the Bel Air Community Room in
Cameron Park

New Members

Please welcome the newest members to our chapter

Odile Roques. 4212 Gina Way, Cameron Park. 95682

Mary Lou Morgan morganmaryloe5@gmail.com

Debbie Smith dysmith@comcast.net

Louise Arata louise.arata@yahoo.com

Also – a special thank you to all members who have renewed your ASG membership!

Note: If you have moved, changed your email, or changed your phone number please update your information in your profile at www.asg.org/member. The chapter does not maintain the membership address list.

If you have any questions or need help with your membership, contact Anne at amintmier@gmail.com or 530-644-2739



Keep in Touch



Gold Country Chapter

Website: <https://goldcountryasg.org/>

Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1316075138544115/>

Email group page: <https://groups.google.com/g/goldcountryasg>

Automatically email to members:

President's monthly News and Notes

Pine Needles Newsletter – schedule details to come soon

National ASG

Website: www.asg.org

Facebook page: www.facebook.com/sewingguild

Sewing As Art

This 4-hour workshop was taught by Susie Quinnell on Saturday, Feb 7th and was so much **FUN!**



People felt that "It was super low key and enjoyable" and "Even those of us challenged with lack of artistic ability were successful!"



Workshop Summary: Susie taught a workshop on how to play with colors to add some pizzazz to sewing projects. She brought various coloring supplies and samples with which to experiment. The class was 4 hours long and held at the Light of the Hills Church in Cameron Park.