



# RIP N SEW

## March 2019

Wow, another month has gone by. It's been a short one but a busy one. We continue to get new members in our club and welcome them always. It's nice to meet new people and make new friends.

Many of us have been busy sewing for the Craft Fair on March 16. Just a reminder that if you want to sell your merchandise you are required to help out and work. There are many jobs available. Check out the sign up sheets in the club and pick one that suits you. We are all valued for different skills and can pick the one we like best.

Our club has been busy with all members who are escaping the weather in other parts of the country, though the last few weeks haven't been too nice here. I managed to drive in the hail on Thursday, the 21st. I've lived in Arizona since 1977 and haven't seen too much of that. While teaching, I drove thru snow one morning and high school kids were happy to throw snowballs at one another and into classrooms! Thankfully no one threw hailballs at my car!

As some of you get ready to head back to cooler climes, make sure you have signed up to monitor 4 times during the calendar year. The desk calendar has all months available to sign up for monitoring. Take the club number with you in case you have some last minute schedule changes occur and need to cancel. Also remember, we offer Medical Exemptions for health or care taker responsibilities. Send an email to me or another officer to request one.

Speaking of exemptions, if you are over 85, you have served us well and you no longer need to monitor at Rip N Sew. You need to let us know that you fit into this category. We promise not to "card" you but we need to put you on the exemption list.

Happy Sewing and Happy St. Patrick's Day!

*Sue DeLucia*  
Co-President



**This is our last newsletter article before the Spring Fair.** We're still in need of several volunteers for the March 16 Craft Fair. While many of the spots are already filled, there are several open spots for sales people on Saturday morning and for selling/customer service at the Village Store (the p.m. shift). Remember, if you are selling any items, you need to volunteer for at least one shift.

We overheard several members asking about why there is no sign-up sheet for food. We did away with the sign-up sheet when we switched to snacks only. So, please bring a savory snack item (remembering refrigerator space is limited) but you don't have to sign up in advance telling us what you're bringing. The Club will be providing small sandwiches, water and coffee, but we still need plenty of snacks for the workers.

Even if you aren't selling any items, you are encouraged to volunteer and spend a few hours among friends...all for the good of the Rip 'N Sew Club.



**Few other reminders:**

\*Like the Fall Fair, members are allowed to "stuff" their purses or other items with tissue paper to ensure a better presentation of your product. This is only for the fair; the Village Store doesn't allow the use of tissue paper.

\*To avoid congestion in the sewing room during Thursday and Friday take-in, we are opening the back doors of the club. After your items are reviewed by Quality Control, you can simply exit from the back doors versus having to walk through the front doors. Not only should this ease congestion, but if any items are rejected during the Quality Control process, they won't be visible to any members who are in the front of the club making your exit more discrete.

\*Take-in days are Thursday, March 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday, March 16 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Bring your items to the club where they will be tagged with an automatic pricing gun and then gone through our QC process. You must also bring along your completed inventory form detailing all of the items you are submitting for the fair. If you have more than 20 items, please make an appointment for take-in with Eileen at 651-890-6805.

The Club will be closed for sewing all day Thursday, March 14 and Friday, March 15 for the check-in process.

\*You are encouraged to pick up any of your remaining unsold items the day of the fair starting at 2 p.m. (but no earlier than 2 p.m.). The Club will be open from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday which is a perfect time for you to pick up your unsold items. If you don't pick up your items on Saturday, a volunteer needs to sort all of the items by member and call each member to remind them to pick up the items. It avoids a lot of extra work for our volunteers if you simply pick up your items between 2 and 4 p.m. on Saturday.

\*Be sure to promote the Fair to your friends and neighbors. Send them an e-mail letting them know all the beautiful items we have available for sale. You'd be surprised how many people aren't aware of the Fair or just need a simple reminder of the date, time and place.

Happy sewing and selling!!

*Laurie Brammer* Craft Fair Chairman

*Joan Hardy* Craft Fair Co-Chairman



## Spring Luncheon

The theme this year is a Pajama Party. So wear your best PJ's or you can come in your street clothes and join us for the annual spring luncheon. It will be held on Thursday, April 4<sup>th</sup> in the Social Hall at 11:00. Because we have such wonderful cooks this will be a pot luck. Contributions of food are needed under the following categories:

Main Dishes

Salads

Desserts



PLEASE NOTE: Rip N Sew will not be providing beverages but the Rec Center has an ice machine for our use and members are responsible for their own drinks and cups.

There will be a contest for who is wearing the best/cleverest PJ's.

We will be collecting canned/boxed items of food for a local food bank to be determined later. For every item of food donated you will receive 1 raffle ticket towards prizes. There will be a brief general meeting before the potluck begins.

Just a reminder: there will not be any plug ins available for our use.

Club e-mails are sent out every two weeks usually on Sundays with announcements, invitations to specialty groups, neighbors' requests (\$\$\$), and other items of members' interest. The next one should be March 17th.

If you are not receiving these e-mails, and would like to, send a brief e-mail to: [ripsewclub546@gmail.com](mailto:ripsewclub546@gmail.com). Connie Wozniak will send you a request form to put you on the official mailing list.



\*\* Did you find the hidden number? If it's your badge number, you are entitled to a free \$6.00 class. \*\*

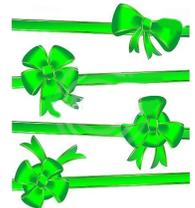
You can read this newsletter IN COLOR on our website:

[www.ripsew.scwclubs.com](http://www.ripsew.scwclubs.com)

PLUS you'll get to read it early before the Thursday club meeting each month.



Remember RNS now has 2839 Open Sewing on two days:  
Sunday afternoons from 12:30-4 pm  
and Wednesday nights from 4-7 pm.



Please remember that Rip N Sew is a:

NO Scent  
NO Animal Zone.

Consideration of your sewing sisters and brothers is greatly appreciated.



When using the badge scanner in the room, **PLEASE LOOK at the screen** to make sure your scan was received.

*Thank You*