



Rhode Island Sewing Network

December Newsletter

RISN Meetings

GREENWICH CLUB
5426 Post Road
East Greenwich, RI
02818

**First Tuesday of the
Month
@ 7:00 pm**



DIRECTIONS TO GREENWICH CLUB

From the South: Take 95 North to exit 8A (Rt. 2 Warwick/E. Greenwich). Stay on Rt.2, go to the traffic light at the Showcase Cinema, take a left onto Division Street (Rt. 401), follow to 2nd traffic light, and take right onto Post Road/Rt. 1. The Greenwich Club, 5426 Post Road, is on your left.

From the North: Take 95 South to exit 9 (Rt. 4 South). Take the first exit which will bring you to Rt. 401 (E. Greenwich/Division St.). At the end of the exit ramp facing straight, take a right turn onto Division Street. **Continue to follow above directions once on Division Street.**

December Meeting Program

December 4th, 2018

Ms. Phyllis Lim-Bruck is an avid multi discipline crafter, from sewing to caking to paper crafting. She graduated from Wentworth Institute of Technology with a BS in Civil Engineering and was working as a structural engineer before taking a career break to raise her family. During this time, she turned to her love for creating and started a special occasions cake business and earned her URI Master Seamstress I & II certificates. Having found a new love with her Silhouette Cameo electronic cutting machine, she started taking custom orders for personalized items such as graphic t-shirts, bags, wedding/party favors, decals, and home decoration items.

In this presentation, Phyllis will explain about the different home electronic cutting machines that are currently available and popular amongst crafters. She will show examples of items that were created using the machine: with adhesive vinyl, decals, framed art, home decorations, monograms, personalized mugs and many others. Meanwhile, heat transfer vinyl (HTV) and a heat press, allows her to create one of a kind graphic T-shirt, bag, pillow, and other fabric projects. The machine is also capable of cutting fabric and faux leather applique to embellish her sewing projects, as well as sugar sheets for cake decorating, and not to forget, the original purpose of the machine, paper crafting. There will also be a step by step demo to create a shopping tote, greeting card, and decal, from the design process to the finish product.

This will be a great presentation to check out an electronic cutting machine and to see if you want to add one to your holiday gift list.

**CHRISTMAS TREES WILL BE FOR SALE IN THE
PARKING LOT IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING THE
NIGHT OF OUR MEETING.
PLEASE PARK IN THE SIDE LOT.**

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A Hands on Creating Couture Embellishments Workshop with Ellen Miller Saturday April 27, 2019 from 9 - 4 PM

A Day of Folding Ribbons, Gathering Flowers and Ornamenting with Beads

Tempted by all the lush ribbons in the stores but not sure how to use them? Come spend a day with Ellen W. Miller, author of *Creating Couture Embellishment* to learn all about ribbons; we'll explore the different kinds of ribbons, some ways to fold and gather the ribbons and finally ornament our ribbon creations with beads to make unique embellishments. A little learning, a little folding and a little sewing will spark lots of creative ideas for future projects.

Registration will be in March and the price is yet to be determined.

Facebook Group – RISN Exclusive

As a member of the Rhode Island Sewing Network you have exclusive rights to join our new private Facebook group. The name of the group is: *RISN Exclusive* and it is limited to registered RISN members only. Through participation on this Facebook page, we will get to know each other better, support one another in our sewing endeavors, and share our projects. No Facebook experience is necessary! We are all here to help each other along. This is an exclusive group so you can only join by invitation. If you are on our newsletter email list, we will send you a link where you can request to join. More details will be shared at the November meeting.

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Attached to this email with your newsletter is your 2018-2019 RISN membership application form. Your completed application with a check made out to RI Sewing Network or RISN should be mailed directly to:

Ann Pericolo
10 Cherry Street
Wrentham, MA 02093

Membership cards for members who sign up prior to the meeting will be handed out at the October meeting. Anyone not attending the October meeting will receive their membership card in the mail.

Membership includes six issues of our newsletter plus discounts to meetings and other events as well as email news.

1. Annual Membership is \$10.00 and each of the six scheduled meetings is \$5.00 for each meeting attended. The nonmember fee for meetings is \$7.00 per meeting.

2. Premiere Membership is \$30.00 equal to six scheduled meetings. With this Premiere Membership, the \$10.00 membership fee is waived and there are no additional fees for attending meetings. In addition, you can bring one guest to one meeting for free.

The Registration form is on our website:
www.rhodeislandsewingnetwork.com

RISN 2018-2019

Theme for the year: Embellishments for Show & Share

What have you embellished this year? Have you embroidered anything? Added a cool trim to a dress or jacket? Where did you get those cool buttons that made that coat pop? This year we are focusing on bringing our sewing to a new level with our speakers who specialize in Embellishments. Let's challenge ourselves to be more creative in our sewing. We can't wait to see your Sew and Share at our meetings.

Meeting Dates and Presenters

December 4, 2018 - Phyllis Lim-Bruck on a Silhouette Cutting Machine and Heat Set Designs

March 5, 2019 - Cassie Van Dine on selecting and use of sewing machine feet

April 2, 2019 - Ruth Gross on “People & Places Quilted Fabric Pictures”

May 7, 2019 - Sherit Levin showing “Hand Painted Velvet Devore Scarves & Shawls”

Refreshments

Refreshments are provided at all meetings and members provide the baked goods or appetizers as well as help with setting up and cleaning up. RISN uses a calendar for members to follow to provide refreshments. The first letter of your last name determines the monthly meeting for which you are requested to support refreshments. Members providing refreshments will receive an additional raffle ticket for the meeting raffle. Be sure to mention this upon check-in!

November Refreshments: I - L

Nancy Spirito is our Refreshments Chairperson and may be contacted at:
bridalfinerydesign@gmail.com

For Sale

Urge to Purge? Members who have sewing/craft items for sale are invited to set up a table at our meetings. Have a sewing/craft related business? Why not consider showcasing/selling your items at a meeting? Please limit your selling space to one table.

URI Master Seamstress Program

Check out the Winter Master Seamstress II classes below.

Contact URI at 401-277-5050 to register for classes.

Classes are filling up. Don't wait to register. Registration Deadline is December 21, 2018.

Winter 2019

Class dates January 3 – March 12, 2019

NEW! – Open Sew (\$250) Be inspired by a collection of clothing with a variety of sewing and serger details. In each class you learn how to achieve some of the techniques in the collection to encourage creativity for new and/or unfinished projects. There are no limitations to the imagination. You choose the project.

Tuesday evenings 7:00 – 10:00 pm (1/8 – 3/12)

No class 2/19, 3/5

Nancy Hoell

Shirtmaking (\$250) This class will teach the basics of shirtmaking for both men and women. Quick industrial methods as well as some couture techniques will be demonstrated and used. Each student will make a sample notebook and complete a shirt. A 100% cotton fabric is suggested.

Wednesday evenings 7:00 – 10:00 pm (1/9 – 3/6)

No class 2/20

Cassie Van Dine

Form / Draping (\$250) **FULL** - Students will be body casted, and then your body mold will be filled with polyurethane foam. After just three classes, you will have an accurate form of your figure and posture. Draping techniques will be taught and practiced in class with muslin, as well as tissue fitting patterns to the finished form.

*Additional fee of \$175 for the body form kit (payable to the instructor)

Thursday mornings 9:00 am – 12:00 noon (1/3 – 3/7)

No class 1/31, 2/21

Diane Martin

Highlights from the November Meeting



Our Presenter, Ellen Miller, with her book,
Creating Couture Embellishments



Lace was added to the sleeves and neck



She added Ribbon to the Front and down
the sleeves



Great Braid work on the Collar and Cuffs



Jean Lynch with her Door Prize loot



Ruth Gross used her vintage fabric



Sheila Vargas modeling her Gail Yellan jacket made out of sweaters.
Check out her lining.





Joanne Brown modeling her quilted jacket, I know the back picture is a little blurry but you can still see the beautiful workmanship. Joanne teaches 4H Sewing in Warwick and is looking for an assistant



Denise Carlson made these two tops in the MSII "Knit Picks" class. The Orange one does not have shoulders and check out the embroidery on the Green Knit top.



Mary Jo Hines displaying her
Sew Seeds of Love doll clothes



Rose O'Koren wearing her
New Horizon Tanacross Cardi

We hope you have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season !!!!!!!