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Notes from Mary:

Hi Everyone,

There has been quite a few changes in Clafin Academy since my last newsletter.

Fasturn was sold to Kim Hansen and her partner Dan Tilton and they are planning a grand re-opening of the store August 15, 2009. Kim and Dan have made a lot of changes. They have moved the production of the Fasturn tools upstairs where I was and I moved downstairs in the back of the store.

The fabric store is in the process of moving over into the old production space and along with the large classroom has been painted bright colors. The new space will allow Dan and Kim to not only bring in more quilting fabrics, but expand into fabrics suited for garments.

Kim just got in the most beautiful Rayon Batiks. More are due to arrive in the next couple of months. She is also planning on bringing in wools, silks, bamboo, hemp and organic cottons.

I hope those of you that are local will stop in and say "Hi", check out my new

space and see the changes around Fasturn. Hours for the grand re-opening are 10 am to 5 pm.

I will have both our daughter, Tiffany's and our daughter-in-law, Valah's wedding gowns on display for you to see.

Another change is my husband, Patrick and myself are in the process of starting a custom made bra line. So many of us ladies do not have an easy time of finding bras to fit our shapes that are not only comfortable but pretty. *Comfortable Elegance* was started with this thought in mind.

We are also hoping to provide custom bras for those of you with special needs due to lumpectomy and mastectomy.

We are in the process of creating a website. www.comforableelegance.com and www.custommadebra.com

We are currently running a special right now, for \$150 we will make a custom pattern for you and one tricot/powernet bra. Once we have a good

fit, you can order more bras from your custom fitted pattern for \$100. It might sound like a lot of money, but remember we guarantee the fit. We are busy enough that I have hired sewing help to keep up with the demand, as well as teaching Patrick to make bras.

I am also offering bra making classes. The class is 2 days from 9 am to 4 pm.

I have 2 sessions scheduled, August 28-29 and September 11-12. Cost is \$125 plus a kit fee of \$50. The kit makes 3 bras. I am also requiring a \$50 deposit. The minimum number of students is 3 with a maximum of 6. I will add an October class if enough students are interested. See my ad on the back page for more information.

Hope to see you Saturday at the Grand Re-opening of Fasturn.

—Keep Sewing

Mary

Special points of interest:

- Oregon State Make It With Wool is coming up.
- Grand Re-Opening of Fasturn
- Comfortable Elegance

Comfortable Elegance

A custom made bra just for you.

Your measurements are used to create a custom pattern .

By Appointment Only

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Make it with Wool

The 2009 annual Oregon State *Make It With Wool* competition will be held at the Red Lion Hotel in Pendleton, Oregon on December 5, 2009. For more information or to enter contact: Maureen Krebs (503) 422-7548 or eatlamb@wildblue.net

Categories include:

- ◆ Preteens—ages 12 and under
- ◆ Juniors—ages 13-16
- ◆ Seniors—ages 17-24
- ◆ Adults—age 25 and older
- ◆ Miscellaneous —includes made for others and wearable accessories.

All entries must be made from 100% wool fabrics and yarns. Contestants may enter a one piece garment such as dress, jumper or coat, a two-piece outfit, such as dress with jacket or top and pants/skirt or jumper/blouse combination. Wearable accessories can include items knitted or crocheted.

Winners will advance to the national competition January 2010.

<http://www.oregonmiww.com/>

The **Southern Oregon Wool Competition and Exhibition** will be held again in February, 2010. A specific date has not been set.

Categories are the same as the state and each entry costs \$10.

For more information and to obtain an entry form, contact Sarah Jane Geroux 541-773-2272 or rtgeroux@charter.net

I hope you will support this competition by entering your wool projects.

Students of Claflin Academy entered their projects in both open class and 4-H at the Jackson County Fair!

- ❖ **Chloe Geroux—Blue** – wool skirt.
- ❖ **Colette Beard—Purple** - green summer dress, **Blue** - apron.
- ❖ **Daniel Geroux—Junior Grand Champion** – wool vest. Open Class
- ❖ **Rowan Lovich—Reserve Champion** Clothing – wool skirt, , **Blue** – sundress.



Daniel Geroux
Junior Grand Champion —Wool vest



Chloe Geroux
Blue-wool skirt



Rowan Lovich
Reserve Champion-wool skirt.



Colette Beard
Purple-green tiered summer dress.

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Grand Re-opening!
August 15
10 am - 5 pm

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and supplies,
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A custom made bra just for you.

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Dan Tilton Kim Hansen
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Websites of Interest

Everything Sewing
www.everythingsewing.net/
Vintage Fashion Guild
www.vintagefashionguild.org/
Inner French Girl
www.innerfrenchgirl.com/bulletin36.htm
Pattern Review
http://patternreview.com
Lanetz Living-vintage sewing patterns
www.lanetzliving.net/

Independent Pattern Alliance
Patterns from independent designers
www.patterncompanies.com/

Fashion Incubator
www.fashion-incubator.com/

Fabric and Notions

Fabric Blowout
www.fabricblowout.com/
Fashion in Harmony
www.fashioninharmony.com/
Wazoodle
www.wazoodle.com/
Simply Sunshine
www.simplysunshine.com/
Linton Tweeds
www.lintondirect.com/
Repro-depot Fabrics
www.reprodepotfabrics.com/
Fabrics on Mill Street
www.fabricsonmillst.com/

Free Catalogs

Home-Sew
www.homesew.com
Sew True
www.sewtrue.com
Beacon Fabric & Notions
www.beaconfabric.com

Pattern websites

Simplicity
www.simplicity.com
McCall
www.mccall.com
Butterick
www.butterick.com/indexflash.html
Vogue
www.voguepatterns.com/index.html

Basic Bra-Making Class

This class will focus on making a bra that is comfortable to wear. You will be sewing a **basic white tricot/powernet bra**, (with or without underwires) and fine-tuning the fit so that you end up with a custom made pattern for a perfect fitting bra. This is a basic bra-making class but students should have strong sewing skills.



August 28- 29, 2009 9 am—4 pm.
September 11-12 2009 9 am –4 pm

Class size is limited to 6 students with a minimum of 3.

Class fee is \$125.00, plus \$50.00 kit fee.
Kit includes supplies for 3 bras and pattern,
does not include under wires.

Underwires can be purchased for \$2.00 a pair.

\$50 deposit required at time of registration.

Supply list and measuring instructions provided at time of registration. If students are local, arrangements can be made in advance for instructor to measure student.

Cancellation Policy: Kits are ordered one week before your scheduled class and if you cancel after the order has been placed I cannot refund your deposit.

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