

AUGUST GATHERINGS

# **AUGUST 10**

10:00 AM to noon, Sewing World 136 71 Ave. SE in the upstairs classroom.

If you wish, bring along a snack to share. Remember to park in the rear of the store. Please thank them for their support when you shop.

## **AUGUST 27**

1:00 to 3:00 PM, Royal Canadian Legion, 606 38 Ave NE.

The Legion provides this venue to us free. Do not bring food or beverages in to the Legion. These are available at their snack bar. Consider a food bank donation as a thank you.

# AUGUST at a glance

**AUGUST 10** - Second Monday Gathering at Sewing World

**AUGUST 12** - Fabric Open House

**AUGUST 27** - Fourth Thursday Gathering at The Royal Canadian Legion



Searching for something on RAVELRY? Check KNIT NOTES for tips.

# NEWS FROM HANDCRAFTS COMMITTEE

## **FABRIC OPEN HOUSE**

Does your UJAMAA GRANDMAS project stash need a top up?

Then come to the August Fabric Open House. Dawn Bolger will have the Handcrafts stash laid out for your browsing. If you need something for a personal project, you can purchase those items at Fabric Sale prices.

If your stash is still plump, then just come by to admire and visit.

#### WHEN:

Wednesday, August 12 between noon and 5:00 PM. WHERE:

At Dawn Bolger's - 13124 Bonaventure Dr SE.

# **NEW POSTINGS ON PATTERNS**

Check <u>PATTERNS</u> page for updated posting for the Sew and Turn version of our popular Casserole Carrier.

And also find the instructions for the Microwave Bowls. Please be sure to use all cotton materials for these products and read the safety note in *SEW WHAT*. This is very important.

## **PUPPETWORKSHOP - SEPTEMBER 9**

Puppet Workshop is rescheduled to September 9 and registration is now available. Most supplies will be provided. Expect to complete a Muppet-style hand puppet during the workshop. There is a small amount of machine sewing and lots of hot glueing. There will be examples of face variations and body additions. Some participants may finish the body during the workshop as well.

WHEN: September 9, 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM WHERE: Location and patterns will be emailed to registered participants prior to the workshop. REGISTER: On line at REGISTER.



### **OPTIMIZE YOUR RAVELRY SEARCH**

Here are some tips from Janice Meeking on how to optimize your search for interesting patterns on RAVELRY.



I. Click on the *patterns* tab at the top of the home page of <a href="https://www.ravelry.com">www.ravelry.com</a>.

You may begin searching immediately by typing a specific or general name in the search field that appears.

2. For a more targeted search, click on "pattern browser & advanced search" just below the search field.

You may use as many, or as few, filters here as you like to limit your search; for example only Free Patterns or only Knitting or only Crochet Patterns. You should also use the Category filter to choose the type of pattern you are looking for and beyond that, it's up to you which filters you use.

- 3. Once you have found a pattern and purchased it, if necessary, you can store it in your Ravelry library, if you have signed on, or just download it directly into your computer.
- 4. VERY IMPORTANT!! Get permission if you intend to use the pattern to make items for BB&B.

Virtually all patterns you find online are covered by copyright laws, so it is essential that you ask permission to use the pattern to create items for our sale. Even if a pattern is free, you still need to ask permission.

Most designers, if given enough information, are OK with us using their patterns, but some will put limits on how many items we may sell, and some do NOT give permission. So please keep copies of your email correspondence and send the information to Patty Cucman at <a href="webmaster@ujamaagrandmas.com">webmaster@ujamaagrandmas.com</a> so she can add it to the Designer list in the PATTERNS section of the Ujamaa Grandmas website.

Check the <u>PATTERNS</u> page for a letter template that you might use.



### **CHILDREN'S WEAR**

We have received some beautiful items for children's wear for our Fall sale. We have a lot of knitted hats, sweaters and cardigans. Also other items are coming in such as blankets, toys and aprons etc.

In previous years, we also received some really cute dresses, coveralls and play sets made out of lovely printed fabric. We would love to receive some more this year.

the <u>PATTERNS</u> page for this cute pieced charm skirt. We appreciate all efforts by our members to make the 2015 BB&B a success. Thank you

For one idea, check



on behalf of children's products custodians.

Mieke Van Dijk.

## **MICROWAVE BOWLS**

Check <u>PATTERNS</u> page to find directions for making the popular microwave bowls. We know they will be great sellers.

BUT, it is <u>extremely</u> important that the correct materials are



used for the safe use of these products.

Everything needs to be 100% cotton - fabric, thread and batting. Use the burn test on your fabric if you are not sure. Cotton fabric burns and leaves an ash like paper. Any polyester or synthetic content will make the ash have a more brittle edge because the fabric is melting. 100% cotton thread is vital because polyester thread might melt with continued use. Wrap n Zap seems to be the best choice for the batting. There will generally be 10" squares of the batting available at the gatherings

We will be attaching tags to the bowls with the instructions that the bowl is to be used for re-heating not cooking in the microwave. Suggested warming time would be 2-3 minutes.