

Colonial Sewing Bees to Begin in Dighton
First Sewing Bee Sunday, January 29, 2012 at 1:00 p.m.
Friendship Hall, Elm Street, Dighton

Following the Colonial Clothing meeting and Fashion Show of January 15th, Cathy Potter and folks working on Dighton's Tri-Centennial will be holding a series of sewing bees for anyone who wants to make their own colonial clothing for the events of the Tri-Centennial year, 2012.

There is no charge for the sewing bees, which will cover petticoats, chemises, short gowns and caps for women and girls; then waistcoats and "cheater pants" for men. You need not sew to attend – techniques will be taught and help will be on hand to get your garments made.

The first sewing bee will be making petticoats. It will take place on Sunday, January 29, at 1:00 p.m. at Friendship Hall, Elm Street, Dighton.

Please bring your own material which has been pre-washed to avoid future shrinkage, and matching thread if you desire. You may bring your sewing machine if you wish, but it is not required.

To determine petticoat length, measure from your waist to the floor and add 6 (six) inches. You will need two panels of material at least 45 inches wide for a woman's petticoat. Plain colors or checks or stripes up to three colors in cotton or linen or similar material are in keeping with colonial times.

If you are planning to attend, please call Cathy at (508) 252-3682 or Myrna at (508) 669-6944. Myrna can also be reached by email at myrnasantos455@gmail.com.