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SEAMS Important Newsletter



Celebrate SEAMS Golden Anniversary at the Spring Conference

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SEAMS - The National Association for the Sewn Products Industry Since 1967

It's hard to imagine today that a small group of men in the late 1960's could envision the importance of establishing networking among industry manufacturers and suppliers to protect sewn products production in the USA. But the idea became extremely important through the years and as off-shoring shrunk opportunities for many U.S. manufacturers.

SEAMS was originally formed under the title South Carolina Needle Trades Association in Columbia, SC. In 1991 the name changed to Southeastern Apparel Manufacturers Association and the association expanded its' borders to include the entire Southeastern US. In 2002, SEAMS settled on its current title "SEAMS - The National Association for the Sewn Products Industry" to reflect how the organization grew to accommodate and represent the diverse U.S. textile and sewn products industry all across America.

The Association began in 1967 with 4 officer appointments. An 8-member director committee was added the following year. As the Association grew, so did the committee director positions. In 1972, a supplier directors category was added. By 1978, the Association also added the positions of Executive Director and Executive Secretary and a new headquarters was opened on Broad River Road in Columbia to provide full-time support for the growing

member base. In 1997, committee chairs were named to oversee specific needs of the association and to help grow and expand membership. SEAMS moved to their current location in Aiken, SC three years ago.

Through the years, the dedication of SEAMS and industry leaders has expanded to inform and support a membership base that includes manufacturers, contractors, brands, suppliers and other industry-related companies across the country. Through SEAMS conferences, industry trade shows and events, partner relationships and frequent communications, SEAMS promotes the Made in America textiles and sewn products industry across the world.



Join the Plant Tour
240 Sardis Road, ASHEVILLE, NC
 May 16th - 8:30 - 9:30 am

IFB Solutions Plant Tour to Kick-off Spring Conference

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Industry News

[A&E Launches First REPREVE® Recycled Core Spun Sewing Thread](#)
[Two Messe Frankfurt, Inc. Shows Recognized As Top 250 US Tradeshows In 2016](#)
[The U.S. textile industry has a bright future](#)
[Buhler Quality Yarns acquired by Samil Spinning of S. Korea](#)
[Acme-McCrary sale: A 'win-win' for Asheboro](#)
[Manufacturers Value Lectra's Fabric Cutting Room: 3000 Vector® Sold in 10 years](#)
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[Mount Vernon FR, Wrangler® FR partner to launch high-tech jeans collection](#)
[Three companies choose Gerber's YuniquePLM® In The Cloud solution](#)
[Gerber bringing latest fashion technology innovations to East, West coasts of U.S.](#)
[Cotton Incorporated and PurThread Technologies Announce Collaboration](#)
[NCSU College of Textiles hosts Career Fair to address industry's hiring needs](#)

Open Production Needed

Fox Apparel is looking for work to expand their commercial production line and has open production needs. [CLICK HERE](#) for details.

Granite Knitwear dba Cal Cru will have open production capacity beginning in March. [CLICK HERE](#) for details.

Buy/Sell Market

Seams Member DirecTex offers a full line of commercial, Mil-Spec, and Berry Compliant products. [CLICK HERE](#) for details.

Jobs Market

Ripon Athletic is currently accepting resumes/applications for a Apparel Design Department supervisor and CAD operator in our Apparel Design Department. [CLICK HERE](#) for details.

Upcoming Events

[Techtextil North America 2017](#) - June 20-22, 2017, Chicago, IL

[Texworld](#) - July 17-19, 2017 - New York, NY

[IFAI Expo](#) - September 26-29, 2017 - New Orleans, LA

[Texprocess Americas](#) - May 22-24, 2018 - Atlanta, GA

Welcome New SEAMS Members

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