



THE NEEDLE DANCER

American Needlepoint Guild

<http://www.tucsonang.org>

March 2016

President's Letter

Hello Fellow Stitchers –

Well, spring is here in wonderful southern Arizona. We have had some heat and then we have had some cool weather. I believe that Mother Nature is just getting us ready for the upcoming summer. As I mentioned in the Stitch In reminder, it is coming up to the time of the year where we can justify staying inside in the cool and stitch away. All of us (or a vast majority of us) have many things to stitch, some little, some large.

When you are looking for something to stitch, remember about the Stash Challenge. We now have 2 chances to win a prize (and not another project) that is related to our hobby/passion. One chance is for the person who finishes the most stash projects through and including November; the other is for the person who has the oldest finished stash project. Just bring it to a Stitch In or a meeting. I have index cards ready for your entries!!!!

At our March meeting, I will reveal the 2016 summer challenge. I will reveal the challenge at the meeting and will have a printout only for those who will be leaving before the April meeting for their summer residences. The sticher will be providing the majority, if not all, of the project but, once again, it is small. There are more choices this year for our stitchers and there will be helpful threads available at our May meeting, if you would like, or use your stash! Don't tell me you don't have one because I know what kind of members we have!!! There is one caveat to your challenge so come and learn what it is.

Hopefully our Nominating Committee has been hard at work and they are on the way to providing us with next year's slate of officers. Thank you, Jan Sprague, for spearheading the committee with co-workers, Betty McBrearty and Laura Cotter. If I have the names wrong, I apologize. But to whomever, thank you. Also thanks to those members who have stepped up and volunteered or accepted positions. Point to remember, this is your Chapter and all need to do their part to have it continue and grow and change.

For those stitchers who will be attending the Toni Gerdes Wright Kimono workshop in Las Cruces, New Mexico, in April -- get your bags ready. It is only a little over a month away. I am so excited because I have wanted to do this project since it was offered at the Chicago seminar.

Now I just have to focus on finishing it (along with several other workshop projects I have)! Some qualify for the Stash Challenge.

And that being said, it is time to go to the couch and stitch.

Charleane

2015-2016 ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS

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MISSION STATEMENT

The objective of this Guild is to promote the educational and the cultural development of needlepoint through the participation in and the encouragement of the interest in the art of needlepoint. <http://www.needlepoint.org>

NEW MEETING LOCATION INFORMATION

If you need a ride or directions to the new meeting location, please contact a Board Member.

Calendar 2015

Day Meeting: Mini Time Museum of Miniatures
4455 E. Camp Lowell Drive
10:00 AM – 2 PM

Night Meeting: TBD, Check your reminder notice

Board Meeting: River Road Library Second Saturday – 9 am

Stitch-In: The West classroom (River/Craycroft Rds)

March 2016

SUN	MON	TU	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4 EGA Yard Sale, Barbara Lewis' House	5 EGA Yard Sale, Barbara Lewis' House
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Stitch In, The West, 10 am to 4 pm ---- Board Meeting, River Road Library, Noon
13	14	15	16	17 ANG/EGA Combined Luncheon, Hilton on Grant 11 AM – 3 PM	18	19
20	21	22	23 Night Meeting, Location TBD, 6 pm	24 Day Meeting, Mini Time Museum, 10 am to 2 pm	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	TH	FRI	SAT
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Stitch In, The West, 10 am to 4 pm
11	12	13	14	15	16 Toni Gerdes – Wright Kimono – Las Cruces, NM	17 Toni Gerdes – Wright Kimono – Las Cruces, NM
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DIRECTORS AT LARGE



HOSPITALITY

Karen Swanson and Jan Sprague

March 23rd

Jacquie Reith and Betsy Smullen



WORKSHOPS

Jean Callis and Linda Kanora

Stitchers!!! Your workshop committee has arranged this workshop as a delightful break from the summer heat. It will take place in July and be given by Sylvia Murariu. This fun project was offered at the ANG National Seminar and includes some new techniques that can enhance your canvas projects. We will be using the Pepper Pfeifer fund to pay for the teacher's fees and travel. The purpose of this fund is to add workshops to our offerings that include a wide range of technique. I hope you will join us. Please let me know if you will as soon as possible, we must have your name by June 15th to order kits.

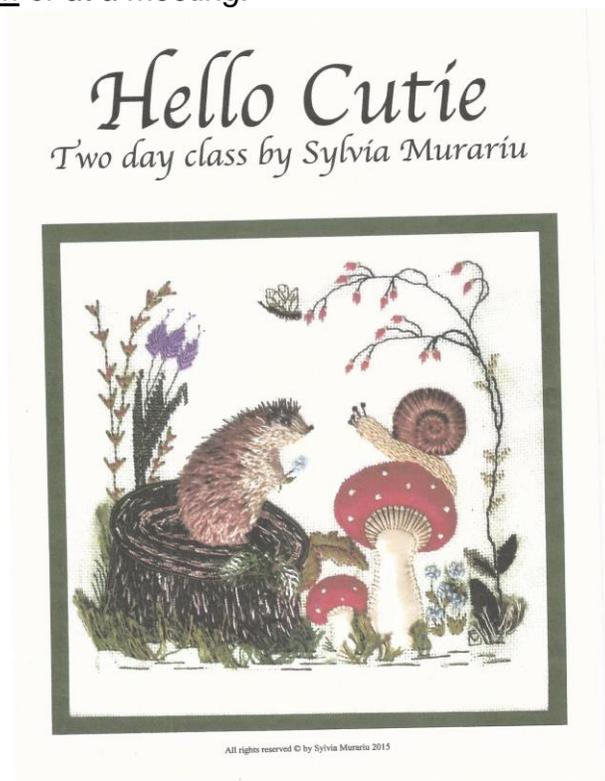
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS RE WORKSHOPS **ANG VS. PEPPER PFEIFFER FUND**

To answer some possible questions that members may be asking about the differences in rules for some upcoming workshops, here is, hopefully, some clarification.

ANG sponsored workshops – A workshop will be held if 15% of the Chapter membership (based on membership at the start of the fiscal year) is participating. The money that covers the teacher expenses for these workshops is taken from the Tucson Chapter ANG Education Fund.

Pepper Pfeiffer Fund workshops – Per the Pepper Pfeiffer Annual Teacher Award, commonly referred to as the Pepper Pfeiffer Fund, the participation may be as small as five (5). The money that covers the teacher expenses for these workshops is solely taken from the Pepper Pfeiffer Fund and non from Tucson Chapter ANG Education Fund.

For these reasons, some workshops may go ahead with a smaller number of participants depending on the funding. If anyone has questions, please contact me at charleane1950@gmail.com or at a meeting.



HELLO CUTIE, Multimedia, 2 Day class By SYLVIA MURARIU

Class Description:

This lovely design can be framed or can be used to embellish a purse or a box. The congress cloth is painted using water paint before the design is transferred on. This class offers the students the opportunity to learn a variety of techniques such as: surface embroidery stitches (continental, chevron, back stitch, padding, bullion, alternating satin, giorde, French knots, straight, chain), dimensional padded stitches with layers of felt, thread and cord, leather and more. The emphasis will be on the hedgehog, which is worked separately. Material used will include embroidery floss, felt, rove, EdMar floss, beads, and Madeira gold fibers.

TECHNIQUE: Multimedia

DESIGN AREA: 6" x 6"

PROFICIENCY: all levels

KIT COST: \$78.00

KIT CONTENTS: Instructions, congress cloth with pattern already transferred, threads, beads, felt, leather, elastic, needles and a practice bag.

Students need to bring to class a 10/10 inches embroidery frame, embroidery scissors, scissors to cut metallic threads and wire, portable lamp, magnifier, thimble.

No pre-stitching required



PROGRAMS 2015-2016

Pat Nelson and Jan Morgan

MARCH: Threads and When to Use Them – Jan Morgan will lead us through this collaborative program exploring new ways to use familiar threads and how to use some of the new threads on the market. Please bring samples of thread successes in your stitching to share.

April: Stitching by Committee and a Sit and Stitch

May: Needlepoint Bingo

OCTAGON SAMPLER – Technique of the month

Silk Ribbon Flowers – presented by: Judy Nelson

Supply List

1. Needlepoint Canvas 18 count – 6” x 6” for notebook or full size canvas to incorporate all the techniques.
2. Mount your canvas on stretcher bars, even the small size (easier to work with).
3. Have the octagon outline completed and ready for the technique.
4. Chenille needles – assorted sizes, depends on the size of the silk ribbon – we will have ribbon available to practice with.
5. Scissors and needle grabber (small rubber disk) or hemostats (locking needle grabbers).
6. Your favorite laying tool.
7. Blue wash away marking pen.
8. Any other favorite tools, light and magnifier if needed.

Here are a few resources to get you ready for this fun technique.

<https://www.craftyattic.com> Type in – Silk Ribbon Embroidery – most techniques can be applicable to needlepoint canvas work.

<https://www.youtube.com> Type in RiverSilks, hit Enter and a list comes up of excellent tutorials on how to get started with ribbon embroidery on canvas.



WAYS AND MEANS

Shirley Burns

I want to thank all of you who donated items for baskets, and I was able to put together some fabulous ones for the luncheon! That being said, the May meeting is coming up and I need more great stuff. I have seen what you all have and others will be thrilled to get it. So, please don't stop sorting your stash and bring it to the meetings. I can hardly wait to put together more baskets!



MEMBERSHIP

Mary Christoph

Please check our ANG website to make sure all phone numbers and addresses are correct on the Roster. Please let me know if I need to make any corrections by submitting the form below.

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Coming soon from Mill Hill: Laurel Burch dog designs in cross stitch kits with Laurel Burch's delightful bright colors in thread and beads.

STORE HOURS:
Mon thru Sat
10am to 5pm

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