



THE NEEDLE DANCER

American Needlepoint Guild

<http://www.tucsonang.org>

April 2015

President's Letter

Well Members,

Spring is here and it will be over way too soon. Of course that means it will be too hot to work outside at any time and it will only be cool enough in the house to work until noon. Darn! I guess that means that I will have to sit and get my stitching done. I can start working on Christmas presents so I don't have to rush toward the end of the year. That means I have to find them because they have been buried by all the new and new to me projects that have found a way into my house.

Our Nominating Committee has been hard at work. Thank you to Judy Burgess, Judy Nelson and Peggy Lawton for stepping up. Also thanks to the members who have stepped up to fill the open positions.

I have written up the information regarding the summer challenge for our members. It can be found in a separate article in this newsletter. I am so excited that so many want to participate. Remember, this is to be a fun project. Only a couple simple rules to follow.

I have changed the May meeting from Thursday, May 28, to Saturday, May 30. Location and time remain the same. This allows our working members to participate and join us for a fun meeting. We will have election of officers, opportunity baskets, food, maybe a small program (if time allows) and the annual stitching awards.

The evening has come and my couch is calling me. Time to go stitch!

Charleane

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>

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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
 10:30 am - 3 pm

Night Meeting: Linda Kanora's House – 6 pm

Board Meeting: River Road Library Second Saturday – 9 am

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

April 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Stitch In – The West
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22 Night Mtg	23 Day Mtg	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

May 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9 Board Meeting/Stitch In – The West
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30 Combined Annual Meeting
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Charleane's 2015 Summer Challenge

Purpose: To be creative with a simple line drawn design and threads that may or may not be out of your comfort range either in color or type/texture.

You will receive: 8" x 8" 18-count canvas with a 5" square line drawn pattern
Bag containing 6 coordinating but assorted threads

You will need: 8" stretcher bars (2 sets)
Additional threads/embellishments (at your whim)
Needles, scissors, etc.

At our May combined meeting, anyone wishing to participate will be given their threads and canvas. First you will choose an individual thread bag from a paper bag (so that you cannot

peek at the colors). You may NOT trade the bag of thread NOR exchange it because you do not like the colors. Then you can choose your canvas (white or ecru).

The line drawn design will be identical on every canvas. It must be followed as is – no changing of lines or size. Every thread from your chosen bag must be used on your canvas so that you may identify it. In other words, if you receive a thread you do not like, one stitch with that thread does not count.

You may use additional threads. You may embellish with whatever you like – beads, lace, buttons, etc. You are not limited to particular stitches or stitch sizes.

We will reveal our personal creations at the November combined meeting. I suspect, similar to our friendship band samplers, it will be amazing to see what our members have stitched. By having it the same design, there will be one constant factor but threads, stitches and embellishments are up to the creator.

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April 23

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WORKSHOPS

Jean Callis and Linda Kanora

Stitchers – *Workshops to Add to your Calendars*

Week of July 20th – Debbie Rowley

May 29-20 – Dorothy Lescher Ontario, CA ANG San Bernadino Chapter

The Native American Lady taught in Phoenix at EGA National. This is her last contract before she retires. Carpool over may be available.

July 15-18 – Phoenix Mystery Retreat with Reinmiller / Rowley / Harman / Knapp Details are available at Needlearts Mystery Retreat.

Nov 14-15 Nancy Cucci Phoenix, AZ ANG Saguaro Stitchers A
beads-on-canvas workshop



PROGRAMS 2014-2015

Pat Nelson and Ginny Smith

THANK YOU

Please join me in thanking Jean Callis for presenting A Little Bit of Happiness at the last two meetings. Her time and efforts are deeply appreciated. Hoping to see some finished pieces at Show and Share soon. Kudos!!!

April: Seaside Reflections by Jan Morgan – Explore how to attach shells and other objects to canvas forming a pleasing seascape which can be used as a box top or small framed piece. Or, just stich along with us on a doodle canvas.

Supply list: white or sand-colored canvas, approximately 5 by 5 inches on stretcher bars, matching perle 12 or perle 8 and your usual sewing supplies. Jan will supply shells, sequins, mirrors, and ideas.

May: Documenting Your Projects – How often have you seen or heard about a piece of needlework and wished to know more about it, only to find that the stitcher never left any documentation. Come join us for a discussion about how and why to document your projects so that stitchers in the future, including family members, will have a record of your work. Some sample documentation forms will be handed out and members will be asked to add their documentation methods and experiences to the discussion.

June: Backgrounds

PROGRAM HELP NEEDED

Anyone interested in helping with a program about finishing ornaments, please contact me, Pat Nelson. Several members have requested help in this area and I would love to put a program

together for them in July. I am especially interested in someone who can demonstrate how to make twisted braids for the edges. Thank you so much in advance.

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MEMBERSHIP

Mary Christoph

Dear Tucson Chapter ANG Members,

Per our chapter By-Laws, it is that time of year to start collecting local chapter dues in the amount of \$18.00. Our fiscal year runs from June 1 to May 31. All local chapter dues should be paid as of June 1, 2015. If they are not received by July 1, 2015 you will be dropped from the chapter. PLEASE NOTE: YOUR NATIONAL DUES MUST BE CURRENT FOR YOU TO BELONG TO THE LOCAL CHAPTER. If you have any questions about whether your National Dues are current, please contact me and I can check for you.

Additionally, in order to participate in local chapter events (monthly meetings, Saturday stitch-ins, Hi Ho Stitch Away, bus trips, etc.) you must be a member in good standing, i.e. both your National and Local Chapter Dues are paid and current.

Please complete the membership renewal form with all requested information. This is particularly important if any of your contact information has changed. The membership renewal form can be found in the newsletter or on the website. Submit the form with your check for \$18.00 to me for processing.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Mary Christoph

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