



THE NEEDLE DANCER

American Needlepoint Guild

<http://www.tucsonang.org>

April 2017

President's Letter

Hello Stitches,

Spring is here, and we hope you're getting lots of stitching in as you get ready for summer. If you're heading north for a while, have fun, and don't forget to bring a few projects along to keep us in mind- the Round Robin? Angles? the Summer Challenge you'll hear about soon? We've been busy this winter, haven't we?

Those of us who stay through the heat, remember that staying indoors and stitching prevents heatstroke and sunburn. We have some great projects coming up to help you stay sun-safe!

Many thanks to the Nominating committee for lining up next year's officers. Remember, Tucson ANG only works so well because our members volunteer to keep it going. None of the positions takes a whole lot of time, but we're counting on YOU to agree to help. When they call, smile & say "Yes! I'd be proud to help the group that gives me such inspiration."

Jan Sprague and Laura Cotter
Co-Presidents

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>

2016-2017 Elected and Appointed Officers

Office	Name
President	Jan Sprague, Co-President
	Laura Cotter, Co-President
Vice President	Jan Sprague, Co-Chair
	Laura Cotter, Co-Chair
Secretary	Maura Robinson
Treasurer	Charleane Boyles
Director At Large	Shirley Burns
Ways and Means	Shirley Burns
Membership	Mary Christoph
Hospitality	Joyce Henderson
Publicity	Jeanie Demers
Newsletter	Betsy Smullen, Editor
	Linda Harris, Publisher
Workshops	Barbara Lewis
	Karen Swanson
Website / EBlasts	Charleane Boyles
Hi Ho Stitchaway	Charleane Boyles, Co-Chair
	Linda Kanora, Co-Chair
Community Outreach	Laura Cotter
Historian	Vacant

MEETING LOCATION INFORMATION

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

Calendar 2017

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

Night Meeting: TBD, Check your reminder notice

Board Meeting: (as scheduled in calendar)
Dusenberry-River Library – 9 am

Stitch-In: The West classroom at River/Craycroft
Second Saturday – 10 am

APRIL 2017 CALENDAR ACTIVITIES

April 26 Night Meeting TBA (contact Charleane Boyles)
April 27 Day Meeting 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Mini Time Museum

MAY 2017 CALENDAR ACTIVITIES

May 13 Board meeting at the River-Dusenberry Library, 9:00am
May 13 Stitch-in 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at The West
May 14 Newsletter articles due
May 20 Our Annual Combined Meeting (Day and Night groups)
Saturday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Mini Time Museum

JUNE 2017 CALENDAR ACTIVITIES

June 10 Stitch-in 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at The West
June 10 Newsletter articles due
June 22 Day Meeting TBA
June 28 Night Meeting TBA (contact Charleane Boyles)

JULY 2017 CALENDAR ACTIVITIES

July 8 Board meeting at the River-Dusenberry Library, 9:00am
July 8 Stitch-in 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at The West
July 9 Newsletter articles due
July 26 Night Meeting TBA (contact Charleane Boyles)
July 27 Day Meeting *New July Location*
Ellie Town Center 1660 W. Ruthauff Road
(approximately 1 mile west of the Tucson Mall)

AUGUST 2017 CALENDAR ACTIVITIES

August 12 Stitch-in 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at The West
August 12 Newsletter articles due
August 23 Night Meeting TBA (contact Charleane Boyles)
August 24 Day Meeting 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Mini Time Museum

SEPTEMBER 2017 CALENDAR ACTIVITIES

September 9 Board meeting at the River-Dusenberry Library, 9:00am
September 9 Stitch-in 10:00 am to 3:00 pm at The West
September 10 Newsletter articles due
September 27 Night Meeting TBA (contact Charleane Boyles)
September 28 Day Meeting 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Mini Time Museum

PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS for 2017-2018

Please attend the May meeting to vote!

President: Jan Morgan
Vice President: Jan Sprague
Secretary: Maura Robinson
Treasurer: Charleane Boyles
Director at Large: Pat Nelson



PROGRAMS 2016 - 2017

Jan Sprague and Laura Cotter

April Program: "Relieve Stitching Fatigue". Bring one idea to share how you address the issue of stitching too long—to the point of stiffness or pain.

April Learn New Stitches: Betsy Smullen will discuss couching to canvas. Members should bring a doodle canvas to the meeting. We will be using this doodle canvas at most meetings.

May: Potluck! Bring a dish to share; chapter will provide cutlery, plates, napkins and drinks.



WAYS AND MEANS

Shirley Burns

Ladies,

The May Saturday meeting is almost here!!! I will be creating the baskets as soon as I have the rest of the donations. You have been most generous and I am hoping for some quality baskets.

I'm still looking for auction items, so if you have something of that order, please bring it to the April meeting, it's the last chance for your donations. Also, I have been accepting monies from you to purchase painted canvases or anything that may be of interest to you all. I can always use more, you know what they cost, not to mention threads. I will be working the Family Arts Garage sale and be gathering items there, so the more help from you all I can get, the better our baskets can be!

Again, my thanks to all of you,
Shirley



WORKSHOPS

Barbara Lewis and Karen Swanson

We had a great time in March with the talented Debbie Rowley (photo below). Thanks to everyone who participated.

Sue Reed is coming in September...stay tuned!



Let us know if there is a specific teacher or project you'd like to have the chapter offer to the membership.



Ladies,

Several of us are interested in stitching the Stitcher's Parking Lot. Kit cost to chapter members is \$12 and includes the line drawn canvas and the directions. The balance of the kit fee will be paid through our education fund. If you are interested please send me a check or sign up at the April meeting. I thought once we get the kits we could see about getting a room at a library on a Saturday. These are then made into frame weights.

Barb



HOSPITALITY

Joyce Henderson

April: Betsy Smullen and Jan Morgan

May: Potluck! Bring a dish to feed six. Chapter will provide plates, cups, napkins, drinks and plastic silverware.



NEWSLETTER

Betsy Smullen

Newsletter articles due by May 14.

Future newsletter articles are due June 10, July 9, August 12, September 10, October 14, and November 12.



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. If you joined our chapter after January 1, 2017 and paid \$18.00, please send a check for \$9.00. Our fiscal year runs from June 1 to May 31. All local chapter dues should be paid as of June 1, 2017. If they are not received by July 1, 2017 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, ie 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 the appropriate amount (either \$18.00 or \$9.00) to me for processing.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

New Member:

Lee Rinke

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Oracle, AZ 85623

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leerinke@gmail.com

Phone Number Change:

Kay Kopp 520-780-4277 cell phone, no home phone

Mary Christoph

5168 N. River Fringe Drive

Tucson, AZ 85704

520-321-9170 home

520-365-7177 cell

Please fill out the coupon below for all submissions.

Tucson Chapter ANG Renewal and Address or E-mail Change Form

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State and ZIP: _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email: _____

ANG Number: _____

Tucson Chapter Members \$18.00

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Make checks payable to: **Tucson Chapter ANG** **IF YOU DO NOT PLAN ON RENEWING – PLEASE ADVISE.**

Send payment and form to: Mary Christoph, 5168 N. River Fringe Drive, Tucson, AZ 85704



COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Laura Cotter

Make love of stitching spread throughout our community! Make a bookmark or two to give beginning readers something to encourage love of books or finish those kissing pillows staring at you from your basket. Have another idea to let folks know about ANG & do some good works too? Share your ideas. We'd love to give it a try!

NEEDLEWORK • CLASSES • GIFTS • CARDS • TOYS

When you make a purchase in April, you will receive a coupon valid in May for 10% off your total purchase of \$30 or more or for 15% off your total purchase of \$75 or more. Not valid on sale items, special orders, or needlework finishing.

BEGINNING TUESDAY MAY 30TH, SUMMER HOURS WILL BE 10AM to 3PM.

STORE HOURS:
Mon thru Sat
10am to 5pm

River Center @ Craycroft
5615 E. River, Suite 101
www.thewestinc.com

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HI HO STITCHAWAY 2017

Charleane Boyles

Ladies,

Just a little information so that you can mark your calendars and start saving your dollars.

Hi Ho Stitchaway has been scheduled for Friday, October 20 thru Sunday, October 22. Plan on the cost being \$150.00 per person this year.

Don't panic, it may be less but at this point it is something you can plan on. Same rules apply – non-refundable check required to reserve your place. If we fill up, there will be a waiting list and the new participant will pay the original participant for her place.

Now as this will be our 15th year having this great weekend at the Amado Territory Inn, we still need a theme. So, if you think of an appropriate and/or fun theme, please let me know either by calling me at 520-549-7065 or by email at charleane1950@gmail.com.

Just as an aside, a couple of other locations have been suggested and I will look into them considering sleeping capacity, dollars for what we get, and, of course, the fabulous stitching room. Let me know if you have any suggestions or comments regarding location. No matter where we go, the weekend will stay the same.

Thanks from your Hi Ho Social Director,

Charleane