

THE NEEDLE DANCER

The Tucson Chapter
American Needlepoint Guild
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April 2013

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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>

Calendar 2013

Day Meeting: Pima County Medical Society Building, 5199 E Farness Dr, 10:30-3pm

Night Meeting: Linda Kanora's House 6pm

Board Meeting: River Road Library Second Saturday 9am

Stitch-In: 2nd Saturday of the month. The West classroom (River/Craycroft Rds)

April 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13 BOARD MEETING 9AM Stitch In @ The West 10-4
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24 Night Meeting 6pm	25 Day Meeting 10:30 – 3pm	26	27
28	29	30				

May 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11 Board Meeting 9am Stitch In @ The West 10-4
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23 POTLUCK MEETING 5pm Pima Medical	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

President's Letter

Hello Tucson ANG Stitchers,

Spring is in full swing and so are the great stitching projects we are seeing at the meetings.

The 20th anniversary is underway and we need YOU. Margaret has committees to fill and we hope you will all participate as this is a large undertaking, preparation, setup. We need framed or finished pieces so please be thinking what you would like to work on. This month we will begin stitching our anniversary canvas design and the many variations for competition. Our luncheon is March shared with EGA and with a great out of town teacher/lecturer and the show in July 2014 which sounds WAY off but sooo much planning and organization that the 13th months will fly by.

HiHo is arranged and lots of programs and workshops (local and out of town) are in the works. Think carpool if you do not want to drive and watch this space for more surprises coming soon.

I would personally like to say a big thank you to this year's board could not have done this without you and I appreciate all the time and effort that went into the past year and hope you get to enjoy more stitching/sharing time in the upcoming year.

Happy stitching Jean

**Kissing Pillow Project
Linda Kanora**

Kits for the Kissing Pillows are available at each meeting and take just a few hours to stitch.

DIRECTOR AT LARGE

Nancy Eide

Becky Lynn

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

Thanks to all who have been contributing for the Opportunity Baskets. Nancy and Becky will have some nice surprises for you in May!! We also have the chapter Needledancer pins and they are \$6.00 each; there are a few packets of notecards available for \$2.00. Becky has these at all the meetings .

A gentle reminder about wearing your nametags- we have new and returning members at all the meetings and they would love to know who

you are!! There is a 50 cent fee for no nametag and we have been enforcing it! So please remember to wear your beautifully stitched nametag.

Bring your unwanted stash items to Nancy at the day meetings. Your loved but now unwanted stitching items will find new homes and help our Guild with the proceeds they bring in at our combined meetings in May and November. So when you get the urge to clean out, you know where to bring your stitching items. Thanks to all of you.

PROGRAMS

Janice Morgan

April 25, 2013: 20th Anniversary Design

Tucson ANG's 20th anniversary celebration begins with this program by Margaret von Kuegelgen. We will design our own unique anniversary canvas with the templates Margaret provides. See Margaret's article for more information.

April Meeting 20th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COLLAGE

As a celebration of our 20th Anniversary we are going to do a collage. This will really be fun! My dictionary says: a collage is an artistic composition of materials and objects often with unifying lines, color and motifs.

I will be providing templates to use in our design. The templates will be the Arizona flag in several different sizes, cacti, our Needledancer logo charted, and lettering of Tucson Chapter, ANG and 20th Anniversary and others. You are welcome to bring others to share.

We will be discussing four methods of transferring designs to canvas and all four methods are more successful if the **canvas is not secured on stretcher bars**. The four methods are tracing, basting, drawing around a motif and iron on transfer.

You will be able to choose the layout of your collage: band sampler, scenic, regular squares or rectangles, crazy quilt, cube, or collage of different rectangular shapes.

Barbara Lewis will be bringing a painted canvas for inspiration or copying!

Supplies for April meeting:

Please bring a 12" x 14" (stitch area 8" x 10") or 9" x 12" (stitch area 5" x 7") piece of canvas. DO NOT PUT ON STRETCHER BARS. I

chose these sizes because they will fit in a standard frame!

Bring a sharpie needle and thread for basting, pencil (4H do not bring a #2 pencil the lead is too soft and leaves a residue on the canvas) or marker for drawing on canvas, scissors for cutting paper.

It would be lovely if we had some of our collages finished for our May meeting in 2014 and for our Exhibit in July of 2014! I'm looking forward to the different collages!

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Margaret von Kuegelgen

May 23, 2013: Annual Meeting

This is our annual meeting with potluck dinner, elections, opportunity baskets, and awards for completed projects. Judith Nelson will talk about Heirloom Stitching and show us samples of her work. Pima County Medical Center doors open at 5:00. Bring a potluck dish to share with 6-8 people.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATORY EXHIBIT 2014

In celebration of our 20th Anniversary as a chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild, we are going to have an exhibit! What fun it will be! And what a lot of work! But well worth it! And if we all get involved, no one job will be overwhelming!

Below is a list of some of the committees for which we need leaders and some of the responsibilities of the committees. Please read them over carefully. Let me know by email (mkvk@cox.net), phone (520/625-4218 or 520/235-2233), in person (that's me over there with the nametag Margaret von Kuegelgen), carrier pigeon or smoke signals which one of the committees you would like to chair.

If you would like to help on a committee, but not to chair it, I would LOVE to hear from you too! Or if you have special talents (graphic design, a lovely handwriting, research skills), please don't be shy, let me hear from you.

We will have the committee chairpeople in place by the end of May.

In order to better assess where you would fit in the volunteer opportunities,

the tentative dates of the Exhibit (to be named later) are July 7th through July 21. Of course, most of the work has to be done before that!

COMMITTEES;

NAME: Needles Dancing, Dancing Needles,

VENUE: Chair, Margaret von Kuegelgen

DESIGN: Poster and logo for the exhibit. Use our Needle Dancer logo?

RECEPTION: Plan a Party! For an opening reception at the venue.

PUBLICITY: Contact newspapers, Needlepointer's, local shops and guilds, ANG officers, etc. about our exhibit. Design and send out invitations (use a postcard of our poster as an invitation?)

WHITE GLOVE: Staff the Exhibit. Available shifts are two three hour shifts per day for six days per week for 2 weeks. So there's plenty of opportunities for you to be there.

INVENTORY: Design entry form, put in Tucson ANG newsletter. Accept entries on day previous to opening and keep careful documentation about each piece. Check out entries on Tear Down Day – day after the end of the exhibit.

STAGING AND HANGING: Hang the exhibit and place stand alone pieces.

NAME: Needles Dancing in the Desert, Dancing Desert Needles, Dancing Needles in the Desert

Looking forward to hearing from you, Margaret

WORKSHOPS

Barbara Lewis

On November 1 and 2nd we will have a Toni Gerdes workshop.

Barbara A. Lewis, Tucson, AZ

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CELEBRATING OUR 20TH in 2014

Margaret von Kuegelgen

Exhibition: We are in the process of negotiating a contract with the Southern Arizona Watercolorists Guild (SAQG) to rent their property for two weeks in the beginning of July, 2014. Their gallery is next door to The West at River and Craycroft. We are planning on having an exhibit of our needlework treasures. Next month I will write about the different committees we will need volunteers for.

Please let me know if you have any suggestions for a name. Needlework in the 21st Century, Celebrating 20 years of Needlework, Not Your Grandma's Needlework, A Modern Look at an Time Honored Tradition. . . .

Needle minders: We are looking into adding a round frame on our Chapter logo pins (without the pin backing) and putting a magnet on them to make them into needle minders. Every member in good standing would get one and we would sell the rest.

Canvas: April program will be a collage of Tucson Chapter motifs for designing a celebration canvas.

Programs by Other Guilds

ANG San Bernadino is having Ro Pace teaching her Atlantis Rising in October on the 25th, 26th and 27th. This is a weekend class, Friday-Sunday. There is a carpool going over on Thursday and returning on Monday. Contact Jean Callis

Barbara Elmore will be teaching her companion piece to Mission Wall entitled Through the Blue Wall this fall at the Saguaro Stitchers guild in Phoenix.

Members wishing to participate in carpooling to either of these events contact Jean Callis. More information will be made available at a later date.

HI HO STITCH AWAY
REGISTRATION OPEN NOW
OCTOBER 18, 29, 30, 2013
AMADO TERRITORY INN, AMADO, ARIZONA

Hi Ho Stitchaway is our annual stitching retreat in Amado, Arizona (south of Green Valley on I 19). The Amado Territory Inn is a lovely place with a large room with windows on three sides for stitching and charming guest rooms.

Two people share a room and there are nine rooms in the main house. Some rooms are on the second floor so if you have trouble climbing stairs, please let me know so I can give you a room on the first floor!

It's a wonderful weekend of stitching, laughing, eating, stitching, eating etc! We usually have a masseuse on Saturday and sometimes some games! Otherwise there are no planned activities!

We all bring snacks and have found that sufficient for some for all meals. If, however, you would like more formal meals, there is a restaurant next door, a restaurant across the Interstate, or you could drive down to Tubac which is 15 minutes away!

The price (\$110) includes breakfast on Saturday and Sunday and two night's accommodation.

When you send in your reservation, please list your roommate on your check or make a notation that you wish a roommate!

Come join us it is oodles of fun and frivolity!

Send checks to Margaret von Kuegelgen, 158 La Flecha, Green Valley, AZ 85614

DEADLINE IS JULY 1ST! TOTAL COST: \$110.00 per person

HOSPITALITY
Lisa Sternberg

May: Potluck

Chapter Dates to Remember For 2013

April 25: Preview of Our 20th Anniversary Celebration (2014) by Margaret von Kuegelen

May 23: Potluck, Election & Lecture on Heirloom Stitching by Judith Nelson

June 27: Stitching by Committee

MEMBERSHIP

Judy Nelson

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