

THE NEEDLE DANCER

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American Needlepoint Guild
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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 2011

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

Night Meeting: River Road Library 6:00pm-8:00pm (NE Corner of River and Craycroft)

Board Meeting: Woods Library 6:00p.m.

Stitch-In: 3rd Saturday of the month. The West classroom (River/Craycroft Rds)

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President's Letter

Hello Fellow Stitchers,

So that was it with the monsoons? A couple of days of rain and poof it's gone?! Phooey!

Hope to see you all at the meetings on July 27 and 28. Our program of Bargello looks like fun. I'm going to adapt it to a clutch purse I've been working on forever. See further details in this newsletter from Jan Morgan.

Registration for Hi Ho Stitch Away is closed! We have 18 participants which fills up the main house. The Hacienda has been rented to some other folks, I think. Further information will be sent to participants in late September or early October. Thanks for signing up! We should have lots of fun.

Debbie Hendrix, a night meeting member, has volunteered to be our Community Outreach Committee Chair. If you have any ideas about venues for an exhibit, community projects to stitch, places to teach classes or other ideas, please get in touch with her. Also, if you would like to help her with her investigations, I am sure she would enjoy the company! Thanks Debbie for filling a much needed position!

Finally, our prayers and good thoughts go out to Earla Swope and to Dale Miller on the loss of Don Swope and to Frieda Bensch on the loss of her mother.

Take care and enjoy stitching,
Margaret

DIRECTOR AT LARGE
Charleane Boyles
Nancy Eide

For all members who are cleaning up or reorganizing their stitching room or stash closet, bring those unwanted items and pass them on the Nancy Eide at the day meeting or Charleane Boyles at the night meeting, You will clean up your stash and help the guild by helping us create wonderful Opportunity Basket at the next combined meeting.

PROGRAMS
Janice Morgan

JULY:

Flavor of the Month

Banish the summer heat by stitching Debbie Stiehler's delightful ice cream cone from the May 2003 issue of Needle Pointers magazine. This treat introduces us to some lovely bargello patterns, and would make a charming pillow or framed picture for a young child. Use up threads from your stash and stitch your favorite colors! Embelish your ice cream with beads or buttons. (Editors Note: I did this when it first came out and it was just plain FUN!)

You may stitch this on 18 ct canvas or on congress cloth
The background is not stitched so bring colored canvas if you prefer.

The magazine version with 7 scoops requires a 10 X 22 inch canvas.
The lo-cal version (4 scoops) requires a 10 X 15 inch canvas.

The threads listed in the article are not your only options. Think Flair, Frosty Rays, Sparkle Rays, Kreinik, and other metallics. Burmilana, silk and collton floss, perle cotton, wool, Fyre Werks, Shimmer Ribbon Floss, Neon Rays, Vineyard Silk, Trebizond and more. A variety of threads creates a rich texture. Overdyes work wonderfully here combined with matching threads.

Bring your May 2003 issue of Needle Pointers, an indelible pen to trace templates, threads, canvas, stretcher bars and tacks, and your usual stitching supplies. I will e-mail a PDF file of the instructions to members who want to begin early.

If you require a photocopy, e-mail or phone me. I will only make copies for those who request them owing to the high cost of color copies.

Hope to see you there.

FOLLOW-UP REPORT JUNE MEETING

Favorite Stitching Tools or Needlepoint Books from the June Meeting

BOOKS:

Eaton, Jan, The Complete Stitch Encyclopedia, Barons Education Series
Borssuck, B., 97 Needlepoint Alphabets, Arco Publishing Inc.
Bishop, Emie, A Collection of Beautiful Stitches, Croos 'n' Patch
Davies, Owen, Embroidered Knot Gardens, Batsford (UK)
Petschek, Joyce, Beautiful Bargello, Collins & Brown
Carter, Jill, New Canvaswork, Batsford (UK)

TOOLS:

Dental tool to grab threads
Magnetic wand to find dropped needles
"Stitch Fixer" available at The West
Crazy Cords cord maker available at www.harttoys.com
Vegetable ivory carved needle box (inspiring)
"Evertite" frames available at The West
Magnets (two of them) to attach a nametag without damaging stitches
Plastic canvas for fabricating (use it like cardboard)
Latch hook type thread tool for snagging runaway threads
Fishing weight (pyramid-shape encourages a neat and even twisted cord)

WORKSHOPS

Barbara Lewis

Ladies, We are really lucky....using the PPF, we are going to have a Toni Gerdes workshop on September 30 and October 1st (Friday and Saturday) and a lecture at a combined meeting on Thursday night, September 29th. There is such a short time before this workshop, please do this: Look at the three choices 1) a geometric 2) a white kimono with foiled ginkgo leaves and 3) a very modernistic butterfly. Please contact me with which one you prefer. E-mail me ASAP.

As soon as I feel that most people have responded I will let you all know what the choice is and also let Toni know.

I have been asked several times why workshops are not on weekends. It is impossible to find a place for Sunday. Until I win my millions and can build us a space, we have to work with what we have.

Marnie Ritter's workshop was our first using the PPF and it was great but at a bad time....Tucson in Late May. Having Toni in the fall will get that workshop opportunity in the right time-frame.

We are also going to get Terry Dryden in November of 2012, and before that Janet Mitchell Fishel in March of 2012.

HOSPITALITY

Jeanie Demers

Meeting refreshments will be provided by:

JULY: Margaret von Kuegelgen and Judy Burgess

MEMBERSHIP

Carolyn McSpadden

Thank you to all of you who have paid your dues for the coming year. It is a great help when dues are paid on time so that activities of the guild can continue without interruption. We have a total of 60 paid members and only 16 who have not paid. Due to my travel schedule and having my mail forwarded, some checks may still be "in the mail". The following list is of those whose dues I have not yet received.

Barlow, Susan
Boren, Michael
Bowers, Maryann
Cosentino, Catherine
Elmore, Barbara
Forshey, Carol
Kern, Lisa
Margolis, Letty
Pfeifer, Pepper
Richardson, Barbara
Rick, Carolyn
Strause, Sus
Swan, Susan
Trueba, Debbie
Williams, Mary

Thank You.

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Note from Your Editor:

While you have been cooking in the SW I have been in Washington where it rains/drizzles at sometime almost every day. Wish I could send some your way.

We went crabbing for the first time with friends. Caught limits on two days and have a freezer full of cleaned crab...yum yum

Later this week we will be leaving WA and heading to Montana. I think with this move we will leave the cool and wet behind ☺ it may finally feel like summer.

For those board members submitting monthly reports I request that you create your report in MS Word, if possible, and send it as an attachment to your e-mail. This means that I can copy and paste and not have to retype everything. Thanks.

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