



Saguaro Stitchers Chapter American Needlepoint Guild, Inc. November, 2018 Newsletter



2018 ANG Saguaro board

Nov 15, 2018

**** Dec. 13, 2018 *** (second Thursday)*

Jan. 17, 2019

Feb. 21, 2019

*Faith Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
801 E Camelback Road
Phoenix, Arizona
10:00am – 4:00pm*

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President's Letter, Charlotte Wells

Recently I read Mary Corbet's blog on small projects and was very taken by the idea. Several of my current needlepoint projects are large and complex. They need tables and/or frames to stitch comfortably or effectively so the idea of having a small project or two to also work on is very attractive. Mary was working on 40 threads to the inch silk gauze with one strand of floss for finished measurements of 1 ¼" to 1 ½" squares. That is too small and totally anxiety producing.

Alice's November program will result in a greeting card size small project and I am so sorry I will be unable to participate in this class as I am leaving for California immediately after the meeting. I will be interested in the finished products; it sounds like so much fun. And I do like the idea of producing small designs for use in greeting cards. I got all jazzed and looked in my cross-stitch magazines to find a wealth of small, attractive designs for all kinds of uses.

After all the large canvases we have been doing, doesn't it sound attractive to finish something in one sitting? Many of the cross-stitch designs can be adapted for *needlepoint canvas*. *There are not so many needlepoint designs in Needlepointers or Needlepoint Now* magazines but there are a few. What do you do at the doctor's office? I mean while waiting, never mind the poking and prodding part.

We will be voting for officers for the new term beginning in January 2019. Jan Prestin has been nominated for Vice President/Programs, Mel Isaacs for Treasurer, Carmen Puckett for Membership and Assistant Treasurer. The current slate of retiring officers are Alice Hall, Vice President/Programs, Sunny Yocum as Treasurer, and Jan Prestin, Membership. My term is ending January 2020 --- be thinking!

First, I am more grateful than I can express for the service of the current board and for the all the others who have served Saguaro Stitchers so faithfully and well. We look forward to their continuing contributions as members. And I am grateful for and look forward to working with the new slate of officers. If, by working together as members and officers, we can make 2019 as successful a stitching year as 2018 we will have done well. This is a great group and it is my privilege to be a part of Saguaro Stitchers.

And, to echo Alice's refrain, happy stitching to all, and to all, a good night!

Best, Charlotte Wells, President

Programs: Alice Hall

November 15th. There will be a quickie Holiday chart to stitch and a card to insert the stitch piece into. The chart and card will be provided. See attached

picture of the Noel and Menorah cards. If you are interested stitching one of these please email or call me before November 13th.



*****December 13th.***** NOTE - the date change, it is the *second* Thursday. After our regular meeting and new board members are sworn in, we will have our Holiday Party and gift exchange. Remember the gift should not be more than \$15, it should be stitching related and have no fragrance.

January 17th, We have been fortunate to obtain the BOO WHO (see picture) kits from Janet Zickler Casey. The kit consist of line drawn canvas, threads and stitch guide, the cost is \$50 plus shipping. Please contact me

b e f o r e
November
15th so I
can order a
kit for you.
We will
stitch this in
our January
17th class.

Boo Who?



Janet Zickler Casey



Please allow me to thank all of you for the pleasure you have given me as Program Chair. Needlepoint is my passion, teaching needlepoint is my joy.

Happy New Year and Happy Stitching, Alice.

Visiting Teachers Committee: Sandi Van Winkle, Carol Roberts & Johanna Salman

Thank you to Johanna Salman for being our able leader and organizing a fabulous workshop with Toni Gerdes in October. The class was well attended and we learned some new techniques and stitches to embellish our canvases. Be on the lookout for these workshop pieces to appear shortly at "Show and Tell". Thanks for your hard work, time and efforts, Johanna. We all appreciate your dedication.

We are in the midst of trying to work out details for the Ann Strite-Kurz workshop on March 15 & 16, 2019. After contacting those on the interest list and making "info known" at our meetings, and through the newsletter, we are shy of the number of students we need to make this class happen!! We have opened the class up to other chapters/organizations and have a November 8, 2018 deadline for them to get a deposit to us to hold a spot. SO, if you are not signed up, I encourage you to re-think this class Border Enhancementagain. You will even have a chance to bring a piece you have stitched and Ann will help you with a border for it! The class fee is worth that alone. You will learn many other techniques/ideas in this workshop. Please re-read the info that was in the last newsletter for more details on this workshop. Please get back to me by Nov. 8th, if you are interested. Sandi Van Winkle, SandiVan@cox.net or 480-471-0422

Thank you and Happy Stitching, Visiting Teachers Committee

MEMBERSHIP; Jan Prestin, Membership, Assistant Treasurer

We currently have 64 members in our chapter. Please welcome our newest member- Pat Kutzbach.

NOVEMBER
Nancy Russell
Lauri Livernash
Nicole DeLaurentis
Mary Hynek
Carol Roberts

DECEMBER
Amy Kirk
Paula Burchenal
Barbi Sherman
Carmen Puckett
Pat Klute
Nancy Noyes
Charlene Goodman

We love adding new members to our chapter, so if you have any stitching friends or relatives who would like to join Saguaro Stitchers, I will be happy to provide membership information. Our wonderful website, www.saguarostitchers.org, also has a link to access forms.

SECRETARY, La Verne Walters

Minutes: October 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 10:35am by President Charlotte Wells. Jan reported that we now have 64 members. We have one new member, Pat Kutzbach.

Program Chairperson, Alice Hall, reviewed the projects for the remainder of the year through January, 2019. Today we will continue to the September project. Members may now sign up for the holiday card project to be done in December. Members may also sign up for the Janet Ziegler Casey project (a very spooky ghost!) At the cost of \$50.00.

Our future Project Chairman, Jan Prestin, announced that we will be doing the Biscornu Project from Needlepointers. There is a sign-up sheet for that project.

Karen Willett happily said the website is up and running and is current!

Johanna spoke about the upcoming class, Copper Moon, taught by Toni Gerdes. A group will be going to Christo's for dinner. Let Johanna know if you would like to go. The Ann Strite Kurz class has 17 members signed up at this time. We will now open the class to other chapters.

Election of officers will be at the November meeting. The slate is: Jan Prestin, Vice President for Programs; Carmen Puckett, Vice President for Membership; Mel Isaac, Treasurer. We still need a Vice President for Visiting Teacher's Committee.

LaVerne won the 50/50 of \$41.00! The meeting was then adjourned at 11:15am.

Note: Members continued to work on the September project, Starburst, lead by Alice Hall.

Secretary, LaVerne Walters

Saguaro Stitcher's Finished Projects and Editor Notes

My apologies for the late date of this newsletter as I just received the last article this morning. Attached are some finished projects that were displayed at our October meeting. Alice Hall gave little prizes for various categories. Please bring your finished projects to future meetings and make certain I have your name along with a photo of the project.

Jan Preston: framed canvas and cute pillow



Beth Tischner: pumpkins and spiders



Alice Hall: spooky house and ghosts



If you are not able to make it to the meetings and have a finished project that you would like to share, please be certain to email a photo along with your thoughts about the piece (difficulties, changes you made, what you learned, etc.). It is always fun to see what others have done. Kindly send your info to my current email address, niftyneeda@earthlink.net Please put ANG Saguaro in the subject line.