

**SAGUARO STITCHERS AMERICAN
NEEDLEPOINT GUILD**
APRIL, 2024 Newsletter



LOCATION

Faith Lutheran Church
801 East Camelback Rd.
Phoenix, AZ
3rd Thursday of Month
Social Time 10 am
Meeting 10:30 am

OFFICERS

President

Linda Rand

Vice President – Programs

Kate Morgan

Secretary

LaVerne Walters

Treasurer

Pat Kutzbach

**Vice President Membership/
Assistant Treasurer**

Christy Garza

Newsletter Editor

Barbara Swalley

Visiting Teacher Committee

Jill Borge

Sunshine Committee

Vicki Morrison

Webmaster

Karen Willett
webmaster@saguarostitchers.org

PROGRAMS

April

Stash Sale coordinated by Vicki Bring cash or check for an opportunity to find treasures to add to your personal stash.

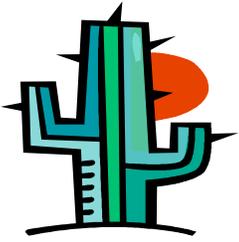
May

Taco Salad Day!!
Sign up sheet will be available.

JUNE – AUGUST

We are summer meetings with no formal programs.

If you have not yet signed up for our Beautiful Stitches class on Sept 23-24 conducted by our visiting teacher Ann-Marie from Australia, please let Kate know right away.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring is here! It's lovely to see the many blooms on the trees and shrubs! I'm not sure if this message will reach you before or after Easter, so I hope that those who celebrate have/had a great holiday. My favorite season has started - Major League Baseball. I love stitching while watching the Diamondbacks play.

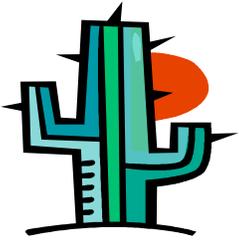
At our meeting in April, we'll be having our stash sale - I'm sure you're tired of hearing about it. We've recently received some Evertite stretcher bars, and some barely started pieces by well known designers. We've invited our local EGA guilds to attend.

Looking ahead, our May meeting will feature our annual Taco Salad lunch, then we will be having stitch-ins only at our regular date and time for June - August.

Hoping to see many of you on April 18th!

Keep stitching,

In
stitches
Linda



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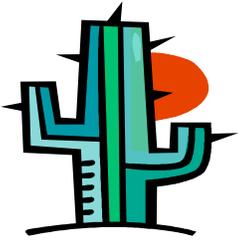
Welcome

Mary Ellen and Peggy



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Alice Hall
Elizabeth Tischner



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**Saguaro Stitches Chapter
of the American Needlepoint Guild
Minutes of the March 21, 2024 Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 am by President Linda Rand. Twenty-two members were present. Two new members attended the meeting, Mary Ellen and Peggy.

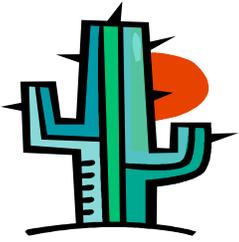
Minutes of the February 2024 meeting were emailed to the members prior to the meeting and were approved without changes.

Jan Prestin reported that, as of 03/20/2024, we have \$2,988.03 in our checking account and \$6,312.27 in our savings account. In total, we have \$9,195.94 on hand.

Christy Garza reported that we currently have 39 paid members. Some members chose not to renew, or didn't respond to Christy, reducing our total.

Kate reported that our visiting teacher, Ann-Marie, will be teaching exclusively (in Arizona) for Saguaro Stitches. There are currently about a dozen chapter members signed up, and the workshop will now be promoted to the local EGA Guilds. Ann-Marie is willing to stay at someone's home to reduce our costs.

Kate Morgan reported Sarah from Family Arts will be teaching a finishing class for the carrot canvases that were distributed at the



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last meeting. This will be our last chapter program until September, as our Stash Sale will be held in April and our Taco Salad lunch will be in May.

Karen Willett reported that the website was reloaded yesterday (again.)

Barb Swalley asked that she receive input for the April newsletter earlier than usual, as she is having knee surgery on Monday.

The Sunshine Committee had nothing to report.

Old Business:

- Preparations for the stash sale are continuing, and the local EGA guilds have been invited.

New Business: •

Beth Tischner reported that she has completed the audit of our finances with no issues.

Sandee Crane won the 50/50 raffle of \$34.00.

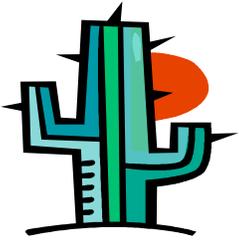
The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 am. Our next meeting will be held on April 18th.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Rand President

STASH SALE

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: The Saguaro Stitchers Stash Sale is fast approaching, and we want to invite you for a fun day of “treasure hunting”.

- **When: Thursday, April 18, 2024**
- **Where:** Faith Lutheran Church, Faith Center (next to the church office), 801 E. Camelback Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85014. There is plenty of parking, no stairs and great space (parking is behind the church after you enter off Camelback Road).



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- Time: **Sale will begin at 11:00 AM**, after our regular chapter meeting.
- Cash and checks only (no credit card charges accepted)

Bring – your friends, a bag to hold your “treasures”, and join in the fun!

PLEASE NOTE: Our stash sale is fast approaching, and we want it to be a great success. We are inviting other guilds and want to make sure we are prepared for a great day. With that in mind, please read below for details.

- All items need to be brought to chapter meetings February 15 and March 21. Please make sure they are boxed or bagged for ease of transportation.
- The board will make a determination of what happens to items which remain after the sale.
- **No items will be accepted after March 21st**. Time is needed to sort and price items, so this deadline is set.
- Please make sure you DO NOT contribute items that you would otherwise simply discard (nothing broken, nothing in need of repair, nothing soiled, no miscellaneous threads stuffed in a bag and tangled); you get the idea. We want this stash sale to be fun and worthwhile, and remember we hope to have guests join us.
- The sale will begin after our regular chapter meeting on April 18 at approximately 11:00 AM.
- We will inform other guilds of the 11:00 AM start time.
- There will be no “pre-shopping”, everyone gets the same opportunity to select items.

MEETING DATES FOR 2024

APRIL 18
MAY 16
JUNE 20
JULY 18
AUGUST 15



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SEPTEMBER 19
OCTOBER 17
NOVEMBER 14 ?
DECEMBER 12 ?

NEW FROM ANG NATIONAL

Quarterly Stitch

New member benefit ACTIVATED! We are thrilled to announce an exciting new member benefit landing in your inbox! Get ready for a special experience. Introducing the Quarterly Stitch – a new program tailor-made for ANG members. Picture this: each quarter you'll gain access to a downloadable stitch guide packed with with unique pattern and tips. That's not all! We're bringing you fresh patterns regularly, straight from a previous Chapter Project Book – now available to ALL AiNG members!

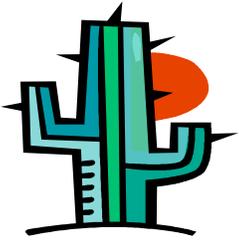
<https://www.needlepoint.org/page/QUARTERLY-STITCH24>

ANG NEWS -- E-NEWSLETTER

ANG publishes a bi-weekly electronic newsletter for members. Each issue features the latest news from ANG including updates on Distance Learning classes, Needle Pointers magazine, an upcoming ANG events. The e-newsletter is emailed every other Friday to members.

If you are not receiving the e-newsletter, check the email listed on your ANG member profile. To find out more and to review past issues, use this link. <https://www.needlepoint.org/page/enewletter>

BALDY VIEW CHAPTER WORKSHOPS 2024 – 2025



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2024: Janet Casey, 4 pilot classes. Attendance in person required. Each class limited to 24. Thu/Fri, April 18-19 Creepy Candles Sat a.m. April 20 Bottoms Up Sat p.m. April 20 Heart Swirls Sun/Mon, April 21-22 O'Tannenbaum Nancy Cucci, Ghosts allowed Sat/Sun, June 22-23 Autumn Treasures Sampler. Toni Gerdes, Ghosts allowed Thu/Fri, October 24-25 Zelda, the Patchwork Zebra. Sat, October 26 Merry Sun/Mon, October 27-28 By the Light of the Silvery Moon NEW: Jennifer Riefenberg, Ghosts allowed Thu/Fri. November 21-22 Tall, Dark & Handsome Sat/Sun. November 23-24 Winter Fire 2025: NEW: Sue Reed ... Groups io, Eclectic Interlude, January dates to be set ... no in-person class Toni Gerdes, project to be determined October 23, 24, 25, 26 Thu/Fri/Sat/Sun

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Vicki Morrison is our Sunshine Committee contact. If any of you know of someone in our chapter who recently lost a loved one or has developed a serious illness and could use a "Thinking of You" card, please contact Vicki Morrison with name and address information so she can send them a card.

ANG News

- It's National ANG Membership Renewal time again! Log in to <https://needlepoint.org> (national ANG website) to check if you owe dues at the national level. You must be a member in good standing with National to maintain your membership in a chapter.
 - Options for renewal: 1-year \$60 or 2-year \$120. Payment was due December 31, 2023.
 - If you have not yet done so, you can renew your membership with these options:



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Pay online.

Send a check to: ANG, 100 E Washington St,
Springfield, IL 62701.

Call ANG customer service at 856-3806911 and
someone will assist you.

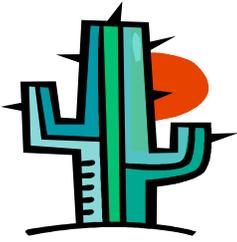
Stitch of the Month

Twelve lessons from Purple Passion by Linda LaChance will be released on the first business day of every month, allowing members like you to follow along with the project. Make sure to visit the website!



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• **2024-25 CALIFORNIA AND/OR VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS** Pat Correz of San Bernardino ANG Chapter and Baldy View EGA Chapter, coordinates workshops that are available to any stitcher regardless of membership affiliation. All teachers below have agreed to virtual (online) classes if we can't meet in person except for Pilot classes. In all cases, the dates listed are original dates for in-person classes. Groups io dates are dependent on kit shipping.



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○ ***ALL CLASSES ARE IN ONTARIO, CA UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.***

- Contact Pat immediately if you want to be on the list for any of these classes. Also, any chapter interested in contacting a teacher to schedule a workshop or program in conjunction with these workshops, please contact Pat Correz at egangcorre@aol.com Pictures/descriptions are available via email. ○

April 18-22

- **Janet Casey, 4 pilot classes...**attendance in person required. Classes limited to 24. See ANG website/2024 Seminar for pictures.
- April 18-19, Th/Fri *Creepy Candles*
- April 20, Sat morning *Bottoms Up*
- April 20, Sat afternoon *Heart Swirls* • April 21-22

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**June
22-
23**

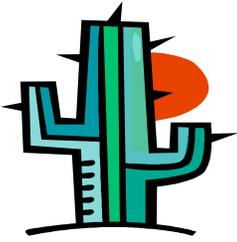
□ **Nancy Cucci (Ghosts allowed.)**

- Sat/Sun ***Autumn Treasures Sampler*** ○

October 24-28

□ **Toni Gerdes** (Ghosts allowed.) See ANG website/2024 Seminar for pictures.

- Oct 24-25, Th/Fri *Zelda, the Patchwork Zebra*



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- Oct 26 Sat *Merry*
- Oct 27-28 Sun/Mon *By the Light of the Silvery*

Moon ○ **To be scheduled:**

- Jennifer Riefenberg -2 classes
- Possible second Groups io with Sue Reed
- **2025: Toni Gerdes, October 23-26, 2025**
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Important Dates in Needlework

ANG NATIONAL SEMINAR

Kansas City, MO

August 30 – September 6, 2024

EGA NATIONAL SEMINAR – Preserving Needle
Art 2024

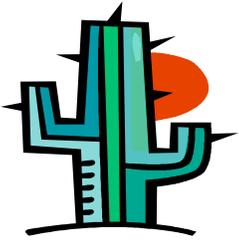
August 14-18, 2024 Hilton
Hotel, Atlanta, GA

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To be
held in
2024

Arizona Needlearts Show

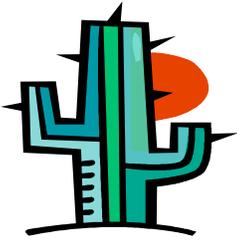
April 2-14, 2024

**HD South (Home of the Gilbert Historical Museum)
Gilbert, Arizona**

**Open to Arizona chapter members of
the
Embroiderers' Guild of America, the
American**

Needlepoint Guild and the Smocking Arts Guild of America

- **Registration for the Arizona Needlework Show is open!** The registration form is on the Starlight Stitchers webpage:
<https://www.starlightstitchers.org/>
- **You are invited to join Roadrunner Needlers for a Super Stitching Party on February 11th from 3 pm to whenever.**
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81104864951?pwd=anNONGhERU5IS TRTaFp1M3JLWWpGQT09>
- This is only an exhibit – there will not be any judging.
- Limit 5 items per person. Items must be no larger than 24" x 24".



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- **Drop-in only – no mailed items.** Items MUST be dropped off at HD South on **April 1st and retrieved on April 15th.** Items will not be accepted prior to or after the listed drop-off dates.
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- **Entry fees: \$7.00 for 1st item and \$5.00 for each additional item up to 5 total items.** • All items are entered at the owner’s own risk. Information regarding entry forms and deadlines is forthcoming. Fees and sizes listed are not final and may change prior to finalizing the entry form. More information will be available at [hRps://www.starlightsMtchers.org](http://www.starlightsMtchers.org).

Organized by the Starlight Stitchers chapter of the Embroiderers’ Guild of America.

Saguaro Stitchers Membership Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____
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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Preferred Phone Number: _____ Check if Mobile

Alternate Phone

