

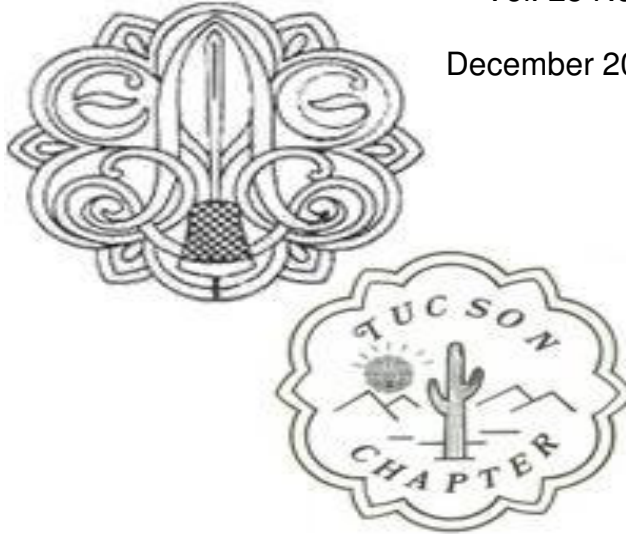
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Hi girls,

Winter is coming, and all those beautiful days are ahead of us. I am looking forward to more days and nights that I can open my windows. I wish you all a happy holiday season. Enjoy your family and friends, they are precious.

For those of you that were not at the November meeting, we took up a collection for one of our fellow stitchers, Denise Horner. She lost everything in the California fires. We collected \$162.00 and Kay Kopp has purchased gift certificates for her. In an e-mail from Anne Gray of the Threaded Needle, Denise's chapter, of which she is the treasurer, (Denise grabbed the chapter checkbook as she had to leave her home), what a gal, Anne says "She spends her day in line with FEMA etc. or at her site, sifting. She has not found anything to keep and admits that part of the time she is there she weeps." This just makes me so sad. I know that she appreciates all of our generosity. Thanks so much to all of you for making a difference in her life.

Please remember that we need to send two items to the Margaret Parshall Gallery by the end of the year, so bring some items that you would be interested in sharing to the December meeting and we vote on our favorites.

Also at the December meeting we will have an "Ornament Exchange". This does not have to be an ornament; it can be a small standup, a pillow, etc. Get creative. Some of us don't put up trees, but we can still use the ornament to put on a wreath.

Again, have a great Thanksgiving and a very Merry Christmas.

Raynelle

PROGRAMS..... Judy Beckman

December: ornament exchange

January: Cecelia Thorner will present a trunk and slide show

February: Hardanger heart taught by Nancy Eide

HOSPITALITY Jenny Coniglio

The December hostesses are Ann Seese, and Jan Sprague

Hostesses in January are Charlotte Komar, Dami Dunatunga and Nancy Eide.

I am looking for additional volunteers to help make plans for our March anniversary luncheon. Please call me at 546-3684, if you are interested.

WAYS AND MEANSHarriet Padilla

Opportunity Items Needed

Please bring nice items that we can use for our fund raising.

Thanks, Harriet

BEADING INTEREST GROUP..... Carol Karrle

We hope that you enjoyed the beading project that was presented in October with members of the beading group being "mentors" and Harriet Padilla leading the lesson. We are delighted that we have grown as a group with a number of new beaders joining us. We will continue to meet at Bookmans at Grant & Campbell in the Community Room on the second Thursday of each month from 9:30 AM to 1:30 PM.

In December we will be doing a beautiful bracelet that incorporates a number of types of beads. Each person wishing to participate in this project will need to purchase the book "Beaded Bracelets III". Contact Carol Karrle for resources for purchasing the book.

In March Jane Lovat and Angelina Bertolino will be teaching a unique Gypsy Bag. There will be more information regarding this project in the January newsletter.

Contact Carol Karrle for more Beading Group information.

NOTES FROM REGIONALConnie Lagergren

Region meeting held in Costa Mesa, California, on September 16, hosted by Orange County Chapter, attended by Connie Lagergren.

There will be a \$3 increase in national dues beginning January 1, first quarter. The board is recommending to the finance committee that the chapter pay this increase for every member, new and renewing, for 2008. The chapter has also paid \$2 of the \$3 region dues for each primary member since the region dues increase of a few years ago. If the recommendation is accepted by the committee and then passed by the membership, the chapter will be paying a total of \$5 for each primary member in national/region dues. Plural members of more than one chapter pay national and regional dues only once to their primary chapter and then chapter dues only thereafter for plural membership.

Future region meeting discussion: the committee formed to review procedures, costs, etc. mailed a survey, which asked various questions about region meetings to all chapters. Based on the responses, the committee recommended keeping two region meetings a year on a rotating basis alphabetically and charging no more than \$10 per person for food costs. The next region meeting will be May 4 in Santa Clarita and Pine Needlers will host the fall meeting.

The PSR seminar cruise was extremely successful, netting \$9531.61 in profit. \$100 checks were given to each chapter to do with as they wish, no strings! We'll be discussing how to use our \$100 in the next few months and we would like your input.

PSR fundraising: another great success story! \$300 was the anticipated profit from the Salad cookbook. 501 cookbooks were printed with an actual profit of \$1658.46!! Because of these sales, PSR will fund the registration fee for two group correspondence courses for the region in 2008. Details will follow.

Two new cookbooks in 2008: casseroles and desserts. Every chapter is requested to have at least five recipes in each; deadline for submission is January 5. Please refer to the full-page description in this newsletter. If you don't wish to email them to Gloria Zanella, email or give them to me at the December meeting.

Notecard sets are still available for \$16.95. The Sampler I and II sets are sold out; Sampler I is still available at a sale price of \$13.95.

PSR will exhibit at the Marshall Gallery at EGA headquarters in the spring of 2008. 50 pieces will be accepted; each chapter is requested to select two pieces from their membership. Please consider submitting a piece; bring to the December meeting. They will be sent in May and be gone for three months. Tucson Chapter will pay for the to/from shipping.

PSR ANNOUNCEMENT Debbie Flittner

I would like to let you all know that I have a few leftover favors from PSR Seminar '07. They are a beautifully stitched scissor case with fob and include a pair of 3 1/2" Renaissance Decorative Scissors with Titanium-Oxide finish. The price for these favors is \$25.00 including tax plus \$2.00 shipping and handling.

You may view a picture of these on the region website. I have a very limited quantity and will be selling them on a first come first serve basis. Would you please pass this on to your chapter members in your newsletter and at your chapter meetings. You may publish my e-mail and phone number.

Thank you,
Debbie Flittner

THANK YOU Jo Middlestead

My sincere thanks for all the concern and support I have received from so many in the Guild in the past year and especially in recent months.

Hope to see you soon. Jo Middlestead

NOTES FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR Martha Hirsch

The deadline for the next newsletter is January 10, 2008. Please submit your information by e-mail to Martha Hirsch. Please include the words "EGA newsletter" in the subject line of your e-mail.

Please, if your newsletter is sent by postal mail, and you have more than one postal address, let me know where you are. I won't know when you move from one address to the other unless you tell me!

MEMBERSHIP Doris Fello

The following is a list of members whose dues are due:

Due December 31, 2007

PRIMARY:

Reba Ashmore
Pat Bowers
Judith Burgess
Marguerite Hepner
Carolyn Johnson
Linda Netting
Ruth Wallace

PLURAL:

Jan Sprague

LIFE:

Connie Lagergren

Dropped Members

Jill Jorden-Spitz
Sue Strause
Jean Walkosak

Roster Changes

New members:

Donna Lawrence
Barbara Kammerzell
Dede Stockman

SALMON CHEESCAKE RECIPE Jenny Coniglio

Great for appetizer, can be frozen in smaller sections after cooking.

2 tablespoons butter and 2 tablespoons flour for greasing and flouring an 8" diameter springform pan. Line pan with crushed crackers.

1 onion, chopped
1 tablespoon dill weed
2 tablespoons butter
8 eggs or Eggbeaters
1 1/2 lb. light creamed cheese
3/4 lb. smoked salmon
1 C. half and half cream
1/2 C. Gruyer cheese, grated
2 drops read food coloring (optional)

Grease and flour pan and line bottom with crushed crackers.

Saute dill and onion in butter. Whir all ingredients in blender or processor until smooth. Pour into prepared pan.

Bake at 300 degrees for 60 minutes or until cheesecake is firm along the sides and SLIGHTLY wiggley in middle.

Remove from oven and cool thoroughly on the counter and then in the refrigerator overnight.

Run knife around edges and then remove pan sides.

Top with sour cream and capers.

If you freeze part of baked cheesecake, it will ooze a little liquid when thawed. Therefore, thaw it with paper towel pieces next to the edges.

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December 2nd, 1pm ~ Book signing with two authors

Charline Profiri, author of Counting Little Geckos

Roni Capin Rivera-Ashford, author of My Nanas's Remedies: Los Remedios de Mi Nana and Hip, Hip, Hooray, It's Monsoon Day: ¡ Ajúa, Ya Llegó el Chubasco!

February 18th ~ A full day class with a canvas and stitch guide created by Cassie Prescott!
Registration opens January 2nd!

Shop at The West! Proceeds benefit women's & children's charities in Tucson!

Over \$1,800,000 in grants to local charities since 1981

Store Hours: Monday – Saturday 10 – 5 Open Wednesdays until 8 P.M.

In December, open on Sunday from noon until 4 P.M. on December 2, 9, 16, and 23, 2007

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ e-mail _____

City, State & Zip _____

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Please make your check payable to Tucson Chapter, EGA and mail to:

____ PRIMARY \$45

Doris Fello

____ PLURAL \$16

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- December 6 General Meeting held at the Kiva Room, Tucson Jr. League
9:30 AM Stitch-In and Board meeting - 12:30 PM General Meeting
Program: Ornament exchange
Hostesses: Ann Seese, Jan Sprague
- December 13 Beading Interest Group Meeting held at Bookmans at Grant and Campbell at
9:30 AM Program: Beaded Bracelet
- January 3 General Meeting held at the Kiva Room, Tucson Jr. League
9:30 AM Stitch-In and Board Meeting - 12:30 PM General Meeting
Program: Trunk and slide show presented by Cecelia Thorner
Hostesses: Charlotte Komar, Dami Dunatunga and Nancy Eide
- January 10 Beading Interest Group Meeting held at Bookmans at Grant and Campbell at
9:30 AM
- January 10 Deadline for submissions to February – March newsletter