

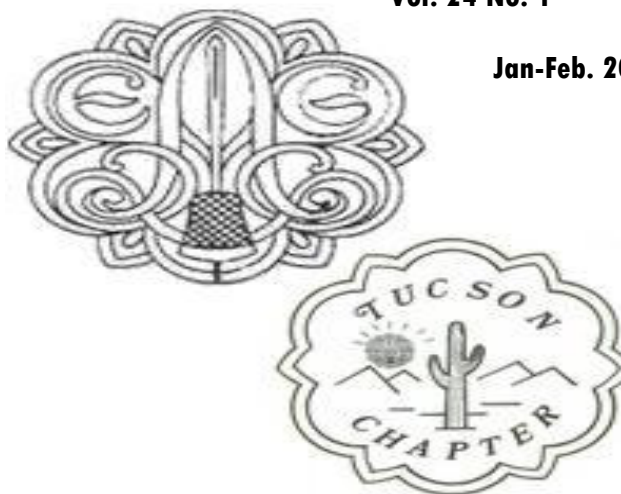
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Newsletter – Dale Miller

Break Out Group

Beading – Carol Karrle

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Dear Members

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! May this year be prosperous, safe and healthy for all of us in both our life with family and friends and our stitching. Welcome back to the get togethers with your stitching friends for fun and education (AKA EGA meetings)! As usual, your board has been working on making the experience fun and worthwhile.

In light of the new year and resolutions I have a CHALLENGE for you!. The first meeting you attend of the year I want you to write down your stitching goal for the year...learn a new stitch, a new technique, finishing project(projects!) ,etc. You get the idea. We will put them in an envelope and look at them next year at the December meeting...I think it will be fun to see how we do...it might stimulate us to get some of the unfinished projects out of the closet!

A reminder that the ANG national seminar is going to be here in Tucson in September.. This will be a chance to take classes from national teachers...you might want to think about joining the local guild. The magazine with the class offerings will be out in a month or so.

At Tohono Chul from Jan 14th until mid-March an exhibit on Texture. Mary Ellen Searcy has some pieces in the exhibit.

Shemer Show will be in Phoenix in March....consider entering some of your fine stitching.Plus it is fun to see. People from all over the state of Arizona enter this show. Why not you?

Have a great year..
Barbara Lewis

PROGRAMS..... Raynelle Duhl

February – Raynelle Duhl – finishing technique for scissor fob or ornaments

March – Annual Luncheon at Torino Restaurante with Barbara Snow speaking –More Info and Form in this newsletter.

BEADING INTEREST GROUP.....Carol Karrle

We are fortunate that our chapter has a very active beading interest group. It is open to any of our chapter members. We welcome anyone from experienced beaders to beginners. We meet the second Thursday of each at Bookmans at Grant and Campbell in the Community room. We begin around 9:30 AM until about 2:00PM. Most of us bring a sack lunch or pick up a bite to eat at several nearby restaurants. Some months we have a project and some months we just do catch up beading. We have a great time and welcome new beaders to the group.

There is no special program planned for February but we have an exciting program planned for our March 8th meeting. Mary Ellen Searcy will be teaching us how to bead on fabric. She will showing a variety of decorative ways to attach beads to a flat surface in a freeform design. She will not be handing out instructions or graphs. She will be using several resource books that are available a various local shops or on-line. A list of the supplies and books will be available at the February general meeting.

If you have questions regarding the beading interest group call or e-mail Carol Karrle.

HOSPITALITY..... Earla Swope

February – Dami Dunatunga, Marguerite Hepner and Sue Beveridge

Please mark your 2006 calendar for the luncheon in March. We are planning a good time and wonderful food along with Opportunity Baskets. Please bring a guest to join in all the fun you never know maybe they will want to join!

REGIONAL NOTES.....Connie Lagergren

PSR has created a series of note cards as a fund raiser for our region. These cards feature original pieces by PSR designers and teachers: Margaret Bendig, Margaret Fleming, Candy Hartman, Carol Algie Higginbotham, Janice Knapp and Margery Williams. They have graciously allowed us to photograph their pieces and use them for our note cards. The price for the set of 12 cards is \$16.95. The original order of cards will be delivered at the Regional Meeting in Las Vegas, scheduled for March 2006. Please see additional page for more information from Regional.

ODDS AND ENDSfrom Anyone

Information for the Shemer show in Phoenix can be found at:
www.members.cox.net/phxneedleworkshop Dates are March 4-17, 2006

Marguerite Hepner writes: A reminder to all - as you work on any item or activity that would be considered to promote EGA in the community, please keep track of time spent. At each monthly meeting, a signup sheet will be available to record your efforts. EGA has asked that the Chapters report Community Outreach efforts periodically.

Activities might include stitching and framing Habitat for Humanity samplers, smocking Wee Care gowns, working on the Chapter's Quilt for a Cause, teaching needle skills to others, promoting needle arts in a speech or activity in the community

WORKSHOPAnn Seese

Pulled Thread Butterfly Workshop (Jacobean Style) Will be taught by Barbara Ewbank. It will cost \$45.00 for Cactus Needle EGA members plus \$20.00 for non-members. This includes all supplies except for stretcher bars. Mondays – March 6 and 13, 9:30AM to 4:30 PM At Hacienda del Conde Cabana, 5910 N. Pantotoc Prework will be the transfer of the design to the fabric by basting the design on the fabric, and placing the fabric onto your stretcher bars. The piece will be worked on 20count linen fabric. The last day to sign up is Feb. 25. Fees must be paid before you can receive your kit and begin your prework. We will be handing the kits out at February meeting of each group (EGA, ANG and Green Valley ANG) If you sign up after these meetings you will need to make arrangements to get your kit. Lunch will be ordered from Baggins each day. Please bring small bills and change as we will not be making change. Please bring any items which you will find necessary to do your stitching i.e. scissors, thimble, lights, magnifier, extensions cords, etc. If you have additional questions call Ann Seese, Barbara Ewbank, or Honey Montrose. Ann will be out of town until Jan. 21 and Barbara will be out of town until Jan. 25. Any of the above and Barbara Lewis will take your check for the class.

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR OF THIS NEWSLETTER.....Dale Miller

The new Rooster for 2006 is enclosed. If there are any corrections or additions – please email them to me or give me a call. Thanks.

The deadline for the next newsletter is March 10, 2006. Please submit your information by e-mail to Dale Miller. Please proof read your articles as they will be scanned into the newsletter – MISTAKES and all. Check the spelling of names as well. PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS for this DEADLINE DATE.

NOTES FROM REGIONAL

National Seminar Report from Atlanta: Stitching Southern Style, hosted by Tennessee Valley Region, was excellent and well attended. Next year's seminar in late October will be held in Richmond, Virginia. For the first time, pre-registration for next year was held at the Atlanta seminar with a very positive response. Pictures of next year's offerings are on the website; registration begins March 1 and closes May 31. Registration can be done online.

The Sampler Symposium was held prior to the seminar and was very well received by 150 participants.

All the proposed by-law changes were approved and new officers elected. (refer to Needle Arts for full details)

A new location for EGAHQ is being sought in Louisville due to space limitations with the current premises at the Brown Hotel.

The National Tapestry of five panels was displayed in the exhibit—2 panels are complete and the others are underway. Our region is working on panel 5 which is about a third finished. The goal is to complete all stitching by 2006 so that the completed project can debut at seminar in Louisville in 2008.

The winner of the Gold Thread award was Eileen Gibbs, the nominee from the PSR region.

\$7,000 has been raised for the Heart Association from the "heart charts"

Region Report: Region meeting held October 30 in San Bernardino, California; hosted by High Desert Stitchers and Inland Empire chapters (first time a region meeting was co-hosted; attended by Connie Lagergren and Carol Karrle.

Changing from three region meetings yearly to two meetings was proposed and approved. The Next region meeting will be in Las Vegas, Nevada, on March 12, 2006.

Stitchin on the Dock of the Bay, regional seminar, was held in San Diego in June; well attended and profitable. The 2007 seminar chairman is Debbie Flitner of the LA area.

Sharon Shimohara resigned as RD as she was elected to a national office (Director of Education); Bonnie Marshall, assistant RD, has become the RD, and Gloria Zanella was elected as Assistant RD.

Annual luncheon

Where: Torino Ristorante Italiano, 10355 N. LaCanada Dr. (southwest corner of LaCanada and Lambert Lane)

When: Thursday, March 2, 2006

Time: 10:30 am to 2:30 pm

Coffee & social hour will be from 10:30 am to 11:30am .
Lunch will begin promptly at 11:30am

Program: Our speaker will be Barbara Snow, who will be speaking about textiles she has collected from all over the world and how she has incorporated them into her needlework. I am sure we will all learn something we can use in our own needlework.

Menu choices:

- Grilled Chicken Ceaser Salad with cup of soup
- Penne Prima Vera Ayllo Olio (vegetable pasta)
- Chicken Marsala with vegetable and scalloped red potato

All lunches will include beverage and dessert for a cost of \$23.00. Guests are welcome, and their meals will also be \$23.00.

If you have a dietary restriction that would not allow you to eat any of the selections offered, please contact Raynelle after 5:00 PM.

Your reservation with payment must be received not later than February 20, 2006 Any cancellations must also be made by February 24, 2006

Please send your reservation request and payment to Martha Hirsch using the coupon below.

RESERVATION COUPON

My menu choice is selected below. If I request more than one meal, I have written the number requested of each.

_____ Grilled Chicken Ceaser Salad

_____ Penne (Vegetable pasta)

_____ Chicken Marsala

My name: _____ Phone number: _____

Names of any guests: _____

Please pay \$23.00 for each meal ordered. Make your check payable to Tucson Chapter, EGA, and mail it with this coupon to Martha Hirsch. **Payment must be received not later than February 20, 2006**

The following is a list of members whose dues are due by March 1, 2006

PRIMARY: BEVERIDGE, DAVIS, DUNATUNGA, FARRELL, FRECKER, GREEN, HAMILTON, HORSCH, JORDEN, MILLER, M., O'MALLEY, REYNOLDS, C., SAYRE, SKOCZEK, WALL

PLURAL: SMITH, P.

Please send your renewal checks to Honey in time for her to have them by Mar 1, 2006

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ e-mail _____

City, State & Zip _____

Please mail your check (made out to Tucson Chapter, EGA) to:

____ PRIMARY \$45

Honey Montrose
2910 S. Placita Nublada
Green Valley, AZ 85614-4658

____ PLURAL \$16

NEW MEMBERS

Ruth Connors

Mary Williams

Victoria Harris

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<i>February 2</i>	<i>General Meeting, Kiva Room, Tucson Jr. League 9:30 Stitch-In 12:30 General Meeting Program: Raynelle Duhl –Finishing Techniques Hostesses: Dami Dunatunga, Marguerite Hepner & Sue Beveridridge</i>
<i>February 9</i>	<i>Beading Interest Group Meeting 9:30 AM Bookmans at Grant and Campbell</i>
<i>February 17</i>	<i>Board Meeting</i>
<i>March 2</i>	<i>Luncheon at Torino Restaurante with Barbara Snow as Speaker Social Starting at 10:30 and Lunch promptly at 11:30 PM</i>
<i>March 9</i>	<i>Beading Interest Group Meeting 9:30 AM Bookmans at Grant and Campbell</i>
<i>March 6 and 13</i>	<i>Workshop with Barbara Ewbank – Threaded Butterfly (Jacobean Style)</i>
<i>March 17</i>	<i>Board Meeting</i>

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