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May - June 2009



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Jane Lovat

## Break Out Group

**Beading** – Carol Karrle

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Happy Spring! Our chapter has all kinds of exciting things going on this season starting with our Outreach Day on May 7<sup>th</sup>. Charlotte, Marguerite, Raynelle and Barbara have organized all sorts of projects for us to participate in. Not only will this be a chance to help others, but a great chance to learn some new techniques. Did you know that Tucson Chapter started the Wee Care Gown project more than 20 years ago? We need more members to participate so we can continue this project. Training will be available or you can help cut out pieces and package kits. The Habitat for Humanity Sampler project is coming to a close and Raynelle has asked that all samplers be completed and returned by May 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be a final framing session on Outreach Day. Barbara will be continuing the Bookmarks for Literacy project. These are given to graduates of the literacy program, a nice way for us to give our support. Barbara will also have information available for the new Kissing Pillows project being considered. I hope to see as many members as possible at the meeting; it will be a fun day.

In May and June Barbara will be giving us a stitching challenge. We will all start with the same drawing, a set of rules and have 6 months to stitch it up. What a fun Show and Tell that will be! And don't forget that May is the deadline to sign up for a Group Correspondence Course with Sue. As Sue reminded us these are not only a great way to learn a new stitching technique, they are a nice way to get to know other members of our chapter.

We have made our first donation of supplies to the Teen Room at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center. This is our chapter's way of saying thank you for the free use of the facility and the wonderful support we get from the staff. Supplies included bottled water, granola bars and small packages of nuts. We have been thanked many times for this contribution.

Linda Kanora

**PROGRAMS..... Charlotte Komar**

**May 7, 2009** We will be having an entire day of working on all of our community service projects. We plan to start working about 10:00 a.m. We will continue working all day or until the last stitcher survives! If you can come for part of the day, please do so. Our projects will include:

- 1. Wee Care gowns and tray cloths. We hope to do cutting out of fabric, assembling and pleating each gown, and packing the kits for members to do these items at home. We will have small samples and instructions for any who want to learn beginning smocking. Please bring cutting and sewing tools: Scissors, needles, thimbles, etc.
- 2. Last call to turn in the Habitat for Humanity samplers. Raynelle Duhl hopes to completely finish this project.
- 3. Bookmarks for Tucson Adult Literacy Program. Barbara Lewis says, "Ladies, bring your Q-snaps or your hoops and any spare cross-stitch fabric you have along with some floss. I will have some printouts and some different wording for the book marks. We want them to be 5-7" long and about 1.5-2" wide. They do not have to be elaborate! It is the thought that counts!"
- 4. A new project: the "Soldier Family Kissing Pillow." We will have the printed directions and supply list for members to decide whether or not to participate as a Chapter or individually. Other EGA Chapters are already doing this project. Please consider this project information on May 7. (See additional information on this project at the end of newsletter).

**June 4, 2009** A listen-and-learn program. We will have ideas for transferring photos to ground fabric. This program will be presented by Karen Swanson and Linda Kanora who accomplish this idea with different techniques.

**WORKSHOPS.....Judy Beckman and Jane Lovat**

We welcome your suggestions for future workshops. If you would like to learn more about a specific technique or if you have knowledge of a good resource person, we would appreciate your input.

**BEADING INTEREST GROUP..... Carol Karrle**

Our meeting place is the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, 1660 West Ruthrauf Road. Meeting hours return to 9:30 AM-1:30 PM in the Teen Room.

May 14: We will work on finishing past projects – just bring any beading you care to work on. See you there!

Contact Carol Karrle for more Beading Group information.

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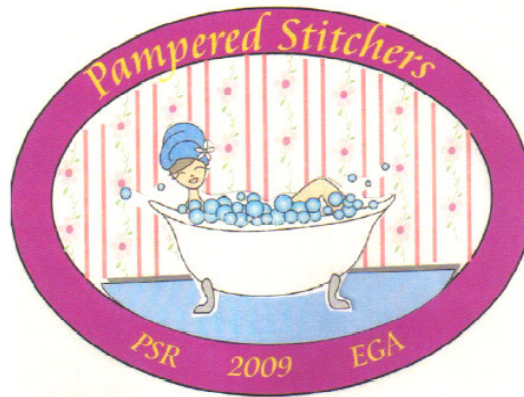


Pacific Southwestern Region

Pampered Stitchers Seminar 2009

Friday  
Saturday  
Sunday

June 26-28, 2009



Tempe Mission  
Palms Hotel

Tempe, Arizona

A relaxed pace is the hallmark of this seminar. The seminar includes a variety of projects geared for beginners through all stitchers' experience levels. Six two-hour classes are being offered--one class each morning and one class each afternoon. Projects are small enough to complete during the class, or shortly thereafter. Attendees can take all six classes, a few classes, or none! There is no class size limit and all classes will be offered.

Carol Wilson:

Hands-On Finishing for a small flat ornament or door hanger

Carol Cunningham:

Beaded Spiral Rope Necklace, in choice of brown or blue

Barbara Shiveley:

Beading on a Gourd, in several color options (gourd included!)

Vicki Young:

Mary's Camellia, four-way bargello mini frame-weight on canvas

Carol Cunningham:

Beaded Holly Pin, created in a variety of beading techniques

Gloria Zanella:

Bernice's Posy, a floral design in stumpwork and surface embroidery

Recently reduced seminar rates and deadline extension.

Visit the Pacific Southwestern Region's website, [www.psrega.org](http://www.psrega.org), for more information:

•Seminar Brochure and Registration Form	•Kit Materials and Supply Requirements
•Hotel Registration Information	•Meal Menus (meals included with seminar registration)

Registration Closes May 26, 2009

**MEMBERSHIP .....Patricia Bowers**

Hi Tucson Stitchers Just a Reminder!

Save Time, Stamps and a trip to the Post Office by making your payment at the meeting.

Or: Send dues using the following Membership Renewal Form.

Remember: The 2009 dues are being paid on a pro-rated basis. Your next dues will be payable in May 2010 and at that time will become an annual event.

Thanks:

Pat Bowers  
Membership Chairman

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

Patricia Bowers  
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## KISSING PILLOWS

These are little pillows that every child in a military family gets as their parent gets deployed. The parent kisses the pillow before he/she leaves and that is the contact and comfort for the child while the parent is gone. Often the parent will take one also...having the children kiss it before they leave.

Pat Correz has a goal of 1800 by August. This is in support of over 900 military families from Ft. Irwin, CA and Ft. Lewis, Washington.

I emailed her and offered our help, and our board has approved our participation in this project

There is a specific pattern and size. Copies will be handed out at the meetings and will also be on the web site!!!

Barbara Lewis

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### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

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## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- May 7            General Meeting held at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center  
                    9:30 AM Board meeting and Stitch-in -- 12:30 PM General meeting  
                    Program: Community Service Projects  
                    Hostesses: Fran Crepea, Barb Lewis, Sue Beveridge
- May 14           Beading Interest Group: Catch-up session
- June 4            General Meeting held at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center  
                    9:30 AM Board meeting and Stitch-in -- 12:30 PM General meeting  
                    Program: Transferring photos to canvas  
                    Hostesses: Nancy Eide and Karen Swanson
- June 11          Beading Interest Group: No program as yet

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