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Tucson Chapter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are looking forward to another great year for the Tucson Chapter with a new slate of officers: Barb Lewis is moving up to President, Raynelle Duhl is Vice President, Jenny Coniglio is Secretary, and Judy Beckman continues as Treasurer. Connie Lagergren will be our Regional Representative.

I have really enjoyed serving as President for the last two years. The past board members and committee chairmen were very helpful in teaching me all the procedures that an EGA Chapter needs to follow. I encourage all of you to take a turn at a board position or serving on one of the many committees. Each of us helps the others and it makes the work light.

Our programs were great and quite varied, and the future ones will be most interesting. Don't forget to participate in the several workshops and special interest groups. We learn so much! Our club is continuing to grow!

Thank all of you for your support, ideas and help these past two years, and a special Thanks goes to the board that made my job easy.

Sincerely,

Jenny Coniglio

Programs.....

In **December** we will have our own member, Mary Hamilton, speak on Temari. (I learned that Temari actually means "ball" in Japanese so it is incorrect to say Temari balls...your little tip for the day!) She is an expert, has studied with the Master in Japan and California. She also has had several of her creations displayed at the EGA headquarters in Kentucky. We are in for an interesting talk. PS There will be no cookie exchange this year.

January will find us at St. Phillips Episcopal Church on the corner of River Rd and Campbell. Under the auspices of Jean Firch and Marj Jordan we will view the ecclesiastical needlework stitched by them and other members of the church's stitching guild. The church will provide coffee. We will meet in the La Paz room which is northeast of the church and behind the church offices. Handicap parking places are just east of the church and also in front (south) of the church. There are regular parking places east of the church. **Entry is on the Campbell side** with plenty of parking. The meeting time is 12:30 P.M.

In **February** we will have Joyce Lukomski giving a talk and slide show. This will be about an hour and half long...She is a nationally known teacher of beading and needlework. She is the former editor of the Needlepointer and is current editor of Needlepoint Now. Invite your friends as this should be an interesting talk

At our **March** birthday potluck we will have Sharon Crescent and Diane Williams. They are two local women who started up their own needlework businesses...they are going to explain how they did this! I think you will find this interesting.

BEADING INTEREST GROUP.....

Our group will meet Thursday, December 9, 9:30 am to 1 or 1:30 pm, at Bookman's on the corner of Grant and Campbell, in the Community Room. To those of you that might not have been at this location, the community room is to the rear of the store in the right corner through the children's section. Sometimes it is very chilly in the room, so you might want to bring a sweater. And, as usual, you might want to bring a light. No program is planned, just a good chance to work on your current projects and maybe finish up the Santa earrings that were started at the November meeting.

Workshops.....

The **Joyce Lukomski** workshop in February is full but we have a waiting list. The final cost is \$120. You have already paid a \$25 deposit so still owe \$95. Checks for this amount are being accepted. If you would like to pay in installments, please do so. The total payment must be in by January 15th, 2005. The check should be made out to **Tucson Chapter ANG**.

HOUSING I still need someone to house Joyce while she is in Tucson. I need housing for her starting Feb. 2nd through the 5th. I will pick her up at the airport and hopefully someone in the class from Green Valley will give her a ride down there after class on the 6th. Please give me a call if you can help out. Barbara Lewis

The following is a list of members whose dues are due in the fourth quarter of 2004:
Please send your renewal checks to Honey in time for her to have them by December 1, 2004

Primary: Ashmore Hansen Johnson **Plural:** Blevins Leininger Cramer
 Epperson Hepner MacPherson Cramer

The following is a list of members whose dues are due in the first quarter of 2005:
Please send your renewal checks to Honey in time for her to have them by March 1, 2005

Primary: Beveridge Krug-Fenz Hirsch Reynolds, C. **Plural:** Smith, P.
 Davis Frecker Jordan Sayre
 Dunatunga Green Miller, M. Skoczek
 Farrell Hamilton O'Malley Wall

Membership Application/Renewal

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ e-mail _____

City, State & Zip _____

- Primary \$35**
- Plural \$16**

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

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

We have one new member.....

Phyllis Grimes

Roster updates.....

Barbara Lewis has a new e-mail address

And one valuable and active lady who joined us almost a year ago whose name I failed to publish at the appropriate time.....

Dami Dunatunga

Ann Seese's has a new winter address

Sue Beveridge's has a new e-mail address

(details can be found in the "Members Only" area on the Website)

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Chapter News.....

We have our new officers for 2005—2006:

President Barbara Lewis
Vice President Raynelle Duhl
Secretary Jenny Coniglio
Treasurer Judy Beckman

Region Representative Connie Lagergren

The new officers will begin their tenure at the end of the December board meeting. We all have busy lives and the membership truly appreciates these ladies giving so generously of their time and talents. A special thank you to the departing officers for their service over the past two years.

A BIG THANKS!! TO THE FOLLOWING:

Carol Karrle, Connie Lagergren, Barbara Lewis, Melva Farrell, Jenny Coniglio and Carolyn Johnson for manning our table at the Tanque Verde crafts fair on October 31st.

The next craft fair will be on Sunday, Nov. 21st at Arthur Pack Park on the NW side of town. The following people have volunteered:

10-12 Marcia Halligan

12-2 Helen Crawford

2-4 Marj Jorden and Ann Seese

As you can see, we need a few more bodies. If you can help out at any of those times, please call me.

Barbara Lewis

I am looking for someone to host Joyce Lukomski from Feb 2-6, 2005. I will be happy to pick her up at the airport and bring her to your home. If you can help me out, please call me.

Barbara Lewis

A copy our proposed 2005 budget is included in this newsletter. I realize that the copy is not as clear as it might be. If you cannot read any parts of it, please call me (Jane Juell) and I will try to clarify the entry you are interested in. My apologies.

Many thanks to Connie Lagergren for again providing the handy little calendars enclosed. And, while we are talking about Connie, my personal thanks to her for her generous and patient help to me in composing the newsletters for the past four years.

Jane

The Rev. John Ross has sent us the following letter which should be of interest to our members:

"You are cordially invited to attend an informal open house on Friday, December 3 from 2-4 p.m. at Valley Presbyterian Church to see our two beautifully decorated CHRISMON TREES.

The CHRISMON ornaments have all been hand-stitched in white and gold. Each one is decorated with symbols from Christian history. Every year new ornaments are added.

People will be available to answer your questions and a brochure explaining the Chrismon's meaning and history will also be available.

If you enjoy seeing fine needlework, please join us for this occasion."

Further information: Phyllis Richardson

On a sad note.....

In the past month we have lost 2 excellent needleworkers that were former members of our group. Beth Windrem was a former Education Chairman and active member until her bout with cancer forced her to stop. Margaret Glasgow was an early member, a designer as well as a stitcher. They were both very active in Ecclesiastical needlework also. Margaret died at 95, so was retired a little longer. Both will be missed in the needlework community.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- December 2 General Meeting, Kiva Room, Tucson Jr. League
9:30 Stitch-in, 12:30 General Meeting
Program: Mary Hamilton speaking on Temari
Hostesses: Martha Hirsch, Charlotte Komar,
Barbara Lewis, Carol Karrle
- December 9 Beading Interest Group meeting 9:30 a.m.
Bookman's at Grant and Campbell
- December 16 Board Meeting
- January 6 **12:30 General Meeting at Saint Phillips Episcopal
Church to view ecclesiastical needlework**
There is no stitch-in time
Hostesses: Dale Miller and Earla Swope
- January 13 Beading Interest Group meeting 9:30 a.m.
Bookman's at Grant and Campbell
- January 20 Board Meeting
- February 3 General Meeting, Kiva Room, Tucson Jr. League
9:30 Stitch-in, 12:30 General Meeting
Program: Joyce Lukomski talk and slide show
Hostesses: Kay C. Kopp, Marcia Halligan
Helen Crawford, Dami Dunatunga
- February 10 Beading Interest Group meeting 9:30 a.m.
Bookman's at Grant and Campbell
- February 17 Board Meeting