

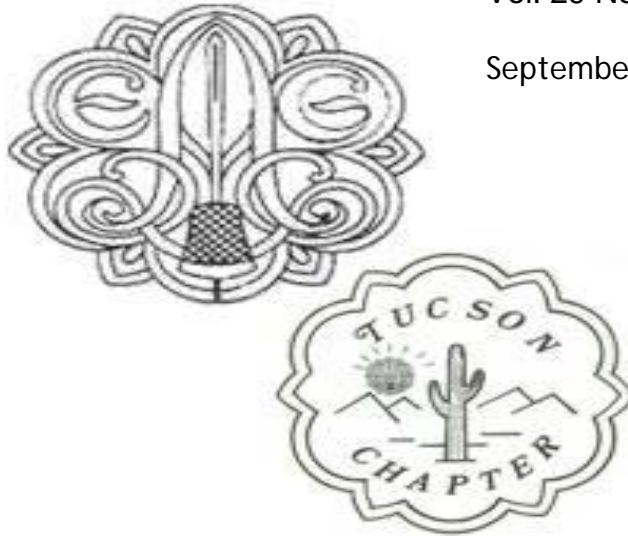
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

I hope all our members, no matter where they are, are having a wonderful summer!

We have had exciting news from our Pacific Southwestern Region organizers, the 2014 EGA National Seminar will be held in Phoenix. Our chapter has agreed to help in any way needed in the hosting of this event and I hope that many of us will be able to attend. Since travel costs will be reduced, the seminar may be much more affordable. And the early registration for the 2012 EGA National Seminar that will be held in Santa Fe will open on September 17, 2011. National Seminars are wonderful places to experience nationally known teachers and meet lots of great stitchers.

Spring of 2012 will be here before you know it. In even numbered years our chapter has a luncheon out in March. April 1, 2012 will be the Tucson Chapter's 30th anniversary, so we want to make it an extra special luncheon. A committee is forming to make the arrangements; please contact Laura Cotter if you would like to help.

The chapter is looking for someone to take over the Ways and Means chairman for January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012. Ways and Means collects items for Opportunity Baskets and then creates them and sells tickets at meetings. This person also sells other items like chapter pins and cookbooks to chapter members and is responsible for collecting fines for members who don't wear nametags. This is a great position for a first time Board member. If you would like to take this fun job, please contact me.

Happy Stitching!

Linda

PROGRAMS.....Margo Korn

SEPTEMBER: POTLUCK LUNCHEON
"WHAT I DID THIS SUMMER" - needlework wise

OCTOBER: COILED BASKETS
Fay Beard will demonstrate baskets made with wrapped fabric
Cynthia Johnoff will demonstrate baskets made with fiber wrapped coil

NOVEMBER: HARDANGER Petite Project led by Nancy Eide
(Photo of project and materials list at end of newsletter)

DECEMBER: OUR INFAMOUS GIFT EXCHANGE & HOLIDAY LUNCHEON
Hope many of you participate in this fun celebration with a beautiful handmade gift. I know many members enjoy giving and receiving a handmade gift, so start planning your gift now!!!!

If anyone has ideas for upcoming programs please contact MARGO KORN
Next year will be a special year for EGA TUCSON CHAPTER, 2012 will be our 30th anniversary. Let's celebrate big time.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH.....Marguerite Hepner

During the August Board meeting, among other business items, there was fairly lengthy discussion on our EGA Outreach activities. We reviewed current projects and considered additional possibilities. From time to time, membership changes, interests vary, opportunities arise.

We are to be reminded locally and in our region and national organizations of the importance of Community Outreach by EGA members. PSR is encouraging youth participation in EGA. We are asked if we have a youth education program, if we have youth members, whether National should develop programs for youth.

If you are a person who has a concern or an idea for an Outreach project, a suggestion about an existing activity, or interest in youth involvement, please bring your thoughts, questions, ideas to our September 1st Chapter meeting. Your Board welcomes your input.

Adds Mildred Richardson: "We have an excellent Outreach Opportunity again next spring. Amy Feldman, art instructor at Esperanza Elementary School, has once more asked us to teach second graders basic embroidery stitches. Some of us have done so in the past. It is a wonderful, delightful experience. The young children are very enthusiastic, extremely polite and quite capable. Please think about volunteering several hours of your time next March or April. I will have a sign up sheet at the September meeting and will remind you again each month. Thank you."

WAYS AND MEANS.....MYLDRED RICHARDSON

What do you do on a rainy day in Tucson? Sort your stash, of course!
Please remember that we love to accept your "not needed" for our monthly opportunity gifts and our upcoming Birthday Bash in the Spring. Thank you

EDUCATION.....BARBARA EW BANK

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are having a good summer. Even though it's still summer, we need to plan for the correspondence course to begin in January. You have selected Luan Callery's class, Hummingbird and Honeysuckle. I'm writing so that you know how the process works and what the time and cost is to you.

This is a six month class with five working sessions. My suggestion would be that the group meets on Thursdays following the EGA meetings which would be the first Thursday of the month. Registration must be made at least six weeks ahead of beginning the class so I am suggesting that the group meet after the October EGA meeting (October 6) to handle the organizational matters necessary.

1. The group needs a coordinator. (I am not able to take this class so one of you will need to serve in that capacity). The coordinator is the liaison between the teacher and the students. She orders the texts and arranges to have the projects sent to the teacher for evaluation and return the evaluated projects to the students. For this, the coordinator is not charged a fee for the course but does purchase the text and supplies.

2. The cost of the course is \$175. Since there are 11 of you and one person is the coordinator, the cost of the class to each of you is \$17.00. The text is \$30 so on October 6, you should have a check made out to the Tucson Chapter EGA for \$47.00. EGA requires that payment for the class be made from the chapter treasury.

3. The materials involve linen twill and chiffon, and cotton or silk floss and gold metallic. The materials are not sold in Tucson so I have contacted the teacher for advice about how to secure the fabrics. The threads are available and you might decide you want to share threads to lessen the cost of materials estimated at approximately \$20.00. You need stretcher bars or a hoop as well.

4. The teacher should receive the finished projects within 30 days of the scheduled deadline. This obtains unless you make alternative arrangements with the teacher OR the group forfeits the privilege of its evaluations. (Editorial comment: I do not recommend this because the purpose of having a class is to receive constructive criticism from the teacher. Postage for return of the projects and insurance must be included when the projects are sent for evaluation. The chapter name should appear on

all correspondence and on each project sent for evaluation.)

5. Finally, after all projects are returned to you, you will receive evaluation forms for the benefit of the teacher and the coordinator of EGA correspondence courses.

Judith Nelson is also signed up for this course but I do not have a phone number or email address for her. Therefore, I will mail her a copy of this email.

Please think about your willingness to coordinate this course. It is not difficult but the coordinator must be someone enrolled for the class. I know you will enjoy this as there are some interesting techniques and a beautiful finished piece. You may email me at ewbank.b@gmail.com, or call me at [520-820-3629](tel:520-820-3629) if you have further questions. I will be returning to Tucson after the September meeting but I will be at the October meeting on the 6th and will get together with you for your first organizing meeting. I'll be most grateful if one of you will step forward to be the coordinator for the class.

Thank you for your interest and all of us will be looking forward to seeing the results of your class.

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PSR TO HOST EGA NATIONAL SEMINAR 2014

Details released!

The 2014 Executive Committee is delighted to announce that the contract has been signed for the 2014 EGA National Seminar. Location is Pointe Hilton Squaw Peak Resort, Phoenix, AZ. Dates are October 18-24, 2014. Because of deadlines required for publicity, the Executive Committee has chosen the theme:

DREAMS AND LEGENDS. The logo was designed by Carol Algie Higginbotham and has been approved by the EGA Design Review Committee. Carol will also stitch the model. We are delighted with the location and facilities:

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http://www1.hilton.com/en_US/hi/hotel/PHXSPPR-Pointe-Hilton-Squaw-Peak-Resort-Arizona/index.do

...and stay tuned for frequent updates and messages.

We need your help in making this the best PSR-sponsored national seminar ever!!

Pat Correz, Seminar Chairman

HOSPITALITY.....Laura Cotter

It's Potluck Time!

Our September meeting is a potluck, so pull out your recipes for a favorite dish to share. Bring enough for 6-8 people and I'll provide some beverages. See you there!

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PETITE PROJECTS

Hardanger Wreath© Basic Ornament



Designed by Doris Mengel

Compliments of the EGA Education Department

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EGA PETITE PROJECT SUPPLY LIST:

- Red Hardanger fabric 6"x6" (as this is a Christmas ornament), but you could choose any color scheme
- #5 white perle cotton
- #8 white perle cotton
- #4 Kreinik silver braid
- small, sharp scissors

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| September 1 | Stitch-In held at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center 9:30 to 3:00 Pot-Luck – Bring a dish to pass Board Meeting at 9:30 |
| September 15 | Beading Interest Group Meeting held in Senior Room – Program not announced 9:30 to 1:00 |
| October 6 | Stitch-In held at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center 9:30 to 3:00 Bring your lunch Board Meeting at 9:30 |
| October 20 | Beading Interest Group Meeting held in Senior Room – Program not announced 9:30 to 1:00 |

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