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Beading -- Carol Karrle

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Hi girls,

Summer is almost over and fall will be arriving soon. I am looking forward to lower temps and lower humidity. I have stitched quite a bit this summer, now I have to do some finishing. I have sent a couple of pieces to get framed, but there are still quite a few left for me to finish into ornaments, boxes, etc. Hope your summer was productive.

Keep in mind that the September meeting is our annual potluck and show and share. I am looking forward to seeing all the things that you have accomplished this summer. Remember the Open House. Be sure to read your newsletter to confirm the date. We will be doing some demonstrating and have lots of finished items on display. Please remember we will have lots of positions to fill, demonstrating a technique, greeters, providing food, setting up displays and also the clean up. Please say yes when asked. We are trying to bring in new members and we want this event to run smoothly. Thanks.

Doris Fello is going on an exciting journey. She and her husband, Bill, are moving to Shanghai, China. They are planning to leave on September 27th, so they are finalizing lots of last minute details. They will be in China for approximately 2-1/2 years. Therefore, I need a volunteer to take over Doris' position as membership. Please thoughtfully consider this and be ready to offer your services to our organization at the September meeting.

Doris and Bill, have a wonderful adventure, we will miss you.

Raynelle

PROGRAMS..... Judy Beckman

September 4 – Show and Tell and Board Luncheon

October 2 – Assisi Poinsettia Petite Project - Myldred Richardson

Materials and supplies needed for the Assisi Poinsettia Petite Project:

- 9" x 9" piece of 14 count aida, white or opalescence
- 9" x 9" stretcher bars, either wide or narrow
- 1 skein Wildflowers thread color #405 Flame (there is enough to do the whole project in this thread if you wish)
- 1 skein each stranded DMC floss: #310, #408, #783, #895
- Tapestry needle, size 26
- Sharp scissors

Since time is limited for teaching, please have the following steps completed before class:

1. Bind the base material to prevent raveling.
2. Determine the center of the material by folding the wrong side of the fabric in half and in half again the other direction and pin temporarily. Unfold fabric and mark center with pin.
3. Stretch and mount fabric on stretcher bars with either staples or thumbtacks.

November 6 – Open House for the Public
See form below

December 4 – Christmas celebration

**NOVEMBER 6, 2008 OPEN HOUSE
DEMONSTRATIONS AND DISPLAYS**

We are hoping to increase awareness of the art of needlework in our community and possibly attract new members. Please fill out this form indicating the technique or techniques you would like to display or demonstrate for our Open House to the Public and return to Judy Beckman by **September 5**.

I would like to demonstrate _____ technique

I would like to display _____ technique

We will be arranging our members in small groups of similar technique to both describe the technique and safe guard the handling of our items. We will also have a table for our outreach, membership and educational opportunities.

BEADING INTEREST GROUP..... Carol Karrle

Our meeting place is the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, 1660 W. Ruthrauff Road. Meeting hours return to 9:30 AM-1:30 PM in the Teen Room. Members of the group will be notified prior to the meeting if there will be a special project taught.

Contact Carol Karrle for more Beading Group information.

NOTES FROM THE NEWSLETTER EDITOR Martha Hirsch

The deadline for the next newsletter is October 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!

EDUCATION Myldred Richardson

You will need sharp scissors for the Assisi Poinsettia Petite Project to be taught as October's program.

If your scissors need sharpening, there are several Tucson locations that provide scissors sharpening service, such as fabric shops, quilt shops, and sewing machine dealers.

HOSPITALITY Jenny Coniglio

Since I won't be at the September, I'm asking for helpers to provide treats for the Open House Nov. 6. Volunteers should contact me by new e-mail or phone (let it ring a long time before the answering machine picks up.)

The Open House display tables might look nice with SOLID color tablecloths. If you have a tablecloth please bring it to the set-up at 8:30 Nov. 6, and let me know ahead of time what you're bringing. Those at the September and Oct. meetings can see the size of tables (in case we do have new tables) that we will be using.

MEMBERSHIP Doris Fello

The following is a list of members whose dues are due September 30, 2008:

PRIMARY:

Jenny Coniglio
Jill Jordan-Spitz
Kay Kopp
Jo Middlestead

Honey Montrose
Donna Lawrence
Myldred Richardson
Delores Scott

Sue Strause
Earla Swope

The following is a list of members that have been dropped:

Penny Hurley
Gloria Epperson
Jane Lovet
Sharon Skoczek

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ e-mail _____

City, State & Zip _____

____ PRIMARY \$45

____ PLURAL \$16

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

Raynelle Duhl
60895 Rock Ledge Loop
Tucson, AZ 85739-1967

FORMER MEMBER ANN HARDY PAYNE

Ann Hardy Payne, a former member of our chapter, passed away on August 1st. Her obituary may be read at the following internet link:

<http://www.legacy.com/TUCSON/Obituaries.asp?Page=LifeStoryPrint&PersonID=114991089>

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PACIFIC SOUTHWESTERN REGION
2009 REGION SEMINAR**

Pampered Stitchers

**Friday, Saturday, and Sunday
June 26-27-28, 2009
Tempe Mission Palms Hotel
Tempe, Arizona**



**Pampered Stitchers Seminar -
a retreat - a relaxing weekend of
stitching on whatever you wish!
Take a break for a dip in the pool
or a nap whenever you'd like!
No cooking, cleaning, or other
interruptions from your favorite
pastime!**

Except for food, of course!

**Six two-hour classes will be
offered. You can participate in
any or all of them. You'll have the
opportunity to be exposed to new
techniques, or a chance to
refresh your skills in others.**

Hope to see you at the Pampered Stitchers Seminar!

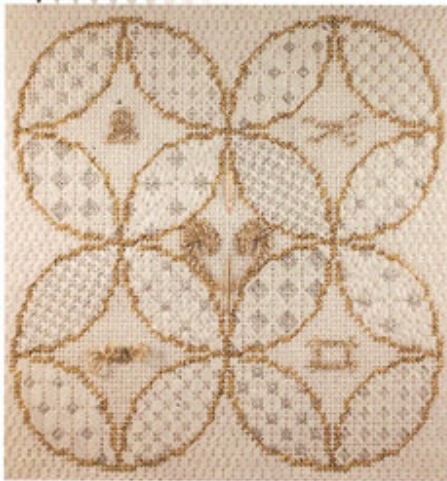
(Details of costs, classes, and registration dates will be announced in the upcoming months.)

Make New Friends,

Picnic in the Pines
PRESENTS

Saturday, September 27, 2008

But Keep the Old



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLES

Instructor **Carol Algie Higginbotham**

The Pine Needlers Chapter invites you to join us for an inspiring day in the mountains. You will enjoy a versatile project, special goodies, wonderful opportunity drawings, and a delightful lunch. Renew old friendships and make new ones.

Rim of the World Masonic Lodge

26012 Hwy 189

Twin Peaks, CA 92391

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Lunch Included

\$60.00

Our project is a design of 5"circles inspired by the second verse of the theme song, "A circle is round, it has no end. That's how long, I will be your friend". Worked on 18 count canvas in Gold Rush, Braid and Floss we will explore a number of stitches and textures on a doodle cloth or you can work directly on your piece. We will fill the center of the circles with items used by a stitcher (thimble, scissors, thread, frame) and finish with a gold heart and gold needle. All stitching materials are included, please bring 8" x 8" stretcher bars and usual stitching supplies.

RESERVATION DEADLINE September 15, 2008

We would like to honor special friendships. If you have been the winner of one of our opportunity drawing quilts, please bring it with you for display during the workshop. Thank you.

For more information contact:

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Sandy Plourde 909 825-2100 ssplourde@aol.com

MAKE NEW FRIENDS, BUT KEEP THE OLD RESERVATION Return to Judy Dymond

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

E-MAIL _____ PHONE _____

CHAPTER _____

CHECK FOR \$60.00 PAYABLE TO PINE NEEDLERS CHAPTER, EGA IS ENCLOSED

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- September 4 General Meeting held at the Kiva Room, Tucson Jr. League
9:30 AM Stitch-In and Board meeting - 12:30 PM General Meeting
Program: - Bookmarks for Adult Literacy Program
Hostesses: Lunch provided by the board members
- September 11 Beading Interest Group Meeting, 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
Held at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, Teen Room,
1660 W. Ruthrauff Road ~ Program: to be announced
- October 2 General Meeting held at the Kiva Room, Tucson Jr. League
9:30 AM Stitch-In and Board meeting - 12:30 PM General Meeting
Program: - Assisi Poinsettia Petite Project
Hostesses: volunteers needed
- October 9 Beading Interest Group Meeting, 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM
Held at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center, Teen Room,
1660 W. Ruthrauff Road ~ Program: to be announced
- October 10 Deadline for submission to November - December newsletter

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