



**Saguaro Stitchers Chapter  
American Needlepoint Guild, Inc.  
November/December 2012  
Newsletter**



**NEXT MEETING**

November 15, 2012  
December 20, 2012

Holiday Inn Express  
7350 E Gold Dust Ave  
Scottsdale, Arizona  
10:00am – 1:00pm

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As this newsletter goes to press many of you will have just finished Terry Dryden's wonderful class, Safari. I can't wait to see all of the finished pieces. Terry is a wonderful teacher and I know everyone taking the class enjoyed it.

Our Open House in October was a resounding success! We had about 35 in attendance and gained several new members. Many of you brought examples of your work in to put on exhibit and it is truly awe inspiring to see the sheer amount of talent we have in our chapter. I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank the shops who were so generous with their donations for our door prizes. Family Arts, Bestitched and Old Town Needlework were all extremely generous with their donations. I would also like to thank Alice Hall, our vice-president and program chair, for all the hard work she put into making sure that our Open House was a success. Alice also donated many of the items that were given away as gifts.

Our November meeting will be coming up on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup> and we will have much to cover during that meeting. As you all know, our November meeting is the date of our annual elections. In that regard Alice Hall has agreed to run for re-election as our VP Program Chair for another year, Jean Bennett has agreed to run for another term as our Treasurer. Jan Preston has also agreed to run for Assistant Treasurer and Membership chair. We will also be taking nominations from the floor for these positions.

At our September meeting I asked for volunteers to work on our Teacher Committee, as Sandi Van Winkle will be going off the committee at the end of October and Susan Barlow and Carol Roberts will be leaving the committee the end of December. Cherry Leger and Barbi Sherman both stepped up and volunteered to be part of this committee and for that I thank you both. If there is anyone else who would like to be involved on the Teacher Committee, please let me know.

Additionally, all of you should have received a copy of the proposed changes in our standing rules and we will be discussing those at our November meeting.

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In response to a couple of questions I have received, please note that our annual Hanukkah/ Christmas party will be held on our regular meeting date of the third Thursday in December, which will be December 20<sup>th</sup>. Plans for the party will be discussed at our November meeting. While I realize in the past we have changed the date to hold the party earlier in the month, given that we are in a commercial space now, we have less leeway to change the date at our convenience. For those people who were unable to make the September meeting, we decided that rather than do a gift exchange this year the Chapter would make a donation to one of the local food banks this Christmas.

I hope everyone is well and happily stitching and I look forward to seeing everyone November 15<sup>th</sup> at our regular meeting.

*Anne*

### **NEED A RIDE TO MEETINGS???**

Problems crop up and it's always on meeting day, right? If you need a ride, whether it is occasionally or to all of our meetings, call any of your Board Members. We will do our best to find you a ride. Needless to say, we are getting a bit older and moving just a bit slower, so you need to give us as much notice as possible for the best results. We will do our best to get you there.

### **PROGRAMS**

November 15<sup>th</sup> - In time for the Holidays we will stitch either a Noel Chart or a Star of David Chart. These are small pieces designed to be inserted into a card. The cards will be supplied. The list of materials will be available by October 1st. Models will be displayed at the September 20th meeting, with a signup sheet.

December 20<sup>th</sup> - Holiday party.

January 17<sup>th</sup> - Ornament Quartet was the project from the Chapter project book as selected by members over the summer and fall meetings. The models will be at the November meeting and there is still time to sign up for this interesting class. The ornaments use a variety of different threads and stitches. Two color ways are given in the chapter book and I have stitched four more. Use your stash for this class using different color canvases and threads to make the ornaments your own. Thread and supply lists to be sent to those who sign up by December 20th.

February 21<sup>st</sup> - Carolyn Mitchell will be giving us a presentation on the design process. This will be very interesting and worth while attending.

March 21<sup>st</sup> - Converting a cross stitch (tent stitch needlepoint) into fancy stitches as used in needlepoint today. There will be two designs to choose from, each design can be made into a small box.

April 18<sup>th</sup> - Our second project from Project book, with the second most votes by members, is "A little Piece of Happiness". Photo and signup sheet will be at the next four meetings and the thread list posted not later than mid March.

Alice Hall, VP Programs

## **HOLIDAY PARTY - DECEMBER 20th**

We feel we all have lots of stitching gadgets, etc. and there is definitely a need to help our fellow families here in the Valley of the Sun. Instead of our “gift exchange” this year, we are going to help a local food bank by bringing non-perishable food items to our November and December meetings. You will also be able to make a monetary contribution if you’d like. These will be collected and given to a food bank after our December Holiday Party.

## **NATIONAL TEACHER COMMITTEE - CLASSES SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE**

Please note that National Teacher Classes require that all participants must be a member of ANG and join or be a current member of Saguaro Stitches.

### **Analogous Fusion by Carolyn Mitchell** **February 22nd and 23rd, 2013**

PHOTO TO BE SUPPLIED

**THIS CLASS IS ALMOST FULL; RESERVE YOUR SPACE FOR THIS WONDERFUL CLASS TODAY!!**

This two-day class with Carolyn Mitchell is scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Feb 22/23, 2013. Our guild will be the first in the USA to stitch this class piece! On Thursday, Feb 21, Carolyn will be our guest at our regular meeting and give a presentation on the process she uses when creating her wonderful designs. There is prework which includes the borders of the design. The prework instructions have arrived and are available from Sandi Van Winkle either at the meetings or can be mailed to students (student is responsible for the postage costs) for those who have already paid. Final deposit due on receipt of prework or December 1<sup>st</sup>.

If you haven’t already signed up for this wonderful and economical class, the full payment of \$100.00 is due on December 1, 2012. If you wish to take this class, you can either bring a check to the November meeting, or mail your check (payable to Saguaro Stitches) to:

Jean Bennett  
Treasurer Saguaro Stitches ANG  
[contact by email at [treasurer@saguarostitchers.org](mailto:treasurer@saguarostitchers.org) for mailing address]

The cost will include the entire teacher's expense and the cost of the instructions. As with the "My Way" class, each student will provide her own materials. Students are to bring their own lunch and beverage. Water will be provided. An email containing the materials requirements was sent out last July.

Susan Barlow, National Teacher Committee

**PROPOSED 2013 CLASS – Barbara Elmore’s**  
**“Inside The Bougainvillea Wall”**



We have had inquiries from some who participated in Barbara Elmore’s class, Bougainvillea Wall, about a follow-up class with her. Barbara would be available to teach “Inside The Bougainvillea Wall” in November of 2013. If you are interested in taking this class, please get in touch with Carol Roberts. The cost will be determined by the kit fee and the number of students participating in the class.

Carol Roberts, National Teacher Committee



## **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AT OUR LOCAL SHOPS!**

When you want to see what classes the local shops offer, all you have to do is go to <http://www.saguarostitchers.org/> and click on “LINKS”. By clicking on each shop’s link, you will be able to see a current list of all classes offered. We are so fortunate to have these great shops! Call the shop directly or check their web sites.

**Attic Needlework 480-898-1838**

**BeStitched Needlepoint (480) 991-0706**

**Family Arts Needlework Shop 602-277-0694**

**Old Town Needlework 480-990-2270**

**Quail Run Needlework 480-551-1423**

**Needlers Nest 623-583-4411**

Call the shop for a listing of classes as their web site does not contain this information.

## **NEWSLETTER**

Please submit any topics of interest to the guild – a great e-mail site – a hint you came across – an article – a poem, etc. for inclusion in our newsletter.

Send me a photo of your completed piece along with a note containing your thoughts about the piece (difficulties, changes you made, what you learned, etc.). Many of our members cannot get to the meetings for Show and Tell. I know they would love to see your finished pieces and hear what you have to say about them. E-mail Donna Rumolo at [newsletter@saguarostitchers.org](mailto:newsletter@saguarostitchers.org)

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

PLEASE PRINT

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday-Month/Day: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell or Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Check one:    New Member: (    )        Renewal: (    )        Plural: (    )

Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Chapter (Plural) \_\_\_\_\_

**DUES: Annual Membership**

**\$15.00**\_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:        Saguaro Stitchers

Please mail to:                            Cindy DeMaght  
[contact by email at [membership@saguarostitchers.org](mailto:membership@saguarostitchers.org)  
for mailing address]

For additional membership questions, contact Cindy DeMaght.

Our meetings are held at the **Holiday Inn Express Scottsdale North**, and our room is available from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The business meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

The address of the **Holiday Inn Express Scottsdale North** is at 7350 E Gold Dust Ave in Scottsdale. It is located on the curve where Gold Dust Ave becomes N 74<sup>th</sup> St, and it is accessible from Scottsdale Road or Shea Blvd. The telephone number is 480-596-6559.