



**Saguaro Stitchers Chapter
American Needlepoint Guild, Inc.
March/April 2013
Newsletter**



NEXT MEETING

March 21, 2013

April 18, 2013

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

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Carolyn Mitchell was our guest speaker at our February monthly meeting and gave us a great presentation on the progression of needlework in the Canadian guild, which I know was enjoyed by everyone who attended. She followed that up by teaching Analogous Fusion for the two days following. It was a terrific class and enjoyed by everyone who took it.

Our mini stash sale is coming up in lieu of our regular meeting in March. Most of us have pieces put away that we want to stitch because we love them, pieces that we want to stitch but will probably never get around to and pieces that we look at and say to ourselves “what in the world was I thinking when I bought that!” Please consider donating some of those pieces to our sale. Remember that the proceeds from our stash sales go into our education money.

On that note we are going to start looking for a project that we can do chapter-wide, which will be paid for by the chapter as we have money set aside for that purpose. We want a project that everyone in the chapter can do if they wish to do so. As I mentioned at our last meeting, please give this some thought and give the Board your ideas so that we can discuss this at our April meeting. Please remember that if we bring in a teacher it would limit the amount of members this program would benefit. We want to do something that will benefit everyone in the chapter who chooses to do it.

Also in April we need to make a firm decision as to whether or not we want to commit to Barbara Elmore to have her come back in November of 2013 to teach Inside the Bougainvillea Walls. We had a number of people on the interest list for this piece (you know who you are) and are at a point where we have to “fish or cut bait” as the saying goes. We will have a firm price for this class at the April meeting.

See you all at the stash sale.

Anne

EGA Yard Sale - with the help of the Tucson Chapter of ANG

To be held on March 1 & 2 at the home of Linda Kanora, Tucson, from the hours of 7 AM until noon each day.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Daphne Coulter, our newest member, has already volunteered to help us! She will be our Sunshine Committee contact. If any of you know of someone in our chapter who recently lost a loved one, or has developed a serious illness and could use a "Thinking of You" card, please contact Daphne with name and address information so she can send them a card. Thank you, Daphne!

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

March 21st. Mini Stash Sale - bring any stitching items you want to donate. Your items along with a very generous donation will make this a fun morning. Don't forget to bring cash or a check.

April 18th. From the Chapter Project Book, Pat Mazu's mini stocking "Beautiful Stripes", Sandi Van Winkle will be the teacher. The model will be at all meetings. The materials list will be sent out late March to those who sign up by March 21st.

May 16th: Converting cross stitch/tent stitch to fancy stitches as used in needlepoint today. The project when finished makes into a box ornament. This type of conversion will work for any cross stitch/tent stitch chart.

June 20th, July 18th and August 15th will be our summer "Stitch In Days", to just stitch and enjoy each other. This will be at the Holiday Inn Express, where we currently meet.

Please let me know if you have a program on stitching you would like to share with the chapter.

Happy Stitching. Alice

MINI STASH SALE

In lieu of a meeting in March we will have a mini stash sale as Anne mentioned in her letter. Any of you having items you would like to donate can bring them on the day of the sale. If you have items to donate but cannot attend the March meeting, please contact one of the board members and we will make arrangements to pick up your donations.

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.

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 Cherry Leger. The cost will be determined by the kit fee and the number of students participating in the class.

Cherry Leger and Barbi Sherman, National Teacher Committee

MEMBERSHIP – Jan Prestin, Membership/Assistant Treasurer

We currently have 54 paid members in our Chapter.

In the last newsletter, we welcomed our newest member; however, some of her information was incorrect. Here is Daphne’s correct info:

Daphne Coulter
[See email version of the newsletter.]
Paradise Valley, AZ

We love adding new members to our chapter, so if you have any stitching friends or relatives who would like to join ANG and Saguaro Stitchers, I will be happy to provide membership information. Our wonderful web site, www.saguarostitchers.org, also has a link to access forms.

Happy Birthday to our members with birthdays in March and April

MARCH

Jan Sterling
Mary Ellen Bloomburg
Carla Hamilton
Jean Bennett

APRIL

Alice Hall
Elizabeth Tischner
Lillian Warrenberg
Nancy Getzin
Mary Wiltse

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

Not all of our members are able to attend meetings on a regular basis. So, we want to establish an article called SHOW AND TELL so all of our members can enjoy our work. Please send either of us a photo of your completed piece along with a note containing your thoughts about the piece (difficulties, changes you made, what you learned, etc.). 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 .

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: Jan Prestin
[contact by email at membership@saguarostitchers.org
for mailing address]

For additional membership questions, contact Jan Prestin.

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 74th St, and it is accessible from Scottsdale Road or Shea Blvd. The telephone number is 480-596-6559.