



**Saguaro Stitchers Chapter
American Needlepoint Guild, Inc.
September 2016 Newsletter**



NEXT MEETING

Sept 15, 2016

Oct 20, 2016

Nov 17, 2016

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

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Good Afternoon Ladies:

Hope you are all staying cool and getting lots of stitching time during the heat of the day. We had several unfilled places in our October, Kurdy Biggs class. We sent an invitation to the other ANG and EGA Guilds in Arizona offering their interested members the opportunity to sign up for the class by June 30th with payment in full. The response was good.

Just a reminder that our programs for the balance of the year are still available for sign up. At our September 15th meeting La Verne will be teaching finishing of the "Parking Lot", that was our summer project. Please feel free to stay for this class even if you did not stitch the Parking lot. The stitch being taught is the Binding Stitch and is a useful, easy stitch that would allow you to finish some of your projects yourself.

20th October's class is the "Autumn Crackers" from the ANG project book, see my email of June 1st. The models will be at our July through September meetings along with a signup sheet. November is another finishing class, another technique that you can use for finishing your needlepoint. December 17th will be our Holiday Party.

We need to use our "Sun Shine Committee" more. I will be the first to say that I have known when a member and/or their families had a situation in which a card would have been welcome, and have not spoken up. Please, when you hear a member mention a situation in which a card would be appreciated, let Dodie Stoneburner know. Also members should feel free to say I am going in for "knee surgery" and would like to hear from you. If you know of a member or the family of a member who has passed, please inform myself or another board member, so we can respond accordingly.

Several members attended the memorial service for Harriet Clarke. The service was full of information about Harriet, her work, travel, needleart, her collections - like anything Snoopy. Her work in the community. Many of the stories brought smiles. There have been suggestions that a donation be made to ANG National Education Fund in Harriet's memory. To be discussed at our September meeting.

ANG National Silent Auction Chair, Pat Rogers, sent a nice letter thanking Saguaro Stitchers for the framed "Fireman" needlepoint, she wrote that several of the volunteers are wives of firemen, who have showed interest in the piece.

The chart this month is a Pat Mazu Petite Socking "Fall Flavor" to help you feel that the cooler weather is on the way.

Happy Stitching,
Alice

Ancient Chinese Proverb "He who asks a question is a fool for a minute, he who does not remains a fool forever."

SAGUARO STITCHERS WEBSITE

Don't forget that we have our very own website, www.saguarostitchers.org. Karen Willett has done a wonderful job organizing and maintaining the website. It contains workshops, projects, newsletters, membership information, as well as links to local needlework shops, and other valuable information. Bookmark the site and check it often!

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Dodie Stoneburner is 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 Dodie with name and address information so she can send them a card. Thank you, Dodie!

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

September: We will be finishing the Stitcher's Parking Lot.
See Alice's President's letter at the beginning of the newsletter for more programs and information.

La Verne Walters



Stitcher's Parking Lot – May project

VISITING TEACHERS

We have some really good classes coming up. I am listing them in order of their upcoming dates. We have sent emails to everyone with all the pertinent information and will have sign up sheets and pictures at our September meeting. In the meantime, if you have questions please email me.

The first class is Elegance Cubed by Threedles. This class will be held October 7-8, 2016. Registration for this class is now closed but a little bird told me that there might be one or two extra kits if you haven't signed up and are interested.

ELEGANCE CUBED



Designed by Kurdy Biggs

The next on our list of wonderful classes is Walking the Water's Edge with Dianne Herrmann. This class will be a one day class and held on January 20, 2017.



Last, but certainly not least is Sonata which has been designed for our chapter by Debbie Rowley. This class will be held March 17-18, 2017 and will have three colorways - cool, warm and neutral. We currently have 16 people signed up for this class and we have a class limit of 24, including ghosts.



MEMBERSHIP:

MEMBERSHIP; Jan Prestin, Membership, Assistant Treasurer

Jan had computer problems this month so there is no report.

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

NEWSLETTER

Barbara Shaw, editor

Not all of our members are able to attend meetings on a regular basis. So, 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.). I know others would love to see your finished pieces and hear what you have to say about them.

E-mail Barbara Shaw 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 at email below
 for mailing address

For additional membership questions, contact Jan Prestin at membership@saguarostitchers.org .

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.