



Saguaro Stitchers Chapter American Needlepoint Guild, Inc. January, 2019 Newsletter



2019 ANG Saguaro board

*Jan. 17, 2019
Feb. 21, 2019
March 21, 2019
April 18, 2019*

*Faith Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
801 E Camelback Road
Phoenix, Arizona
10:30am – 1:00pm*

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President's Letter, Charlotte Wells

At this time of year self-help books fly off the shelves accompanied by tomes on weight loss, improving one's golf swing, starting yoga, redecorating the house, and taking up a new hobby. One of the 'In My Humble Opinion' presentations on PBS/Newshour was one that abjured us to take Latin. I just might do that!

In the meantime, while I am getting up the energy to tackle Latin again, I am making a list of my projects in the numerical sequence in which I would like to finish them. I know full well that project lust will intervene, and I will be making a new list every week or two. And then the other day as I was reorganizing my utility room/craft supply place/craft book and magazine storage, I found a basket of cotton yarn and, just like that, started knitting dishcloths. As I was finishing my fifth dishcloth I suddenly woke up and realized that was not getting my latest favorite needlepoint project finished, which was what I really wanted to do. Garter stitch is all right in its way, but needlepoint and embroidery are much more exciting.

Also, as I was clearing up the mess and putting everything back to where it was before I reorganized, I found several never-started projects in which I have lost interest, fickle stitcher that I am. I will enjoy putting these pieces in the stash sale in March. Some of them came from previous stash sales. We call it recycling. As you are tackling your organization plan for the year, do you have pieces that have lost their keen edge of excitement? Threads you are sure you won't need in the future? Or books, magazines, patterns that are no longer useful to you? Bring them to the March meeting by 9AM so they can be part of the sale which begins after a short meeting at 10AM.

I will let Jan Prestin outline the program plan for the coming year at the January meeting on the 17th. Please be sure to attend as we have exciting plans for 2019! I am looking forward to learning lots of new stitches and techniques. There will be a short board meeting at 9:45AM to discuss a few items and make sure every board member is up to speed on our plans for the year. And just here, in case you have been doing a Rip Van Winkle for the last few months, I would like to introduce the new board:

Charlotte Wells, President
Jan Prestin, Vice-President/Programs
Mel Isaac, Treasurer
LaVerne Walters, Secretary
Nancy Chapman, Membership/Asst. Treasurer

I would also like to acknowledge with deep gratitude the continuing contributions of Anita Rosemann, Newsletter Editor; Karen Willett, Web Administrator, and Carmen Puckett, Sunshine Committee Chair. And to all of you who have contributed time and effort to our chapter, thank you.

And may all your stitching be a free walk on firm ground, blessings,

Best, Charlotte Wells, President

Programs: Jan Prestin

JANUARY 17th, We have been fortunate to obtain the BOO WHO kits from Janet Zickler Casey. The kit consist of line drawn canvas, threads and stitch guide, the cost is \$50 plus shipping. This class will be taught after our meeting. If you have signed up for the class and are unable to attend, please have a member pick up your kit and notify Jan or Alice.

FEBRUARY 21st, Biscornu class, model can be viewed at the January meeting. Biscornu is a French word meaning, an irregular shape, skewed. This month we will stitch a Biscornu with the finishing class in April. The chart and thread list for this class are in the May/June 2018 Needle Pointers magazine. There will be copies of the chart available for those who may have lost theirs. Please feel free to choose your own colors and/or threads.

MARCH 21st, will be our stash sale. If you have items you wish to donate please bring them to the room between 9am and 10am. Also have them sorted by type, i.e. canvases, threads, books, accessories. Should you have a canvas that is special we suggest that you put a price on it that is 25% to 35% of retail. Example Ruth Schmuff Beach Lady retail \$90 suggested sale price \$27 or \$32. The sale will start after our meeting.

NOTE: The sale items will be on the rectangle tables and the side counter near the kitchen. We will be using the round tables and chairs for our short regular meeting. No sale items to be picked up until the meeting is closed.

APRIL 18th, Finishing of the Biscornu. The supplies needed to finish this project are listed at the end of the stitching instructions in the May/June 2018 magazine. Further instructions will be given at the February meeting.

SECRETARY, LaVerne Walters

Minutes: December 13, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 10:35am by President Charlotte Wells. Jan reported that we now have 64 members. We have one new member, Pat Kutzbach.

Our future Project Chairman, Jan Prestin, announced that we will be doing the Biscornu Project from Needlepointers. There is a sign-up sheet for that project.

Ann Grootegoed won the 50/50 of \$28.00! The meeting was then adjourned at 11:15am.

Secretary, LaVerne Walters

MEMBERSHIP; Nancy Chapman

A reminder that our chapter dues should be paid by the end of January. Please send your check for \$20.00 with any updated information so your name will remain on our chapter roster, and if you've reached the age of 85 with 5 years with Saguro Stitches, you do not owe chapter dues.

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our members with birthdays in January and February:

JANUARY

Sharon Cranmer

Sharon Lockhart

Arlene Altman

Carolyn Rick

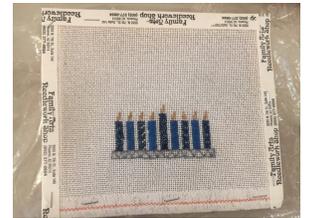
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Saguro Stitches's Finished Projects and Editor Notes

We had many beautiful projects on display at our November and December meetings. We thank all these members for sharing their creative projects to view. Please bring your finished projects to future meetings and make certain I have your name along with a photo of the project.





If you are not able to make it to the meetings and have a finished project that you would like to share, please be certain to email a photo along with your thoughts about the piece (difficulties, changes you made, what you learned, and any other relevant information). It is always fun to see what others have done. Kindly send your info to my current email address, niftyneed@earthlink.net Please put ANG Saguaro in the subject line.

