



# SAGUARO STITCHERS

APRIL 2025

## 2025 Meeting Dates:

9:30 – 10:00 Social  
10:00-10:30 Meeting  
10:30-1:00 Stitching time

April 17

May 15 \*

June 19 \*\*

July 17 \*\*

August 21 \*\*

September 18

October 16

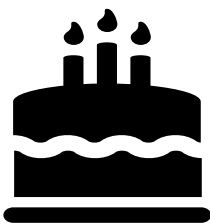
November 20

December 18 \*\*\*

- \*Taco Salad Lunch
- \*\*Summer Stitching
- \*\*\*Holiday Party

## April Birthdays

Mary Ellen Prier  
Beth Tischner



## Presidents Message:

Great meeting – we had 19 members present AND we welcomed a guest and hope that she found us an entertaining and enthusiastic group of stitchers. Any comments on the “mini stash” idea – we did sell some items – great! Alas – I forgot to take photos of the hearts which came back and the show and tell items – my apologies. If you have not returned your heart, and wish to donate it to Hearts for Hospice, we ask that we have it back by the May meeting so it can be sent off for finishing and distribution – Jan Prestin has graciously offered to take charge of this for us.

We are looking for our summer challenge (remember last year the perfect circle); there are several chapter members who would like to start the Art Deco Tree, which is on the cover of the Nov/Dev '24 issue of Needle Pointers. If you would like to work on this project over the summer (when we do not have regular chapter meetings), get your supplies together and know that there are others doing it with you. Otherwise, unless we come up with some “amazing” idea, bring whatever you want to work on and enjoy the stitching time.

The sign-up sheet will be available at the April meeting for our annual taco lunch. We need someone who will coordinate this event – don't be shy – it's not difficult – and it is fun! Please consider helping to make this a great event. An important thing to remember about this event – you need to provide the bowl/utensils, etc. for the item you bring. We have access to the kitchen at our meeting place; however, we should not expect to use their items. You are responsible for your items at the end – “it is a self-cleaning kitchen.”

Please read Kate's program updates carefully as there is information on our Fall program; and the visiting teacher in February '26.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the set-up and take-down of our meeting space and thank you to everyone who put their chair at the side of the room.

We will continue in April stitching on our current chapter project – anxious to see the various color/thread combinations – how fun to see the same piece come to life based on personal choices.

As always, let any of your board members know if you have concerns or questions.

*Vicki*

## Chapter Contacts:

### President:

Vicki Morrison

### VP – Programs

Kate Morgan

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### VP – Membership

Sandee Crane

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## Programs

### Greetings, Fellow Stitchers

\* As always, please read all instructions before starting.

\*\* Also send me a text or email if you are not at a meeting to sign up for a particular project you would like to do.



### March, APRIL and May Program - a chapter meeting stitch-along ***Teal-Licious***

Join me as our group stitching project continues for the next 2 months

You will need the all supplies listed in the

July/Aug 2024 *Needle Pointers* Magazine. If you do not have your hardcopy, the pattern is available online at [needlepoint.org](http://needlepoint.org) (ANG website) under the "membership" tab where all ANG magazines are archived. Click on *Needle Pointers* Magazines and on the following page "Click Here to View Archived NP Copies" (you must login for access as this is a Members Only link). Online copies are in 5-year groups. Once you have the magazine open, arrow to the right until you get to page 26. You, of course, can change colors and stitch from your stash.

### **June through August - Summer Program Challenge**

If you would like to join our summer challenge, pull out your *Needle Pointers* Magazine from last Nov/Dec 2024 called Art Deco Tree. Our project is proudly displayed on the magazine cover and presented on pages 38-61. If you have a stash of sparkly threads, this project is for you. If you need a digital copy of this issue, instructions for accessing it are under the March, April and May Program notes above. 18 count canvas size is 15x17". A lovely piece to remind us of cooler weather during the hot summer of Arizona.

Are you interested in starting or attending a **Special Interest Group?**

Some Special Interest Groups could be Beading, Surface Embroidery, Goldwork, Stumpwork, or just any embroidery technique.

If so, contact Marilyn Evans with your interest [evans.marilyn@gmail.com](mailto:evans.marilyn@gmail.com)

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### Sept and Oct Program - Foldable Ort Box

Our Fall project will be a foldable ort box. You will need interlock 18ct canvas - 12x16". If you have any of this canvas in your stash, earmark it for this project. I will have a supply of white canvas for anyone who sends me a reply to the email I sent out on March 23<sup>rd</sup>. You can also use 18 count mono canvas, but the box will not fold as easily as using interlock. Just be aware that the white canvas will show through parts of your stitching. More details to come.

### SAVE THE DATE - Visiting Teacher 2026

A teacher and program have been chosen! Drum roll....Debbie Rowley and her piece called *Adagio*. I have been assured that she has such detailed instructions that even a beginner can accomplish all the stitching. Dates of our class will be **Monday and Tuesday, February 16 & 17**....more details to come about pricing, signups, etc. If you would like to see *Adagio* details and find more information on our teacher, go to her website at <https://debbeesdesigns.com/classes/adagio/>





## Sunshine Committee

Sandee Crane is the Sunshine Committee contact.

If you know of someone in our chapter who recently lost a loved one or has developed a serious illness and could use our thoughts, please contact Sandee with the name and address information so she can send them a card.

### Members' Corner

#### Information Change?

Please let us know of any changes in your information (i.e., phone number, email address, mailing address).

Send your updated information to VP Membership, Sandee Crane

### We are Saguaro Stitches....

We need to let people know who we are, where we meet, and what we do.

We have business cards available for you to use when you meet someone who may be interested in our group.

There is space on the back of the card for you to write in your name and phone number. We would love to have new people visit us.



#### National Dues \$60/year

Please log onto the ANG website for payment details.

Payment of National dues is required before chapter dues are processed.

#### Saguaro Stitches Chapter Dues



Chapter dues are \$25.00. Please make your **check payable to Saguaro Stitches** and give it to Jan Prestin or mail to:

Jan Prestin  
9040 E Cedar Waxwing Drive  
Sun Lakes, AZ 85248-7466



## ANG News

- Quarterly Stitch for the first quarter, *A Tree for All Seasons* by Becky Breshears is available to download on the national website. **Download it now before it expires next week!!!!**



- Stitch of the Month lessons for *Gift Boxes* designed by Merrilyn Heazlewood will be released on the first business day of every month, allowing members to follow along with the project.

## Announcements

- **Mini Stash Table** You are welcome to bring some of your *stash* to the meeting. Please price it. If the items do not sell, you must take them home. All proceeds go to the Chapter for operating expenses.
- **Roadrunner Needlers is inviting you to a Summer Retreat.** July 30-August 2 at AZ House of Creative Retreats, 24246 N. 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Glendale. A \$75 non-refundable deposit due on signup will hold your place. Full payment is due by June 24<sup>th</sup>. A Registration Form with details and price is attached to this email. Total price to be determined. Contact Diane Robinson for more details [713diane@gmail.com](mailto:713diane@gmail.com)
- **2025 Workshops** Sponsored by BALDY VIEW EGA CHAPTER; open to EGA/ANG members. If you are interested in participating in any of these classes, please contact Pat Correz immediately to be put on the interest list. [egangcorre@aol.com](mailto:egangcorre@aol.com)

All Teachers below have agreed to virtual (online) classes if can't meet in person. In all cases, the dates listed are original dates for in-person classes. Groups io dates are dependent on kit shipping.

Contact Pat about classes marked "pilot" and for pictures, if available All classes are held in Ontario, CA, unless otherwise noted. Pictures/descriptions pdf available from Pat.

Any chapter interested in contacting a teacher to schedule a workshop or program in conjunction with these workshops, please contact: Pat Correz at [egangcorre@aol.com](mailto:egangcorre@aol.com)

- **Nancy Cucci** June 21 & 22 GHOSTS ALLOWED.
  - *Summer Surf Sampler* (Saturday and Sunday)
- **Margaret Bendig** July 26 & 27 GHOSTS ALLOWED
  - *Celebrate Patriotic Sampler* (Saturday and Sunday)
- **Toni Gerdes – New Schedule** October 23 - 26 – GHOSTS ALLOWED FOR ALL CLASSES
  - Thursday & Friday, October 23 & 24 - *Peng Ling Panda*
  - Saturday & Sunday, October 25 & 26 - *Holiday Candles*
- **2026** (Date TBD): Nancy Cucci: *Hearts Galore*, Jennifer Riefenberg, and Toni Gerdes



# SHOW & TELL – March 2025

*Stitched by Jill Borge*



*February Chapter Project – Hearts stitched by Members*

Apologies for not getting the names of the Stitchers of these beautiful hearts.





## Upcoming Events

### **2025 ANG National Seminar**

“Ghosts, Legends & Treasures”

New Orleans, LA

August 19-24, 2025

*Registration for Members Opened: **March 3rd at 10:00 a.m. MST** Registration for All*

**“Laissez les bon temps rouler - Let the Good Times Roll”** The wait is over! The 2025 ANG Seminar offers an amazing variety of needlepointing classes to choose from. Look at the seminar brochure online for class descriptions, project photos, and more to help you pick the perfect class (or classes!).

**Be sure to note your favorites—classes are available on a first-come, first-served basis.**



Enjoy discovering everything this Seminar has in store!

<https://www.needlepoint.org/page/2025Seminar>

### **2026 ANG National Seminar**

***Stitching on the River***

Denver, CO

July 18-23, 2026

### **2025 EGA National Seminar**

***Needlework Faire***

Dallas, TX

November 12-16, 2025.

Registration is open to all.

<https://egausa.org/event/ega-national-seminar-2025/>

## Local Needlework Shops

### ***Bestitched Needlepoint***

Lisa Kessler

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Scottsdale, AZ 85260

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480-991-0706

### ***Family Arts***

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### ***Quail Run Needlework***

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480-551-1423

### ***The Attic Needlework***

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**\*Confirm the hours of operation for each location.**



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City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Check One:

New Member  Renewal  Plural (List Primary Chapter) \_\_\_\_\_

ANG Membership Number (if Renewal): \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Dues: (Paid Annually) \$25.00

Date Paid/Check Number/Cash: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to:

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