



SAGUARO STITCHERS

AMERICAN NEEDLEPOINT GUILD

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PROGRAMS

We will be working on the pattern "Remembrance Ribbons", a fund raiser from Fail Ettinger (Needlepoint Nation) in memory of the passing of Carole. The \$25 pattern price per participant will be donated to the Texas Performing Arts Youth Program. The pattern has been updated. A letter will be sent to Carole's husband along with a list of contributors.

This will be our last project for the year.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy December, everyone! I hope that you had a great Thanksgiving - my family from Los Angeles visited and we had a wonderful time. Exhausting, but wonderful all the same.

This is my final message to you as President of our chapter. At our November meeting, we elected Vicki Morrison as President and Sandee Crane as Vice-President for Membership. Their two-year terms begin in January 2025. Thank you to Vicki and Sandee for stepping into these roles to keep our chapter going! We will install our new Officers at the December meeting, which will be held on 12/19, our usual third Thursday of the month meeting day.

Our December meeting will also feature our Holiday luncheon, as well as a raffle for the beautiful Rebecca Wood stocking canvas, valued at \$500. Raffle tickets will be \$10 each. Please support the chapter and participate in this great event.

It has been my pleasure to serve as your President for the past two years. We've accomplished a number of things, and I am incredibly thankful to our Board for helping me lead the organization forward. I know that our new Board will continue to keep us on a great path going ahead.

Keep Stitching,
Linda



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Hello Stitchers,

> Our December meeting- the 19th, is our holiday party and lunch. Vicki has sent you the information all about our gift exchange, it's always nicely done!

> For lunch we will be getting Box Lunches from AJ's. You have your choice of ham.

> turkey, roast beef or veggie on a croissant, and come with a small fruit cup, and cookie. The cost is \$20- the chapter will pay \$10 and you pay \$10. If you were not at our November meeting to sign up, please email me with your sandwich choice by November 30 so I can place the order with AJ's catering department. You can bring me your \$10 at the December meeting or send it to me- Jan Prestin, 9040 E Cedar Waxwing Dr, Sun Lakes, AZ, 85248. Any questions- let me know.

> I hope you can join us to celebrate the season. I

> Jan





CHRISTMAS PARTY GIFT EXCHANGE

Yes, it's only October.....but.....the holidays are fast approaching. Our annual holiday event will take place on December 19th on our regular meeting day. Here are the details about our gift exchange (participation is optional).

- Gift must be new (a new tool, a chart, threads, needle minder, etc.)
- Price range is \$20.
- Gift should be wrapped or placed in a gift bag (please, NO brown paper bags).
- Place your name on the bottom of your gift so the lucky recipient will know who to thank.
- ❖ When you arrive, please take your gift to the appropriate table and you will be given a number. Numbers will be drawn randomly, and each participant may choose a gift when their number is called. We ask that you then unwrap your selected gift and enjoy showing what you received.

Let's enjoy the spirit of giving, our love for the art of the needle and our friendships.

Questions –

- ❖ call/email Vicki at 770/634-7773 or vlynnmorrison@gmail.com



DECEMBER 2024

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MEETING DATES FOR 2024

December 19

MEETING DATES FOR 2025

January 16

February 20

March 20

April 17

May 15

June 19

July 17

August 21

September 18

October 16

November 20

December 18



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Vicki Morrison 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 Vicki Morrison with name and address information so she can send them a card.

ANG NEWS

Tale of Two Stitchers NeedlePointers magazine wants more stitchers for this feature. They provide the painted canvas, which you have six months to complete. You provide the threads; you must keep a journal and pay the return postage of the finished canvas. You may not collaborate with your friends. After the stitching is finished, you can pay for and keep the canvas, or it will be donated to the ANG auction. Contact the Western Area Representative, Shirley Chin, if you are interested in participating. •

Quarterly Stitch - The current Quarterly Stitch recently posted.

The new 50 for 50 Fundraiser project is now available! All merchandise sales are donated directly to the fundraiser. Your kind donation will help us grow membership through focused marketing initiatives and improve the experience for our current members. This fundraiser will also help expand education opportunities through our distance learning programs and our best-in-class magazine, NeedlePointers. •

Save the Date:

2025 ANG National Seminar August 19 - August 24, 2025 New Orleans Sheraton Hotel 500 Canal Street New Orleans, LA 70130 Be watching for the opening of class Registration. The Quest theme is Ghosts, Legends, and Treasures.

2026 Seminar Stitching on the River, July 18-23, 2026 in Denver, CO • Stitch of the Month Twelve lessons from Purple Passion by Linda LaChance will be released on the first business day of every month, allowing members to follow along with the project. The instructions are located on the ANG website under the Education tab. Webpages • Mary Legalett's Whimsical Stitch Let's celebrate whimsical and playful needlepoint stitches and designs. o <https://www.whimsicalstitch.com> • Roadrunner Needlers Chapter American Needlepoint Guild Facebook o <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064754313899> • ANG Fundraiser Page o <https://www.needlepoint.org/page/5050fundraiser> A

2024-25 CALIFORNIA AND/OR VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

Pat Correz of San Bernardino ANG Chapter and Baldy View EGA Chapter, coordinates workshops that are available to any stitcher regardless of membership affiliation. All teachers below have agreed to virtual (online) classes if we can't meet in person except for Pilot classes. In all cases, the dates listed are original dates for in-person classes. Groups io dates are dependent on kit shipping.

ALL CLASSES ARE IN ONTARIO, CA UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED.

Contact Pat immediately if you want to be on the list for any of these classes. Also, 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 Pictures/descriptions are available via email.

2025

▪ **November 21-24**

- **Jennifer Riefenberg** (Ghosts allowed). See ANG website/2024 Seminar for pictures.

- <https://online.fliphtml5.com/bisk/citm>

➤ Nov. 21-22, *Tall, Dark, and Handsome*

- Nov. 23-24, *Winter Fire (Poinsettia)* **2025:**

January (dates to be determined)

➤ **Sue Reed Eclectic Interlude** (*Groups .io class*)
Ghosts allowed.

October 23-26

➤ **Toni Gerdes** (Project TBD)

GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION

- ❖ 3rd Thursday of the Month January through December
 - Social Time begins at 10:00 a.m.
 - The business meeting begins at 10:30 a.m.

Location:

Faith Lutheran Church

801 East Camelback Rd.

Phoenix, AZ

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

It's time for membership renewals. Members should pay the treasurer.

Saguaro Stitchers Membership Application

Name: _____ Date: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Preferred Phone Number: _____ Check if Mobile

Alternate Phone Number: _____ Check if Mobile

Email: _____

Check One: New Member Renewal Plural

ANG Membership Number _____ Home Chapter (if Plural) _____

Dues (Paid Annually): \$25.00 _____ Paid

Saguaro Stitchers

Please make checks payable to:

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