



SAGUARO STITCHERS

FEBRUARY 2025

2025 Meeting Dates:

January 16
February 20
March 20
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

February Birthdays

No Members with February Birthdays



Presidents Message:

It was so good to see all of you!

We have so much to be thankful for and our time to create, stitch and spend time with our friends is truly a blessing for all of us. Your new Board is a “work in progress,” so please bear with us as we learn the ropes. Your Board is working to make 2025 a fun and creative year. You will find details in this newsletter about the upcoming project we have planned for February. We are also working on a project that will take us through the Spring months of March, April, and May. More details will be provided once everything is in place. We are also working on a visiting teacher in 2026 – so stay-tuned, there is FUN ahead!

We will continue to meet at our current facility. Please note that we have changed the time structure of our meetings to take full advantage of our space.

- **9:00-9:30 - Room Set-up** (We do need help setting up tables and chairs as our contract does not provide that service. If you can help, please lend a hand.)
- **9:30-10:00 - Social time**
- **10:00-10:30 - Chapter business meeting**
- **10:30-12:30 - Chapter Project and/or Open Stitching**
- **12:30-1:00 - Room Breakdown** (Again, help in taking down tables and pushing chairs to the side of the room makes short work of the task.)

Feel free to bring your lunch or go out for something, but please stay (or come back) and enjoy your stitching time. We feel providing a block of time for the chapter project and/or open stitching gives you the opportunity to get help with a stitch or design. Find another who may be doing the same canvas piece to see their ideas or just spend time with like-minded people. We have a wealth of knowledge within this group and the willingness to share is awesome.

Don't forget the Roadrunner Needlers Stash Sale (details in this newsletter), really.....can you ever have enough stash! It might be a good time to carpool and then have lunch out.

Vicki

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Programs

Greetings, Fellow Stitchers

Focus for our programs going forward will be stash busters using patterns and fibers you already possess. For newer stitchers, it will be a chance to explore new threads and stitches.

Your leadership team will be encouraging you to stay and stitch after our business meeting each month. We can then share new patterns and assist each other with stitches we may be unfamiliar with.

February's project will be a line drawn canvas of a heart.

We will be working on this project after our business meeting. Put on your creative thinking cap as you are free to choose any fill-in pattern(s) and any colors of threads from your stash.

There will be a \$5.00 project fee for the 8x8 18 count canvas. Jan will be providing the prepared canvas.



This is a sample for you to consider

You will need to supply:

- a. two pairs of 8" stretcher bars
- b. tacks or staples for canvas mounting
- c. colorful threads of your choosing
- d. any stitch reference books to use/share
- e. battery-only light, if needed (for safety, no cords)
- f. your normal stitching supplies

If you wish to donate your heart to "Hearts for Hospice", we will arrange to send them off once your heart is completed. Please bring your heart to share at our March meeting show & tell.

Information on future projects and our visiting teacher program will be available in the next newsletter.





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.

Sandee Crane

<p>Members' Corner</p> <p>Please let us know of any changes in your information (i.e., phone number, email address, mailing address).</p> <p>Send your updated information to VP Membership, Sandee Crane</p>	<p>We are Saguaro Stitchers.....</p> <p>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.</p>

 <p>National Dues are past due. Please log onto the ANG website for payment details. Payment of National dues is required before chapter dues are processed.</p>	 <p>Saguaro Stitchers Chapter Dues are past due. Chapter dues are \$25.00. Please make your check payable to Saguaro Stitchers and give it to Jan Prestin or mail to: Jan Prestin 9040 E Cedar Waxwing Drive Sun Lakes, AZ 85248-7466</p>
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- **Quarterly Stitch** for the first quarter, ***A Tree for All Seasons*** by Becky Breshears is now available to download on the national website.
- **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

• **Roadrunner Needlers Estate Stash Sale** will be held February 25th at Sun City West Foundation, 14465 W. R.H. Johnson Blvd, Sun City West, AZ, Quail Room. The Quail Room is next door to the Foundation Office. The sale will begin shortly after the business meeting.

• **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

• **JANET Z. CASEY 5 PILOT CLASSES. IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE REQUIRED. NO GHOSTS.** Photos can be seen in the 2025 ANG Seminar Booklet or email evans.marilyn@gmail.com for the complete document sent by Pat.

April 23 - 28

Wednesday & Thursday, April 23 & 24 - *Mr. Frosty*

Friday, April 25 - *Let It Snow*

Saturday AM, April 26 - *Mardi Gras Santa*

Saturday PM, April 26 - *Heart of Mardi Gras*

Sunday & Monday, April 27 & 28 - *O' Tannenbaum II*

• **Nancy Cucci**

June 21 & 22 GHOSTS ALLOWED.

Summer Surf Sampler (Saturday and Sunday)

• **Margaret Bendig**

July 26 & 27 GHOSTS ALLOWED

Celebrate (Saturday and Sunday)

• **Toni Gerdes**

October 22 - 27 – GHOSTS ALLOWED FOR ALL CLASSES

Wednesday & Thursday, October 22 & 23 - *Peng Ling Panda*

Friday & Saturday, October 24 & 25 - *Holiday Candles*

Sunday & Monday, October 26 & 27 - *Pacific Northwest Tunic*

• **2026** (Date TBD): **Nancy Cucci** - *Hearts Gone Wild*

SHOW & TELL – DECEMBER 2024



At the December meeting Jan shared this amazing, hinged box. The box came from Julia's Needleworks. Jan used Pepper Pot, Grandeur, and some stash threads.

SHOW & TELL – JANUARY 2025

At the January meeting, 4 members showed their finished work.



Upcoming Events

***** Roadrunners Stash Sale*****

February 24, 2025

Social time at 10:30/meeting at 11 – recommend you get there by 10:30 to preview stash items.

Location:

Sun City West Foundation Bldg.
Quail Room (next to office)
14465 W. R.H. Johnson Blvd
Sun City West, AZ

Quilt-Con

Phoenix

February 20-23, 2025

Phoenix Convention Center

2025 ANG National Seminar

“Ghosts, Legends & Treasures”

New Orleans, LA

August 19-24, 2025

[Registration Opens March 3, 10am MST](#)

2026 ANG National Seminar

“Stitching on the River”

Denver, CO

July 18-23, 2026

Local Needlework Shops

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