



SAGUARO STITCHERS

FEBRUARY 2026

2026 Meeting

Dates:

- February 19
- March 19
- April 16
- May 21*
- June 17**
- July 16**
- August 20**
- September 17
- October 15
- November 19
- December 17***

*Annual Taco Lunch

**Summer Stitching

***Holiday Party

No February Birthdays

Happy Valentine's Day



Notes from Vicki

So good to see all of you – and especially good to be in our new room. I realize that round tables are not always ideal. We have more than enough room to accommodate everyone – and.....the chairs are new, not heavy and don't need to be stacked – there is always a positive when something changes. We do need to remember to put the room “back in order” when we leave so, please keep that in mind when you head out the door. Also, while my key fits the kitchen door, we are asked to enter through the gate and then come to the Parish Hall. I think it is a good plan to have the kitchen door locked during our time and ask that you please come in the main door to the Parish Hall.

We have our visiting teacher this month and those attending will be receiving an email with information for the class days. Please make sure you read that email so we are all prepared for class.

Our February chapter meeting will be an open stitching day – don't forget your Show 'n Tell items and our mini stash table. REMINDER: if you bring item(s) for the mini stash table, you MUST take them back if they are not purchased – no exceptions! There were items left after the last meeting.

Something to think abouta coffee/tea and cookie/dessert event; (with an actual invitation) the EGA chapters and the Road Runner ANG chapter to join us. We could have open stitching and a mega “Show 'n Tell” and enjoy time with those who love stitching. We could also have an “exclusive small stash” sale (items provided by Saguaro only, and we all have items that would probably qualify) with proceeds going to Saguaro. Any type of joint stash sale would require much more work and coordination between chapters than we would want to take on. It's just an idea for something new and different. There are many of us who are members of both guilds, share our love of needlework and enjoy the company of others. Please give the Board your feedback. An event in the Fall would be a great time to bring everyone together. We could hold it during our normal monthly meeting time, at our meeting place.

Please think about it.

Enjoy this beautiful weather and keep those needles flying.....

Vicki

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Programs

February: there will not be a chapter project due to the Debbie Rowley Workshop that is being held on Monday and Tuesday before our meeting on Thursday. We will be back on track in March. Thank you for your understanding.

*** 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.** (408) 828-2942 this is a California area code and is correct kate.morgan@gmail.com

If you forget to sign up for a project, then please email me at least 2 weeks in advance to let me know. This ensures I have enough materials for everyone.

Saguaro Stitchers has an Instagram page!

The name of the page is **saguarostitchers** It just doesn't get any simpler than that. We are here:

https://www.instagram.com/p/DTlekz3EuVD/?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=NTc4MTlwNjQ2YQ==

NOTICE: The following information IS ONLY FOR PROJECTS FEATURED IN *NeedlePointers* magazine.

Printing a paper copy from the digital *NeedlePointers* magazine if you do not have your hardcopy magazine, the pattern is available online at the ANG website <https://needlepoint.org> under the Membership tab where all magazines are archived. Click on *NeedlePointers* and on the following page [Click Here to View Archived NP Copies](#) (you must login for access as this is a member only link). Online copies are in 5-year groups. Once you have the magazine open, arrow to the right until you get to the page(s) you want to print. Click on the 3 dots for the dropdown list and choose "print". You, of course, can change colors and stitch from your stash for any of the designs in the magazine.

ANG Independent Learning



Double Crossed by
Debbie Rowley
(Instructor-Led)

Which Came First by
Jennifer Riefenberg (Self-
Paced)



Please note: All Distance Learning fees are non-refundable.
Registration open until February 12, 2026

<https://www.needlepoint.org/page/IndependentLearningHome>



The Quarterly Stitch- **SUNwear** by Ellen Emanuel! is now available.

Login to the ANG Website. Remember, each stitch guide will only be available for a limited time before it's replaced by the next Quarterly Stitch project—after which the previous design will return to the vault. Don't miss your chance to download them while they're available!

• 2026 Stitch of the Month



The 2026 Stitch of the Month files, "**Beard of the Month**" designed by Janet Zickler Casey are now available. This year, instead of stitching a 12-part charted design, we will explore 12 different patterns or ideas for creating a rich and sumptuous beard for the jolly old soul or any other man that you might be stitching.

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. **You must take your unsold items home!**
- **Charity Sock Drop** please remember to bring a pair of new socks to each meeting. These socks will be given to Faith Lutheran at the end of the year. Socks can be any size for men, women, or children.
- **2026 Arizona Needlework Show** Information and the registration form for the needlework show is now available online at the <https://www.starlightstitchers.org/> The show will be held April 14-25 at the HD South Gilbert Historical Museum in Gilbert, AZ.
- **2026 Workshops Updated 12/23/2025** If you want to participate in any of these workshops contact Pat Correz EGANGCORRE@aol.com
 - ❖ **March 7-8, 2026, Nancy Cucci:** *Hearts Gone Wild*, 2 days, Ghosts allowed.
 - ❖ **April 15-20, 2026, Janet Casey**, 5 pilot classes. No ghosts In-person classes only held in Ontario, CA. **Some of these pilot classes are near capacity. If you want to take and have been delaying your interest, you should put your name on the list ASAP. Contact Pat Correz, EGANGCORRE@aol.com ONLY!**
 - April 15-16 W/R, *Creepy Candles*
 - April 17 F, *Jingle*
 - April 18 Sa, *Hot Chocolate Santa* ½ day, *Heart Ribbons* ½ day,
 - April 19-20 Sn/M, *Ornamental Delight*
 - ❖ **July 11-12, 2026 Margaret Bendig**, two 1-day classes. Ghosts allowed.
 - July 11 S, *Baroque*
 - July 12 Sn, *Cluck-Cluck Frame Weight*
 - ❖ **August 28-30, 2026 Jennifer Riefenberg** Ghosts allowed.
 - August 28 F, project to be selected
 - August 29-30 S/Sn *Heron*

❖ **October 21-25. 2026 Toni Gerdes, Ghosts Allowed.**

- October 21-22 R/F, *Northwest Tunic*
- October 23 Sa, *Noel*
- October 24-25, Sn/M, *Bob the Bedazzled Bison*

Upcoming Events

2026 – 2027 SAVE THE DATES:

2026 AZ Needlework Show

April 14-25, 2026

HD-South Gilbert Historical Museum

10 S. Gilbert Rd

Gilbert, AZ

Registration forms are available at

<https://starlightstitchers.org>

2026 ANG National Seminar *Stitching on the River*

July 18-23, 2026 Grand Hyatt Denver, Denver, CO

You can preview the [2026 ANG Seminar Classes](#) on YouTube here

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=di8wwUp8ZTk&ab_channel=ShirleyChin

2027 ANG National Seminar *Music City StitchFest*

October 21-24, 2027 Sheraton Music City, Nashville, Tennessee

Local Needlework Shops

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