



# SAGUARO STITCHERS

JANUARY 2026

## 2026 Meeting Dates:

January 15  
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

## In Remembrance of Christy Garza



"Wherever a beautiful soul has been, there is a trail of beautiful memories."



## January Birthdays

**BJ Scharath**

## Presidents Message

What an awesome holiday event! It so much fun to see everyone and wish a happy holiday to all. The “sock it to me” event was fun and we had a great time just having time to laugh and enjoy each other’s company. Thank you to everyone who participated in our holiday event and lunch (which was great – THANK YOU to Jan for making sure we were well fed).

Minutes from the November and December chapter meetings are being sent to you – please read. We will approve both documents at the January meeting.

Don’t forget – beginning this month we will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall (our previous location) at the church. Meeting times remain the same – we need everyone’s help in set-up/take down. We are continuing our sock donations for the homeless – please continue to bring those and place in the basket – we will provide these items to the church for their homeless ministry.

We are currently working on programs for 2026 – stay tuned for more information on what those will be; when they will happen; and details will be provided when confirmed. If you have something you want



to bring forth for a program, please speak up. Also, we will continue our “tips ‘n tricks” short program each month – can you volunteer to share some of your knowledge with us? It would be awesome!  
My hope for the New Year is peace, good health and the company of good friends!

See you soon.....

*Vicki*

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## Programs

### January Program – Ort Box with a Twist Finishing

**January:** after surviving the holidays and stitching all the squares we will work on the box assembly and review the lining instructions.

**A word of caution when stitching – it is vital that your counting is “spot on,” if it is not, the borders and finishing will not work.**



**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](mailto: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.

Sunshine Committee  
Sande Crane

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## Debbie Rowley 2026 Workshop

Dates of our class will be **Monday and Tuesday, February 16 & 17**. Registration has closed. All participants should be receiving the final details soon.





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 will be announced in the February newsletter.

## 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.
- **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 Workshops Updated 12/23/2025** If you want to participate in any of these workshops contact Pat Correz [EGANGCORRE@aol.com](mailto: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](mailto:EGANGCORRE@aol.com) not Marilyn Evans as I cannot help you with any information other than what is here.**
    - 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 Saguaro Stitchers Class with Debbie Rowley

February 16-17, 2026

Debbie Rowley – *Adagio*

### 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](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=di8wwUp8ZTk&ab_channel=ShirleyChin)

### 2026 AZ Needlework Show

April 14-26, 2026

HD-South Gilbert Historical Museum

10 S. Gilbert Rd

Gilbert, AZ

### 2027 ANG National Seminar *Music City StitchFest*

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

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# A WONDERFUL TIME WAS HAD BY ALL!

Thank you Vicki and your Elves for the lovely table decorations and the gifts.



← Jill Borge Left;

Brenda Dietrich  
Right; →

Pam Brummit  
center ↓





Pin cushion, needle and needle puller, and stitch counting pin

I forgot to get a piece of peppermint hidden in the garland



A lovely way to surprise everyone