



SAGUARO STITCHERS

MAY 2026

2026 Meeting Dates:

May 21*
June 17**
July 16**
August 20**
September 17
October 15
November 19
December 17***

*Annual Taco Lunch
**Summer Stitching
***Holiday Party



May Birthdays

Michele Frederick
Susan Willis
Jill Borge
Pam Rhodes
Mary Van Roy

Memorial Day



Notes from Vicki

Our annual taco lunch at the May chapter meeting is fast approaching and it's always a fun time. An important thing to remember about this event – **you need to provide the bowl and/or utensils, etc. for the item you bring.** We have access to the kitchen at our meeting place; however, we cannot use their items. You are responsible for your items at the end of lunch. Paper plates, silverware, napkins will be furnished – remember to bring your drink(s). Everyone shares in the clean up! If you have not signed up, contact LaVerne Walters and get on the list!

Our mini-stash area last month was great and provides additional monies to help with some of our expenses. Stash items are always welcome; they must be in good condition – if they do not sell, **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE** for taking them home, we do not have the ability to store any items. **Thank you to Nellie for sharing the interlock canvas with the group.**

Please read Kate's program updates carefully as there is information on our summer program. We will have updates soon on upcoming planned programs.

When we return from “going dark” for the summer we need to select a nominating committee and start the process for seeking a President and Treasurer to each serve a 2-year term 2027 & 2028. Your chapter needs you! While we do not have actual chapter meetings in June, July, and August; we do still meet and enjoy the time to stitch and spend time together – please come and join in when you are able.

Have a safe and wonderful summer, return with some great Show 'n Tell.

Vicki

Chapter Contacts:

President:
Vicki Morrison

VP – Programs
Kate Morgan

Secretary
Marilyn Evans

Treasurer
Jan Prestin

VP – Membership and
Sunshine Committee
Santee Crane

Newsletter
Marilyn Evans

Webmaster
Karen Willett
webmaster@saguarostitchers.org

TACO LUNCH Remember to bring the food item that you put on the list. We still need chopped tomatoes and shredded lettuce. **Text or email LaVerne 602-320-7444**

or mawatrmeln@sbcglobal.net if you can bring these or if you have forgotten what you were to bring. **IMPORTANT:** Bring your own serving container AND serving utensil as we cannot use the church's supplies.

Programs

- **March/April/May program is *Festive Fireworks*** This is the last month we will be working on this project. Please bring whatever you have done to the May meeting so we can all share the variety of threads that are being used. From the 2017 July *NeedlePointers* magazine.
- **Jun/July/August Summer Stitching** program is an EGA Scissor Fob. Signups are closed. Stitching kits will be handed out this month and finishing materials with several ideas for completing your project will be handed out at our September meeting.
- Information on our post-summer projects will be provided during the summer, so please keep an eye out for more details in upcoming newsletters.

*** 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.

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

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

New Class is to be announced soon!

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==

The Quarterly Stitch



Starburst

by Patricia Hartman!

Stitch into this new beginner four-way bargello stitch guide! This is available for download exclusively to ANG members.

• 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 Workshops Updated 12/23/2025** If you want to participate in any of these workshops **Contact Pat Correz, EGANGCORRE@aol.com ONLY!**

- ❖ **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 ANG National Seminar *Stitching on the River*

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

Registration Closed!

Destination Denver Stitch-In!

Mark your calendars for the very first ANG Stitch-In—coming to Denver July 19, 2026!

Registration will start in May, but more details are on the way, so stay tuned to our newsletters and e-blasts so you don't miss a thing.



Local Needlework Shops

BeStitched Needlepoint

Lisa Kessler

8658 E Shea Blvd, Suite 175

Scottsdale, AZ 85260

thegirls@bestitchedneedlepointshop.com

480-991-0706

Family Arts

Julie Elder

5555 N 7th St, Suite 144

Phoenix, AZ 85014

familyarts@familyartsaz.com

480-277-0694

Old Town Needlework

Janice Doxey/Nancy Yadel

7128 E 5th Avenue B

Scottsdale, AZ 85251-3237

oldtownneedlework@gmail.com

480-990-2270

Quail Run Needlework

Susan Barlow

7704 E Doubletree Ranch Rd #125

Scottsdale, AZ 85258-2461

quailrunneedlework.com

480-551-1423

The Attic Needlework

1837 W Guadalupe Rd

Mesa, AZ 85202

samplers@atticneedlework.com

480-898-1838

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