



President's Letter, March 2024

CHAPTER MEETING

Chapter meetings are held on the third Thursday of every month from January to November.

Meetings are held in-person at Ladue Chapel at 1:00 pm.

From June to August, we hold stitch-ins in a member's home.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, March 21

One meeting at 1:00pm

Thursday, April 18

One meeting at 1:00pm

Sunday, May 5

*Spring Retreat 10am – 4pm
Sign of the Arrow*

Thursday, May 16

One meeting at 1:00pm



Happy New Year again!

This time it is the Chinese year of the Dragon. I know one chapter member who is stitching a beautiful needlepoint dragon. I'm pretty sure it wasn't picked just for the New Year but it is going to be a stunning piece when she finishes. I want to thank all of you that responded to the online Gateway ANG Chapter survey. Like many organizations these days we must evolve to survive. The board is hoping your responses will help us to develop future programs, events, and educational activities you will want to participate in. Stay tuned for updates.

Both of the Deborah Mitek classes have been cancelled. We were unable to register the minimum number of students required to fulfill our contractual terms with Ms. Mitek. Good news, the Kathy Rees Blossom Time class is still open for registration.

We will also be opening the registration shortly to both non-Gateway ANG chapter and non-ANG members. Class dates, fees, description and registration form are located in the November/December 2023 issue of Needlenotes that can be found at our website gatewayang.org.

This class offers a great opportunity to take a class taught in person by a highly respected needlepoint instructor at a greatly reduced price.

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Our Membership Chairwoman Charlene Wall is working on a current Gateway ANG Chapter roster. Please contact her if you wish any of your information to be included.

I look forward to seeing everyone at our upcoming meetings!

Margaret

Website

Please check our website gatewayang.org for future activity time and dates.

If you have a photo you would like to post on our website, please send it to our Webmaster Lisa Balbes. You do need permission from people who appear in the photo to post their likeness on the website.

Philanthropy

The philanthropy group would like to thank everyone who brought food to help fill the “blessing boxes” , also the pull tabs, and remembering the sample toiletry products....lets continue these things and maybe concentrate on fruit and veggies this month....Thanks in advance for continuing these contributions.

Programs

March Program:

Beads, Beads Oh My!! To some; beads may be the “**curse**” word in needlepoint and to others, when and where? I am in! No matter what you think of beads and needlepoint the program will be of interest to all. Dianne Haynes, from The Needlepoint Clubhouse will be sharing her expertise about beads and needlepoint. Dianne will discuss types of beads, how and where to use when you want to add some “glitz” to your needlepoint. Beading tips will be revealed!

April Program:

Brag, Share and Mentor! Share your needlepoint tips and bring your favorite gadgets. This will be a great time to mentor with other members. Struggling with ideas on a piece, bring it on! I bet you will leave the meeting with several options for the piece. Bring a favorite needlepoint piece and share the story and memory. Show and Tell time, yes you get to brag!!!!

Shout-Outs

Thank you to Linda Sher from The Sign of the Arrow for sharing her needlepoint passion and experience for the January program, and to Jane Cornue, a chapter member, for presenting the February program on her husband’s grandmother -- a milliner and “a woman ahead of her times” from the early 20th century.

Spring Retreat

In this newsletter you will find the registration for our spring retreat at Sign of the Arrow. It is sure to be a fun day with time to stitch and many surprises provided by Julie and her staff.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Stephanie, Bridget, and the Clubhouse girls for a wonderful day in January. It sure helped beat the winter dreariness to have a day to socialize and stitch with friends! Find the registration for our spring retreat at Sign of the Arrow. It is sure to be a fun day with time to stitch and many surprises provided by Julie and her staff.

Spring Luncheon

This year's luncheon will be held May 16th at Algonquin Golf Club. Be looking for registration at the March meeting. Please note that Algonquin does not allow any denim attire. The luncheon menu is sure to please, and we have a beautiful, bright room for stitching in the afternoon. Mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Fall Stitch-Away

Do you need time to finish those projects? Do you just want to get away and have fun stitching with friends? Consider joining your fellow ANG stitchers at the Stitch-Away. We are returning to the Mercy Conference Center October 14th-16th. All meals and beverages are included. This year will even begin earlier – you can arrive at 10:30am on Monday! You have your choice of a private or semi-private room. There will be plenty of time to stitch, but also time to socialize (yes, happy hour!). Laughs and a fun time are guaranteed! Mark your calendars. Registration will open in May. The cost will be the same or less than last year.

Teaching Beginner Classes

We continue to teach beginner classes at The Needlepoint Clubhouse and Sign of the Arrow. The interest in these classes is unbelievable! Yes, there were 20 new stitchers at The Clubhouse in January. As always, we need teachers and you are all more than qualified. If you have questions, please contact Jane Normile at 314-313-8690 or jane123normile@gmail.com. Below are those that have signed up to teach this spring.

March 2nd at the Clubhouse 9AM
Jane & Hanna

March 13th at Sign 10AM
Jane & Margaret

April 6th at the Clubhouse
Donna Beaman

April 10th at Sign
Jane

May 4th at the Clubhouse
Charlene & Suzanne

May 8th at Sign
Margaret & Judy Lewis

June 1st at the Clubhouse
Jane

June 12th at Sign
Jane

Please note: we need at least 2 to teach at the Clubhouse. Usually, 1 person is OK at Sign.



Gateway ANG has taken on a new project for the 2023-2024 year, and we hope you can help. It is such an easy project. We are collecting can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House Charities. So, whenever you have a can with a pull tab, put it in a container to collect. Ask your friends and family if they want to help us with our Charity project. We will collect tabs at each meeting.

Thanks in advance for your support with this project. Such an easy way to support those in need.

Roster Update

Since the world has changed so much and there is growing concern about the availability of personal information, the board has a request for all members.

Do you want your name on a Gateway Chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild roster? If you do, what information do you want to share? Name, address, phone, email? Each member needs to email me their intentions by February 28, 2024. Each member needs to notify me if they want to be on the published roster? and what information do you want to share?

The rosters are for the use of the Gateway Chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild ONLY! It is not to be shared outside our membership.



GATEWAY ANG RETREAT
Sign of the Arrow 10AM-4PM on May 5
Open to Gateway ANG Members \$25

Come celebrate and spend the day stitching with your ANG friends. Snacks and special surprises will be provided by Sign of the Arrow. Please register by April 1st.

Name _____

Email _____

Emergency Contact
 Number _____

Mail this form with your check for \$25 payable to Gateway ANG to:
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2024 Classes



FIESTA SIESTA CLASS

SATURDAY, MAY 4TH ~ 9AM - 4PM

JOIN US FOR A QUATTRO DE MAYO STITCHING CELEBRATION!

Available as in-person or Zoom class
with Heidi Henrichs of Chaparral
Needleworks

Design size: 10" x 10" on 13 mesh
Class fee includes: canvas, threads,
beads, stretcher bars and lunch
(inhouse class).

Suitable for intermediate/beyond
basketweave stitchers!



LADYBUG CLASS

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST AND 2ND -
9 AM TO 4 PM

Join us for a two-day class with our
very own Bridget Viehweg as she
takes us through her stitch guide for
this summery canvas. This will be
featured in the March/April edition of
American Needlepoint Guild edition
of Needle Pointers as part of the Tale
of Two Stitchers series.

Please note this class is designed for
intermediate stitchers!

MARCH TRUNK SHOWS

KCN DESIGNS &
LAUREN BLOCH

APRIL TRUNK SHOWS

WHIMSEY AND GRACE &
JUDY TASCH

SIGN of the ARROW



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New Threads!



Looking for overdyes? You'll love the gorgeous array of colors from **Painter's Threads**. We've added *Shimmer* and *Braided Rayon* to our selection, as well as **Overdyed Vineyard Silk**. Painter's Thread is fantastic when you want vivid color with outstanding shine, while Overdyed Vineyard Silk works especially well for landscapes - like sky, water, and shrubs or for Santa's beard and fur, animals, and the like. Stop in soon to see our new additions!

Trunk Shows - 20% Off

<p>MARCH</p>  <p>Painted Pony</p>	<p>APRIL</p>  <p>Charley Harper</p> <p>ByLee Needlepoint</p>
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Join us for **"Hoppin' thru Ladue"** on **Saturday, March 30th**. Sign of the Arrow and our Ladue neighbors will be offering many specials, refreshments, and entertainment. It's going to be a delightful day!

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