

CHAPTER MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month from September through May in the South Fellowship Hall at the Ladue Chapel.

Morning monthly meetings begin at 9:30 am.

Evening monthly meetings begin at 6:30 pm.

Summer meetings are informal stitch-ins and are held on a Saturday each month from June through August.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, November 15 monthly meetings

December no meetings

Thursday, January 17 monthly meeting Morning only



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Fellow Stitchers:

It's the time of the year when we pause to give thanks for all our blessings. Many people do this on a daily basis in their gratitude journals and find that it makes their lives happier. I do try to do this when I remember, but, unfortunately, I'm afraid I fall short of doing this daily. However, I am very grateful for the great Gateway Chapter Board and Committees that I work with, for all the members of our Chapter, for all of our great local needlepoint stores that supply us with great projects and inspiration, for the designers who keep turning out such beautiful canvases and fibers (oh, my poor wallet!!), and for our national organization. I'm sure I'm forgetting someone or something in my litany, and for that I apologize.

Our workshop with Sharon G. has not worked out, but our Program Chair, Regina, has come up with a replacement for it. The new workshop will be held in March, not February, and it will once again be at the Clubhouse at Winghaven. Ellen Ippolito says they are once again able to accommodate us at our favorite venue. You can read all about the new workshop in the article inside the newsletter. Sharon G. will also not be providing the program for our evening meeting in February.

Also, I am extremely proud to be part of our philanthropy project this year. For those of you who have not heard about it, we are stitching bookmarks and gathering paperback books for our injured soldiers at Cochran VA hospital. Please contact Regina or Kathryn Nagy if you are interested in either stitching the bookmarks or in just donating gently used paperbacks.

Since this is the last 2012 newsletter, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving and also a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, and a Happy New Year. I do hope to see many more of you next year at our meetings or at one of our fun social gatherings.

Donna President

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

SPRING WORKSHOP 2013

Our Spring Workshop is scheduled for Saturday, March 23, from 9:30 until 4:30, at the clubhouse at Winghaven in O'Fallon, Missouri. Lunch will also be served at the clubhouse. The workshop will be taught by Linda Burkhardt, who is a needlepoint store owner from Muncie, Indiana.

The project is your choice of three different available pumpkin shapes and in three different color ways. The shapes are: 1) round; 2) tall, and skinny; and 3) pear-shaped. The color ways are: 1) green, cream and eggplant; 2) shades of cream and taupe with a touch of purple; and 3) corals and yellows. The pumpkin is line-drawn on a 12" x 12" 13-count canvas. Depending on the shape chosen, the project will include 10-14 stitches. (Directions for all 14 stitches will be given no matter which shape is chosen.)

A stitched sample of the green, cream and eggplant choice will be available at the November meeting, and threads for the other choices will also be there. The cost of the workshop is \$60, and your choices need to be made by the February meeting. For questions, please contact Regina Mohan at 314-991-5741.



FUNDRAISING

For our chapter fundraising project this year, we chose to sell a set of eight note cards. The price for the set is \$16.00. It includes; a choice of colored note cards, white envelopes, a small square of blank needlepoint canvas (13 and 18 mesh), double-stick backing for finishing, and a folder with 32 different stitching ideas.

I have additional color choices available for ordering for \$16.00 plus postage. Also available are thread cards of discontinued fibers in various variegated colors. These are selling for \$2.00 each. Using threads from your stash is also an option. One to two cards of thread will work on 18 mesh and 2 to 3 cards of thread will work on 13 mesh.

We will be stitching these at our chapter meetings this year, rather than a formal stitching project. As always participation is optional.

Fundraising items from past years remain available: dry erase boards, initial tags, tote bags, and sweater information.

Please contact Nancy Kinker at 636-227-5709.



MEMBER ACTIVITIES

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The following members owe **LOCAL DUES** of **\$22.00** on December **1st**:

Donna Beaman Caryl Boch Anne Freeman Cheryl Fulkerson
Donna Hinden Mary Carol Kluesner Gerri Pritchett Jan Poneta
Linda Sher Carol Sullivan Connie Tangeman Debbie Trowbridge

Please mail your checks to me – Debbie Trowbridge, 2791 Riebold Dr., Arnold, MO 63010 – **by December 1st**. Checks should be made payable to Gateway Chapter-ANG. If you give your check to another board member please let me know. It saves a lot of confusion.

Also, please make sure your National ANG membership is current. You cannot be a member of the Gateway Chapter if you do not belong to the National ANG organization. Except for your initial membership payment, National ANG dues are paid directly to National Headquarters. You should receive a notice from them shortly before that payment is due.

If you need assistance with any membership matters please feel free to contact me at 314/607-9867.

Debbie Trowbridge Membership Director

Programs

Our **November** meeting will begin stitching on our ball decorations, stationery, book marks or any project of your choice. If you have not attended the previous meetings there will be information available to describe the above mentioned projects. If you wish to begin one of these projects, the only supplies needed, is your choice of thread and needle. We have the other needed supplies available.

There will be no December meeting and Happy Holidays to All.

Our **January** meeting will be a movie matinee with popcorn provided. Our Chapter is lucky enough to own several great DVDs on different needlepoint tricks, tips and techniques. If you would like to bring one of the DVDs home to watch at your leisure they will be available at this meeting.

THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MEETING — ONLY AN A.M. MEETING.

Sample Sale

Who doesn't love a great bargain? Last winter we sold Land's End Cardigans with our Gateway ANG logo on the front and now it is time to sell the samples.

We originally ordered a few samples in for people to decide what sweater size they needed and now I would like to sell those samples at a great sale price of \$25 no matter the size.

Please remember these do not have our logo's on them and I only have one of each listed below. Contact Judy Lewis 314.997.6674 if you would like purchase.

Items will be at the November meeting.

Petite M (10/12) color navy M (10/12) grey heather XL (18/20) brown 1X (16W/18W) black 3X (24W/26W) pink/coral

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September's meeting was so much fun. We go to catch up with our friends, which is great, but of course the passion that brings us all together is Needlepoint. Below is a needlepoint gallery of canvas's we finished over the summer and also some UFO's to complete this winter.













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SHOP NEWS

Sign of the Arrow Shop News

We are now carrying the <u>Atenti</u> line of fabric bags and if you haven't seen them, they are fabulous. They make everything from a small purse for evening to a carry-on bag. Their notions bag is wonderful to take to a needlepoint class, or to just sit next to you on the sofa while you are stitching. It stands upright which makes it easier to find your threads and notions. Special orders may be taken and they have lots of styles and fabrics to choose from.

We also have a new shipment of Charlie Harper needlepoint canvases which have just arrived. If you are Charlie Harper fan we also have his Christmas cards and some stationary items as well.

With the holidays approaching we have some great little gifts for your stitching friends. Try some of our <u>Stitcher's Lotion</u> which comes in a variety of fragrances or unscented. It is safe for your needlepoint and is small enough for your notions bag, purse or car. We also have the <u>Deal-A-Stitch</u> deck of cards with a stitch on every card, which are fun even if you do not play cards! Looking for a stitch, turn the deck upside down and just grab a card and voila, you have your stitch. Laying tools are fun to collect and we have some new <u>Handcarved Wooden Laying Tools</u>, all made from exotic woods each unique in color and style. Last minute stitching can always be done for the <u>Lee Leather</u> key chains, jewelry boxes, luggage tags, and mirrors. These can be self-finished or we can still finish them for you. There is always the gift that fits everyone, a Gift Certificate, which is available in any denomination.

As always, anyone is invited to stitch in the shop at any time, just ask us to clean off the table! We are looking forward to seeing all of you very soon. And if we miss you, have a wonderful Thanksgiving and Happy Holidays!

Julie and Randi



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Holidays at The Plubhouse

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November - Princess & Me- December - Painted Pony - January - Surprise - February - Leigh Designs

Events

Finishing - We are week to week for ornaments, stockings and belts

October 26 - November 4 - Glennon Card

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314-577-5605

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<u>https://shopsmall.americanexpress.com</u> or Facebook.com/smallbusinesssaturday or at The Clubhouse

<u> Olasses</u>

Julia Snyder was busy with her fab ideas for stitches and threads New techniques and ideas abounded - we can't wait to see the finished canvases We were very excited to host 6 out of town stitchers from Iowa, Michigan and Missouri

Sharon G arriving February 22 for her Canvas Enhancement classes. - Now taking reservations

ANG Members:

Don't forget to identify yourselves to receive your 10% ANG discount with every in stock, full priced item purchased at The Clubhouse

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