



## 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 6:00 pm.

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

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Thursday, November 15

Morning meeting at 9:30 am and evening meeting at 6:00 pm.  
Location: Ladue Chapel

### Thursday, December 13

Holiday Stitch-In  
3:00 pm to 9:00 pm  
Host: Judy Lewis

### No meetings in December

### Thursday, January 17, 2019

Special guests have been invited to our meeting. Plan to join the meeting. More details later.  
Location: Ladue Chapel



## President's Letter, November 2018

Hi members,

Welcome to the November/December newsletter!! Take a look inside this newsletter and read about our upcoming activities and mark your calendars so you can join us. There have been two meetings, in September and October, since our last newsletter. Members are working on a fun project ... "personalized name tags." Our next project is our "Hooray for the Red, White, and Blue." There is additional information about these programs and other activities in this newsletter.

I recently attended our own chapter Fall Retreat that was held at The Needlepoint Clubhouse here in St. Louis. It was a lovely fall Sunday and 25 members attended. The day included goody bags, games, and lots of sharing of ideas and inspiring discussions about stitching techniques and thread selections. There was plenty of time to stitch, nibble, and visit with other members. Be sure to read Mickey Knutson's article in the newsletter about this event. Thank you to our members, Jan Poneta, Mickey Knutson, Angie Kuhland, and Nancy Kinker for organizing this event. Also thank you to Megan Holmes, a member of our chapter and the owner of The Needlepoint Clubhouse, for hosting this event.

### Mark your calendars.

Our project "Hooray for the Red, White, and Blue" begins in January. Time is running out to sign-up!! Also, our chapter is finalizing details for two of our future events - a workshop taught by Jennifer Riefenberg in June and a Stitch-Away October 2019. Details about these events are also in this newsletter. And another member retreat will be held in the spring and Peggy Sims is working with Sign of the Arrow and will provide details later.

### New members.

Six new members have joined our chapter since last May. Three members joined us at the May meeting and one joined in September and another two new members in October! We are very excited to include all of our new members in our activities and upcoming events. Consider bringing a friend or a neighbor to help expand needlepoint awareness.

I hope to see you at our meetings!  
Janice

## MEMBERSHIP NOTICE

The following members owe LOCAL DUES of \$22 as of October 1, 2018:

- Lisa Balbes
- Julie Cook
- Jan Davenport
- Debbie Dietrich
- Megan Holmes
- Linda Lesh

The following members owe LOCAL DUES of \$22 as of December 1, 2018:

- Donna Beaman
- Janis Forsen
- Anne Freeman
- Cheryl Fulkerson
- Donna Hinden
- Stephanie Hornsby
- Leigh Hullverson
- Mary Carol Kleusner
- Carole Peterson
- Pam Peterson

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Please remember to confirm that your *American Needlepoint Guild* (ANG) membership is current. You cannot remain as a member of our local chapter unless you have also paid annual national dues of \$45 to ANG. You should receive a notice from ANG when your payment is due. Contact Nancy if you have any questions.

## MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UPDATES

In September, we created a membership roster for distribution to our members. This roster includes home addresses, email addresses, and phone numbers - including home, work, and mobile. Please review your personal information in roster for accuracy.

If you have any changes during the year or if you would like an electronic copy or a paper copy of the roster, please contact Nancy Feldman, Membership at [nfeldman57@gmail.com](mailto:nfeldman57@gmail.com) or 314-541-4170. Cost for mailing a paper roster is \$2.50. A paper roster is free at any chapter meeting.

## Time Change for Evening Meetings



Evening meetings are starting earlier!! **We will now begin to gather at 6:00 pm and the business meeting will begin at 6:30 pm.** Member Chat and Programs will follow the end of the business meeting. **ONLY THE EVENING MEETING TIME HAS CHANGED.** Please mark your calendars for this time change.

**2018 - 2019  
Monthly Programs**

For 2018-2019, we will be working on two projects. The first is the design, stitching, and finishing of a name tag. The second is the stitching of a flag sampler – a project designed by the Kentucky ANG chapter.

There are morning and evening meetings to choose from and all are welcome to stay and stitch between them. As always, participation in the projects is optional.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>September 2018</b></p> <p>Julie Cook will introduce the first of 2 projects for this year. We will design, stitch and learn to finish our small project – a name tag. Even if you already have one, it will be fun to stitch or perhaps bead a new one. We will be ordering the stitch guide for our second project – “Hurray for the Red, White and Blue” – a lovely flag sampler - so don’t miss this meeting.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>February 2019</b></p> <p>We will continue with the second section of the flag sampler. Remember to bring this finished section to the March meeting for a reward.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>October 2018</b></p> <p>A short class on doing lettering will start off our year. You can use this to add your name to your name tag or to add lettering to another project. Samples will be available. Bring your work to the next meeting for a reward.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>March 2019</b></p> <p>The third section of the sampler will be presented. Hope you are keeping up with this project as the incentives continue.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>November 2018</b></p> <p>A short class on how to finish small projects – in this case, a name tag – will be given. Or bring your own small project to learn the technique if you are not making a name tag. Stitch-guides for “Hurray for the Red, White and Blue” project will be handed out with an easy homework assignment for the holidays.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>April 2019</b></p> <p>We will be working on the fourth section of the sampler. Your final incentive awaits! Also, elections for officers will be held.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>December 2018</b> <b>NO MEETING</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>May 2019</b></p> <p>The fifth and last section of the sampler will be presented. Plan to bring your completed flag samplers to the September meeting for the final prize. Also, new officer installation.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>January 2019</b></p> <p>Prizes for the completed November assignment distributed. Demonstrations for the next assignment will be given by the Programs Chair. Bring in these completed sections next month for an incentive.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>June, July and August 2019</b></p> <p>Monthly Stitch-In’s -- Join us for a once-a-month fun-filled day of stitching at a member’s home during the summer months.</p>



It's almost here!!! NOVEMBER is the month we finish name tags and begin our new project – **HOORAY FOR THE RED, WHITE, AND BLUE.**

The stitch guides are in! We will hand them out at the next meeting on November 15<sup>th</sup> AND also will discuss your choices for threads and get you started for actual stitching in January. If you did not make it to a meeting in time to order a stitch guide and would like to still order one so you can participate, you can get one by contacting Karen Barras at [karen.barras@outlook.com](mailto:karen.barras@outlook.com). The cost is \$25.00. It takes about 2 weeks to get your guide so you still have time to order one.

Please bring the following items with you to the November 15 meeting:

1. A piece of canvas (18 count) measuring 11 inches by 11 inches. The Needlepoint Clubhouse is taking canvas orders for a fee of \$5.
2. A collection of red, white and blue threads from your stash. We will help you select threads for the areas of your piece. This will be a fun opportunity to be creative. If you are a little nervous about that, Jan Poneta and I will assist you or you can bring floss that you have and order additional from the shop of your choice.
3. Your usual stitching supplies, such as, needle, scissors, etc.

We will also have a program on finishing small projects or ornaments at the November 15 meeting, so don't forget to bring your nametags or a small project to work on. Julie Cook, Programs chair, will have several examples completed to represent each step you need in order to complete your ornament or name badge. She will also distribute a written handout.





### SUPPLIES FOR HOORAY FOR THE RED, WHITE, AND BLUE

Dear Fellow Stitchers,

Canvas and thread kits for the upcoming Red, White and Blue Project will be available for purchase from The Needlepoint Clubhouse (TNC). Megan Holmes has graciously offered the 11x11 18 mesh canvas at \$5.00 plus tax, and the thread kit for \$10.00 plus tax. Stretcher bars and tacks will be available at the regular price. The thread kit consists of 8 skeins of Anchor floss and one spool of Kreinik braid #12. Of course, you can look for threads in your stash, or pick your own threads and colors. The thread kit needs to be bought all together.

I have canvases for everyone who signed up at the ANG Meeting last week. For those of you who weren't at either of the meetings, and are interested in purchasing a canvas, thread kit, stretcher bars, or tacks, please let me know by December 15, 2018. I can be reached at TNC on Tuesdays or Wednesdays, by cell phone, or via email.

I will have canvases available at TNC starting October 31st; and at the November morning and evening ANG Meetings. I will have the thread kits available as soon as all of the floss arrives from the vendor.

Happy Stitching,

Nancy Kinker

The Needlepoint Clubhouse: 314-432-2555

Cell Phone: 314-520-5575 (don't use the number (636-227-5709) that is in the membership roster)

Email: [kinker.nancy@gmail.com](mailto:kinker.nancy@gmail.com)



### Workshop

Stay tuned for details on registration for "Pumpkins" designed and taught by Jennifer Riefenberg.

Mark your calendars for:

- ✓ June 8-9, 2019 class dates
- ✓ Kit fee = \$125.

If you have any questions, contact Stephanie Hornsby - [rghsfh@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rghsfh@sbcglobal.net).

## **SAVE THE DATE STITCH-IN OCTOBER 2019**



### **STITCH-AWAY OCTOBER 2019**

### **DEPOSITS DUE NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>! Gateway Chapter of ANG Members Only**

### **Mark your calendars for our second Stitch-Away at Cedar Creek Lodge October 13, 14, and 15<sup>th</sup> 2019**

Check in Sunday, October 13, 2019 for stitching and dinner.

☑ Monday, October 14, we will stitch with breakfast, lunch and dinner in between.  
Tuesday, October 15, after breakfast more stitching before hitting the road for home.

Cost:

Single Occupancy \$355.00

Double Occupancy \$303.00

Costs include 2 nights lodging, Sunday night dinner, Monday breakfast, lunch and dinner, and Tuesday breakfast.

Reserve your place with a non-refundable deposit of \$100. This deposit is due by November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The remaining balance will be due May 16, 2019. We do not have unlimited spaces, so please reserve your space early if you'd like to be included in this fun event.

*Please contact committee chairman, Kathy Scioneaux, if you have any questions.*

**ANG GATEWAY CHAPTER  
FALL RETREAT – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2018  
THE NEEDLEPOINT CLUBHOUSE**

How many thread lines does The Needlepoint Clubhouse carry? If you guessed fifty-one (51) you would have been the winner - that's right, fifty-one and growing! This was just one of the fun trivia questions at our retreat and Donna Beaman was the lucky winner, awarded with a fun new canvas. It was Donna's lucky day as she won many (but not all) of the contests and drawings held throughout the day. Julie Cook won for the best joke and if you were not there to hear it you should have her share it with you next time you see her.

The Needlepoint Clubhouse did a stellar job hosting us and the shop looked stunning with all their gorgeous threads and canvasses. The staff went all out with their fall themed centerpieces and décor on the tables and also made beautiful personalized gift bags for all attendees. Their current Kirk and Bradley, Love you More, and Jean Smith trunk show canvasses, as well as all shop canvasses, were offered to the ANG retreat participants at a 25% discount. We also had first choice on the beautiful Love You More African Porcupine Quill Laying Tools at 20% off their retail price. The laying tools were all truly unique designs and it was difficult to choose which one to add to my laying tool collection, but I finally selected one with a beautiful wood carving on the end.

Stephanie Hornsby's friend Vanessa once again donated her time and talent as a professional masseuse, and we kept her busy all day. The massages were \$1.00 per minute and all proceeds went to ANG, this is a good fundraiser for us and a nice respite during a day of intense needlepointing and socializing.

Did you know Ginger Grigsby is a jewelry designer as well as a very talented needle pointer? Her jewelry pieces are exquisite and one of a kind, with a variety of crystals and stones. She generously offered to donate some of her earrings for our gift prizes and donated a pair to Vanessa.

ANG presented gift bags to each attendee with various stitching notions and gift cards redeemable at The Needlepoint Clubhouse. We also had four drawings, two of which were gift cards and two were a pair of Gingers ear rings. Lots of lucky winners throughout the day.

The best part of these retreat stitching days, in my opinion, is the camaraderie and sharing amongst my ANG friends. What a great group we are, and we have so much fun when we get together to needlepoint.

Thank you to Jan Poneta and her planning committee, Nancy Kinker, and Angie Kuhland, it was fun planning and working with you. And a very **special thanks to Megan Holmes and her staff at the Clubhouse who worked on Sunday: Nancy, Angie, and Eileen. And thank you Ginger and Vanessa!**

Mickey Knutson



## 2018 Fall Retreat The Needlepoint Clubhouse

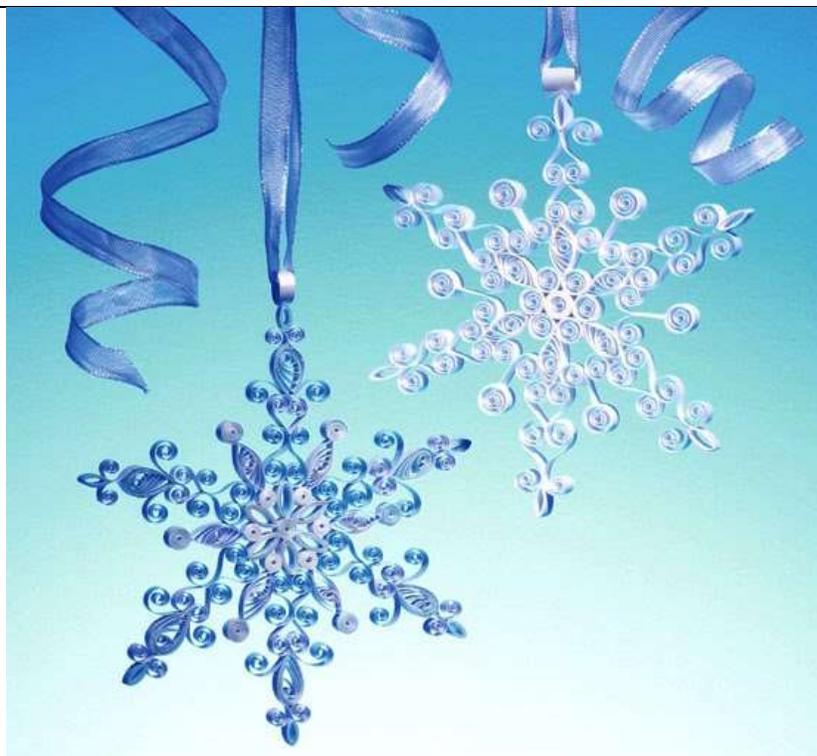


### 2019 GATEWAY CHAPTER LIBRARY DISPLAYS

Our chapter has two library displays scheduled for 2019. The first is scheduled for February at the Sachs Branch of the County Library. The theme for this display is "Spring Preview". We are looking for any items that are related to spring, such as flowers, birds, Easter, or any other spring-type subjects. Your items may be brought to the January meeting, or you may contact Donna Beaman at 314-346-8923 or [d\\_beaman@hotmail.com](mailto:d_beaman@hotmail.com) so they may be picked up before the first day of February. The Sachs Branch is located on Chesterfield Parkway near Chesterfield Mall.

The second display is scheduled for July at the Main Library Branch across from Plaza Frontenac. This subject of this display is "Christmas/Hanukkah in July". We will be looking for items that are related to these holidays. Look for more information about this display in upcoming newsletters.

Your participation in these displays will help our organization's commitment to educate others in our beloved craft.



Holiday Stitch In  
Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>

3 pm – 9 pm  
Drinks, Nibbles & Dessert

Judy Lewis's Home  
11549 Templar

Please Rsvp by December 5th  
Cell 314.402.3197 or email [57jlew@gmail.com](mailto:57jlew@gmail.com)

## Patterns and Posies is COMPLETED

The photos below show ten amazing members who each completed their Patterns and Posies project on time. During the summer, members worked on the last section and brought their completed project to the September meeting. According to the stitch guide, the center of the project included white flowers. As you can see from the photos below, some members deviated from the stitch guide and even selected different colored threads. From the very first day of the project, our Program chair, Eileen Chalk, stressed that we should “make it your own!!!” Eileen Chalk and Kathy Scioneaux brought this project to our chapter and shared the skills they had learned from the designer, Joan Thomasson. Eileen and Kathy also recruited some of our own members to be a volunteer teacher for the sections.

Three additional members also finished their project but were unable to make this photo opportunity. The final incentive reward for finishing the project by our September meeting was a pair of colored-scissors, staying with the pink and purple theme. Look closely at the photos and you will see that one member had the completed project made into a pillow. It was breath-taking and prompted many “almost-finished” members to surge forward and stay on course and complete their own Patterns and Posies project.





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## Look What's New !



### Sajou Embroidery Scissors

Not only a pleasure to work with, but our new Sajou scissors are also incredibly beautiful! Maison Sajou is famous for quality and variety whether it be embroidery scissors from the Sajou Collection or re-editions of vintage scissors. These extraordinary, French-made implements are designed to be used: the quality of the steel, the attention taken during each process of fabrication, and careful polishing of their blades make them tools you will keep all your life.

## November Trunk Shows



Susan Roberts - Belts



Strictly Christmas & etc.

*Always - 20% off all trunk show canvases, including special orders!*

## Ladue Holiday Walk

Please join us on **Saturday, December 1st**, for the annual **Ladue Holiday Walk**. Sign of the Arrow and our neighbors will host a day of festivities, including special discounts, refreshments, carolers, and visits from Santa and St. Louis Blues Louie. Don't miss it!

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## 2018 CLASSES

### THE PLUM STITCHERY

Joanna Somers

**JUST ADDED**

Friday, Nov 30<sup>th</sup>

Beginning Canvas Painting

TAKING SIGN UPS 1-5PM

Meet and Greet the Artist

6-8 PM

Saturday, Dec 1<sup>st</sup>

Beginning Canvas Painting

CLASS FULL

### BEYOND BASKETWEAVE

January 2019

Abigail Cecile Exclusive

Rooftops of St. Louis

In Store Instructor



## 2019 CLASSES

### CONNIE CAMP EMBELLISHMENT

February 15,16,17

Canvases Due November 1<sup>st</sup>

FEW SEATS LEFT

### CONNIE CAMP PROJECT CLASS PATTI MANN BUBBLE BATH CANVAS

Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019



LAURA TAYLOR

### 3 DAY EMBELLISHMENT RETREAT

April 12-15, 2019

3 SEATS OPEN

Join us as we welcome Laura to  
The Clubhouse for the first time!

### PATRICIA SONE GARDEN BUNNY CLASS

May 9-10, 2019

Taking Deposits



## 2018 TRUNK SHOWS

NOVEMBER

Melissa Shirley

Meredith Collection – Belts

DECEMBER

Associated Talents

Plum Stitchery

Susan Roberts Christmas

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