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"The Mission of the Embroiderers' Guild of America is to inspire passion for the needle arts through education and celebration of its heritage."

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PRESIDENT'S LETTER – Helen Salkowski

Hello Fellow Stitchers,

I'm back from PSR Seminar and the PSR regional meeting. It was wonderful to have the Pacific Ocean just steps away! The seminar was fun, the ocean was awesome, and I did learn a few things at the regional meeting too! One item of note is a new opportunity for Community Outreach. The guild is encouraging participation in the "Knitted Knockers" program which provides soft comfortable prosthetics for breast cancer survivors. If you want to join in, the website knittedknockers.org has all the info, and they can be either knitted or crocheted. Next regional meeting will be held in Gilbert AZ on Apr 21, in conjunction with the EGA National exhibit "Through the Needle's Eye". Starlight Stitchers is hosting the exhibit and they need help. We will be organizing some volunteers to sit with the exhibit.

At the seminar the opportunity baskets were plentiful and beautiful, and ours was well received. It turned out that tickets could only be sold to those present at the event due to California law. I did not win anything, but the great news is that our fellow member Joan Van Loozenoord was at the seminar, and she was the lucky winner of our Tucson Chapter basket!

Plans for the EGA/ANG Biennial Joint Luncheon are progressing. Save the date, Thursday March 15. Historic Arizona Inn is the venue this year, and carpooling, ride sharing will be available to make it easier for more of you to attend.

Recruiting! We are in need of a few volunteers for the Audit Committee which will conduct an audit of the Treasurer's books in early January. Please let me know (send me an email if possible before our December meeting) if you are willing to serve.

November is a busy month! We had the kick-off meeting for our Temari GCC at the Nov 2 meeting. The texts arrived a few days later, and were mailed to participants. The beading workshop is coming up on Nov 30. If you're looking for yet another activity and a road trip, see the flyers below for a 1 day workshop at the El Segundo EGA chapter and the 2 day workshop to be held by Bishop's Peak Chapter.

Happy Thanksgiving and Happy Stitching!
Helen

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DECEMBER PROGRAM: The December meeting is a Gift Exchange and Potluck. What could be better? If you bring a stitching-related item, you get to play!

HOSPITALITY

Claudia Hester

DECEMBER: Holiday Potluck

I have volunteers for the February meeting. Need volunteer signups for January, March, April, May, and June, 2018.

WORKSHOPS

Barbara Lewis / Karen Swanson

The fall beading workshop, "**Beaded Scissor Case - Athabaskan Style**" (photo below) will be taught by Sharon Marchant on Thursday, November 30 at the Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Center in the meeting room where the board meets, from 9-4. If you have not signed up or paid, Sharon will have a few extra kits. Please contact Jane Matter at 790-2596 if you missed the sign-up and want to attend or ghost. Students should bring sharp scissors, magnification device, and tabletop lighting.



BEADING

Jane Matter

For December we will be making Christmas earrings (kits will be available), and those who attended the scissor case workshop can get any needed help from Sharon. Everyone is welcome to come and bring any stitching project with them, beads or otherwise. It is customary to bring a sampling of Christmas cookies or other snack to share.

EDUCATION

Following are a couple flyers with additional learning opportunities for our members. Please contact the individual on the flyer if you are interested in the workshop or class.

Star Dance
A Margaret Bendig Workshop
March 8 – 9, 2018



You are cordially invited to the Star Dance workshop

This piece is designed and taught by Margaret Bendig and the workshop is being held by Bishop's Peak Chapter of EGA. You do not have to be a member of EGA to attend and ghosts are welcome. The size is 15x15 for 18 ct and 14x14 for congress cloth. This photo is darker than the original colors. This is white and a light blue and was on display at the 2017 ANG National Seminar.

Name: _____ E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Attending/Ghosting (please circle)

Class Location: 932 Charles Street • Grover Beach, CA 93433 Time: 9:00am – 4:00pm (Pot luck lunch)

Kit Fee: \$169 18 ct silk \$99 18 ct floss \$150 congress cloth silk \$88 congress cloth floss

The teacher fee will be determined by how many sign up but will be very reasonable.

Un-refundable registration Fee: \$25.00 – this will be deducted from your teacher fee

Email Judie Neufeld: rwn932@yahoo.com for registration and any questions

Registration deadline is January 15, 2018

El Segundo Blue Chapter
Embroiderers' Guild of America
2018 Super Bowl of Stitches



Pomegranate Heart

Beginner-level Elizabethan metal-thread project worked as a 3" x 3" heart with the pomegranate inside an inverted heart. This can be finished as an ornament.

Designed especially for El Segundo Blue and taught by Melinda Sherbring

Saturday, February 3, 2018
9am - 3pm

El Segundo United Methodist Church
540 Main Street, El Segundo, CA 90245

Cost: \$80

Includes: Complete stitching kit, lunch, door prizes, and fun

For More Information Contact: e-mail: SuperBowl@ElSegundoBlue.org

Registration deadline: January 12, 2018

Name _____

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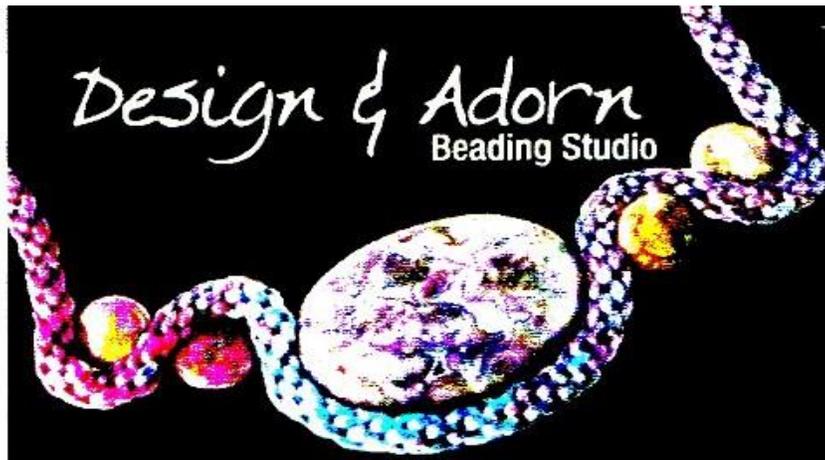
IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER 2017			
30	Beaded Scissors Case Workshop 9 – 4; Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center		
DECEMBER 2017		JANUARY 2018	
1 & 2	Cathey's Creativity Unleashed Event (see ad)	4	Cactus Needle Guild Meeting 9:30 am – 2pm at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center
7	Cactus Needle Guild Meeting 9:30 am – 2pm at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center Potluck and Holiday gift exchange	4	Board Meeting 9:30 am ; Program 11:00 am; Business meeting 12:30 pm
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LOOKING AHEAD...MARK YOUR CALENDARS

<p>March 15, 2018</p> <p>Biennial Joint Tucson ANG and EGA Spring Luncheon</p> <p>Save the date, more details to follow</p>	<p>April 3 – May 12, 2018</p> <p>Starlight Stitchers (Phoenix) host EGA's 21st National Exhibit at Gilbert Historical Museum</p> <p>Need volunteers to monitor</p>
<p>March 24, 2018</p> <p>Cactus Needle Garage Sale</p> <p>Love to have your no longer needed items – need volunteers for set up and sale</p>	<p>April 21, 2018</p> <p>Regional Meeting (PSR)</p> <p>Gilbert Historical Museum</p>

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Day two starts with a lecture / demo trunk show featuring the latest embroidery software - Premier+2. Soni will present fun features that will enhance your embroidery - Word Sculpt Wizard, Bezier Curves, and Mitered Ends - just to name a few. Attendees will stitch out one of the Word Sculpt designs using the Creative Icon to decorate a special project. Sign up today to UNLEASH your CREATIVITY!

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from 9am - 5pm

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