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Our President's Message:

It is January 2020. The first year of my presidency flew by. Now we are looking forward to SCR Seminar in June and our retreat in September at Inn of the Hills in Kerrville. We will have some fun programs at our meetings and technique classes on some Saturdays so be sure to check this newsletter for important dates.

We had 30 diners at our Christmas luncheon at La Fonda. Thank you all for donating toys for Blue Santa. An officer came and picked up the two large boxes of toys. We all enjoyed the ornament exchange also.

We will be stitching Wednesday, January 8 at 9:30 am, Franklin Place, the retirement community where Lisa Smithee works. The address is 21802 Encino Commons, SAT 78259. It is just north of Evans Road where Encino Library is. We may have some of their residents join us.

We are also moving the January meeting a week earlier to Tuesday, January 21 since quite a few members will be at Austin's Winter Retreat. Be sure you mark your calendars to show SANG day and night meetings will be January 21.

Memorial Library has asked us to do an exhibit in their display case in February. If you have any spring pieces, please bring them to the January 21 meetings or Wednesday, January 22 stitch in at Northwood. It won't hold large pieces, no bigger than 15 X 15. Their display case is a tall, rectangle case, not very wide.

Forest Hills Librarian Sandra Griffin has asked us to do a plastic canvas valentine class February 6. We usually are there at 3 -5 in the afternoon. These are fun to teach mostly elementary school children to stitch and sometimes their mothers. I will ask for volunteers at our January 21 meeting.

I saw in the newspaper, in 2006 William Shatner sold his kidney stone for \$25,000 and donated all the money to Habitat for Humanity. Live long and prosper.

Hope to see you at a stitch in soon.

Joan Vanderbrink

Programs

January 21 (Note Date Change)

Program – Passport to Stitching Adventure

Join SANG in ringing in the new year -- and what a year it is shaping up to be! There will be plenty of time for stitching and learning as we countdown to hosting SCR Seminar 2020.



Stitching Passports will be available to everyone at each program. The passports will include places to track your stitching progress, journal some stitching adventures (retreats, stitch-ins, seminars), list your UFOs (oh no! -- confession time;) and chronicle the year that promises to be ...AWESOME! Bring a list of your Works in Progress (WIP) to the meeting. You have to have at least put the item on stretcher bars or have 10 or more stitches in it in order for the project to qualify as a WIP; however, the WIP doesn't have to have been worked on recently. The stitcher with the longest list wins!

Now, I have to admit that we have somewhat of an ulterior motive in having you look through your stash. Of COURSE we want to help you get organized so you can maximize your stitching progress -- but we're also hoping that you'll run across some unstarted kits, unwanted canvas or linen, and cool stitching doodads that you don't want to dust anymore! SANG plans to have a table at the SCR Seminar 2020 Stash Sale and would love your excess stitching supplies. Particularly nice items would also be appreciated for use as Seminar Door Prizes.

February 25

Program – Mini Sampler Needle Book



Join SANG in stitching this sweet little needle book designed by our member, Karen Heller. We will be reviewing the stitches used in the needle book at our February meeting and the assembly and finishing of the needle book at our April meeting. The needle book has a mini Butterfly sampler on one side and a mini Heart sampler on the other side. The needle book has a wide variety of stitches including two drawn thread stitches, an up and down buttonhole loop closure, and a buttonhole bar binding.

The kit cost is \$20 and includes all supplies necessary to stitch and finish the needle book (32 ct Soft Ivory Belfast linen, DMC floss, Perle cotton, Kreinik and Dinky Dyes accent threads, SJ Designs beads and pearls, detailed instructions, and finishing supplies). **You will need to supply 11" x 13" stretcher bars, basting thread, and your own needles.** There will only be 20 kits of this project available, so sign-up promptly if



you wish to participate. Dimensions of the closed needle book are 2½" W x 3¼" H.

Please complete the coupon on page 14 and send (along with a check made out to SANG) to Karen Heller, no later than February 1, 2020.



Technique Classes

As preparations for SCR Seminar 2020 - Create a Vision! ramp up, our Saturday technique classes will have a decidedly Seminar theme. SANG will be running three pilot classes for mini-classes that will be held at Seminar 2020. All of our technique classes will be held at St. Mark United Methodist Church, 1902 Vance Jackson. The pilot classes will be held in the morning (9-Noon) with a break for lunch. Those who wish to help SANG prepare items for sale at Seminar 2020 Merchandise Night can return after lunch and help. Of course, anyone who does not take the pilot class in the morning is welcome to come to the afternoon work session. In January we will be continuing our pilot class series with :

Tawney Carter's The Stars at Night Felt Needle book

Date: Saturday January 11, 2020

Time: 9:00-Noon

Technique: Surface Embroidery

Design Area: 4 1/2"x3 3/4"

Proficiency Level: All

Kit Cost: \$25

Pre-Work: None

Kit Contents: Felt, needles, all threads.

Student Provides: Scissors and usual stitching supplies.

Make a needle book that reminds you of the night sky near Marfa Texas, where you can see the milky way nearly every night and the view of the desert goes on for miles. Each student will be given a variety of cacti and flowers that were cut with precision dies. You will be encouraged to use as many or as few of the cut outs as you wish to create a one of a kind needle book. Not only will we go over the basic stitches needed to complete the project but, we will also talk about using "crafty tools" to play with and embellish your needlework.

All materials for this project are included in the kit. NOTE: DEADLINE TO SIGN UP HAS PAST



In February, we'll be closing out our pilot/technique class schedule with:

Joyce McCoig's Tila Weave Band

Date: Saturday February 8, 2020

Time: 9:00-Noon

Technique: Beading

Design Area: Black bracelet is approximately 1" x length of wrist

Turquoise is approximately 3/4" x length of wrist

Proficiency Level: All

Kit Cost: \$25

Pre-Work: None

Kit Contents: Beads, Fireline, needle, bead mat, instructions

Student Provides: Scissors, light and magnifier if desired



Designed by Deborah Roberti of Around the Beading Table, this bracelet is quick to make using size 11/0 Miyuki rocaille seed beads and Miyuki Tila beads! Make either the wide black and red band or the slimmer turquoise band.

Attendees will be able to order an additional colorway kit for \$15 -- this kit will include the beads only.

All materials for this project are included in the kit.

Please complete the coupon on page 14 and send (along with a check made out to SANG) to Joyce McCoig, no later than January 15, 2020.

Stitch-Ins

January

Our January Stitch ins will on Tuesday, January 7, at 6:00 pm Maverick Library; Wednesday, January 8 at 9:30 am, Franklin Place, 21802 Encino Commons, SAT 78259; Monday, January 13 at 6:00 pm, Forest Hills Library , Saturday, January 18 at 10:00 am, Memorial Library; Wednesday, January 15 at 9:30 am, Northwood Presbyterian Church; Wednesday, January 22 at 9:30, Northwood Presbyterian Church, Tuesday, January 21 is our day meeting at Northwood Presbyterian Church and and night meeting at St. Mark's Methodist Church. We have moved it a week earlier since quite of few members will be at the Austin Winter Retreat on January 28. Stitch in Wednesday, January 29 at 9:30 am, Northwood Presbyterian Church. **Monday, January 20 Encino Library will be closed for Martin Luther King Day.**

February

Our February Stitch ins will on Tuesday, February 4, at 6:00 pm Maverick Library; Wednesday, February 5 at 9:30 am, Northwood Presbyterian Church; Monday , February 10 , 6 pm at Forest Hills Library; Wednesday, February 12 at 9:30 am, Franklin Place, Saturday, February 15 at 10:00 am, Memorial Library; Monday, February 17 5:00 pm, Encino Library; Wednesday, February 19 at 9:30 am, Northwood Presbyterian Church; Wednesday, February 26 at 9:30 am, Northwood Presbyterian Church. The library is open Feb. 17 for President's day.

Outreach

Busy, busy, busy!

This holiday season, our guild members were busy reaching out to others. Guild members made a generous thread donation in support of the 15th annual Threads of Blessing conference recently held in Nebbi, Uganda attended by 250 women. These women used the thread to create wonderful handwork that was sold for over \$19,000 which was distributed amongst 235 women. This is all possible because guild members and others help Threads of Blessing in Texas to raise scholarship funds to support the annual conference. Threads of Blessing helps over 800 women in the country.





Busy guild hands demonstrated their own talents by making over 20 angels for the angel tree at St. Marks United Methodist Church. Beautiful angels were stitched and beaded to hang on a beautiful Christmas tree at the church. Diane Williams made the presentation to the church on behalf of the guild. - *Diane Williams*

In 2018, SANG embarked on a beautiful friendship with Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio. We'll have a new outreach project in 2020, so wanted to look back on the outreach project we just closed out. In November of 2018, Joan Vanderbrink and Pat Sweet (Pictured right) were present at the dedication ceremony where 10 families were presented with the keys to their new homes, toolboxes, and a lovely stitched sampler made by members of SANG.



Trisch Moy, Faith Relations Associate was kind enough to speak to SANG at our 2019 May luncheon. We learned all about the Habitat for Humanity mission -- working in partnership with people in need to build modest, decent and affordable houses without interest or profit. Habitat for Humanity of San Antonio brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.

Since their founding in 1976 through August of this year, Habitat has



- 1,118 affordable homes built and sold to qualified families
- 76 affordable homes rehabilitated and sold to qualified families
- Over 4,000 individuals served

(Pictured left -- SANG-stitched Habitat Sampler nestled in tool chest ready for presentation to homeowner during dedication ceremony).

Trisch talked about the incredible volunteer work at the heart Habitat. Approximately 15,500 volunteers assist in various Habitat activities each year.

Volunteers build the homes, raise funds, work in the administrative offices, provide lunch for volunteers at the work site, work at their Home Centers and more.

Pictured below: Trisch Moy shows SANG members a model of the typical Habitat Home.



A photograph of a community room where several people are engaged in activities. In the foreground, a woman with glasses and a floral shirt is seated at a round black table, working on a craft project that involves a string of colorful beads. The table is cluttered with various items, including a small white lighthouse figurine, a blue container, and some papers. In the background, other people are seated at tables, and a man in a white shirt is standing near a doorway. The room has a patterned carpet and framed pictures on the walls.





WIN A YEAR'S MEMBERSHIP BY JUST SUPPORTING SANG

POINT SYSTEM FOR SAN ANTONIO NEEDLEWORK GUILD

Coming to meetings	1
Writing article for newsletter	3
Going to library stitchins	1
Participation in a public event	3
Bringing a friend to a meeting	3
Friend joins	5
Teaching a class or program	10
Coming to 2020 workdays	3
Serving on any EGA board or Committee, local, regional or national for 2 years or more	5
Attending technique class	2
Attending workshop	4

We will start at the May 11, 2019 Luncheon and end at the May 2020 Luncheon.

We will give everyone 1 point for participating in the luncheon.

We will keep a record and give everyone tickets for their points at the May 2020 Luncheon.

The tickets will be put in a random drawing to win a year's membership.

We will also give a prize for the most points.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership dues are up for renewal in May each year. Renew and keep your benefits coming.

		2019 Dues Amount
New SANG Primary Member	National, Regional, and Chapter Dues	\$55.00/year Aug 1-Oct 30/\$43.25, Nov 1-Jan 31/\$35.50, Feb 1-Apr 30/\$23.75
Returning SANG Primary Member		\$55.00
SANG Plural Member (Primary Membership in another South Central Region Chapter)	Chapter Dues	\$11.00
SANG Plural Member (Primary Membership outside South Central Region)	Regional and Chapter Dues	\$16.00
SANG EGA Life Members		\$16.00

*New Members dues will be prorated as follows: Aug 1-Oct 30/\$43.25, Nov 1-Jan 31/\$35.50, Feb 1-Apr 30/\$23.75

VERY IMPORTANT: Each member must make any changes to personal information (address, phone number, email) directly to EGA. Go to the National EGA website - www.egausa.org - click the "Contact Us" tab at the top of the page. Under "Other contacts" is a form "Change of member address or email". NOTE: Our membership chair, Kay Foster, is no longer allowed to do it for you.

Membership Form New Members and Renewals

Annual membership is from May through April. Dues for one year are \$55 and are prorated for new members only as the year goes on (Aug 1-Oct 30/\$43.25, Nov 1-Jan 31/\$35.50, Feb 1-Apr 30/\$23.75)

Dues include a subscription to Needle Arts magazine and to the chapter's newsletter, San Antonio Samplings. Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 10:00 AM in the morning as well as at 7:00 PM in the evening.

Plural membership is available to members of other EGA Chapters for \$11 per year if your primary chapter is within the South Central Region or \$16 if outside the South Central Region. Life member dues are \$16 per year.

☐ I would like to join SANG as a new Member How did you hear about us? _____

☐ I would like to renew my membership. My EGA Member Number is: _____

Name: _____ I have been a member since: _____

Address: _____ Birthday: (mm/dd) _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Phone: _____ ☐ home/☐ cell

E-mail: _____ Amount Paid: _____

I would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail. ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If yes, ensure that your correct e-mail address is entered in the line provided.)

Plural, Life or At-Large Members please list home chapter _____

Please print and mail this form with your check made payable to **San Antonio Needlework Guild** to:
Kay Foster, P.O. Box 593082, San Antonio, TX 78259

Calendar of Events

December

Dec 3

Stitch-In 6-8pm
Maverick Library, 8700 Mystic Park

Dec 4, 18

Stitch-In 9:30am - 3:00pm
Northwood Presbyterian Church
518 Pike Place

Dec 9

Community Outreach Stitch-in 6-8 pm
Forest Hills Library, 5245 Ingram Rd.

Dec 14

Christmas Luncheon, 11:00am-2:00pm
La Fonda Alamo Heights
8633 Crownhill Blvd.

Dec 16

Community Outreach Stitch-in 5pm
Encino Library, 2515 E. Evans Rd

Dec 21

Outreach Stitch-In, 10:00am-1:00pm
Memorial Library, 3222 Culebra

Calendar of Events

January

Jan 7

Stitch-In 6-8pm
Maverick Library, 8700 Mystic Park

Jan 8

Stitch-In 9:30am - 3:00pm
Franklin Place
21802 Encino Commons, San Antonio

Jan 11

Technique Class 9am - noon
Seminar Committee Mtg 2pm
St. Mark's UMC Church
1902 Vance Jackson

Jan 13

Community Outreach Stitch-in 6-8 pm
Forest Hills Library, 5245 Ingram Rd.

Jan 15, 22

Stitch-In 9:30am - 3:00pm
Northwood Presbyterian Church
518 Pike Place

Jan 16

Board Meeting, 6:45 pm
Joan Vanderbrink's Home
2742 Johnson Grass, San Antonio

Jan 18

Outreach Stitch-In, 10:00am-1:00pm
Memorial Library, 3222 Culebra

Jan 20


Community Outreach Stitch-in 5pm
Encino Library, 2515 E. Evans Rd

Jan 21

10:00am-12:00pm (Day Meeting)
Northwood Presbyterian Church
518 Pike Place

7:00-9:00pm (Night Meeting)
St. Mark's UMC Church
1902 Vance Jackson

December 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Community Stitch- In 6-8pm Maverick Library	4 Stitch-in 9:30-3 Northwood Presb.Church	5	6	7
8	9 Community Stitch- In 6-8 pm Forest Hills Library	10	11	12	13	14 Christmas Luncheon 11am- 2pm La Fonda Alamo Heights
15	16 Community Stitch- in 5pm Encino Library	17	18 Stitch-in 9:30-3 Northwood Presb.Church	19	20	21 Community Stitch- In 10-1 Memorial Library
22	23	24	25 	26	27	28
29	30	31				

January 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 	2	3	4
5	6	7 Community Stitch- In 6-8pm Maverick Library	8 Stitch-in 9:30-3 Franklin Place	9	10	11 Technique Class 9am-noon Seminar Mtg. 2pm St. Marks UMC
12	13 Community Stitch- In 6-8 pm Forest Hills Library	14	15 Stitch-in 9:30-3 Northwood Presb.Church	16 Board Mtg 6:45 Joan Vanderbrinks Home	17	18 Community Stitch- In 10-1 Memorial Library
19	20 Community Stitch- in 5pm Encino Library	21 Program 10am- 12pm Northwood Presb 7-9pm St. Mark's UMC Church	22 Stitch-in 9:30-3 Northwood Presb.Church	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

**SANG February Program
Mini Sampler Needle Book**

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Kit Fee: \$20

Mail completed form and check for \$20 made out to SANG to: Karen Heller, 521 Cantera Ridge, New Braunfels, TX 78132

Deadline: February 1, 2020

The Stars at Night Felt Needle book

January 11, 2020

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Class Fee: \$25

Total _____

Mail completed form and check made out to SANG to: Carmel Freisenhahn; P.O. Box 178; St. Hedwig, TX 78152

Deadline December 30, 2019

Tila Weave Band

February 8, 2020

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Colorway requested: Black _____ Turquoise _____

Class Fee: \$25

Additional Colorway \$15

Total Enclosed _____

Mail completed form and check made out to SANG to: Joyce McCoig; 7936 Pipers Creek #515; San Antonio, TX 78251-2483

Deadline January 15, 2020

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June 10-13, 2020**

To any non-members who may be reading this newsletter: We hope you've enjoyed reading our newsletter. SANG would love to have you attend a meeting or join us at any of our community stitch-ins. All guild activities are open to SANG guild members and our sister-guilds (ANG and Bluebonnet). EGA members belonging to other guilds are welcome to attend our meetings, and attend workshops and classes if space is available. Visitors are welcome to attend any of our community stitch-in events and are encouraged to attend up to two official guild meetings (either the First Wednesday of the month stitch-in or our Fourth Tuesday day or night meetings) prior to joining. Workshops and classes are only open to EGA Guild members unless otherwise stated in the announcement.

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The mission of the Embroiderers' Guild is to inspire passion for the needle arts through education and the celebration of its heritage