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South Central Region, Embroiders Guild of America

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## **Our President's Message:**

I hope you are all staying in and stitching during our staycation. The Board decided to postpone the May 9, 2020 luncheon and reschedule it for August. I have not been able to get in touch with Fort Sam Golf Course. The recordings say it is closed and the gate has a huge sign saying it is closed until further notice. Watch this space for more info.

We will want to celebrate World Embroidery Day, Thursday, July 30, 2020. I will look for a place to stitch that day. Let me know if anyone has an idea where we can stitch in public. The libraries may not be big enough and not have the people traffic we would like. I will have more info on this too.

We are all sad about the postponing of our 2020 Seminar in San Marcos to 2024. There will be more info on this from Diane Williams, our Seminar Chairman

This coronavirus hasput a lot on hold. I have enjoyed the Zoom stitch ins with SANG and my sister's Tangle group in Annapolis. We have had our Board meetings via Zoom also. We had a good time seeing members Carol Reeves and Sue White from Maryland and Jessica Jones from Michigan tonight on our Zoom meeting thanks to Tawny Carter. Tawny will set up a 7:00 pm May 26 zoom meeting in place of our regular meeting.

It is also time for a Nominating Committee to get a slate of Officers for the 2021-2023 year. We need 2 members from the day group and two members from the night group. Lisa Anderson will be the Chairman. We have Marcie Ziegler from the night group and Pat Sweet from the day group. We still need one person from each group. Being on the Nominating Committee does not mean you will be an officer. The group gets in touch with members to be the officers. If you would like to volunteer to be on the Committee, please email or call me.

The link for the May 26 meeting from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android: <u>https://rackspace.zoom.us/j/2103122835?pwd=UWhNcmJSdXNPNnlsU3RhN0F2L3Q0QT09</u> Password: 97531. Let Tawney know if you have any problems getting it.

Stay safe at home and keep stitching.

## Joan Vanderbrink

# Membership

We apologize for missing Susan White's birthday on April 8th. I hope she had a good day under the limitations present.

Welcome new plural member Sherri Conner of the Austin Stitchery Guild.

So far, we have received 18 membership renewals. Ladies, you need to get them in by the end of the month. Carmel and I will finalize the lists of members the end of May and submit them to EGA national office then.

Kay Foster, VP Membership

# Programs

Well, the Coronavirus has certainly wreaked havoc with our programs and activities! Please be patient as we reschedule and update our calendar. Some things may end up permanently cancelled, but we are working to get everything back on track.

# May 9 (Original Date – working to reschedule – August, if possible)

# Program – Antique Needlework Display



Please plan on joining SANG at Ft. Sam Houston Country Club for our May *Sometime in 2020 Luncheon*. In addition to good food, a chance to embroider with friends and a refreshing outing after sheltering in place for so long, SANG is pleased to offer members and their guests a truly once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view an incredible collection of embroidery from the Victorian Era.

Kathleen O'Brien will give a presentation discussing her collection of garments, needlework pieces, and patterns that were used by Victorian embroiderers. Needlework was an expected part of every Victorian woman's life. It was used on dresses, shoes, hats, waistcoats, quilts, purses, and other decorations for the home. Antique needlework from the 19th century will be displayed including garments decorated with needlework (vest, shoes, caps, dress) and multiple slipper patterns in various states of completion. Some examples of decorative items for the home will also be shown as well as a men's waistcoat from the late 18th century. Attendees will also be able to observe the detail work on the pieces.

When she is not sharing her collection of needlework with others, Kathleen M. O'Brien pays the bills as a software quality assurance engineer. She began sewing at age 4, learning traditional techniques from her mother and grandmother. She collects and studies vintage clothing to decipher mysteries of drape and fit found in previous eras. Her costumes include both original designs and

reproductions, utilizing many historical techniques. She enjoys sharing both these skills and her collection with others and has published her first e-book "Victorian Smoking Caps". Check out her website at Vintage Fashion Explained.

Link for Vintage Fashion Explained website - (<u>http://www.VintageFashionExplained.com</u>)

Link for "Victorian Smoking Caps" ebook -(http://www.amazon.com/Victorian-Smoking-Vintage-Fashion-Explained-ebook/dp/B01A0K8786/)

Government guidelines on fighting the spread of Coronavirus meant that we could not hold our luncheon as planned; however, we have not been able to obtain an alternate date for the luncheon as of the date this newsletter was published. We hope to schedule the luncheon in August and will send out information as soon as we can. We have published a coupon in this newsletter – please save it and send it in after we update you with a firm date. If you previously sent in your coupon and check, please let Joan Vanderbrink know if you would like us to hold your check for the new luncheon date, shred your check, or send it back to you. The luncheon and coupon for sign up can be found on page 5. We encourage everyone to attend and bring guests. Watch your email for additional information!

# June 23, July 28, August 27

# **Program – Stitch Ins – Evenings Only**

SANG takes a break from offering programs and technique classes during the Summer months. We encourage our members to stitch on their UFOs, Seminar Projects and enjoy spending time with friends and family. We do not have day meetings, but do meet during the evening on our regularly scheduled meeting dates (the Fourth Tuesday of the month) for unstructured stitch-ins

# September 22

# Program – Halloween Plaid Spider



We won't have as much time to complete this project before Halloween as we might have hoped, but please join us as Pat Sweet will teach us how to create a plaid with needlepoint. The plaid is completely reversible, so you may find the technique helpful in unusual finishing situations. The method for constructing and stitching a needlepoint plaid was designed by the late Chottie Alderson, a well-known and much beloved needlework teacher from southern California. It is sometimes referred to as "Chottie's Plaid."

We will be offering two different kits:

Complete Kit: this kit will include an 8"x8" 18 count mono canvas, instructions and threads to stitch one plaid circle. The cost will be \$15

Canvas and Instructions Only: this kit will cost \$5. If you decide to use threads from your stash, here's a list of the threads used in the sample and the completed kits so that you can select equivalent threads in whichever colorway you prefer.

DMC Perle #5: Purple 972, Black 310, Yellow 208 Kreinik #12 Braid (listed either as Lime or Chartreuse) 15 With either kit, you will need to supply 8" by 8" stretcher bars, needles and your usual stitching supplies. If you plan on doing this project, please complete the coupon on page 6 and send (along with a check made out to SANG) to Pat Sweet, no later than September 4, 2020. If you have already sent in your check based on the previous schedule, please contact Pat Sweet and let her know if you plan to attend the class at the new date and how you would like any money previously sent in to be processed (for example: cash it for the new class, return it to sender, or shred it). Pat can be reached at (210)365-8951 or at her email address sweetp50@aol.com. This piece can be finished using a cupcake holder in the shape of a spider. Anyone participating in the plaid class can join us again in the Fall – where we will offer a spider finishing class.

# October 27

# Program – Mini Sampler Needle Book - Part 2, Finishing



Join SANG as Karen Heller returns to teach us how to assemble and finish our beautiful needle books. Of course, it would be best if you complete the stitching prior to the meeting -- but even if the stitching is not complete, you'll still learn important techniques that you will be able to use when finishing this and future projects

On a personal note, I would like to thank everyone who has stepped up to the plate and offered to teach programs and technique classes. We have a very talented and generous group of stitchers – you all make my job easy. I would also like to thank all who have attended the technique classes or participated in the programs – its fun to learn together. If you have any suggestions for programs or technique classes you would like to see (or teach) in the future, please let me know.

Mary Hodges, VP Education

The Covid-19 situation is being continually monitored and adjustments to dates will be made as needed. We encourage all our members to follow CDC protocols. Stay at home if you are vulnerable, wear masks when out, and practice social distancing. Please be safe!

DATE TO BE DETERMINED LUNCHEON
FT. SAM HOUSTON GOLF COURSE CLUB
1050 HARRY WURZBACH, SAN ANTONIO, TX 78209
Name
Address
Email
Phone
Please check the entrée you would like
() Baked Tilapia with Lemon Butter Sauce
() Barbequed Brisket
() Baked Chicken with Mushroom Sauce
Each entrée comes with Green Beans Almandine, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Salad, Rolls, Apple Pie, Iced Tea and Water
I am bringingguests.
My guests names are and they would like
Check enclosed for \$20.00 X number of attendees
Please complete coupon, noting the entrée you and your guests would like and send coupon and check payable to SANG to: Marilyn Veach, 7403 Quail Run, San Antonio, TX 78209
Deadline: WATCH YOUR EMAIL FOR UPDATE. WE ARE ACTIVELY WORKING TO RESCHEDULE. We can come to stitch and visit beginning at 9:00 am and have the program at 10:30 am and lunch at 11:30 am.

# Stitch-Ins

We don't have any Library stitch ins for May. The libraries are closed until May 19. 2020.

We don't have a May meeting since we have our spring luncheon which is postponed. We will try to move the May luncheon to a fall luncheon in August, but I have not heard from Fort Sam Golf Course yet. We are going to have a Zoom stitch in on Tuesday, May 26. Tawney has set this up. The address is in my President's message. These Zoom meetings are fun. We can see everyone and what they are stitching. All of you who have an I phone or computer, try it.

Our next newsletter will be June/July. We will see about library stitch ins for June and July.

If St. Mark's is open for June, we will put it in the newsletter.

Joan Vanderbrink

SANG September Program	
Plaid Halloween Spider	
Name	
Address	
City, State, Zip	
Phone	
Kit Fee: Complete \$15 Instructions and Canvas only \$5	
Mail completed form and check for your kit fee made out to SANG to: Pat Sweet, 9134 Gothic D 78154-2853	rive, Universal City, TX
Deadline: September 4, 2020	

# SANGri-La Retreat September 9-13, 2020





1001 Junction Highway, Kerrville, TX 7802

830-895-6005

SANG is once again turning The Inn of the Hills into SANGri-La for a weekend of fun and relaxation. We have some planned events throughout the weekend, but the emphasis, as always, is on holding a retreat where you have time to relax and work on your stitching projects along with 29 like-minded stitchers. All attendees will get a complete run-down of the weekend prior to the event. We have a large stitching room so plan your projects to take maximum advantage of the well-lit facilities. There will be goody bags and door prizes. So come and join in all the festivities.



# The Theme this year will be a Hawaiian Holiday

Inn of the Hills is a beautiful facility with the following amenities:

• Guest Room Amenities: safe (in select rooms), mini-fridge, microwave, coffee-maker, hair dryer, iron/board, cable, free local calls, voice mail, room service.

## **Complimentary High-Speed Wireless Internet** throughout the property.

Business Center provides computer access with internet and printer.

Three Outdoor Pools (Courtyard Pool, Guadalupe River Pool, and Rock Pool).

Peak Fitness offers use of their facility.

**Golf Privileges at** two local private golf courses: Comanche Trace and River Hills Country Club (ask at Front Desk or Sales Office for details).

## Free Parking.

Inn of the Hills Pub, a Full Service Bar on property w/Music, Dancing, Pool & Darts

## Prices:

All prices are for single or double occupancy and include full breakfast, buffet lunch and dinner. Please note that breakfast does not include gratuity so try to remember to bring a little extra cash with you at breakfast time. I have included gratuity for the rest of the meals in the price of the retreat.

Note: Again this year SANG is no longer in the matchmaking business... if you want a roommate please find one on your own. You can always contact me to check if I know of anyone looking for a roomie, but no guarantees.

Four night package prices include dinner on Wednesday night, full breakfast, buffet lunch and dinner on Thursday, Friday and Saturday with a full breakfast on Sunday.

Single occupancy- \$575

Double occupancy – \$355

Day Tripper Package includes lunch (Thursday-Saturday) and meeting room usage - \$90.00

Lunch is on your own on Sunday. The prices include gratuities (non-breakfast), meeting room charges, taxes, everything.



Note: Contact Diane Williams with any questions or concerns (<u>dsmwilliams@satx.rr.com</u> or call my cell phone 210-215-2812)

Questions you might ask...

## What are the arrival and departure times?

Wednesday time of arrival is 4p.m.

Day trippers can arrive anytime Thursday-Sunday

Everyone must be checked out of the hotel by 12 noon on Sunday.

#### Who can come?

Members of SANG, ASG, Bluebonnet ANG, and Wildflowers ANG have first priority but after August 1<sup>st</sup> any SCR guild member may sign up.

#### What about guests?

If you have friends, relatives, etc. in the area who wish to stop by, you are welcome to visit on the patio, or in your room but not in the stitching room.

### What if I cannot pay all at once? Can I make payments?

Yes, send a check for \$50.00 to save your spot and add a check or several checks for the balance when you want them deposited. Payment must be completed by August 1st. Make the check payable to SANG

### Are there a minimum or maximum number of people?

Maximum number is 30, so register early to ensure a spot. Sign-ups are first-come, first-served. All registrations postmarked May 15th or earlier will be treated as equal.

### What is the deadline for registration and changes to registration?

July 31st. You can call or email me after this date to see if I have any space left.

### What if I have to cancel at the last minute?

A full refund is available prior to August 12<sup>th</sup> but no refunds after August 12<sup>th</sup>.

#### How many persons per room?

Can have up to four per sleeping room. Just let me know if you are interested and I will get the cost to you.

# SANGri-La Registration Coupon

SANGri-La RETREAT
Inn of the Hills
1001 Junction Highway, Kerrville, TX 7802
September 9-13, 2020
Name:EGA Chapter
Address:
City, State Zip:
E-Mail:
Phone: homecell
Roommate is (write single if no roommate)
Day Trippers :( please write days you will be attending)
Payment:
I'm enclosing a check for \$ to pay in full (check payable to SANG)
I'm enclosing a deposit for \$50 plus post-dated check for future payment (checks payable to SANG) Last payment due by August 1st, 2018
Please call or e-mail Diane Williams with any questions.
Cell phone # 210-215-2812 <u>dsmwilliams@satx.rr.com</u>
SANG will send out additional info via email closer to the retreat date to those that are attending.
Mail this coupon and your check made out to SANG to:
Diane Williams, 13723 Wilderness Creek, San Antonio, Texas 78231
Deadline July 31, 2020

**Renewals due Now!!** 

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

		2020 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

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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.

<ul> <li>I would like to join SANG as a new Member How did ye</li> <li>I would like to renew my membership.</li> <li>Name:</li></ul>	My EGA Member Number is:		
Address:	Birthday: (mm/dd)		
City/State/Zip:	Phone:	Dhome/Dcell	
E-mail:	Amount Paid:		
I would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail. $\Box$ Yes $\Box$ No	D		
(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 cl <b>Carmel Friesenhahn, P</b>	neck made payable to <i>San Antonio I</i> .O. Box 178, St. Hedwig, TX 78		

# Keeping Busy during Covid-19 "Stay at Home" time ...











Joan Vanderbrink has been keeping busy with cross stitch and knitting!



Linda Bell has been keeping busy quilting and making face masks! (50+ masks made and still going...)



## May 2020

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					May Day	Brothers & Sisters Day
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Garden Meditation Day	MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU BE WITH YOU	UNCO DE MALO	National Nurses Day	National Tourism Day	Military Spouses Day	Lost Sock Memorial Day
10 Methers's	11 Eat What You Want Day	12 International Nurses Day	13 Frog Jumping Day	14 Dance Like a Chicken Day	15 National Chocolate Chip Day	16
17 Pack Rat Day	18 No Dirty Dishes Day	19 Plant a Vegetable Garden Day	20 Be a Millionaire Day	21 National Memo Day	22 World Goth Day	23 July Day Virging Day
24/31 National Escargot Day/National Macaroon Day	25 MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER AND HONOR	26 SANG ZOOM Mtg. 7-8:30pm (link in Presidents Message)	27 Sun Screen Day	28 National Hamburger Day	29 Learn About Composting Day	30 Mint Julep Day

# June 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Flip A Coin Day	2 National Rocky Road Ice Cream Day	3 Repeat Day (Repeat Day)	4 Hug Your Cat Day	5 National Doughnut Day	6 D-Day, WWII
7 National Chocolate Ice Cream Day	8 Best Friends Day	9 National Strawberry Rhubarb Pie Day	10 Iced Tea Day	11 National Corn on the Cob Day	12 National Flip Flop Day	13 Sewing Machine Day
	15 Smile Power Day	16 Fresh Veggies Day	17 Eat Your Vegetables Day	18 National Splurge Day!	19	20
21 Happy Father's Day	22 National Chocolate Eclair Day (Yum!!)	23 National Pink Day	24 international fairy (or faery) day	25 National Catfish Day	26 Forgiveness Day	27 Sunglasses Day
28 Paul Bunyan Day	29 Waffle Iron Day	30 Meteor Day				

## Blue Bonnet Studio Time Needle Arts Retreat February 13-16, 2021



Featuring 10+ Faculty & 15+ Classes Sugar Land Marriott Town Square Sugar Land, Texas, USA 281.288.9290 for room reservations

For event details and registration ✓ Visit www.bluebonnetstudio.com → Telephone: 713.849.9848 Email: maryelvis@sbcglobal.net Blue Bonnet Studio LLC 5922 Pebble Bank Ln, Houston TX 77041





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**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.

San Antonio Needlework Guild 3501 Enchanted Farm Schertz, TX 78154



May 31-June 4, 2021



EGA National Seminar 2021 September 1-5, 2021

### Newsletter Deadline for submissions is the 4th Tuesday of the month.

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