

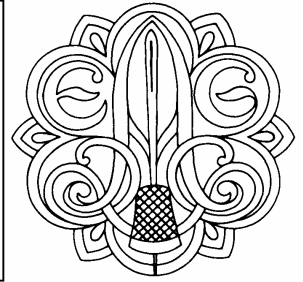


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From The President's Desk

At a recent stitch-in I asked several people what they were working on that day. Every one of them started their answer with "Oh, it's just a _____". Then they would say what their project was. I know I do that myself sometimes. I think we should leave that phrase off when we are describing our work. A cross-stitch for your nephew's first child, a small kissing pillow, or even a doodle cloth all have their place and are worthwhile doing. If we don't want to brag we can at least not deprecate our work.

Also remember if someone looks at your work and says it is wonderful, don't start pointing out the errors. Tell them you loved working with those colors, or you do all of that designers pieces, or you carved out 10 minutes a day for a year to get it done. To paraphrase Thumper's mother, if you can't say something nice after a compliment, say thank you.

Keep Stitching,
Caren

Very Important Announcement

General Meetings

For most of this year, our general meetings are held at the First Unitarian Church at 3205 Glendale Ave., Toledo, OH 43614 on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. **Our Sept. 9 meeting will be in the 4-H room at the Lucas County Fairgrounds.** Please note this is the **second Wednesday** of the month. Enter the fairgrounds at the main gate. Right in front of you is Exhibit Hall 1, to its right is Exhibit Hall 2. Drive to the right behind Exhibit Hall 2. On the way you will see a sign that says 4-H with an arrow to the left. Turn left there and you will see another 4-H sign on the 2nd building on the left. There is a large parking lot on the right. Park anywhere in that lot. There are "no parking" signs on the building to the left by the door. People who need to park close by can use those spaces. It is really easy to find, most people don't have any trouble the first time. Our October meeting will be back at the church on the third Wednesday of October. Maps to both locations are included later in this issue. Please bring your own mug or cup for coffee.

Program Schedule

Here is a tentative schedule for the exciting new programs that will be featured this year.

- Sept. 9: Greek Embroidery, by Tina Papalekas. Also, *Get It Finished* entries. **Note: Meeting held at the Lucas County Fair Grounds 4H Building.** *Refreshments: Maria Nowicki, Cathy Studer. Opportunity Drawing: Kay Griffith.*
- Oct. 21: Ornament Finishing, taught by Denise Duda of Timeless Stitches. *Refreshments: Donna Cairns, Helen Zeller. Opportunity Drawing: Maria Nowicki.*
- Nov. 18: Ukranian Embroidery, taught by Karlyn Thompson. *Refreshments: Karlyn Thompson, Donna Cairns. Opportunity Drawing: Karlyn Thompson.*
- Dec. 16: Annual Christmas Party with Ornament and Cookie Exchanges. Also, Finished Contract Projects and *Get It Finished* entries and prizes. 2010 Officer Installation. *Opportunity Drawing: Donna Cairns.*

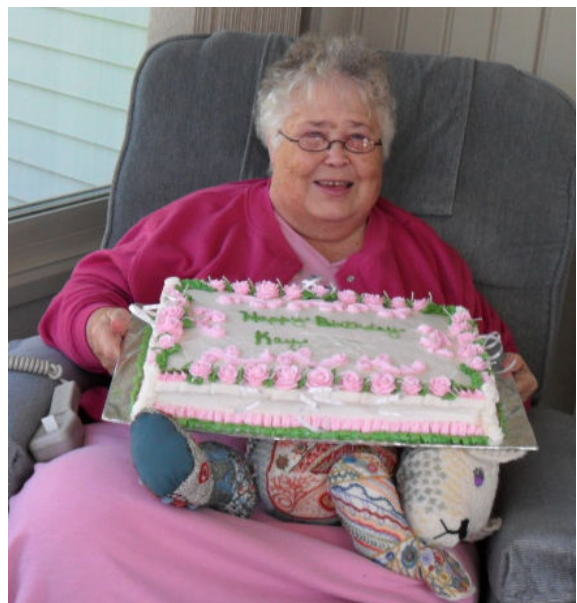


Photo by S. Hojnacki

Happy Birthday Kay!

Calendar of Events

Here is a list of events besides our monthly meetings that you may find interesting. Further info may be obtained from the EGA or GLR websites or in later issues of this newsletter as it becomes available.

Dates Event Information

09/25/09 — **NAGT 34th Annual Needlework Show** at the Sanger Branch Library. Judge: Sandy Rodgers.

10/04/09 — **EGA National Seminar** "Bridges to Stitches". Hosted by the Mid-Eastern Region, Pittsburgh, PA.

10/17/09 **Indiana State Day** "Web in an Autumn Garden". Sponsored by Needle Artisans of Northwest Indiana at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Munster, IN. Stitch a specially designed hardanger project. Contact Sue Hanson at (708) 877-8901 or Mel McCormick at (219) 669-3178; instateday2009@gmail.com

11/07/09 "November Chase" taught by Lauren Saur, hosted by **NAGT**

04/24/10 — **GLR Seminar** "River of Threads". Fort Wayne, IN at the Grand Wayne Center.

NAGT 34th Annual Needlework Show

The NAGT 34th Annual Needlework Exhibit will be at Sanger Library Friday Sept. 25 from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Saturday, Sept. 26 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Registration and drop off is Wed. Sept. 23 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM.

I hope everyone is finishing lots of pieces to enter in the show. It is really most helpful for our faithful registrar if you enter early and even better if you enter on line. You can give Su your entry forms at our regular meeting on Sept. 9.

A gift certificate has been donated specifically for the under 18 category, so if you know any young person who stitches, please encourage them to enter the show.

In addition to lots of entries to make our show spectacular, lots of help is needed to make the show run smoothly. Please sign-up at the meeting: many volunteer positions are still available.

Sue Wiemer, Show Chairman

Announcements

Stitch-In

Stitch-In meetings are held every Thursday from 11am–5pm. The third Thursday of the month we are at Something Extra. Other Thursdays we meet at a member's home.

Evening Stitch-In is the second Tuesday of the month from 5 pm - 9 pm.

Locations change weekly. Call Katherine Thompson at 419-385-0081 or e-mail Diane Myers at jrmyers@roadrunner.com for the next meeting place.

Our first Fifth Saturday Stitch-In on August 29 was a success but it will not be continued. Those in attendance have decided to have a Saturday stitch-in EVERY month on the last Saturday of the month. That means mark your calendar for October 31. The last Saturday of September is our show at the Sanger Branch Library and hopefully many of you will be there working on your current project and talking with anyone showing interest. The Last Saturday Stitch-In will continue to meet at the Way Library in Perrysburg for now. The library opens at 9 AM and we meet in the magazine area which is to the right after you pass the check out counter in the entry. There is natural light through the windows. There are plenty of tables and chairs and upholstered armchairs so you can get comfortable. There is a pop machine in this area. Some worked on their Heart of Shenandoah crewel project with guidance from Irene Leonard and others worked on their individual projects. This is an opportunity for those unable to make the daytime Thursday stitch-ins to get together with other members. And it is another opportunity for the Thursday regulars to get together again. It is impossible to spend too much time stitching with friends! *Submitted by Diane Myers.*

Lucas County Fair

Congratulations to our members who entered and won ribbons at the Lucas County Fair. They are Marilyn Freeman, Sue Hojnacki, Jennie Kronberg and Diane Myers. Showing our work at any of the county fairs is a great way to promote needlework. Many thanks to everyone who spent time demonstrating needlework during the fair and to Caren Scarbrough, Christine Hampshire and Su Pellitieri for judging. It took 6 hours to judge everything and we had help from David Hampshire and Tom Pellitieri to locate and retrieve items - thanks guys!

Get It Finished!

Don't Forget to bring in your projects to the September meeting!

Announcements and Snippets

A Garage Sale

Nature's Nursery is having a giant garage sale on Thursday, September 24 through Saturday September 26. This is your big chance to get rid of all that junk in the attic and the basement! Drop off is at the Lucas County Fairgrounds, the building W-A-Y down at the end closest to the Anthony Wayne Trail. The drop dates are Monday September 21 and Tuesday September 22 from 10 am - 7 pm and Wednesday September 23 from 10 am till 4 pm. Hope you have some junk you can donate! Just pull right up to the building the volunteers will come out and unload for you. Thanks a bunch! *Submitted by Katherine Thompson.*

Beautiful Projects Displayed

At the Thursday stitch-in a few weeks ago several people had finished projects to share. They were all so beautiful that I just had to share them with everyone. *Submitted by Diane Myers (all photos by Diane Myers).*



This beautiful little sewing companion was made by Carol Yonov. She took a class with Jackie duPlessis on the finishing so she had to have all of the stitching done when she arrived at the class! Carol said this is the first project she has completed in years. It was well worth the effort and she should be proud of this lovely piece.



This sampler was stitched by Ann Rorarius. It's titled "SIDE BY SIDE BAND SAMPLERS OF CIRCA 1650 from the Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge, England". It was copyrighted by The Scarlet Letter in 1992. This was a major undertaking but she is nearly finished. The colors are beautiful and so typical of Ann, it was difficult to tell the front from the back!

Education Report

FALL SEMINAR: 14 members will be participating in the Fall Seminar on November 7th at the 577 Foundation in Perrysburg, OH. Stitcher's are reminded to bring your "usual" stitching equipment including light and magnification. A potluck lunch is being planned (not only do we have good stitcher's in this group but also good cooks!)

HEART OF SHENANDOAH: A number of members are going to work on this project at Stitch-In's. If you cannot not attend a stitch-in and need help, please see me at the September meeting.

LOOKING TOWARDS 2010: I would like the membership to think about a group project and/or a technique that they would like to explore in the new year! *Submitted by Irene Leonard.*



This is the armchair set made by Karlyn Thompson. Karlyn did this as a program at our regular guild meeting. She gave us all guidance on size and shape and showed how she took various designs and instructions from different sources and came up with her individualized piece. Her stitching is exquisite and she included a biscornu, a needlecase and a scissors case in this set.

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Indiana State Day

Our committee for Indiana State Day has done such a fabulous job that we no longer require additional time for our scheduled preparations. And we are thrilled!! We've decided to extend the registration deadline by two weeks to September 15th. Please pass along this information to your guild members and let them know we have a great day planned and look forward to meeting all of you.

Thanking you in advance, Sue Hanson and Mel McCormick -- Chairpersons / Indiana State Day 2009

More details and contact info are to be found on the Calendar of Events.

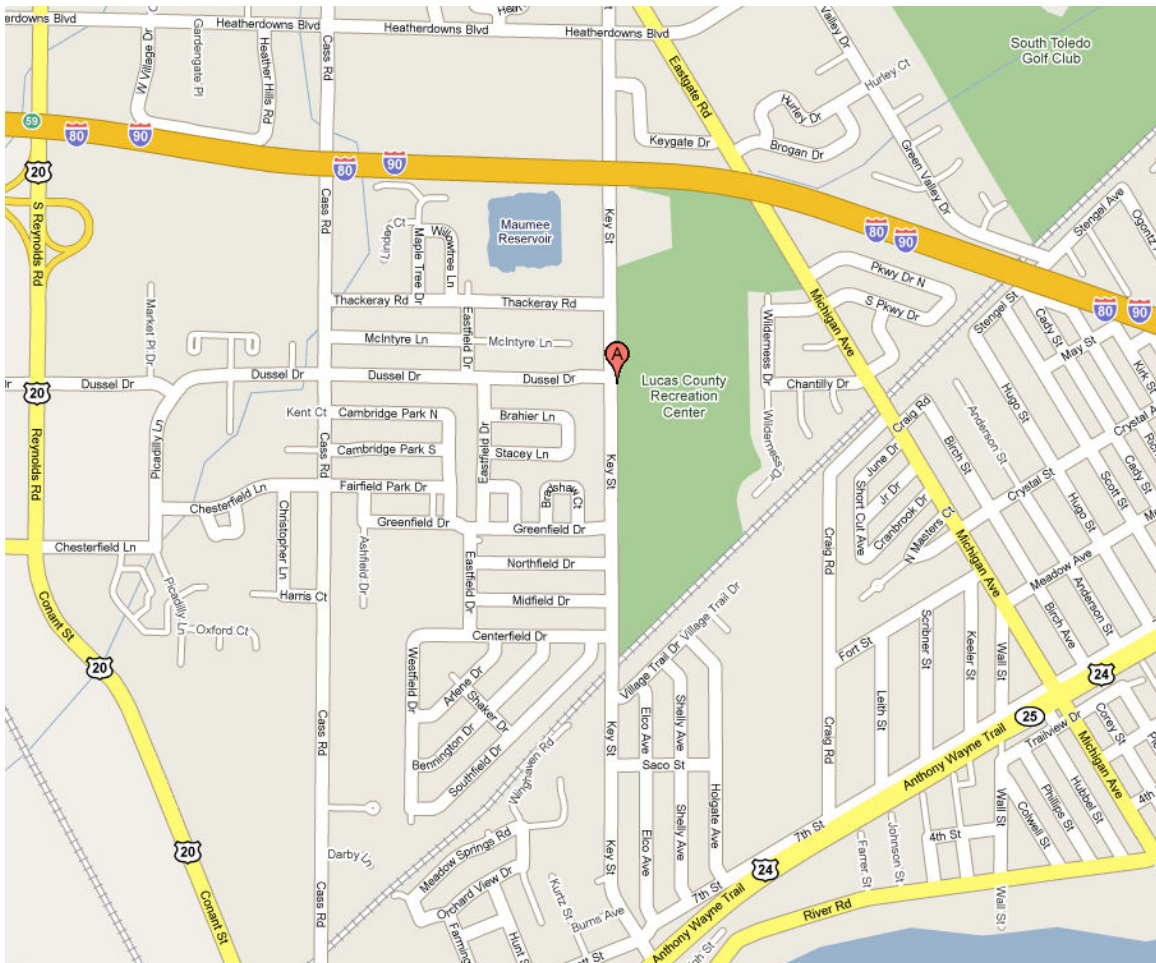


The front and back of the Indiana State Day Project, "Web in an Autumn Garden." Photos courtesy of INStateDay2009.blogspot.com

Farmington Hills Fall Auction

Farmington Hills Chapter, EGA, is hosting its fall needlework event Wednesday, November 4. As in our many past events, the auction will feature our members' hand-stitched needlework. Based on past experience, guests can expect to find framed decorative pieces, clothing, personal treasures, and holiday gifts and ornaments. Our garage sale will be stocked with charts, fibers, books, fabric, canvas, kits and other quality, stitching-related goodies that our members have culled from their stashes. The auction is 10am – 2pm, Wednesday, November 4th, at Faith Covenant Church (SW corner of 14 Mile and Drake), Farmington Hills. There is ample free parking. Our own Donna Doerr will be our auctioneer. Even better, reservations and tickets are no longer necessary and the admission is free. We will be offering complementary refreshments instead of a luncheon. (You could think of the event as a strolling hors d'oeuvres buffet with great stitching thrown in!) AND, YOU'RE INVITED! We invite your chapter and its friends to attend our event. We would appreciate your notifying your members so they may save this date.

Joanne Cantoni, Event publicity co-chair, (248) 932-5370, joanne7925@att.net



This is the location for our meeting on September 9th. The 4-H building in the Lucas County Recreation Center. Our October, November and December meetings are still scheduled for the church (map located on next page).

Map provided by Google Maps.

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Dues - Local chapter

- Bimonthly NAGT chapter newsletter
- Chapter meetings and programs
- Local chapter lending library
- Group correspondence course (additional fee required)

Dues - Great Lakes Region (GLR)

- GLR seminar (additional fee required)

Dues - The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc. (EGA)

- Subscription to quarterly magazine, Needle Arts
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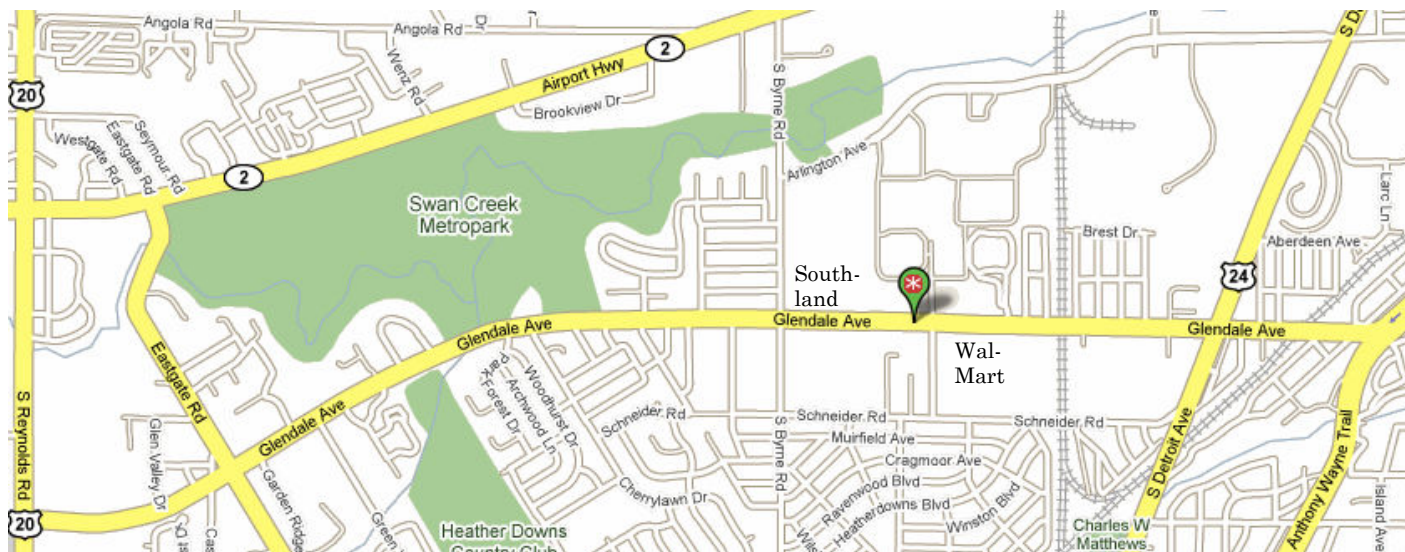
Members can attend optional local Chapter workshops presented by teachers contracted by the Chapter and paid for by workshop participants.

MEETINGS are the third Wednesday of every month starting at 6:30 p.m. in the First Unitarian Church, 3205 Glendale Ave., Toledo, OH 43614 (see map below).

GUESTS are welcome at all meetings and may attend two meetings before being asked to join.

NAME TAGS must be worn at all meetings or pay a 25¢ fine. The fines collected go to general funds to help cover expenses.

MEETING CANCELLATION: Monthly meetings are cancelled due to bad weather if the Toledo Public schools are closed. Tune into AM 1370 News radio in Toledo for school closings.



Meetings will be at the First Unitarian Church, located at 3205 Glendale Ave., Toledo, OH 43614. It is across the street from the entrance to the University of Toledo Medical College (MCO)/Hilton, between the Wal-Mart plaza and another church next door. The Southland Shopping Plaza is at the corner of Byrne and Glendale. *Map provided by Google Maps.*

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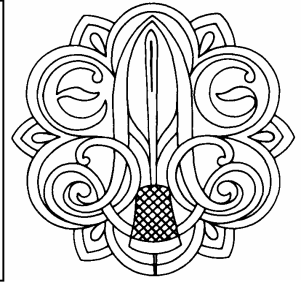
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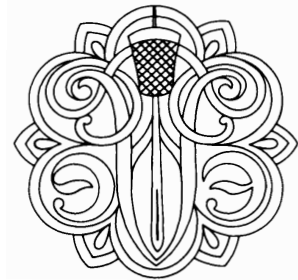


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- Teach the embroidery arts; and
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