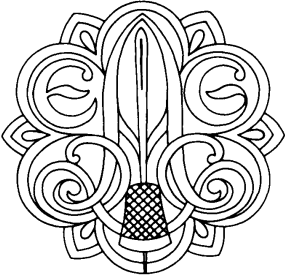




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Program Schedule

Here is a tentative schedule for the exciting new programs that will be featured this year. **Meetings will start at 6:30 p.m. at the Maumee Senior Center.** A map is located at the back of the newsletter. Please look for a sign up list for the refreshments and opportunity drawing baskets.

Date	Program	Refreshments	Opportunity
March 12	Beaded Bracelet lead by Christine Hampshire; <i>Get It Finished</i> entries	Karlyn Thompson	Irene Leonard
April 9	We will start the pre-work for the Catherine Jordan trees project. You can watch the technique even if you are not taking the class. Lead by Caren Scarbrough.	Jenny Kronberg	Karlyn Thompson
May 14	We will continue the Needle Painting lessons with Irene Leonard. She will also talk about the crewel project and Deerfield Embroidery.	Christine Hampshire	To Be Determined
June 11	Annual Potluck; <i>Get It Finished</i> entries; Secret Stitchers	Potluck	Annette Meyer Tolles

From The President's Desk

Is anyone else ready for spring? I certainly am! Before long, the ever present snow will be melting, and warm spring breezes will bring green grass and flowers back to life! Meanwhile, I suspect you've all been stitching while you've been snuggled up warm at home.

I hope you are all looking forward to the beaded bracelet that our Beading Master Craftsman, Christine Hampshire, will be teaching in March. Later this spring we will begin the prework for the Catherine Jordan class. In the meantime, if you took the Herbarium piece taught by Carol Lynn Stratton and need some encouragement to finish the piece, consider joining the workshop at Diane Myers' home on March 8.

Hang in there. It has to warm up eventually!

Annette Meyer Tolles

Annual Needlework Show—Save The Dates

The 39th Annual Needlework Show will be September 19th through the 20th at the Toledo-Lucas County Public Library, Sanger Branch. Item drop-off will be September 17th and Judging will be on September 18th. Volunteers and Needlework needed for this event! I am pleased to announce that the Judge for the 2014 Needle Arts Show is **Ann Strite-Kurz**. Ann was thrilled with the invitation and is up for the "challenge" of our show. *Submitted by Irene Leonard.*

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 (www.egausa.org) or GLR (www.ega-GLR.org) websites.

Dates	Event Information
04/13/14 — 04/17/14	GLR Seminar - "A Grand Time for Stitching" Hosted by: Greater Grand Rapids Chapter. Location: Amway Grand Hotel, Grand Rapids, MI.
08/08/14 — 08/10/14	Columbus Summer Party 2014 - "Ladybug, Ladybug, Stitch Away Home" will be held in Columbus, Ohio. Contact Debbie Maher 740-747-2395. Visit the GLR website for links to more information and registration.
09/20/14	GLR Fall Meeting - The meeting will be held at the Indianapolis Marriot East, 7202 E. 21st St, Indianapolis, IN 46219.
10/18/14 — 10/24/14	EGA Seminar - "Dreams and Legends" Hosted by the Pacific Southwest Region. Location: Phoenix, AZ. Visit the EGA website for more information.

View details of the projects and events in the Calendar at www.ega-GLR.org or www.egausa.org
Follow links on these pages as needed to locate registration forms and visit chapter websites to view color photos.

Stitch-In

The first Thursday of the month we meet at Timeless Stitches in Tecumseh starting around 11:30am, winter weather permitting. On the third Thursday of the month, we meet at Something Extra 2214 Tedrow in Toledo. The shop opens at noon. The fourth Thursday of the month we meet at Yarn Envy, 4570 Sterns Road. Other weeks, the locations change. Call Katherine Thompson or email Diane Myers for more information.

Visit NAGT online at
<http://www.needle-arts-toledo.org>

For the Newsletter, visit
<http://www.needle-arts-toledo.org/private/news.htm>

Announcements and Snippets

Program and Education Notes

March: Prior to the meeting, please review the instructions for the beaded bracelet, "Links to..." by Karla Gee, you received as part of your subscription to EGA's Designers Across America Series. Bring your questions to the meeting. I will be providing supplemental notes which may or may not answer your questions. If at all possible, work steps one through seven as diagramed on pages three and four of the instructions. You can use practice beads if you like. I will demonstrate a method of continuing the rectangle so that you do not have to join two sections. Using this method you will only have two thread tails to work into each rectangle instead of four. If you have your practice piece with you, you can follow along with me. As I stated at the February meeting, if you are unable to find the small 15° Miyuki seed beads in your color choice, do not worry, my notes will give you an alternative layout using the Delicas. *Submitted by Christine Hampshire.*

Needle-painting Project: I still have 4 pieces of fabric left and a handout for this project. This is an ongoing project that we will be working on and discussing throughout the year. The cost of this project is a donation to the guild. Please see me at the March meeting if you need fabric. *Submitted by Irene Leonard.*

NAGT Spring Seminar: Details of the Catherine Jordan classes, "A Dyeing Day", Saturday, May 24, 2014 and "Contemporary Drawn Thread Trees" on Sunday, May 25, 2014 can be found in our two previous newsletters. **The cut-off date for signing up for the Catherine Jordan classes is March 31.** You may take both classes or either one alone. Catherine will send the kits for the pre-work in April. She says it will take 4-8 hours depending on how comfortable the stitcher is with cutting and withdrawing threads. *Submitted by Caren Scarbrough.*

International Traveling Teacher: I think it is almost unanimous that we participate in the International Teacher Tour this fall. The teachers and projects are excellent. We had a "primary" election at the February meeting to vote on the projects we most wanted to take. A biography of each teacher and the available projects is on the EGA website.

The leaders are currently Tanja Berlin and the four goldwork pieces. Each student can pick the one they want to do. Allison Cole and the Rambling Clematis, and Jane Nicholas with Crocus, Clover and Jewel Beetle.

In March we will vote again. Those listed are just the top 3, we will have some other choices from each teacher. *Submitted by Caren Scarbrough.*

Announcements and Snippets

Welcome New Members

Susan Schooner became a new member of EGA and member of our guild at the December meeting. You may remember her name from our annual show at Sanger Library. She received a first place ribbon in the Counted Thread category for her English Garden Sampler. Susan also was the recipient of our new ribbon for First Time Entrant. She is a big fan of designer Teresa Wentzler.

We also welcome Allene Hooper, Jean Ferguson, and Betty Przepiora. They are plural members with primary membership in the guild with Beth Thompson. Another new member is Jane Ellen Balzuweit. You know Jane Ellen as a teacher at our Ohio State Day class. Or maybe you were fortunate enough to take her class a few years back when Caren Scarbrough was high bidder on a Jane Ellen class at the EGA auction. Or maybe you have taken her pulled work classes at regional or national seminars or with the Shining Needle Society. We welcome all of these new members and look forward to meeting them. *Submitted by Diane Myers.*

Membership Dues

Membership dues are coming up. The cost this year is \$52, same as 2013. The breakdown is: EGA (national) \$39, GLR (regional) \$3 and NAGT (chapter) \$10. You will continue to receive the Needle Arts magazine quarterly and enjoy the benefits of membership in our active guild along with opportunities for seminars and classes. Checks made out to NAGT for \$52 can be given to Diane Myers at the April or May meeting or received through the mail by May 27 to Diane Myers, 22045 W. River Rd., Grand Rapids, OH 43522. If you are a plural member outside of the Great Lakes Region your dues are \$13 and if you are a plural member within the region your dues are \$10. These are also due by May 27. *Submitted by Diane Myers.*



Photo by S. Pellitieri

Herbarium Sheet Workshop

Did you take the Herbarium Sheet class with Carol Lynn Stratton last spring? Did you take the project home and put it away and forget about it? Or did you do the blackwork and get stuck on the Hardanger? Did you do all of the stitching and now aren't sure how to cut out or attach the blanket stitch pieces? Or are you ready to color the leaves? On Saturday, March 8, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. you are invited to Diane Myers' house for a workshop to help you through the next step on your project. We'll help each other. There will be places for you to work on stitching or coloring or putting it together. If you have finished your piece, please bring it and give some helpful hints to those of us still trying to finish. (I would love to have this finished before I take the spring classes with Catherine Jordan.) If you have finished the stitching and need to put it all together, you can do that here, too. My address is 22045 W. River Road (State Route 65), Grand Rapids, Ohio. Carpool, if you can. With all of the snow piled up around my driveway, parking is more limited than usual. *Submitted by Diane Myers.*

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Recipe Tip

To bakers who use cake mixes: You probably have noticed your groceries are shrinking in size while the price stays the same or gets bigger. Old recipes that used 18.25 ounce cake mixes may get thrown off by the new 15.25 ounce packages. The following is a recipe fix from The Blade newspaper column "Coupon Queen" by Jill Cataldo. It is to "upsizer" the smaller cake mixes to the 18.25 ounce size. Keep a batch of this in a jar and use when needed. *Submitted by Ann Rorarius.*

Three-Ounce Cake Mix "Upsizer"

1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
1 cup sugar
2 tsp. baking powder
1/4 tsp. baking soda

Add 3 ounces (6 tablespoons) to your mix to raise a 15.25 oz. mix to a 18.25 oz mix in your favorite recipe instead of trying to rework the proportions to the smaller box size. For more information and other tips, visit jillcataldo.com.

Get It Finished!

Don't forget to bring in your projects to the March meeting!

Outreach Project

An enormous thank you to everyone who participated in the Kissing Pillow Project. On Saturday, February 1st, at the Perrysburg Holiday Inn French Quarter, 826 completed Kissing Pillows were presented for distribution at the Yellow Ribbon Event for the 304th Engineer Company. I was invited to explain their purpose to the assembly. After my presentation, both the guild and Christ Dunberger American Legion Auxiliary Unit 537 (our partner in this project) were presented with certificates of appreciation which state in part "Your contributions were invaluable to our Soldiers and their family members." *Submitted by Christine Hampshire.*

During breaks and after the event, the soldiers and their family members selected pillows. NAGT members Annette Tolles, Barbara Hoyer and Katherine Thompson along with Auxiliary President Jodie McAvoy and Chaplain Barbara Cech assisted me in helping the families with selection and offered further explanation where needed. As not every service and family member was able to be present on Saturday, the remainder of the pillows along with a copy of my explanation were left in the care of Captain Timothy Welbaum to be read at duplicate events and available for selection again on February 2nd in Perrysburg for the 304th and on the 8th and 9th in Southern Ohio for the 961st Engineer Company. Both Companies are part of the 416th Theater Engineer Command (TEC). These fine young men and women will be serving shortly in Kuwait and Afghanistan. Please keep them in your prayers.

For this year's outreach project we are making bookmarks to be presented to Sanger Library at the time of our annual show in September. As such, your finished bookmarks needs to be turned in at the September NAGT meeting. This is a great opportunity to use stash items and your favorite technique to create a bookmark. Use any craft form you like and make it in any size. Have no idea what to make, check out these free patterns:

- <http://worldaccordingtoagi.blogspot.com/2011/04/two-cross-stitch-bookmark-patterns.html>
- <http://www.rucniprace.cz/free-cross-stitch/bookmarks-cross-stitch.php>
- <http://crossstitch.about.com/od/specialtystitchpatterns/ig/Band-Sampler-Bookmark-Chart/>
- <http://www.toyknittingpatterns.com/products/all-patterns/free-bookmark-patterns/>



Helping Soldiers select Kissing pillows. *Photo by David Hampshire.*



Left to right: Katherine Thompson, Barbara Hoyer, Annette Tolles, Cpt. Timothy Welbaum, Auxiliary President Jodie McAvoy, Christine Hampshire. *Photo by David Hampshire.*



Library Showcase

This year our display at the Sanger Library will be during the month of July and feature a patriotic theme. Please bring small to mid-sized items for the display to the June meeting.



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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
- Individual correspondence courses for a fee
- National seminars for a fee

Members can attend optional local Chapter workshops presented by teachers contracted by the Chapter and paid for by workshop participants.

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.

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.

MEETINGS are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm in the Maumee Senior Center, 2430 Detroit Ave., Maumee OH 43537. The Google Map below labels Rte. 25/24 as S. Detroit Ave. south of the Ohio Turnpike, but it really is Anthony Wayne Trail.

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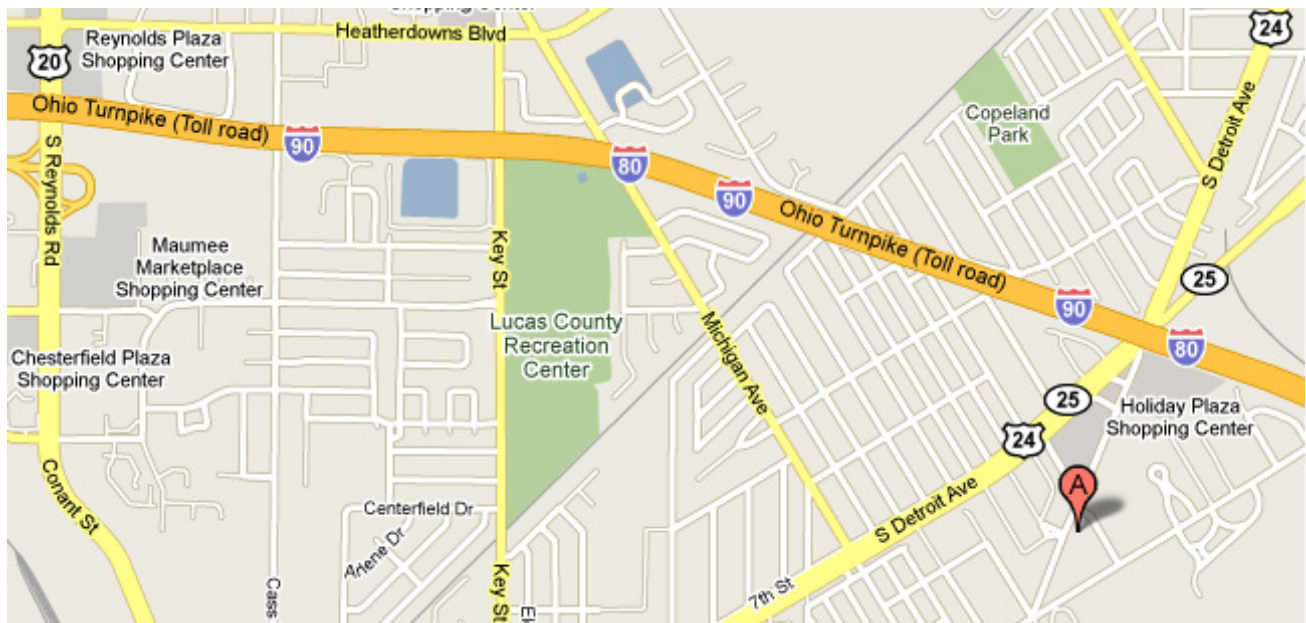
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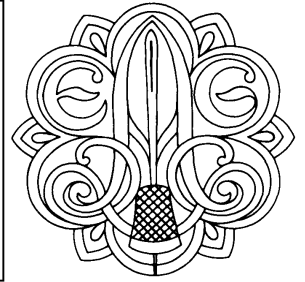
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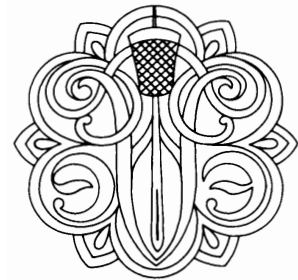


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