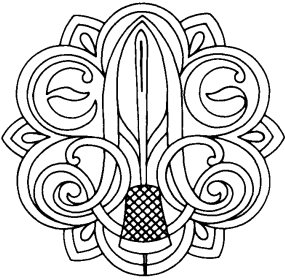




Needle Arts Guild of Toledo
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Program Schedule

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
Jan. 13	Shadow work, led by Nancy Wright	Nancy Wright	Christine Hampshire
Feb. 10	A Bento Bag, led by Irene Leonard	Irene Leonard	Irene Leonard
Mar. 9	Crown Head Tassels, led by Diane Myers	Lee McLaird	Diane Myers

From The President's Desk

Happy New Year!
 Thanks to Kathy Falgout for her leadership as President of the guild since May 2014. Nothing like going from the frying pan to the fire and coming out willing to continue volunteering her time and talents. Kathy, we truly appreciate your dedication to NAGT!

Your new officers and board members are ready to make 2016 a great year for everyone. Because some folks offered to serve as officers, we have some vacancies on the Board. Caren Scarbrough will be serving as Vice President, so the Program/Education Chair position is open. Christine Hampshire is our new Treasurer, so the Outreach Committee needs a new leader too. Donna Cairns, who has been doing outreach by shipping needlework kits to Veterans/their families in Texas for many years, has volunteered to chair our Annual Needle Arts Show in 2017, so she will be learning quite a bit this year as she shadows the Committee of members who will guide us in 2016.

We are two members stronger as a result of the 577 Foundation classes. Kudos to Maria Nowicki and her team of teachers and helpers who worked to keep the art of embroidery alive in our community. I believe will see more of this in 2016.

Now grab your hat and get ready for a year packed with enthusiasm, interesting classes in the needle arts, and new/ongoing friendships as we begin another year in the Needle Arts Guild of Toledo.

Keep on stitching!
Marianne Mussett

Winter Weather Reminder

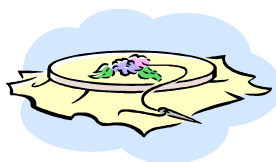
NAGT policy is to cancel our monthly meeting whenever the Toledo Public Schools cancel classes due to bad weather (even if conditions improve by evening).

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)

Dates	Event Information
02/06/16	Stitch in Public Day - Sponsored by EGA. Local chapters may schedule specific events.
04/24/16 – 04/28/16	GLR Seminar - " <i>Birds of a Feather Stitch Together</i> " Hosted by the Great Lakes Region. Location: Cuyahoga Falls, OH.
09/23/16 – 09/24/16	NAGT - 41st Annual Needlework Show at the Sanger Branch of the Toledo Lucas County Library, Toledo, OH.
05/06/17 – 05/10/17	GLR Seminar - " <i>Sweet Stitch Chicago</i> " Hosted by the Windy City Chapter. Location: Chicago, IL
08/16/17 – 08/20/17	EGA Seminar - " <i>Blue Ridge Rendezvous</i> " The 2017 Seminar will be held in Asheville, NC.

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.



GLR Seminar 2016, **Bird of a Feather Stitch Together**, will be held April 24-28, 2016 at the Sheraton Suites in Cuyahoga Falls, OH. The seminar is really close and you should take advantage of a great group of classes!

You may check <http://www.ega-org/seminar16> for details. Click on each class picture on the website to view the projects as some have alternate color choices. Diane Myers may still have some booklets at the next meeting which give all of the cost information, registration form, (although you can also sign up online), and class information. Late registration continues until February 1, 2016 with an additional \$50 fee.

As of this writing, there are 125 participants for the seminar, seven of them NAGT members.

Announcements and Snippets

Program and Education Notes

January: Nancy Wright will demonstrate shadow work.

February: Happy Stitching New Year to Everyone. At the February meeting I will be talking about Bento Bags and how to make them. These bags are great for carrying and holding our stitching tools. I will also share some ideas on making other accessories to carry your stitching tools, supplies and projects. No supplies needed, just listening ears!! *Submitted by Irene Leonard*

March: The March program will be Crown Knot Tassels. You will need to bring three full skeins of perle cotton or three full skeins of DMC cotton floss. This was taught as an evening class at the EGA Seminar in San Antonio this year. The instructions were by Sandy Crow and we were given permission to teach the class to our chapters. *Submitted by Diane Myers*

Caren is no longer Program Chair and the position is vacant. She already had several program ideas lined up and we need someone to coordinate them. Among the plans are to finish Alison Cole's Floral Tile and to start Jean Hilton's Puzzle piece. This is canvas work and is a good choice to use up leftover threads from other projects. Caren will also demonstrate one kind of machine embroidery using dissolvable fabric. She will base the lesson on the current *Designers Across America* project by Laura Smith. If you are interested in coordinating programs, please let Caren or Marianne know.

Annual Needlework Show

The dates for the next show are set for September 23-24, 2016. We have formed a committee to organize it this year with Caren Scarbrough acting as the leader. Donna Cairns will be chairman for the 2017 show and will be learning a lot this year. Six members of NAGT met to discuss ways to improve the show and several good ideas were put forth. We discussed new room layouts, new ribbons for the First Timers Award, Triathlon and Joyce Merrill Award, which we decided to rename the Legacy Award to honor all past members, as well as other topics like publicity. Members who attended were Nancy Wright, Diane Myers, Caren Scarbrough, Maria Nowicki, Su Pellitieri and Marianne Mussett. Caren wrote up more detailed minutes of the meeting and you can ask her for them or join us if you have any ideas on what you'd like to see in future shows.

Photo Gallery



Photo by D. Hampshire



Denise Waterfield was so pleased to win this year's wreath. *Photo by S. Pellitieri.*

Wreath ornaments made by Kathy Falgout, Christine Hampshire, Irene Leonard, Lee McLaird (2), Diane Myers, Maria Nowicki, Ann Roraius, Caren Scarbrough, Gretchen Schultz, Karlyn Thompson, Denise Waterfield (2), Sue Wiemer, and Helen Zeller .

2016 Ornament Suggestions: Elves, Ice Skates/Boots, Candy Canes, or Reindeer. As the person who has assembled our wreath for several years, Christine suggests that the ornaments be no larger than the palm of your hand. Look around for patterns and decide what you've like to stitch for next year and beyond considering previous themes (below), and we'll vote soon.

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Ornaments by Year

2001 Santa	2009 Trees
2002 Nutcrackers	2010 Nativity
2003 Angels	2011 Poinsettia
2004 Snowmen	2012 Toys
2005 Birds	2013 Wreath Leaves
2006 Dogs & Cats	2014 Mittens
2007 Snowflakes	2015 Christmas Balls
2008 Stockings	2016 ?????

Stitch-In

A Stitch-In is held every Thursday. The first Thursday of the month we meet at Timeless Stitches in Tecumseh starting around 11:30am, winter weather permitting. The fourth Thursday of the month we meet at Yarn Envy, 4570 Sterns Road. Other weeks, the locations change. Call or email Diane Myers for more information.

Photo Gallery



Helen Zeller, Nancy Wright and Irene Leonard showing off their ornaments from the Ornament Exchange.



Photo by D. Myers



Some of the many *Get It Finished* items.



Kathy Falgout installing new officers Caren Scarbrough, Marianne Mussett and Christine Hampshire.

Anna Kerlin has just taken the final stitches on this piece at the Christmas Week Stitch-in! The piece in her hands and the piece on her lap will be joined to make a stand up. Beautiful stitching!

We received a very nice Thank You letter from Beverly Conatser of the Department of Veterans Affairs for our recent donation of needlework kits.



Above: Caren Scarbrough and her many award-winning piece from the ANG seminar.



Below: Karlyn Thompson talks about her many *Get It Finished* pieces.



Hints and Tips: Here are some tips from our 2015 judge, Donna Halpin, and other exhibitors about ways to improve work especially for a show.

Twisted thread: Watch for twisted threads (like pearl cotton), un-twisting as you get to the end of a thread. Don't use too long a length. It can also mean not getting your threads parallel when laying multiple strands. There might be one thread crossed over another.

Creating a perfect shape: if you are using a recognizable shape like a heart or oval, turn it upside down before you stitch it. This will show you any errors, i.e., flattened side, uneven sides, etc.

With extra large pieces, you don't necessarily need a massive frame.

Be careful what you clean museum glass with, some products leave permanent marks or iridescence.

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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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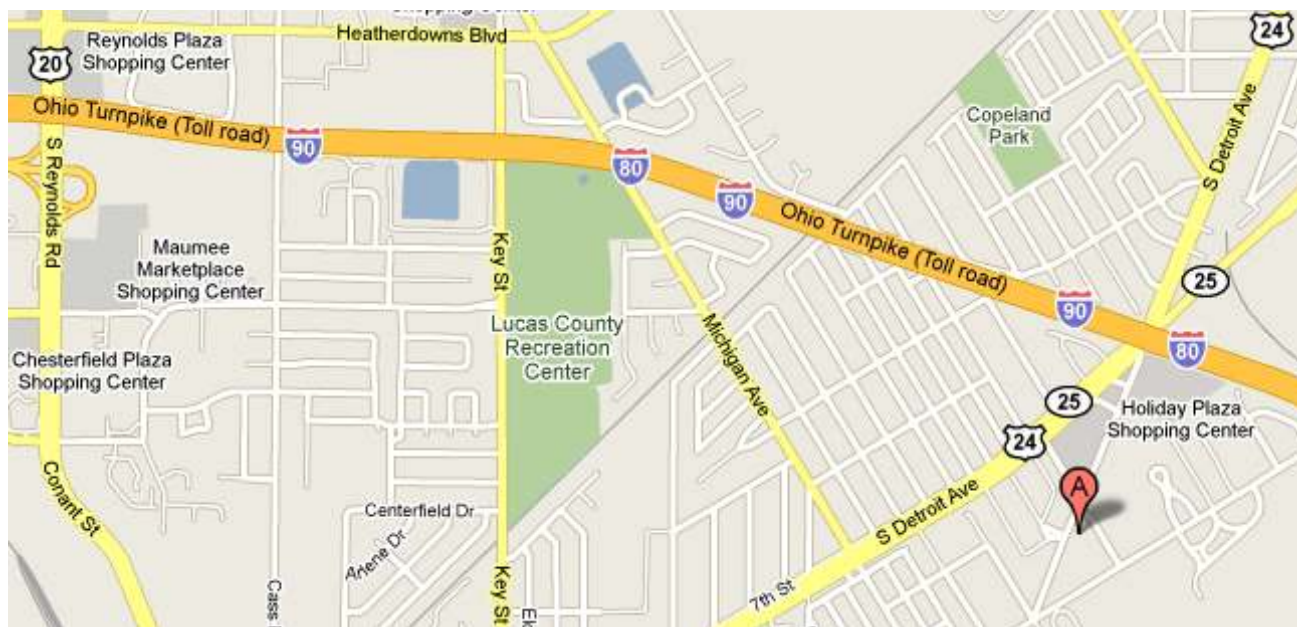
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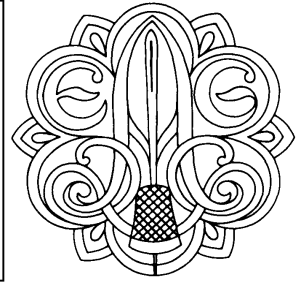
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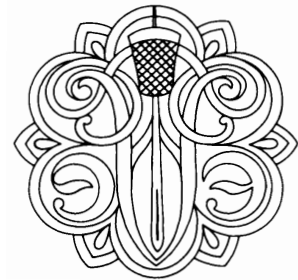


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- Teach the embroidery arts; and
- Preserve our national needle arts heritage.

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