

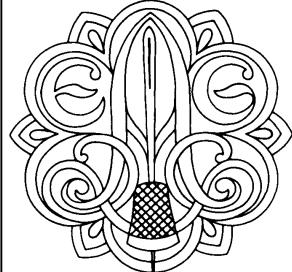


# Needle Arts Guild of Toledo

## Newsletter

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#### From The President's Desk

We had a very pleasant weekend of stitching August 26-27, but not exactly the weekend we had planned. On Friday we were notified that our teacher, Jane Nicholas, was called back to Australia immediately to be with her husband who had a severe heart attack. Our main concern was with Jane and we learned later that she made it back to Australia safely, but as of this writing we have not heard about her husband except that he was headed toward surgery.

An ad hoc committee of NAGT members was quickly formed and a plan of action was formulated to salvage the weekend. There were many emails and phone calls to keep all the students informed as to what was going on. We had the kits, the classroom and we all love to stitch so we decided to go ahead with an embellished stitch-in.

We muddled through the directions and despite some surprises, many of us should have some completed flowers very soon. We enjoyed stitching with friends, old and new. We had hard-to-find needles donated to everyone who needed them and donated time putting the packets together.

We spent part of our time assembling the materials. All international teachers have learned not to ship "kits" as U.S. Customs charges a different duty rate on kits than they do on art supplies.

Since this was a NAGT activity, we also had the choice of a catered lunch or we could bring our own lunch. Cold beverages and home made bakery items were brought to be enjoyed by all. We had glorious weather and a spectacular view of the Maumee River. As a former teacher of ours told me, we have the best classroom ever.

And 8 of our members had just attended the EGA National Seminar in Asheville.

-- Caren Scarbrough



#### Annual Needlework Show

The 42nd Annual Needle Arts Guild of Toledo show will be September 22-24, 2017 at the Sanger Branch library on Central Ave, in Toledo. Jane Ellen Balzuweit will be our judge on Thursday, Sept. 21. Drop off date is Wednesday, Sept. 20. The show is free and open to the public. I would like to encourage everyone in the chapter to enter at least one item. Show goers like to see everything from large multi-stitch samplers to exquisitely detailed ornaments. They also enjoy traditional needle art and contemporary interpretations where anything goes and everything in between. Register now either on-line or by mail to help our registrar with her work. Last minute registrations will be accepted on drop off day. Please use the quarter page flyers available on our website to give to your friends and encourage them to attend our show. Most of our new members come to us as friends, or friends of friends. This year we will feature the work of Connie Gonser, the longest continuous member of our chapter. Her pieces are amazing and her skill is evident in them. You will all want to see this addition to our show. Submitted by Caren Scarbrough, Show Chairman.

## Program Schedule

Here is the tentative schedule for the exciting new programs that will be featured this year. **Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m.**

Date	Program	Refreshments	Opportunity
Sept. 13	Stitch In: Bring something to stitch!!! Show and tell from the National Seminar; Show Preparation; <i>Get It Finished</i> ; Halloween Ornaments due.	Pat Ricker	Pat Ricker
Oct. 11	Temari Ball Part 1: Elizabeth Freeman will demonstrating wrapping your ball and discussing how to divide your ball for decorative stitching. Halloween Wreath drawing.	Marianne Mussett	Marianne Mussett
Nov. 8	Temari Ball Part 2: Elizabeth Freeman will be teaching stitch patterns to decorate your Temari Ball; <i>Stash Redistribution</i>	Sue Wiemer	Denise Waterfield
Dec. 13	Installation of Officers, Holiday Celebration; <i>Get It Finished</i>	Cookie Exchange	To Be Determined
Jan. 10	Happy New Stitching Year. "My Good Intentions Project" more information to follow.	To Be Determined	To Be Determined

## 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](http://www.egausa.org)) or GLR ([www.ega-glr.org](http://www.ega-glr.org))

### Dates      Event Information

- 09/22/17 – **NAGT Annual Needlework Show.** Sanger Branch of the Toledo-Lucas County Library.
- 09/24/17 – **GLR Seminar** in Madison, WI
- 04/18/18 – **GLR Seminar** in Dearborn, MI
- 04/22/18 – **EGA National Seminar** in Louisville, KY
- 10/03/18 – **EGN National Seminar** in Louisville, KY
- 10/07/18 – **GLR Seminar** in Dearborn, MI
- 04/05/19 – **GLR Seminar** in Dearborn, MI
- 04/09/19 – **GLR Seminar** in Dearborn, MI



### Annual Holiday Ornaments

Don't forget to bring in your Halloween ornaments to the September meeting!



### Get It Finished!

Don't forget to bring your projects to the September meeting!



### 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.

Welcome to our two **new members**, Gerry Stark of New York and Carola De Pascuale from Columbus. We met Gerry at the national seminar in Asheville. She is the mother-in-law of our own Amber Stark. Carola attended our stumpwork classes last weekend and she had such a nice time with us that she decided to join. So happy to have you both!

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## Announcements and Snippets

### Program and Education Notes

**On-Going Projects:** Members are always happy to help if you need advice. So please bring your pieces to the meetings so we can share in your progress.

**September:** Show and Tell from the EGA National Seminar. If anyone has a new stitching book or a new stitching gadget for needlework - please feel free to share with the group. Final preparation of our the show. *Get it Finished.* Halloween Ornaments are due!! The remainder of the evening will be a Stitch-in. Bring something to stitch and conversations are welcomed. This is a great opportunity to get help with any stitching dilemmas.

**October and November:** Elizabeth Freeman has designed a Temari Ball design for group. This is a two month project. The supply list for this program will be available at the September meeting.

**December:** Holiday Celebration and Installation of Officers. *Get It Finished.*

**January 10, 2018:** Happy New Stitching Year. Lets make some stitching resolutions. Maria Nowicki and/or Marianne Mussett will be hosting this program. Do you have a project that you started and NEVER finished or haven't looked at in 10 years?? We can call it "My Good Intention Project" and maybe finish it in 2018! Or is there a stitching technique you want to learn?? Why not make that your stitching resolution for the new year.

**Ambrosia Honey Project:** Part II is in the September 2017 edition of Needle Arts. If you are working on this project please share your progress with the group at the monthly meetings.

--Submitted by Irene Leonard.

**GCC Opportunities:** GLR facilitates classes by covering teaching fees (there is a \$10 surcharge for shipping). Registration deadline is November 1, 2017. There are three projects offered and info can be found on the EGA website.

EGA has also released two new Group Correspondence Classes: Snowflake Ball and Undulations II. There has been some interest in the Snowflake Ball so please check it out at the EGA website or at the next meeting.



### Annual Wreath Project

Ladies as you know, time is drawing close for you to turn in your Halloween ornament for this year's wreath drawing. Please turn them in at the September meeting so that it can be assembled in time for our annual needlework show. We will have the drawing at the October meeting. For next year, we have decided to do a patriotic theme. There are patriotic holidays in every month - so this wreath could be displayed all year. I did some research and stopped counting at 59 patriotic holidays. (I will bring a list to the meeting if anyone is interested.) So start thinking about what you are stitching as you have one year to get it done - what does patriotic mean to you? I will be interested to see the variety that you all come up with. The ornaments will be due in September of 2018 for the drawing in October. By keeping the due date in September, we can still display it at our annual show. *Submitted by Christine Hampshire.*

### Auction and Garage Sale of Needlework Items

Farmington Hills Chapter, The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc., is hosting a fall needlework silent auction and needlework-related garage sale on Wednesday, November 1st, 10am-1:30pm, at Faith Covenant Church, 35415 West 14 Mile Road (SW corner of Drake Road and 14 Mile Road), Farmington Hills.

The auction will include members' hand-stitched items in many techniques. The garage sale will have treasures from members' stashes: kits, fabric, painted canvas, fibers, books, magazines, and stitching-related items - more than 50 boxes worth!

This event includes free admission, free refreshments, silent auction (10-11:30am), and plenty of time to browse for stitching bargains (10-1:30). Reservations not needed. We hope to see you and your friends there! Questions? Contact Joanne Cantoni, 248-932-5370, joanne7925@att.net.

### WANTED:

Ideas and Suggestions for future programs!!

Please contact Irene Leonard with ideas!!

## Announcements and Snippets

### Days for Girls - Outreach Project

I am a proud member of the Needle Arts Guild of Toledo and Zonta Club of Toledo. Over the last six months the Zonta Club of Toledo and the other 16 clubs in District 5 of Zonta International have all been involved with making the "sustainable feminine hygiene products" for girls in underdeveloped countries that are sponsored by Days for Girls <https://www.daysforgirls.org/>

Sewing skills are necessary, as are pinning patterns, cutting fabric, etc. We took on the challenge of making 50 kits, but quickly realized we would need help finishing even 15 kits. Here is where NAGT became involved. I asked if my guild could help us by providing some of the labor portion of the project. Knowing these kits will help girls continue their education led to a very positive response from the guild members. We had two members sew the 15 drawstring bags for us in less than a week! My Zonta club had a work Saturday recently where 10 members shared the duties of ironing, cutting, and sewing to make the shields and as many liners as we could stitch that day. We completed 30 shields and 70 of the 120 liners we need for the kits. A few of us are finishing up the remaining liners at home.

The education of girls and women is important to both NAGT and to Zonta, so we make a good team in this effort! Thank you all for your enthusiasm for this program. I will follow up with Zonta Club of Toledo to see when we might begin working on the remaining kits. Keep your sewing machines at the ready! *Submitted by Marianne Mussett.*



## Photo Gallery - Stumpwork Class



We had a great time at last weekend's (Aug. 26-27) classes even though we weren't able to have Jane Nicholas teach. Caren stepped in and did a fine job giving us instruction, helpful tips, and lots of encouragement. As always, the view from the classroom was stunning and the weather was perfect for an outdoor lunch. Above are several class pictures and Caren's Heartsease Pansy. *Submitted with photos by Diane Myers.*

## Photo Gallery - EGA National Seminar



Home sweet home! Hard to imagine actually living here!  
*Photo by Diane Myers.*



Sue Wiemer and Irene Leonard touring the Biltmore in Asheville. *Photo by Diane Myers.*



Pictures from Opening Banquet. *Photos by Maria Nowicki.*



Diane Myers and Nancy Wright with Whitework instructor Terri Bay at EGA National in Asheville. *Photo by Diane Myers.*



Dessert at the closing banquet. Yes that is a cup made of chocolate filled with berries and a sweet creamy sauce on top.  
*Photo by Diane Myers.*

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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 Epilepsy Center of NW Ohio, 1701 Holland Rd., Maumee, OH, 43537.

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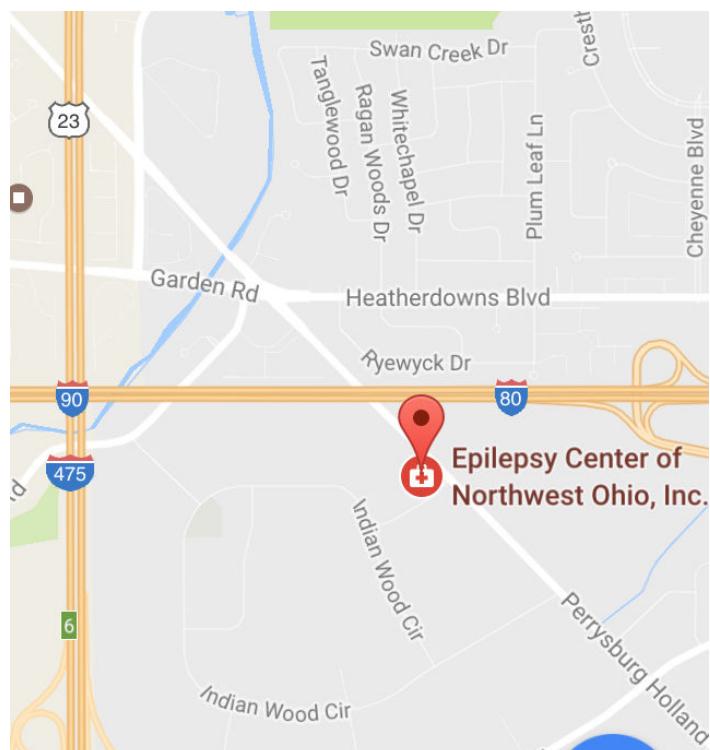
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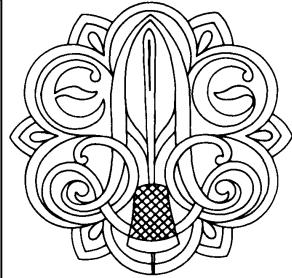


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- Foster high standards of design, color, and workmanship in embroidery;
- Teach the embroidery arts; and
- Preserve our national needle arts heritage.

The Guild serves its approximately 20,500 members through a network of over 300 chapters which are grouped into thirteen geographical regions. Find them on the Web at <http://www.egausa.org>

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