

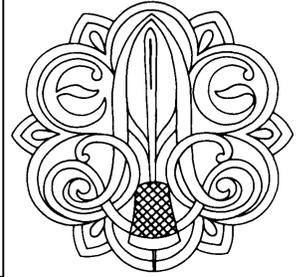


Needle Arts Guild of Toledo

Newsletter

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From The President's Desk

I wonder if we could stitch designs on a raincoat? It seems as though every other day is full of rain, while the next day is beautiful and sunny—even if the lawn is still soggy. It reminds me of a T-shirt I bought on a trip to Ireland a few years ago. We had a book conference to attend, so we had added a week to our stay for some travel. It rained. A lot. I found a T-shirt illustrating “The Seasons of Ireland”: four little sheep holding umbrellas in the pouring rain. My favorite is the summer one, wearing sunglasses with his rain gear. Several people have suggested that I change “Ireland” to “Ohio” on the shirt. I've been thinking about it.

Our stitching-in-a-hoop program drew quite a number of offerings at our last meeting, many them spectacular. I know it allowed a number of us to try out different techniques and consider creating our own designs. Maybe this will give some of us the confidence to adapt commercial work with some ideas of our own—or—continue to see where experiments will take us with our own designs. If you're not ready with something original for this year's show, start planning for next year's.

We've been gathering some new members recently. We've taken the opportunity to reach out when we've heard about beginning stitching lessons, and have offered some workshops, too. Please consider bringing a friend who stitches to one of our meetings. This is a great way for them to meet new people who are also fascinated by stitching and want to learn new techniques. I seem to remember that I attended as a guest for about three meetings before I joined formally, so don't be afraid to keep encouraging your friends.

There's always something new to learn.

-- Lee McLaird

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 - Program Leader	Refreshments
July 10	More Creating Amazing Things from Everyday and Found Things presented by Lois Wetherill	Maria Nowicki
Aug 14	Let's Get Tatting (Part 1) presented by Marilyn Levinson, Lee McLaird, and Denise Duda; <i>Stash Redistribution</i>	Gretchen Schultz
Sep 11	Let's Get Tatting (Part 2) presented by Marilyn Levinson, Lee McLaird, and Denise Duda; <i>Get It Finished!</i>	Donna Cairns
Oct 9	Pulled Work presented by Ann Rorarius	Lee McLaird
Nov 13	The Journey to Royal School of Needlework Certification presented by Carol Ann Woidke; <i>Stash Redistribution</i>	Sue Wiemer
Dec 11	Bring in your Tea Cup Challenge Piece! Holiday Celebration, Installation of Officers; <i>Get It Finished!</i>	Cookie Exchange

Please remember to share ideas for programs you would like to see presented or that you would like to present. Volunteers always appreciated! Email me at nohiorn@aol.com with suggestions. *Maria Nowicki*

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
07/19/19	Lecture: <i>Seven Symmetries</i> by Diane Hermann, 7 p.m. Location: Hosanna Lutheran Church in Grand Rapids, Ohio.
07/20/19	<i>Ohio State Day</i> hosted by NAGT . Project: <i>Walking the Water's Edge</i> taught by Diane Hermann. Location: Grand Rapids Township Fire Station in Grand Rapids, Ohio.
09/20/19 – 09/22/19	NAGT Annual Needlework Show . Sanger Branch of the Toledo-Lucas County Library.
10/05/19	NAGT Fall Program - Summer's End taught by Debbie Mitek. Details in this newsletter.

Kaleidoscope Quilt Show

7060 W. Sylvania Ave. (Tam O'Shanter)
July 12 10 AM – 5 PM
and
July 13 10 AM – 4 PM

Seasonal Smalls

Don't forget to bring your completed autumn themed small pieces for our opportunity basket to the September meeting.

Stash Redistribution - August
Get It Finished! - September

Birthdays

July - Maria Nowicki, Caren Scarbrough, Nancy Wright, Lee McLaird

August - Julia Stange, Anna Kerlin, Diane Myers, Helen Zeller

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. The last Saturday of the month we stitch at Way Public Library in Perrysburg beginning around 1:00 pm on the Lower Level. If it is a holiday weekend there may be a cancellation. Please contact either Lee McLaird (lmclair2000@yahoo.com) or Marianne Mussett (marianne.nagt@gmail.com) for more information. If we need to make other plans, Marianne will send out an email to everyone and ask Amber to post it on Facebook too.

Annual Needlework Show

Jane Ellen Balzuweit will once again be our judge. Watch the EGA website for the dates for our show under News/Events for Chapters. The dates for the show will be September 18-22, 2019.

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

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

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Search for "Needle Arts Guild Of Toledo"

Library Display Case

I have reserved the display case at Sanger Branch Library for the month of August again. I would appreciate it if you can bring items to display to the July meeting or to a Stitch-In in July. Our display is always welcome at Sanger and is a good advertisement for our show in September.

Thank you,
Sue Wiemer

Announcements and Snippets

Program Notes

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

EGA Stitch-a-Long is a Facebook program that you can join if you use Facebook. There is a different project or technique featured each month. There is a link to the instructions in the Facebook group. The instructions can be found on the EGA website at <https://egausa.org/free-projects/>

Our **October** program on Pulled Work will be the first square in the project on the EGA stitch along website. Some of our members are planning on doing this project. Take a look. It's a beautiful piece.

Ohio State Day

July 19 and 20 will be here before you know it! Friday evening at 7 PM at Hosanna Lutheran Church, 23019 Kellogg Rd., Grand Rapids, will be the lecture and slideshow titled *Seven Symmetries*. Check-in will start at 8:30 Saturday morning and class begins at 9 at the Grand Rapids Twp. Fire Station, 17706 Wapakoneta Rd. The class filled quickly and we have participants coming from Indiana, Michigan and Illinois in addition to Ohio. The State Day committee will be working the next couple of weeks on some little things to make the class special. A reminder of supplies you need to bring to class and an update on traffic detours will be sent out next week. Check the *Walking the Water's Edge* Facebook page to see how people have finished their pieces and read the comments. Also, you can still listen to Diane Herrmann's interview with Gary Parr and Christine on Fiber Talk - just Google "Fiber Talk with Diane Herrmann".



Walking the Water's Edge by Diane Herrmann.

Membership News

We welcomed three new plural members to our June 12th meeting. Bonnie Rahn, Colleen Ramsdell, and Janet Min traveled from Ann Arbor to join us for our potluck dinner, "hoop art", and all around good time. I wanted to share some of the note I received from Bonnie the next day.

"Thank you and the Toledo guild's warm greeting to us last night. We felt welcomed and enjoyed seeing the great pieces of art the members have accomplished. We talked about our fun evening most of the way home."

Su Pellitieri is putting together a new Roster for us. I will send out an email version and will also distribute a paper copy to those who do not have computers/printers. *Submitted by Marianne Mussett.*

Annual Needlework Show Info

The library changed its Sunday hours to 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. so it was decided at the board meeting to set the Sunday show hours from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. We hope to be able to break down promptly at 4:00 and pack up in an hour.

Su and Tom Pellitieri are working on the show entry forms (paper and electronic), as well as the show flyer. These should be available around the 4th of July weekend. Please distribute the flyers wherever you can once they become available. Marianne will work on the volunteer sheets, brochures, and meeting information cards in August.

Marianne will bring samples of the display boards we ordered for the show to our July meeting. Right now we only have three panels; each panel consists of two panels that can be used on both sides; legs that can be raised to make the panels taller; and a couple of ways to hang our displays.

We will be honoring Ann Rorarius and her needlework at this our 44th Annual Needle Art Show. Amber Stark has agreed to handle newspaper and TVradio publicity for our show, and any other way she can spread the word. If you haven't already noticed...we are under Chapter Events in the Needle Arts Magazine and also on the EGA website. We will be in the GLR newsletter in the next couple of months, possibly the September issue.

Announcements and Snippets

A Fundraising Proposal

The board discussed some options for fundraising at our recent meeting. One of the options discussed was participating in Craft Gallery's Garage Sale in Findlay, OH on August 17th. It would cost us \$20 for a table and we would have to be onsite at 9 AM for set-up. Someone would have to man the table until the sale closes at 4 PM. It would probably be best to have more than one person manning the table in shifts. Possible sale items would be stash stuff like books, magazines, kits, finished items, etc. We also considered maybe having a basket of goodies for an opportunity drawing. We know lots of people have stash for redistribution and Su has received two inquiries via the website from ladies wishing to donate items to our guild. This is something to discuss at our July meeting. Do we wish to do this? Should Su accept the donations that have been offered? Do we have a list of volunteers to set up a table, price the items and man the table until closing? Marianne said that more info was available on Craft Gallery's Facebook page but Su had trouble finding the info (she doesn't Facebook well) so if someone else can check for more details before the meeting it would be appreciated. *Submitted by Su Pellitieri.*

A New Stitching Class?

Back in May, Caren Scarbrough presented a Saturday class to teach the basics of needlepoint. There were five participants who came away knowing how to assemble stretcher bars, how to tack the canvas to the bars, how to thread the needle with various needlepoint threads, how to start and end a thread, and many other helpful tips. In February, we had a Saturday class on finishing and 8 members participated. Continuing on that path, I would like to offer a class on "Stitching on Linen". It would cover how to start and end threads, what size needle to use, how to use a hoop, Q Snaps, or scroll bars. If you have always stitched on Aida, this would be the time to take the next step and open yourself to new stitches which cannot be done on Aida. If you have interest in this, please let me know. *Submitted by Diane Myers.*

Bridge Closed!

Please note that the Perrysburg-Holland Road bridge over I-80 between Heatherdowns Boulevard and the Epilepsy Center closed at the end of February for approximately 200 days. An alternate route is to take Reynolds Road to Dussell Drive, then turn right onto Perrysburg-Holland Road. Our meeting place is on the left side before the bridge. The closure has been marked on the map on the last page.

Fall Program

Summer's End class with Debbie Mitek is scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2019. The class fee and kit total is \$75. That cost will cover the kit fee (\$65) and some of the teacher expenses. The class will be held in the Fallen Timbers Shelter in Maumee. It is located near Fallen Timbers Shopping Center and is part of the Toledo Metroparks system. Lunch will be on your own, there are multiple restaurants at Fallen Timbers: PF Chang's, Granite City, Beer Barrel Pizza, and Subway; or you may bring your lunch. There is space for 25 students and I anticipate that the class will be filled by our chapter members. If 25 is not reached by September 1, I will open it to members of other chapters. This will be a fun class as Debbie is a very positive and friendly person. Having the piece featured on the cover of Needle Arts magazine makes it even more special. *Submitted by Diane Myers.*

The piece heralds one of the last flowers of summer: the sunflower. Join us as we stitch this charming design while learning the basics of silk ribbon embroidery and other canvas techniques. Dimension and texture are created by using a variety of threads and silks of varying weights and thicknesses. The finished design is 4" x 4". The teacher will provide the complete thread kit with needles, 18-count Ecu Vintage Canvas taped with a line drawing, Instruction Booklet including a large picture of the design, stitch guide, diagrams, detail photos, bibliography, and Tips on Handling Silk Ribbon. The student will need to provide 8" x 8" stretcher bars, tacks or staples, usual stitching supplies, stand, clamp or frame-weight for hands-free stitching, laying tools, magnification and light as needed. *See Diane Myers for further details.*



Photo by Debbie Mitek

Snippets and Photo Gallery

Rhubarb Upside-down Cake

A Recipe from Sue Weimer

Pick rosy rhubarb for this.

3 cups cut rhubarb
10 marshmallows, halved
3/4 cup sugar
1/2 cup shortening
1/2 cup milk

2 beaten eggs
1 3/4 cups flour
1/4 tsp salt
3 tsp. baking powder
1 cup sugar

Arrange rhubarb in bottom of 10" skillet, handle removed. I buttered the bottom of skillet (I used 4 T butter and 3 T. oil). Add marshmallows and 3/4 cup sugar.

CAKE BATTER

Thoroughly cream shortening and 1 cup sugar, add eggs; beat thoroughly. Add sifted dry ingredients alternately with milk. Pour over rhubarb. Bake 350 degrees for 1 hour. Cool 5 min. Loosen edge from pan with knife. Invert serving plate over skillet. Turn upside down. Remove skillet. Serve with whipped cream. Serves 8

Rhubarb looks rosy and tastes spicy if you add a few cinnamon candies to it.



The Get-It Finished table for June had some beautiful finishes by Ann Roraius, Sue Wiemer, Amber Stark, and Marianne Mussett. *Photo by D. Myers*

Snippets and Photo Gallery



Program chair, Maria Nowicki presented a program in January titled "What's All the Hoopla About Hoops?" She presented a slideshow of hoop art she had found online for our inspiration and then passed out hoops. She challenged members to come up with something creative. This trio of stitchers was recognized for their creations: Diane Myers, Madeline Capling, and Helen Zeller. Madeline is the granddaughter of Irene Leonard. Diane and Helen won the Popular Choice vote. *Photo provided by D. Myers.*



Fifteen entries in the Hoop Art challenge. *Photo by D. 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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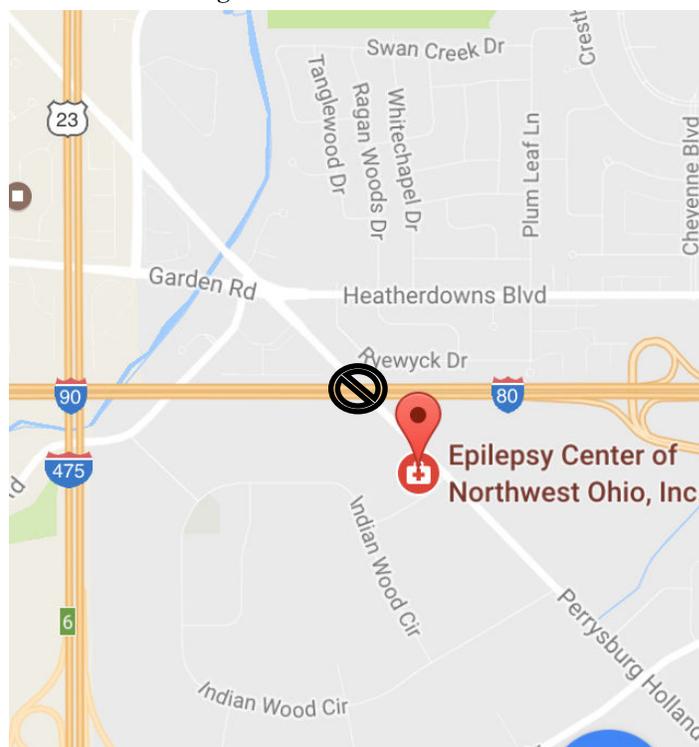
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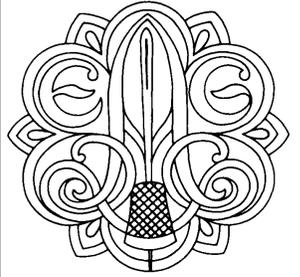
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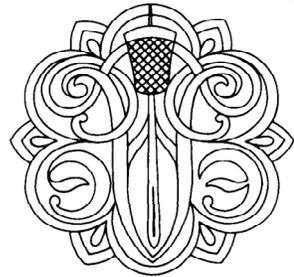
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