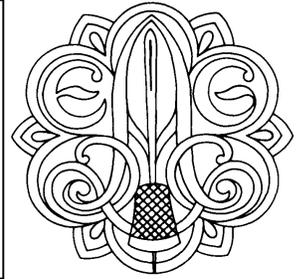




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From The President's Desk

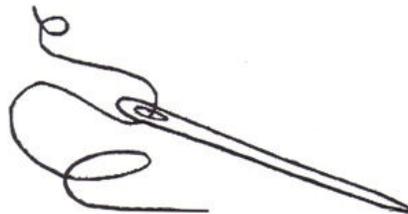
Fall is a time of celebrations (our families have parties and traditions, gathering for Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas), and it's celebration time for NAGT, too. September saw another successful show for our guild. Classes with great teachers taught intriguing techniques to our members. We gathered for stitch-ins just for the fun of talking and working on our own projects. Still other stitching challenges give us a chance to contribute to others. For a listing of continuing and upcoming opportunities, please look through our newsletter for more information.

December is not only our chance to celebrate the successes of the past year, but also to look forward to 2020. Our December meeting will install our new officers, who bring great new ideas for learning opportunities and activities for next year.

You should have recently received a copy of our proposed, updated bylaws. Every ten years, EGA requires that we review our bylaws and bring them into agreement with changes in national bylaws, and to make sure that they also reflect our local practices. With NAGT's final approval, we will send the bylaws to national for their records.

I want to take this chance to say thank you to our 2019 board members for all their help and support during my term. Everyone who took charge of an activity, whether organizing classes or shows, or programs for our meetings, secretarial duties, or managing our budget, did excellent work, and I never had to worry about problems. They shared some of these tasks with other members, so I know that as time goes on, we'll be able to draw on the experience of still more people. I know that next year will be another great year for Needle Arts Guild of Toledo!

-- 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 |
|--------|--|-----------------|
| 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-qlr.org)

| Dates | Event Information |
|------------------------|---|
| 04/22/20 — 04/26/20 | GLR Regional Seminar - "Vision of Stitches", Appleton, WI |
| 09/04/20 — 09/08/20 | EGA National Seminar - "Boston Stitch Party", Boston, MA |
| 09/18/20 — 09/20/20 | NAGT Annual Needlework Show. Sanger Branch of the Toledo-Lucas County Library. |
| 09/01/21 — 09/05/21 | EGA National Seminar - "The Magnificent Stitch", Chicago, IL |

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.



Needlework Silent Auction & Garage Sale of Needlework Items

Hosted by Farmington Hills Chapter
Faith Covenant Church,
35415 West 14 Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI
(SW corner 14 Mile & Drake)

November 6, 2019 10 AM – 1 PM

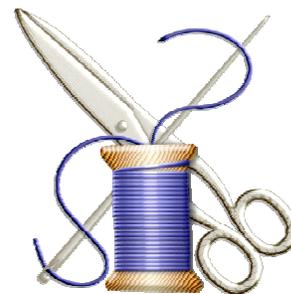
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Birthdays

November - Sue Wiemer, Janice Lunan

December - Jennifer Miller, Ann Link, Kathy Falgout, Carola DePasquale, Jennie Kronberg, Marianne Mussett

Stash Redistribution - November
Get It Finished! - December

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/>

For the **November** program, Caren Scarbrough will teach the *Brazilian Embroidery Wreath* Petit Project designed by Kim Sanders. Petit Projects are available free on-line to all EGA members. If you want to work the project, please print out your own copy from the EGA website. This will be a fun, little project using threads that are not readily available.

Annual Needlework Show

A big thank you to everyone who made this year's show a success. We purchased new display panels which made the set up and breakdown much easier. The Photography Club loaned us some of their tall panels to give us more display room. Family members helped with the breakdown which was done in a record time!

Our judge, Jane Ellen Balzuweit, once again did a great job of determining who would get ribbons among the 84 items on display. This year Lois Wetherill won the Legacy Award with her piece *Brass and Scrappy*.

The rosettes went to Caren Scarbrough, Judge's Choice; Caren Scarbrough, Best In Show; Dale S. Burnett, First Timer Award; Triathlon winners were Diane Myers, Susan Pellitieri, Caren Scarbrough, Beth Thompson, and Lois J. Wetherill; Popular Choice, Gail Weller; Guild Choice, Caren Scarbrough.

Amber Stark was our publicity person this year. She reported that our Facebook ad (which cost us \$30), reached 2,391 people - 96.7% women/3.3% men. Most were ages 55-64, followed by 45-54, then 65+. The 4th and 5th age groups in terms of impressions were 35-44 and 25-34. Ninety-six percent of users viewed the ad on their phones, while 104 people engaged the ad by liking, commenting, and sharing (9 people). Also, 65 people clicked on a link to visit our Facebook page or our website, and 62 people responded that they were going to the show.

For our 2019 Show publicity we also had articles in

Needle Arts Magazine, the EGA website, and the Great Lakes Region Newsletter. These were arranged by our show chairman, Marianne Mussett.

Our dates for next year, September 16-20, 2020 are already on the library calendar. We made a donation to the Sanger Branch. Marianne Mussett will Chair the 2020 Show. *Submitted by Mariane Mussett.*

Nomination Committee

At the September Board Meeting, President Lee McLaird appointed members Marianne Mussett, Maria Nowicki, and Irene Leonard to serve on the Nomination Committee through September, 2020.

Nominees for Vice President and Treasurer will be voted on at the November meeting. The candidates are Vice President - Annette Tolles; Treasurer - Caren Scarbrough. *Submitted by Marianne Mussett.*

Membership

Welcome to Ann Link who joined our guild in October. Ann has been visiting us at our meetings and participating in the Last Saturday Stitch In. We also are glad to have new dual/plural members from the Michigan area who joined us this summer, as well as the many other dual/plural members who support us from near and far. Our membership is now at 51 members.

I want to let all of you know how much our guild appreciates each of our members, your dedication to stitching and learning new/old techniques, support for the classes we hold, participation in our regular meetings and programs, and willingness to volunteer for a variety of tasks when needed. This is a wonderful group and I am hoping we can grow our membership again in 2020. *Submitted by Marianne Mussett.*

Secret Santa

If you are interested in participating in a Secret Santa gift exchange (\$15 max) this December, forms will be available at the November meeting. We will continue to use the old Secret Stitcher form so people have information on their selected person, although not all of the info is needed for a Secret Santa.

Announcements and Photo Gallery

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.*

Summer's End

Everyone enjoyed Debbie Mitak's class. *Photos below by Su Pellitieri.*



Bridge Open!

The Perrysburg-Holland Road bridge over I-80 between Heatherdowns Boulevard and the Epilepsy Center that has been closed since February is finally reopened!



Here are just three of the sunflower ort cups made by Ann Rorarius. She made one for each person in the Summer's End class. *Photo by Diane Myers.*

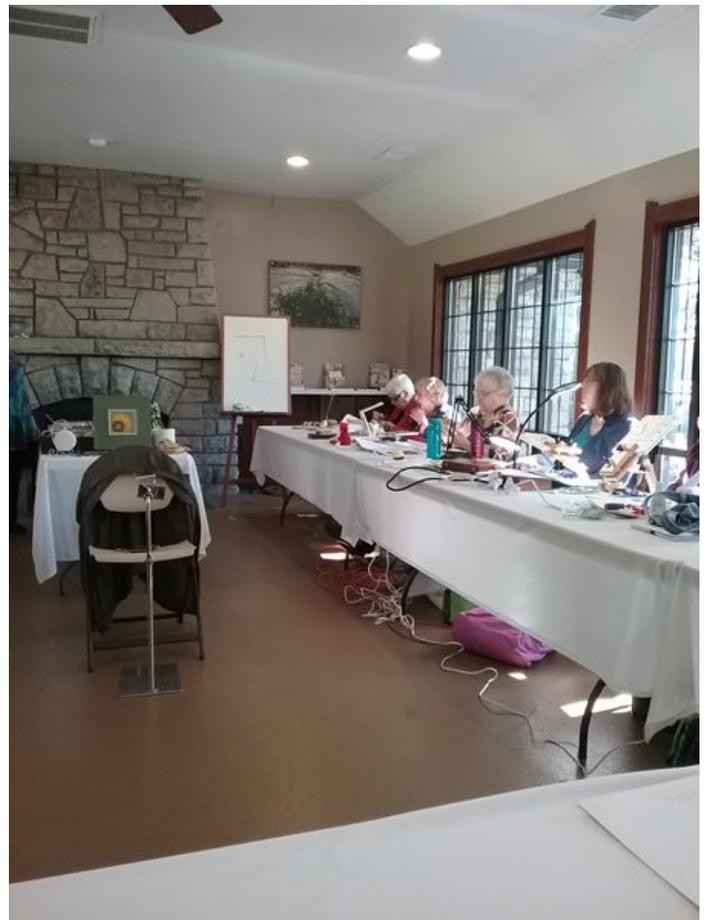


Photo Gallery

Here are some highlights of our Annual Show. *Photos by Su Pellitieri.*



Judge's Choice: *Mystique*, stitched by Caren Scarbrough - Beading



Triathlon winners Lois Wetherill, Su Pellitieri, Caren Scarbrough, Beth Thompson and Diane Myers - all had perfect scores!



First Timer Award: *Tree of Life*, stitched by Dale S. Burnett - Quilting/Smocking



Popular Choice: *Officer Hugo*, stitched by Gail E. Weller -



Officer Hugo posing in front of his picture.



Guild Choice: *Alice*, stitched by Caren Scarbrough - Embroidery



Best in Show: *Ponce de Leon Lighthouse*, stitched by Caren Scarbrough - Embroidery



Legacy Award: *Brass and Scrappy*, stitched by Lois Wetherill - Mixed Technique

Photo Gallery



Above: Ann Rorarius was the lucky winner of our Fall Smalls basket! *Photo by Diane Myers.*



Pulled thread was the program topic led by Ann Rorarius at the November meeting. *Photo by Diane Myers.*

Right: Ann Rorarius' work was honored with a special display at our show. *Photo by Su Pellitieri.*



The new stands made for a nice display that was easy to set up and take down at our annual show. *Photos by Su Pellitieri.*



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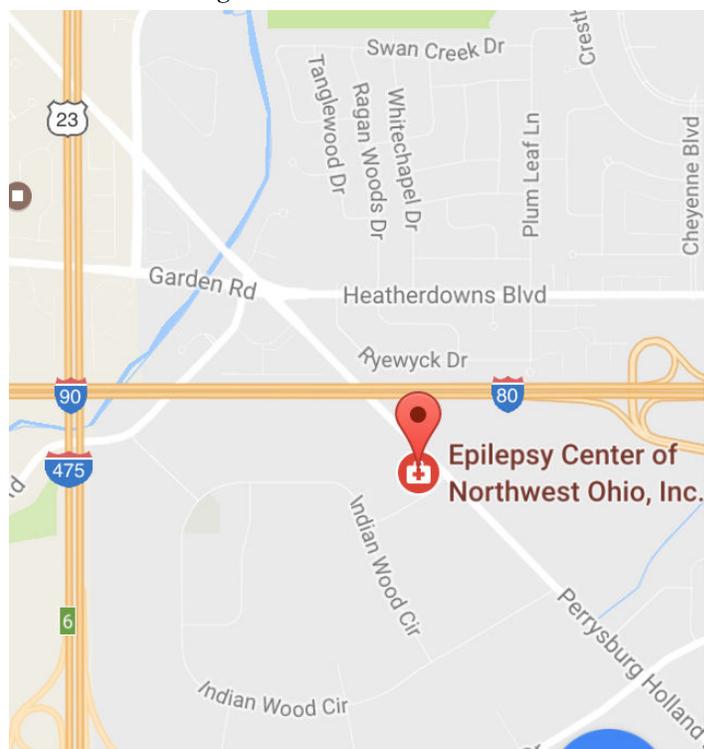
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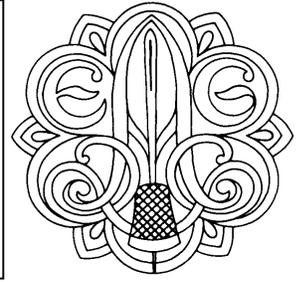
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- Teach the embroidery arts; and
- Preserve our national needle arts heritage.

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