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From the President's Stitching Chair: Sue Wiemer

I hope you all have been out enjoying the beautiful fall colors.

November 8th

- ◆ Meeting at the Epilepsy Center
- ◆ 6:30pm

I have a lot of unfinished projects from previous classes. I want to start The Blue Bead that Caren has introduced for education. However I promised my self to finish one older project first. I just finished Honey Ambrosia that I started in 2017! I have several others that I'm working on but I hope to start The Blue Bead this week. I hope some of you have started it, it's so pretty and it has some new stitches to learn.

December 13th

- ◆ Meeting at the Epilepsy Center
- ◆ 6:30pm

A beautiful autumn display outside of the Stitchery Showcase at Stan Hywet Hall and Gardens. NAGT member, Cathy Studer won several ribbons and Jane Ellen Balzuweit's Herringbone and Holes design took a first in the counted thread category.



Connie Gonser's bookshelf display of Halloween ornaments.

Education: Caren Scarbrough

Book Illustration Challenge.

Our visit to Mazza Museum was successful and inspiring. I gave a challenge to our group to pick any of the artwork we saw and interpret that in embroidery. Simply choose one you like, take one small motif from it and make a small piece in any technique. This will be a challenge to your design skills that maybe you didn't know you had.

If you didn't attend the Mazza tour, you can still participate. Pick any illustrated book you liked as a child or read to a child. Do a small, simple embroidery from one of the pictures in the book. You can trace the design you like onto any fabric you have available. You can embroider your tracing with outline stitch or fill it in with cross stitch. This is just one idea.

There is no deadline for the challenge. Work at your own pace. I'll try to add something about it with each newsletter and have progress photos and ideas from other people.

This picture is way to complicated for this challenge, but it is an interpretation of an illustration from a storybook.



Lea Gallery Exhibit.

We have an opportunity to submit original work to the Lea Gallery at the University of Findlay. This is a chance for us to show embroidery as art to a new audience for us. Send digital pictures of what you would like to exhibit to caren505@yahoo.com. I will send 10-15 proposals to the Art Department. They decide in January what will be on exhibit in the fall of 2024. Submission doesn't mean we will be selected but it would be wonderful if we were.

This is short notice if you don't already have a finished original piece, so I am pleading with those of you who do have something to please submit. If we are accepted, everyone will have time to create a piece for the fall show. Of course, the pieces that got us in will be on display.

There are many details to be worked out after we are accepted. We will not be in the room the whole time it is open. There are security cameras. The building is full of artworks that are accessible, but there are employees there all day. The room is locked at night. This is an audition to exhibit so far.

Hospitality

November: ***NEED A VOLUNTEER
December: Cookie Exchange

Treasurer's Report: Carol Ann Woidke

Beginning Balance:	\$3,465.74
Receipts	
Post show sale of Quilt and Needlework Show stash.	210.00
Disbursements	
Reimbursed Su Pellitieri for N.A.G.T website 3 year renewal fee.	348.15
Ending Balance:	\$3,327.59

Program Chairs: Bonnie Rahn & Janet Min

Hurray. Hurray! The November Toledo's EGA meeting is almost here!

For those of you that are almost finished/ or finished with your beaded star or the happy little owl, please bring them so that we can take some pictures for the newsletter. It will be fun to see all the different and creative owls.

For those of you that are working on these projects and would like some assistance, we will work on the finishing techniques and answer questions for the November program.

Thank you, to all that participated in these programs.

If you have ideas for future programs or have some constructive feedback regarding the programs please let us know either in person or via email.

Happy November Birthday!

Sue Wiener 4th

Mary Lee Foley 24th

Susan Kidd 30th

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October 11,2023

Respectfully Submitted, Irene N. Leonard Secretary

Presiding: President Sue Wiemer called the meeting to order at 6:30

Quorum was established and there was 1 visitor. Welcome Julie!

Topic	Discussion	Action
Minutes of the last meeting and Treasurer's Report	Minutes of the September meeting and Treasurer's Report were sent in the newsletter.	Minutes and Treasurer's report were accepted.
Membership	Nothing to report	
Education	<p>Caren noted several members are currently working on "The Blue Bead" If you have any questions about the project, please feel free to contact her. She suggested ironing a piece of freezer paper on the back of your ground fabric to keep your pencil from dragging when transferring the design.</p> <p>Caren reported that she is looking into the possibility of the guild exhibiting original pieces of needlework/fabric art at the Lea Gallery at the University of Findlay. There is an application process.</p>	<p>Please forward any pictures or information about your original design to Caren.</p> <p>Start designing!!</p>
Show	<p>Diane reported that the show was a huge success. The attendance was up from the previous show. Discussion followed as to what we want to do in the future about what type of "show" we would like to do/ host.</p>	<p>Think about what you would like to see/do about future shows.</p>
Old Business	None to report	
New Business	<p>Sue P. reported that Dues for our website need to be paid by the end of the month. We are currently on a 3-year plan.</p>	<p>Caren made a motion to cover the cost of renewing the plan for our website. Sue W. second. Motion passed by the membership.</p>
Program	<p>Bonnie reported that she is willing to hold a "help" session on the beaded star.</p>	<p>See Bonnie if you are interested in a help session.</p>
Nomination Committee	<p>Marianne presented the slate of officers</p> <p>President – Maria</p> <p>Vice President – Caren</p> <p>Mary Lee – Secretary</p> <p>Susan K. Treasurer</p>	<p>November will be the election, followed by the swearing in ceremony</p>
Adjournment	<p>Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17</p>	



Welcome to the Needle Arts Guild of Toledo!

Our guild is a chapter of The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc., a non-profit educational organization founded in 1959 to

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

The EGA serves thousands of members through a network of over 300 chapters which are grouped into thirteen geographical regions

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