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"The Mission of the Embroiderers' Guild of America is to inspire passion for the needle arts through education and celebration of its heritage."

PRESIDENT'S LETTER – Maura Robinson

Happy New Year! I hope the stitching elves were good to you over the holidays and you have lots of new projects to work on! Have you made any New Year's stitching resolutions? Maybe to finish all those projects from EGA Workshops or finally organize your stash? Over the holidays, I finally got organized and inventoried my stash (and wrote a list of all the projects and patterns I have). Now I am just a little overwhelmed by the number of wonderful projects I have to choose from! I am hoping to finish some of them in the next year!

Thanks to Sandy for leading a great discussion about the types of programs you want to see in the upcoming year. If you think of a technique or style of stitching you would like to know more about, please let Sandy know – we want our programs to reflect YOUR interests! In February, our program will be a demonstration of handmade pine needle basketry.

SAVE THE DATE: The bi-annual ANG/EGA Stitchers Luncheon will be held at the Arizona Inn on Friday March 27 (**NEW DATE**). The coupon with menu choices is in this month's newsletter. Our speaker is Lucy Barter from the San Francisco School of Needlework and Design. Her presentation is **Threads Through Time, Women and the Art of Hand Embroidery**.

HAPPY STITCHING!

Maura

PROGRAMS – Sandy DeBolt
Kris Curtis

In **February**, Kris has invited Liz Boltz to demonstrate her skills with Pine Needle Basketry for the guild meeting. Liz is a local craftsperson and will have baskets available for you to order if you are interested.



In **March**, Kris will be sharing her collection of Hankies with specialty needlework and invites members to bring hankies they may have in their personal collection to the meeting.

In **April**, Laura Cotter will lead us in stitching the **PSR Design Project, *Garden of Delight***, designed by Carole Higginbotham. Monies from the 2014 National Seminar were used to pay for this design to be used as a gift to **Pacific Southwestern Region** members. This year is the first such project which has been designed. The design is free to all PSR members in good standing.

This design is called **GARDEN OF DELIGHT**. Two colorways are shown, a pink version by Carol and a pink and green version by Pat Correz. This is a "Copyright" pattern and is NOT to be copied and distributed to others. ***Garden of Delight*** will let the stitcher explore several different techniques. The piece is mostly canvas stitches with 4 pulled thread areas and 8 blackwork areas. We have 4 canvas stitches using two different threads and 10 canvas stitches done in floss only. The piece uses 3 types of metallic threads.

To finish, the stitcher will have their choice of 2 centers. One center is done in Jean Hilton stitches and the other center is done in surface embroidery stitches. The entire piece is finished with beads.

The 6 ¾" x 6 ¾" finished size piece shown is worked on a 12" x 12" piece of white Congress cloth.

PROGRAMS (cont'd)

We hope that you enjoy this beautiful design. It teaches many techniques and uses floss so you can choose your own colors for linen or canvas. A list of supplies will be handed out at the March meeting. We will also discuss adapting the design to various fabric/canvas counts.



LIBRARY - Suzanne Knepper

The library on line catalogue system is available. Access is available through this link:

<https://cloud.collectorz.com/egalibrarytucson/books>. Our hope is that our membership will use this resource more by having this computerized access. Please check out the site.

You can also access books through our website. If you find a book you wish to borrow contact Suzanne and she will see that it is available for you. We appreciate your feedback.

HOSPITALITY Janet Hintz

Volunteers for February's meeting are Jayne Smith and Helen Salkowski.

BEADING Marian Hill Deedee Stockman

Our beading meeting will be held in the usual place, Flowing Wells Community Center art room, Thursday, February 13, at 9:30 am. This will be a chance for you to show your purchased treasures from the Tucson Bead Show.

For those attending the Marcia DeCoster workshop February 8th and 9th, we will discuss the workshop and work on areas that we didn't finish in class or bring another beading project to work on.

Anyone who has finished a beading project, including projects that we have done at our meetings, please bring them to show and share. It's great to see members' beading projects at our beading meeting each month.

Everyone is welcome, whether you're beading or needling, you're welcome to join us.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES Kathleen Garza

Thank you to everyone who has sent me their hours or signed them in at meetings.

Remember Outreach includes: stitching in public, any type of needlework you do for charity, teaching, as well as hours worked at The West. If you don't get a chance to post your outreach hours on the sheet at the meeting, please e-mail them to Kathleen or post them at the next meeting.

If anyone has any suggestions for outreach activities please e-mail me or talk to me at a meeting.

Stitch in Public Day Saturday, February 1, 2020

Each year EGA celebrates needle arts by hosting a Stitch-In-Public Day in February. The primary focus of Stitching-In-Public is to share our passion for needle arts with the public by demonstrating our talents.

Our Tucson Chapter will have 2 locations to gather and stitch-in-public From 11:00am to 2:00pm Bring something to stitch on and some finished pieces that the public can view.

Murphy-Wilmot Library is located at 530 N. Wilmot Rd. Tucson AZ 85711, right in front of St. Joseph's Corondelet Hospital, close to the major intersection of Wilmot and Broadway. We will be meeting in the "Café" area of the library. Enter the library and turn right past the self-checkout station and the "Café" area has tiled floor, with little café tables and comfortable seating, close to the vending machines. We also have the small meeting room at our disposal, should there be enough of us!

Contact Betsy Smullen for more information on this meeting location.

Gloria Jean's Gourmet Coffee at **Tucson Mall** is located at 4500 N. Oracle Road in Tucson. Gloria Jean's is located on Level 2 near JCPenney. We will gather at the tables for Gloria Jean's Gourmet Coffee. This is a new location for us that was selected because of the great amount of foot traffic that passes through the mall on a Saturday.

Contact Kathleen Garza for more information on this meeting location.

Pima County Fair

April 16 through April 26, 2020

Tucson EGA will demonstrate embroidery skills at the Fair.

Meet new people and show off your embroidery projects!

Sign up with Kathleen

before January 31, 2020 to receive free parking and admission

Two Fabulous dates to choose from: Saturday, April 18th or Thursday, April 23rd

Two Convenient shifts to choose from: 10am to 1:30pm or 1:30pm to 5pm

Saturday allows us to reach more visitors to the fair who might not know of us otherwise and Thursday has the advantage of meeting potential new members who may not be at work on Thursday

The 2020 Pima County Fair will be April 16 through April 26. Let's think about demonstrating embroidery on a Thursday and a Saturday, or just a Thursday or just a Saturday. The dates we are looking at are Thursday April 23 and Saturday, April 26, from 10am to 5 pm with two shifts: 10 to 1:30p and from 1:30p to 5p. An advantage of stitching on a Thursday is we will meet potential members who are not at work on Thursday! Saturday gives a chance to meet and greet folks who might not know of us otherwise. Both are good outreach days. Think about what you can commit to and we'll decide at our December meeting. Sign-ups will be at our December and January meetings. If you sign up by January 31, you will get a Fair pass and a parking pass.

Enter your embroidery at the Pima County Fair

Entering is easy and can be done online. If you prefer a paper path, contact the Fair at 520-762-9100 for a booklet. Division and Class information for the 2020 Pima County Fair: <https://www.pimacountyfair.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Home-Arts-Entries-2020.pdf>

Entries are \$2.00 per piece and the deadline for submission is March 10th, 2020.

If any member of EGA Guild is interested in being a needlework judge at the 2020 Pima County Fair, they should contact Julia Heavener at julia@pimacountyfair.com.

The Tucson Chapters of the American Needlepoint Guild & the Embroiderers' Guild of America

2020 Stitchers' Luncheon

Join other Tucson Stitchers for a delicious lunch, and plenty of stitchy fun! We'll have great conversation, opportunity baskets, door prizes, and a fascinating speaker – Lucy Barter from the San Francisco School of Needlework and Design!

Bring a guest! Stitchers and nonstitchers are welcome!

When: Friday March 27, 2020 from 11- 3p.m.

Where: Tucson Room - Arizona Inn

2200 E. Elm St.

Tucson AZ 85719

Parking in the lot across the street.

Cost: \$32.00 per person.

Make your check payable to the **ANG- Tucson Chapter** and send it with the coupon to Jeanie Demers. Guests are welcome!

Our speaker will be Lucy Barter from the San Francisco School of Needlework and Design. She will speak on **“Threads Through Time, Women and the Art of Hand Embroidery.”**

The San Francisco School of Needlework and Design was founded in 2015 by passionate embroiderers Lucy Barter and Ellice Sperber. Ms Barter was trained as an apprentice at the Royal School of Needlework in England and ran their courses in the United States for eight years.

2020 Stitchers Luncheon

Please mail this coupon and a check for \$32 per person payable to **ANG – Tucson Chapter**

BEFORE March 12, 2020

To: Jeannie Demers
2310 N Avenida Sorgo
Tucson AZ 85749

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Entrée Choice: (choose one)

_____ Shrimp Scampi arugula with lemon garlic sauce, cauliflower mushroom couscous, seasonal vegetables

_____ Natural Breast of Chicken grilled pineapple and bell pepper salsa, citrus beurre blanc, cilantro rice and seasonal vegetables

_____ Grilled Portobello Mushroom filled with sautéed carrots, yellow bell peppers, red onions, and spinach, served with corn cauliflower couscous and seasonal vegetables, smoked red bell pepper coulis

All meals include: Classic Miniature Desserts, freshly baked housemade bread and butter, coffee and tea.

I will bring a guest:

Guest's Name: _____

Guest's Entrée Choice: (choose one)

_____ Shrimp Scampi

_____ Natural Breast of Chicken

_____ Grilled Portobello Mushroom

Sorry! Because we must pay for meals in advance there are NO REFUNDS.

WORKSHOPS Jayne Smith
Deb Williams

Workshops coming up:

Marcia Marcia DeCoster *The Johnny Jewelry*

February 8-9, 2020, Blue Raven Art School, 720 E Prince Road, Tucson
9:30 – 4PM.

!!!! We have a last minute opening for the Marcia DeCoster Workshop. If you are interested in attending, please give Maura a call !!!! 571-266-2558

Canby Robertson's *Red Rufa Knot's Flight*

March 11-12 2020 at the Mini Time Machine
Museum

(9:30a – 4:00p)

IMPORTANT – THIS IS A PILOT CLASS

If you signed up for the workshop, you agreed to:

1. Attend both days of the workshop (no ghosts).
2. Commit to providing feedback on the class materials within 6-8 weeks of the workshop (you will not need to have finished the project, but you do need to have reviewed the guide for typos, clarity, and kit contents.)
The chapter will coordinate getting your input back to Canby.

PACIFIC SOUTHWESTERN REGION - Helen Salkowski



Below is the flyer for the Pacific region fundraiser - the Halo Bolt battery pack. With restrictions on electrical cables that are being implemented at seminars, these packs have been increasingly popular for use by stitchers. . If you want to save on the shipping charges you can specify "hand delivery" on the order form and then add a note for Marilyn Evans to arrange delivery with Helen Salkowski. That way I can get it to you at one of our monthly EGA meetings.

Fundraiser

HALO BOLT ACDC PORTABLE CHARGER \$104.75



There will be a PSR logo added to the top of the unit by the manufacturer

Note: There is a shipping charge of \$11.70 for units sent to AZ/CA/NV – shipping to other states or orders for multiple numbers, please contact Marilyn Evans

Orders will be filled in the order received. When the first batch of units is sold, we will do a re-order.

Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____

Number of units _____ @ \$104.75 \$ _____

Add postage if shipping...1 unit \$11.70 _____

Multiple units or to destinations other than AZ/CA/NV
(contact Marilyn Evans for cost) _____

Total: \$ _____

Make check or money orders payable to: **PSR EGA**

Mail to: Marilyn Evans
395 S. Stardust Lane
Apache Junction, AZ 85120

evans.marilyn@gmail.com
(480) 799-6439

Preferred delivery method:

- Ship to address (**this item is required to be shipped via ground only**)
- Hand delivery (PSR Region Meetings/ other request note separately)
- **SHIPPING LABEL** (please print clearly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

A portable powerhouse, the HALO Bolt charger provides the juice when you need it most not only for your phone or tablet, but for your car, too! The one button starter can provide a jump to a car, boat, or lawn mower with the included jumper cables.

Plus, with two USB outputs, you can charge multiple devices at once, so you can power up your smartphone while your kids stay busy with their tablets. There's even a 12-volt AC outlet so you can charge your larger devices like laptops and plug in electric lamps for your stitching needs.

The HALO Bolt 58830 also features a convenient LED floodlight. Customers frequently rely on the Bolt as a power source during power outages to keep their electronic devices charged.

Traveling by air and want your Halo?

No problem! You'll be happy to know all Halo Products are permitted as [carry-on luggage](#).

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- HALO Bolt 58830
- Jumper cables
- USB to micro charging cable
- 120V AC wall charging adapter
- 14V USB car charger

SPECIFICATIONS

- 58830 mWh
- Measures 7-1/8"L x 3-7/8"D x 1-1/2"H
- Device weight: 26.6 ounces
- One button starter, provides jump for cars, boats, trucks and lawn mowers.
- ETL listed adapter; 90-day Limited Manufacturer's Warranty Will handle any lamp up to a 65 watt power requireme

Powerful and Intuitive



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| 1 Flood light power button | 6 Power level indicator |
| 2 Flood light | 7 USB ports |
| 3 Car jump starter port | 8 Charging input port |
| 4 Car jump starter button | 9 AC output |
| 5 Main power button | 10 AC power button |

What's Included



- | | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| - HALO BOLT ACDC | - Carrying Pouch |
| - Micro USB to USB cable | - Operating Instructions |
| - Car charger | - Quick Start Guide |
| - AC wall plug charger | - Warranty Card |
| - Jumper cables | |



January & February Stitch-a-Long



Here's a little more about this month's project from Stitch-a-long admin Kate Gaunt as posted on Facebook

“For the [January and February Stitch-a-long projects on Facebook](#), we are stitching a sampler. Many people like to begin the new year with a new project and samplers are a great way to explore new stitches. We have a special treat for you, courtesy of long-time EGA national teacher, Jane Ellen Balzuweit from our [Dayton Chapter in Ohio](#). Jane Ellen is a master of so many different techniques — she really is one who can “do it all.”

For our January project (and continuing to February), we have a stitch sampler that will introduce you to a nice variety of stitches. Jane Ellen shows two potential formats: a traditional band sampler or a fall leaf. Note that the leaf outline is added at the end so it's easier to fit around your completed stitches.

I've uploaded files for each format to the files section of the Facebook Group.

The basic layout and details for the first three bands are included for now. Come back next month for the final four bands!

Thank you, Jane Ellen, for your many contributions to EGA and the world of embroidery”

Following are two Cross Stitch Charts for the EGA's new logo that have been downloaded from the EGA website by Betsy Smullen. They can be used by EGA members.

EGA Logo Cross Stitch Chart No. 1

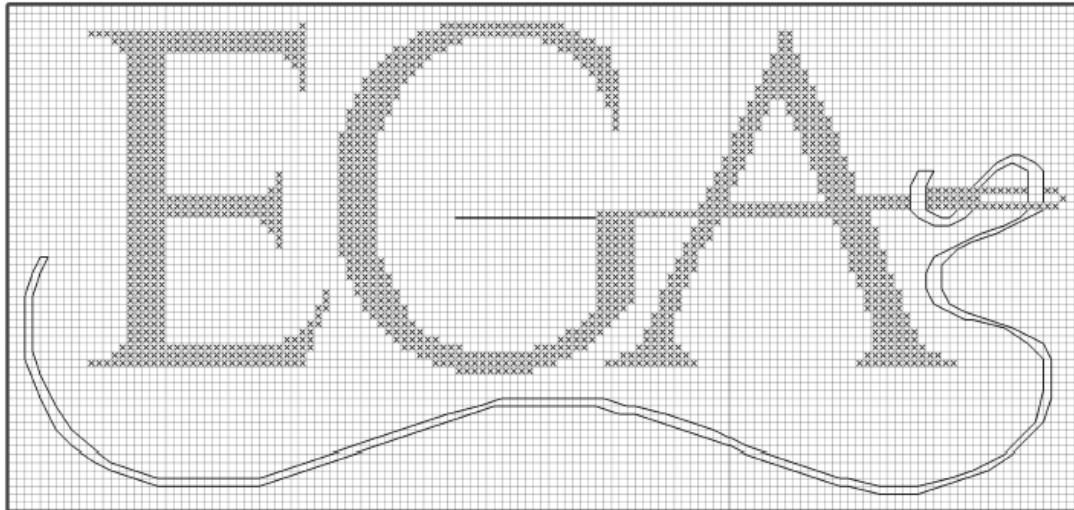


Chart Colors

EGA's primary colors create the needle and thread lettermark.

- X - EGA Blue: DMC® 3842
- - - EGA Green: DMC® 3347, Whipped Backstitch

Stitch Count

58H x 133W

Finished Size

- 14/28 Canvas/Fabric: 4.2" x 9.5"
- 16/32 Canvas/Fabric: 3.6" x 8.3"
- 18/38 Canvas/Fabric: 3.2" x 7.4"
- 20/40 Canvas/Fabric: 2.9" x 6.7"

Additional Brand Colors

All of the secondary brand colors can be used together or individually in a broader design to complement the primary colors.

- EGA Purple: DMC® 3746
- EGA Orange: DMC® 722
- EGA Yellow: DMC® 728
- EGA Soft Blue: DMC® 3841

Note: EGA does not endorse or recommend one thread manufacturer over another. DMC® threads were chosen for brand color equivalents because DMC® has one of the most standardized color numbering systems in the embroidery industry and the threads are widely available.

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EGA Logo Cross Stitch Chart No. 2

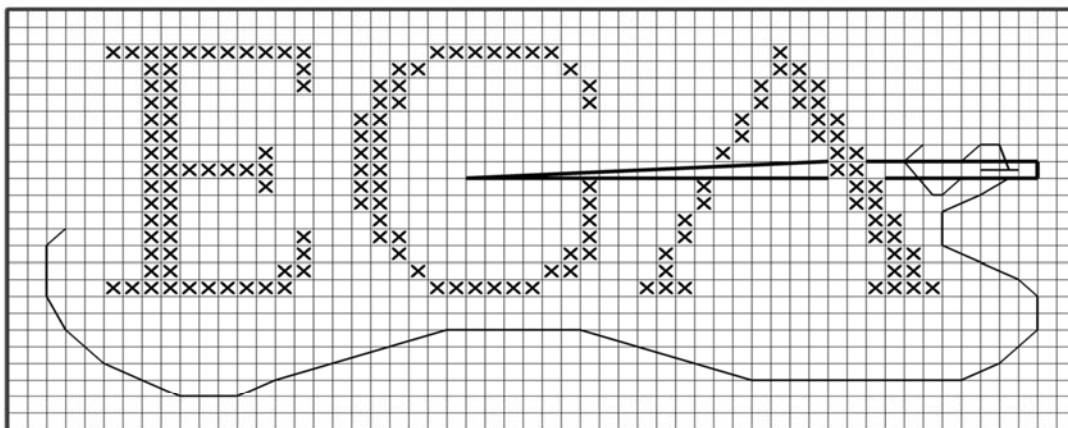


Chart Colors

EGA's primary colors create the needle and thread lettermark.

- - EGA Green: DMC® 3347, Whipped Backstitch

Stitch Count

21H x 52W

Finished Size

- 14/28 Canvas/Fabric: 1.5" x 3.7"
- 16/32 Canvas/Fabric: 1.3" x 3.2"
- 18/38 Canvas/Fabric: 1.2" x 2.8"
- 20/40 Canvas/Fabric: 1" x 2.6"

Additional Brand Colors

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- EGA Purple: DMC® 3746
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From our Members

From Editor: **Sandy DeBolt**

Our fellow member, **Cyndi Aspinall** has shared with us a listing of Floss Tube channels she enjoys. In all, there are over 550 channels dedicated to Cross stitch. We will post Cyndi's list on our website for your access. We will also discuss Floss Tube during our meeting in February. Cyndi's list is about 50 channels, the complete list with over 550 channels is on "Stitching Jules blog". <https://stitchingjules.com>

As a recently new member in our Guild, Cyndi also would like to introduce a program to help members learn more about each other. It would involve each member answering about 20 questions about themselves to serve as an introduction and conversation starter. These questionnaires would be placed in a notebook that would be available at our monthly meetings. Each fall, members could update their personal sheet. We will discuss this also at upcoming meetings.

As a follow-up to an idea mentioned in the National EGA newsletter about introducing children to needle arts. Cyndi has asked that others' interested in this activity to get in touch with her to discuss.

Thank you to Cyndi for your very thoughtful and relevant ideas. A lot of time went into these ideas from Cyndi.

Important Websites

www.tucsonega.org

Tucson EGA Chapter website

www.egausa.org

EGA National website

www.psrega.org

Pacific Southwestern Region website

www.facebook.com EGA Stitch A Long

Facebook **Stitch A Long (SAL)** group

<https://stitchingjules.com>

listing of floss tube videos (cross stitch)

IMPORTANT DATES

February 2020		March 2020	
1	EGA National Stitch in Public Day. We will meet at either of the following locations to stitch between 11-2. Murphy-Wilmot Library is located at 530 N. Wilmot Rd. Tucson; Gloria Jean's Gourmet Coffee at Tucson Mall is located at 4500 N. Oracle Road in Tucson, second floor next to JC Penny.	5	Tucson Chapter EGA Monthly Meeting. EGA Board Meeting 9:30a; Program 11:00 a; Business Meeting 12:30 pm at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center
		10	Deadline to enter personal Needlework piece in Pima County Fair
6	Tucson Chapter EGA Monthly Meeting. EGA Board Meeting 9:30a; Program 11:00 am; Business Meeting 12:30 pm at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center	11-12	Canby Robertson pilot class, Rufa Red Knot's Flight at Mini Time Museum 9:30 am – 4pm
6	Tucson Chapter EGA Bader's meeting, 9:30 in Art Room at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center Bring your projects and share your techniques!	12	Deadline to sign up for Stitches' Luncheon using coupon in newsletter
8-9	Marcia DeCoster workshop. The Johnny Collection. Blue Raven Art School, 720 E. Prince Road, Tucson. 9:30am – 4:00pm	12	Tucson Chapter EGA Bader's meeting, 9:30 in Art Room at Ellie Towne Flowing Wells Community Center Bring your projects and share your techniques!
20	Items for February Newsletter due to Sandy DeBolt	20	Items for March Newsletter due to Sandy DeBolt
		27	Semi-annual Stitches' Spring Luncheon with Tucson ANG Chapter at Arizona Inn

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NEEDLEWORK • CLASSES • GIFTS • CARDS • TOYS

Join us for a busy February at The West with trunk shows from Sundance Designs and Anne Brinkley on February 3 – 27.

Our Valentine’s gift to you will be a pop up Alice Peterson trunk show on Friday and Saturday, February 14 and 15. Enjoy 20% off all your trunk show purchases.

STORE HOURS:
 Mon thru Sat
 10am to 5pm

River Center @ Craycroft
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Our vision and mission is to improve the quality of life in the Tucson area and provide grants to qualified Tucson-area non-profit organizations.

NOW ENROLLING

Registration is now open for In the Hoop 502!

Class is Open!

- ✓ Over 100+ designs on a USB stick to take home!
- ✓ Top-grade educational tutorials printed in full color in a 3-ring binder — over 100 pages!
- ✓ Advanced knowledge of unique in the hoop projects & designs, plus exclusive bonus videos to take home!
- ✓ An opportunity to win prizes, shop Anita Goodesign products at great prices, and take advantage of dealer machine specials.

Due to the overwhelming popularity of our 501 class, we are continuing our in the hoop education with 502: In the Hoop III! This class will feature fan favorites like door décor, cork coasters, bottle aprons, and more! Attendees will also receive exciting bonus content with exclusive videos, which are only available on the 502 USB. These videos will highlight tips, tools, tricks, techniques, and more!

WHEN: Wed & Thu / Jan 29 & 30
 from 9am - 4pm
 OR
 Fri & Sat / Jan 31 & Feb 1
 9am - 4pm

WHERE: Sheraton Tucson Hotel & Suites
 5151 E. Grant Rd.

COST: \$99 includes continental breakfast, lunch & refreshments both days

REGISTER: Call or stop by any location!

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