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President's Letter, January 2020

Needlenotes

Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month from September through May in the South

CHAPTER MEETINGS

Morning monthly meetings begin at 9:30 am.

Fellowship Hall at the Ladue Chapel.

Evening monthly meetings begin at 6:00 pm.

Summer meetings are informal stitchins and are held on a Saturday each month from June through August.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, January 16 Morning meeting at 9:30 am and Evening Meeting at 6:00 pm. Location: Ladue Chapel

Guest Speaker at both meetings: *Beading Your Canvas*

Thursday, February 20 Morning meeting at 9:30 am and Evening meeting at 6:00 pm Location: Ladue Chapel



Hello 2020!

I hope you all have had a wonderful holiday season with loved ones and friends. I know the Lewis house was filled with family and friends from Thanksgiving and even past New Year's.

Wishing you all a good healthy year and one filled with happiness. I loved having so many of you share your time at the Holiday Stitch-In in my home in mid-December. So much fun, food and laughter we almost didn't hear someone knocking on the front door!

So now it is January and we are off to a great New Year with our Needlepoint Group. We are having a special guest speaker from Schaefer's Hobby Shop on Thursday, January 16th. Her name is Suike and she will be speaking at both meetings. She has excellent beading skills and will also suggest fun items to attach to your projects.

We will be continuing to work on our Hydrangea thru the Window project. I hope you have been enjoying working on yours as I have. So it is that time of year when I will be off to Florida in February and March. If you need to contact me, please don't hesitate. I will see you in April.

Happy Stitching,

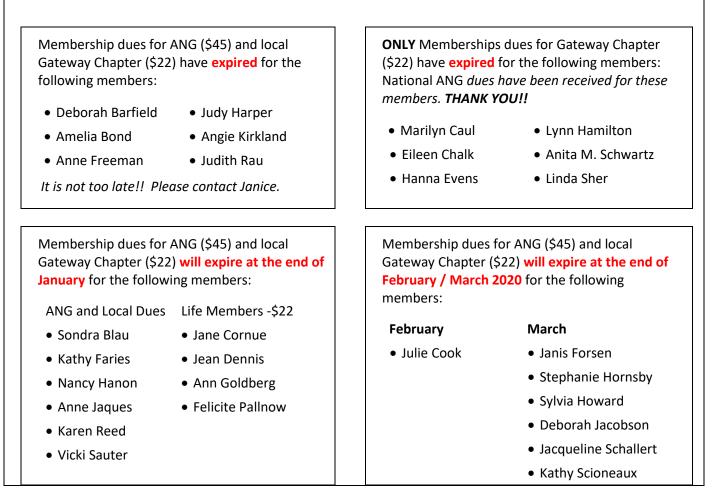
Judy Lewis President

MEMBERSHIP DUES RENEWALS FOR ANG + GATEWAY CHAPTER

Membership renewals are due once a year for both our national chapter *American Needlepoint Guild* (ANG) and for our local chapter, *Gateway Chapter*.

ANG dues may be paid by mailing an ANG <u>National Membership Form</u> or by paying online at <u>www.needlepoint.org</u>. (*Click Renewal for easy processing*.)

Local Gateway Chapter dues may be paid at any of our monthly meetings or by mail to our Membership Chair, Janice Marsh. If helpful, you can also submit payments (one for ANG and one for Gateway Chapter) to our Membership Chair Janice Marsh and she will assist in processing.



Pay ANG Dues by Check: If you prefer to mail a check for ANG dues, please send your check using an <u>ANG</u> <u>National Membership Form</u>. The form is also available on the website <u>GatewayANG.org</u> or from the Membership Chair, Janice Marsh. Make check payable to **ANG**, and mail to 1120 Route 73 #200, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054-5113. Phone: 856-439-0525.

Pay Local Chapter Dues by Check: Please send check for local chapter dues to the Membership Chair, Janice Marsh. Make check payable to **Gateway Chapter**. Send to Janice Marsh, 420 Brooktree Drive, Ballwin, MO 63011. Phone: 636-394-1134 and email: <u>mailto:membership@gatewayang.org</u>.

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MEMBERSHIP ROSTER DISTRIBUTED IN OCTOBER

A membership roster was created for our members and distributed by email in October. This roster included member information-- home address, email address, home, work and mobile phone numbers, membership expiration dates, etc. If you did not receive a roster or if your information has changed since the roster distribution, please contact Membership Chair, Janice Marsh.

2020 ROSTER CORRECTIONS:

Please make this change to your roster. No other changes at this time.

1. Susan Lucco – change home phone 618-656-4884 to new number 618-540-9669

2020 Membership Meetings and Board Meetings

Membership Meetings: Membership meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at the Ladue Chapel, morning at 9:30 am and evening at 6:00 pm. Meeting agendas are the same for both morning and evening meetings. We hold two meetings a day to make the meeting attendance flexible for all our members. All our membership meetings begin with an agenda of current and future relevant chapter business. It is our goal to have an organized, on-task, short meeting so we can focus on needlepoint stitching and any specific program that is scheduled for that meeting. We do allow discussion of any motion on the floor or for any other relevant topic, but we try to refrain from digressing too long on details. Please share your comments and suggestions at any membership meeting.

- 1. Thursday, January 16, 2020
- 2. Thursday, February 20, 2020
- 3. Thursday, March 19, 2020
- 4. Thursday, April 16, 2020
- 5. Thursday, May 21, 2020

Board Meetings: Board meetings are also held during the year. Some meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month following the morning membership meeting. Board meetings are open to all members and also follow a similar process as the membership meetings. Some topics maybe set aside if thorough research or additional information is needed for any decision. Members, committee chairs, or board officers will be designated to lead the specific topic research.

- 1. Thursday, January 16, 2020 11 am
- 2. Thursday, March 19, 2020 1 pm

If you have any questions, please contact any board officer or committee chair. Use the following link to view a list of Gateway Chapter ANG officers. <u>http://www.gatewayang.org/officers.html</u>.

HYDRANGEA THROUGH A WINDOW

The holidays are over, I hope you found some time to work on our chapter project!!! The last stitches that we did required the use of a laying tool. This may be a new skill for some. I hope the laying tools that you earned as incentives for meeting your goal in November came in handy! I had great fun picking out the big beads for the tops of them. If there are a few late people, I think I can put together a few more. Please let me know if you think you will be qualifying.

In January, we will be introducing the next section of the project. Jane Normile has graciously volunteered to demonstrate the next sections of this project at the January meeting. Please make her feel at home as your teacher!! This may be a new stitch for some of us. As always, there will be a new incentive prize for those who have finished the goal from November.



HEARTS FOR HOSPICE

Please bring any hearts that you have finished or are working on so you can motivate some of us (like me) to try our hand at the hearts. I found a small amount of canvas that I can donate to anyone wanting to try their hand. I will also have some copies of stitch guides for Jane to hand out for those interested. Please share any stitch guides that you find with me as I am trying to make a library for people to choose from. You can also share any problems you faced so we can learn from you.



Spring Retreat

Sunday, April 19, 2020

Space is limited to 20 people, so please be sure to RSVP to Debbie Trowbridge early.

Make Checks payable to Gateway ANG for \$20 Checks can be mailed to Debbie at: Debbie Trowbridge 14300 Conway Meadows Ct E #102 Chesterfield MO 63017

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The Wright Kimono Teacher: Toni Gerdes Dates: June 5-6, 2021



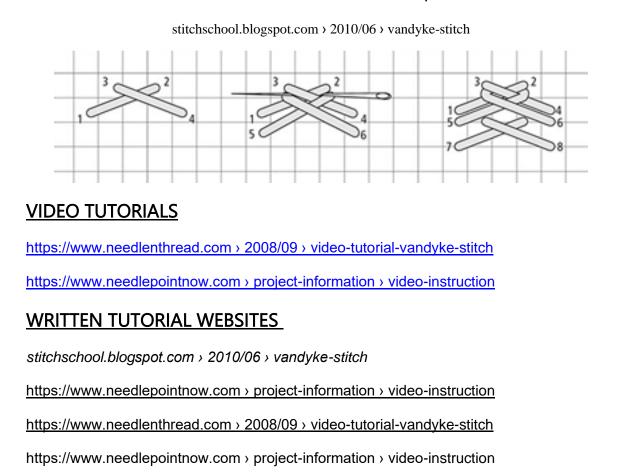
Mark your calendar for Toni Gerdes teaching the two-day workshop "The Wright Kimono" June 5-6, 2021. Yes, that is 2021 as Toni is a fabulous teacher, and her schedule is booked over a year in advance! Class includes instruction on the "perfect circle concept", some color theory and some history.

Kit fee will be \$135 with all teaching and travel costs paid for by Gateway ANG. Don't miss this opportunity to spend two days with this experienced needlepoint wizard!

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Stitch of the Month

As a reminder, based on a survey that we did in September, many of you indicated that you would like to try some new stitches. Soooo, ...we are trying a new part of the program section of the meeting by learning a new stitch. In October we focused on the Van Dyke Stitch which is a braided stitch giving the appearance of a rope on top of your work. Here are a few of the sources of the illustrations that I had for you





Social Media Question #4



Congratulations to Stephanie Hornsby!!!

Thank you for participating in our Group Question #3 on Facebook!

Question #5 has been posted. Reply with your answer for a chance to win a fabulous prize!

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Holiday Stitch-In at Judy Lewis's







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Tulip Hiroshima Needles are currently one of the hottest items in the needlepoint and cross stitch world and now you can find them at **Sign of the Arrow**.

These needles have a slightly larger eye gold eye for easier threading, plus they are flexible, warp resistant, and feature a superior polished finish for smooth sewing. Packaged in a glass vial with cork stopper, they even include care instructions. No wonder this is the needle everyone is talking about!

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