



CHAPTER MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month from September through May in the South Fellowship Hall at the Ladue Chapel.

Morning monthly meetings begin at 9:30 am.

Evening monthly meetings begin at 6:30 pm.

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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Saturday, January 15**—*Winter Luncheon (see invitation inside)*
- **Thursday, January 20**—Chapter Meetings: *Finishing the Barbell stitching project and UFO Halfway review*
- **February 17** — Chapter Meetings: *Starting the frame weight project of your choice*
- **Saturday, March 13**—*Spring Workshop with Jill Rigoli (see information inside)*



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear Members,

HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

It is not too late to sign up for the winter luncheon at Jimmy's On The Park. It is Saturday, January 15th. Send your \$20.00 check made out to Gateway ANG Chapter and mail to Peggy Simms. Read more on this in the newsletter.

There will be some very happy girls in Haiti. Judy Lewes got about 30 gift bags and made hair bows for the girls. Thanks to everyone who contributed to the bags and those who helped Judy fill the bags.

I have a recipe to share for these cold winter days.

BAKED STEW

- 2 lbs cubed beef stew meat
- 1 cup sliced celery
- 1 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup sliced carrots
- 1-16oz can diced tomatoes
- 1/2 diced green pepper
- 4 tbs sherry
- 1 tbs salt
- 3 tbs tapioca

Combine all ingredients in large pan. Cover and bake at 300° for 5 to 8 hours. Can bake this for 8 hours without watching. After you put this in the oven you can needlepoint for the rest of the day and dinner is ready. ENJOY!!

Happy Stitching,
Anne

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JANUARY Finishing the Barbell & UFO Challenge “Halfway Point”

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Most of the members stitching the barbell are ready for finishing tips. Nancy Demko will be at the January meeting to assist those members finishing the barbell themselves. Those members not wishing to tackle finishing the frame weight themselves are welcome to take them to their favorite local needlepoint shop for finishing.

It turns out that the program director got ahead of herself and was so excited about the next project that she introduced it at the November meeting. So at the January meeting members are welcome to either bring in a 12 x 12 13/14 mesh tan canvas and trace their chosen animal outline onto the canvas at the meeting, or they can choose their animal or take it home with them and trace it onto their canvas before the February meeting. Time permitting, members can peruse Bargello and alphabet books to get their creative juices flowing for ideas for their individual animal frame weight project.

Members are also reminded to bring their UFO projects to the January meeting. Yes, it will already be “halfway review” point.

NOTE: UFO is known as an “unfinished object.” It is very likely that we all have many in our closets.

FEBRUARY Bargello Frame Weight

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Now it is your time to choose! You will be able to choose an animal-shaped frame weight and use Bargello stitches to make it all your own.



Bring a 12 x 12 13/14 mesh tan canvas and trace your chosen animal outline

*Needles Up
Angela Jones
Programs*

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**NOTE: A Frame Weight is an object used to counterbalance a table frame or a wooden frame that holds a piece of needlework. The weighted object allows the stitchery to have both hands free to work. It is often an object with a bit of whimsy and is filled with buckshot*

NEED A RIDE TO THE MEETING?



Don't miss our meetings because you need a ride. This year Sarah Jacobson will be your ride coordinator. Contact her and she will arrange a ride so you can join either our morning or evening meetings!! She might even arrange for a drive-thru at McDonald's to satisfy your cravings! Contact Sarah!

Sarah Jacobson, phone: 314-440-2722, email: sarahajacobson@gmail.com



Winter Luncheon

Saturday, January 15, 2011



Place: Jimmy's on the Park
706 DeMun Avenue, Clayton, 63105

Time: 11:30 am to 2:30 pm

Cost: \$20.00

RSVP to: Peggy Sims by January 8, 2011

Questions?? 314-878-0904

menu

Veggie Pizza

Tomato-basil sauce, roasted vegetable ratatouille and Mozzarella cheese

Strawberry-Goat Cheese Salad

Field greens tossed in a strawberry/balsamic vinaigrette, with toasted almonds, goat cheese, fresh strawberries and grilled chicken

Chicken Salad

Grilled chicken tossed with veggies, chopped walnuts and sundried cranberries in honey-laced mayonnaise, served with fresh fruit and toasties

Grouper Tacos

Flash-fried battered grouper served with corn tortillas, avocado sour cream, pico de gallo and shredded Cheddar cheese with a side of Spanish rice and black beans

coffee, tea, and water included

cash bar available

Clip 'n Mail

I will attend: _____ (name)

My lunch selection is: _____ (item)

Enclosed is my check _____ (\$20)

Mail check payable to: Gateway Chapter ANG

Mail check to: Peggy Sims
12532 Bennington Place
St. Louis, MO 63146-2711

MEMBER ACTIVITIES

SPRING WORKSHOP

Jill Rigoli of Danji Designs



We are excited to have National Teacher and designer, Jill Rigoli, for our spring workshop. Jill will present our Thursday evening Gateway ANG program and will then teach a one-day workshop for us on March 19, 2011.

Our project is a very cute Halloween mouse that is new to Jill's line of canvas designs. This workshop is open to all levels. The final cost of the workshop is still to be determined, but we think it will be around \$60.00. The workshop will be held at the Winghaven Country Club, the same venue as our fall retreat.

Please call me at 314-504-1244 or 314-317-9093 to make your reservation for this class. I think this class will be very popular, so call early.

Payment for this workshop will be collected at the January meetings.

*Pam Peterson
Workshop Chairman*

CHECKS FOR GATEWAY CHAPTER ANG



When attending any Gateway Chapter ANG events—such as workshops, retreats, etc.; or purchasing a tote bag or chance for a raffle; or making a donation to our philanthropy—please make your check payable to **Gateway Chapter ANG**.

*Carol Bosche
Treasurer*

DINNER ON MEETING NIGHTS

Join other ANG members and guests for casual dining



Hilton St. Louis in Frontenac Provinces Grille

The Hilton St. Louis Hotel Provinces Bar and Grille is a favorite gathering place and it is the selected dinner location for an impromptu dinner.

This is a “pay your own bill” dinner with other members and guests who are attending the January monthly needlepoint evening meeting.

*Contact Regina Mohan at 314-991-5741 to RSVP
so she can reserve tables*

NOMINATING COMMITTEE



Serving on the nominating committee is an opportunity to volunteer for a committee that is thinking strategically about our chapter's future. The Nominating Committee is composed of three members, one current board member and two members at-large from our member population. You can read our bylaws that outline the activities of the Nomination committee on our website. [Gateway Chapter Bylaws](#).

Consider serving as a member of the Nomination committee. Remember that it takes all of us to make a good guild.

Contact Ann Freeman at 314-994-3825

MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES

MEET JULIE FILEAN



Julie Filean has more than 20 years experience in the retail industry, including nine years at May Department Stores as Corporate Buyer in both Children's and Women's divisions. In addition, for three years, she served as Manager of a non-profit retail military base gift shop in Japan. She has also served in other corporate retail positions.

Julie's dedication to volunteering began early on, with her first job at the Magic House when she was 15. Julie loves working with volunteers and is thankful she is able to use that commitment to volunteerism in her present position at Sign of the Arrow, a non-profit needlepoint and gift boutique.

For the past four years, Julie has served as General Manager at Sign of the Arrow, where she supervises all day-to-day operations, including finance, budget, staffing, and sales. Her duties include overseeing all needlepoint buying, design, and finishing, as well as the shop's unique gift division.

Before starting at Sign of the Arrow, Julie was an accomplished cross stitcher. However, over the last four years, Julie has become an even more enthusiastic needlepointer. She enjoys using a variety of stitches and fibers in her projects. Like all dedicated needlepointers, she has a number of projects she's working on simultaneously, including a belt, an ornament, a birth announcement, and several others. She even has a rug waiting for her to begin. Julie was so excited to begin work at Sign of the Arrow, as it gave her the needed push to finish her 1986 Limited Edition Ornament she received as a wedding gift. She is looking forward to putting it on her tree again soon!

Julie is excited about her new membership in ANG. She is looking forward to continuing to broaden her needlepoint knowledge and meet other needlepoint enthusiasts!

MEET CARYL BOCH

My name is Caryl Boch. I live with my husband, Fred, and my Shih Tzu, Abby, in O'Fallon, IL. I am a speech pathologist by day and a stitcher by night. I started

stitching in 1970 when I was student teaching at Special School District in St. Louis County. My supervisor said on my first day, "Instead of eating lunch, we stitch. Learn!" So, off I went to SOA (Sign of the Arrow). That was the beginning of a wonderful obsession. I do not consider myself to be anything other than a constant student. I am so blessed that my husband approves.

Please introduce yourself to Julie and Caryl when you see them and make them feel welcome.

*Donna Beaman
Membership*

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The following members owe local dues on January 01. (Sorry for the short notice!)

- Vicki J. Buckrop
- Ellen Cooley
- Jane Cornue
- Jean Dennis
- Anne Carol Goldberg
- Nancy Poe
- Felicite Pollnow
- Michele Roberts
- Lilianne Sobrado
- Sue VanderNoor
- Martha Whitehead

The following members owe local dues on February 01.

- Florence Bell
- Linda Bryant
- Eileen Chalk
- Nancy Demko
- Dawna Freeland
- Nancy Hanon
- Debbie Jacobson
- Anne Jaques
- Terrie Krauss
- Barb Smith

Please mail your checks for \$22.00 to me – Donna Beaman, 294 Heather Crest Dr., Chesterfield, MO 63017 – as soon as possible.

Please make your check payable to Gateway Chapter – ANG. If you give your check to one of the other board members, please let me know. It saves a lot of confusion.

Also, please don't forget that your national dues need to be paid directly to National Headquarters. If you need assistance with that, please call me at 314-878-4149. I'm happy to help you.

*Donna Beaman
Membership*

PHILANTHROPIC PROJECT

Our project for this year is a girl's orphanage, House of Hope, in Port au Prince, Haiti. Due to the earthquake, there are now 29 girls in residence in the orphanage. Every day another parent may have to drop off their daughter because they are not able to take care of her. The orphanage is in a compound that includes a school with grades Kindergarten through 8th grade.



To observe Christmas for these girls, members donated hair accessories (barrettes, headbands, beads, ribbons, etc.) and small jewelry items (bracelets, necklaces, etc.) for gift bags. Several members met to organize and fill gift bags to help the girls celebrate Christmas.



Please continue to bring your stash to each of the monthly meetings, either morning or evening.

*Ellen J. Ippolito
Philanthropy*

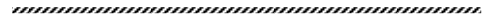
WINTER RAFFLE



The winter raffle tickets for the **Stitch Bag** and **\$100 Needlepoint Gift Certificate** is available now and will be selling through the winter luncheon.

The \$100 gift certificate will be made out to you for any **local** needlepoint shop or any ANG product of your choice. Hurry and get your tickets: 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10. Get them early and get them often!

Contact Regina Mohan at 314-991-5741 or purchase tickets at our meetings.



CHAPTER FUNDRAISING

BUY A TOTE OR ACCESSORIES BAG



Our new Gateway Chapter ANG totes are selling like hot cakes! There is still time to order them. The color choices are: turquoise, pink, orange and lime green.

They are available in quilted or nylon grid materials. You can get a color to match your project or your sassy personality.

Each has two large zippered, clear plastic pockets. \$27.00 includes St. Louis ANG monogrammed logo

To purchase one of these new motivating tote bags; contact Regina Mohan at 314-991-5741 or order one at our meetings.

*Regina Mohan
Fundraising*



Did you know ALL proceeds from sales at
Sign of the Arrow benefit area agencies?

Sign of the Arrow is a non-profit
specialty and needlepoint boutique
staffed by community volunteers.

Thank you for truly impacting the lives
of St. Louisans by shopping with us!

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Sign of the Arrow Shop News

New Assistant Manager - Needlepoint

Sign of the Arrow is pleased to announce that **Randi Hanpeter** is the new Assistant Manager - Needlepoint for the shop. Randi has worked at Sign of the Arrow for many years and has a vast knowledge of all aspects of needlepointing - especially fibers, creative stitches and finishing. She enjoys the creativity associated with the wide range of needlepoint projects that are possible to stitch, and will be happy to help you when you visit or call Sign of the Arrow.

Trunk Shows:

- January - Barbara Russell (beautiful dogs and animals)
- February - Strictly Christmas
- April - H.P. (broad assortment of Asian & Persian designs and beautiful florals)
- May - Princess & Me (delightful Christmas ornaments with stitch guides)
- June - Elizabeth Turner (huge selection of purses, shoes, rugs and other canvas)

Brand new fibers to Sign of the Arrow include:

- Over-dyed Kreinik from Threadworx
- DMC Perle Variations
- Anchor Tapestry Wool
- Vineyard Wool

*Sign of the Arrow has even more exciting fibers on the way, so check back often.
And, we are making way for these new fibers with a thread clearance.*



David McCaskill Canvas Enhancement Class

January 28, 29, & 30
Stitch Guides and Thread Recommendations

Special Finishing During January

Spend \$75.00 and get 2 punches on your card.
Spend \$150 and get 4 punches.

January Trunk Shows

Deus Amis with Christmas and pre-worked canvases
Associated Talents with holiday, florals, pillows, etc.

February Trunk Show

Artists Collection with canvases from Mile-High Princess, Pat Thode, and Shear Creations

717 N. New Ballas just south of Olive, east of I-270
314-432-2555
www.theneedlepointclubhouse.com

The Needlepoint Clubhouse Shop News

Special Finishing During the Month of January

Spend \$75.00 and get two punches on your card. Spend \$150 and get four punches. We have added a new finisher and her work is wonderful. Let us turn your hard work into something beautiful.

Canvas Enhancement – January 28, 29, & 30th

David McCaskill will be here for canvas enhancement. There are a few spaces still available. David's classes are always fun, entertaining and informative. If you have a canvas in your stash and want help with a stitch guide and threads, this IS the class for you. Call **The Needlepoint Clubhouse** to reserve your space.

Trunk Show News

- We have a new trunk show from *Deux Amis* that offers many Christmas canvases as well as those "hard to find" pre-worked canvases.
- *Associated Talents* will be here January 8th. They offer lots of holiday pieces as well as florals, brick covers, and pillows.
- In February, we will have *The Artists Collection*. This show includes canvases from Mile High Princess, Pat Thode and Shear Creations. These designers are lots of fun and very popular with our customers.

We hope you all had a great holiday, and just remember, it is never too early to start on next years' projects.
Linda, Pam, Judy, Angela, Nancy, Debbie and Dawna

Join us Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm for Stitch and Swirl

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MEMBERSHIP

Gateway Chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild is open to all needlepointers, from beginner to experts. Prospective members may attend two (2) membership meetings and receive two (2) complimentary copies of the Needlenotes newsletter before being asked to pay dues. If you want to join now, contact Donna Beaman, Membership. (See phone number and email address above.) If you have an address change, contact Donna Beaman, Membership. (See phone number and email address above.)

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