



## CHAPTER MEETINGS

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

Morning meetings  
begin at 9:30 am

Evening meetings  
begin at 6:30 pm

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

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Thursday, September 15: Meeting
- September-January: Eau de Parfum Project
- Sunday, October 23: Fall Retreat at WingHaven Country Club
- Thursday, October 20: Meeting
- Fall Library Exhibit: October-Main Library



## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Fellow Stitchers:

It's hard to believe that summer is almost behind us and fall is just around the corner. And it always seems that once September is here, the Holidays follow quickly behind it. I do hope that everyone had a good, if hot, summer.

Since September is sort of the start of the Gateway Chapter's new year, I'm going to issue everyone a challenge this month: I'd like each one of you to try something new and different this year. For example – if you haven't been to a meeting in a long time, how about attending one again? If you haven't tried one of the Chapter projects because you thought it might be too difficult, give it a shot. If you've never attended one of the retreats or workshops, why not see what you've been missing? If you already do all of these things, how about volunteering for one of the committees when the Board asks for help during the year? Or do something as simple as trying a new stitch on one of your projects.

We all get in ruts in our lives. We do projects in basket weave because it doesn't involve much thinking. We stay home because it's easier than getting out and interacting with other people. We let other people do all the planning for events because we don't want to get involved. But let me quote Eric Schmidt, the executive chairman of Google: "Find a way to say yes to things. Say yes to invitations to a new country, say yes to meet new friends, say yes to learn something new. Yes is how you get your first job, and your next job, and your spouse, and even your kids. Even if it's a bit edgy, a bit out of your comfort zone, saying yes means that you will do something new, meet someone new, and make a difference. Yes lets you stand out in a crowd, be the optimist, see the glass full, and be the one everyone comes to. Yes is what keeps us all young."

I said "Yes" over two years ago when I was asked to join the Gateway Chapter Board as the Membership Chair and again last spring when I took over as President. Believe me, the last "Yes" took me out of my comfort zone. But I have made new friends, and the new responsibilities that I have taken on have made a positive difference in my life.

The American Needlepoint Guild and the Gateway Chapter are your organizations. You will get out of them what you put into them. This doesn't mean that I think each of you should run for President or even for a spot on the Board. But I do think that each of you would find this next year much more rewarding if you would just try at least one new and different thing.

So how about it? Are **you** up to the challenge?

*Donna  
President*

## CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

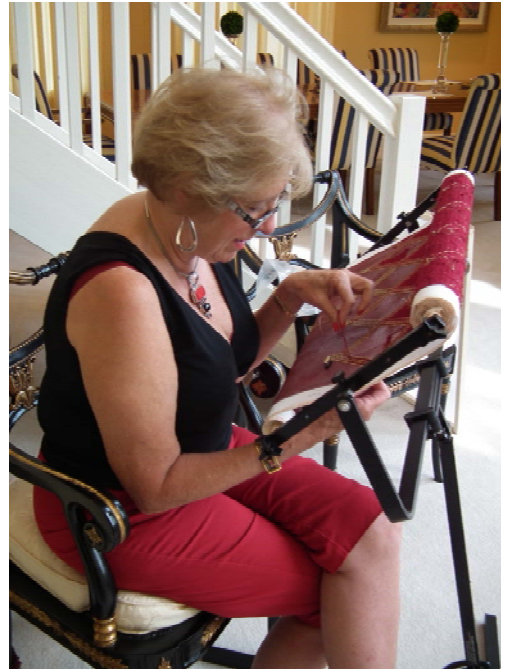
### July Stitch In

The July Stitch-In was hosted by Linda Bryant. Parking was not so bad after all and the rooftop garden was beautiful. A brief shower cooled everything off and even the drive was pleasant.

The light was fabulous and the stitching was great! The small group of five made for more in depth conversations, too.

Linda treated us like queens with elegant cuisine and table scapes. I never thought I would get to sound like Sandra Lee on the Cooking Channel!!!

Thank-you, Linda



## CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

### August Stitch-In

Ten stitchers enjoyed the weather and hospitality of Kathryn Nagey on Saturday. We had some faithful stitchers and a new face to stitch-ins—Nancy Hanon. Kathryn had a hard time getting us all to leave.



If you did not make it to one of the summer stitch-ins this summer, please make it part of your next New Year's resolution to attend next summer.

Thank-you again to all of our generous hostesses for opening up their homes and making time for us. You are what makes this organization such a joy.

Here are a few photos of the fun / stitching / and socializing.

## CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Our Membership Chair, Debbie Trowbridge, has been very ill this summer. Until she is able to take over her duties, I will be standing in for her. I did Membership for the last two years, so I'm very familiar with it, and I don't think it will add that much to my own duties, at least for the short term. If she feels that she is unable to return, then we will have to replace her, but we will only do that as a last resort.

The following members owe local dues on October 01. Please mail your checks for \$22.00 to me by October 01:

Donna Beaman  
294 Heather Crest Dr.  
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Please make checks 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.

- Lisa Balbes
- Joan Cahill
- Maureen Clever
- Nancy Feldman
- Louise Franks
- Ellen Ippolito
- Mickey Knutson
- Linda Lesh
- Susan Lucco

Also, please make sure that your National membership is current. You cannot be a member of the Gateway Chapter if you do not belong to the National organization.

Except for your initial membership payment, your National dues need to be paid directly to National Headquarters. You should receive a notice shortly before that payment is due.

If you need assistance with that, please contact me. My phone number is 314-878-4149.

Please wish Debbie well and let's hope she's up and stitching soon.

Donna Beaman, President

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### DINE OUT WITH ANG ON MEETING DAYS

Join other ANG members and guests for casual luncheon or dinner at a favorite gathering place for an impromptu lunch or dinner. The lunch locations are immediately after the morning meeting and often determined after the meeting.

If you plan to attend dinner before the evening meeting, please contact Regina Mohan, our unofficial social director, so she can get a number for reservations. For September we will meet at the Frontenac Hilton. We usually meet at 5:00.

This is a "pay your own bill" with other members and guests. See you there!!!

## PROGRAMS

This year's project is "Eau de Parfum". This design comes from the same designer of the barbell frame weight we did last year. It is stitched on 18 count canvas using charts. Members can choose their own color for the perfume bottle, background and canvas color. Sparkle canvas is recommended due to the open stitching on the background. Members also have the option of where they purchase other supplies needed. Below is a list of options, and the cost if purchased through ANG. The chart kit itself is \$13.50 which must be purchased through ANG. A picture of the piece framed can be seen in this newsletter. The stitched sample, which will be available for viewing at the September meeting, is being finished as an actual 3-D perfume bottle to sit on a dresser or vanity.

### COST TO MEMBERS:

Chart Kit	\$13.50	(REQUIRED FOR PROJECT)
Gold or silver beads	\$ 4.50	(OPTIONAL)
Sprayed glitter canvas	\$ 7.00 (14x14)	(OPTIONAL)
Treated lame	\$ 3.00	(OPTIONAL)

Below are threads and other supplies to be purchased at your favorite local needlepoint shop:



### MATERIALS NEEDED

Frosty Rays - 2 cards  
Splendor - 1 card  
Neon Rays - 1 card  
#8 Braid - 2 spools of gold or silver  
#4 Braid - 2 spools of gold or silver  
#8 Braid - 2 spools  
1/16 Ribbon - 1 spool of gold or silver  
Ball of #12 perle cotton - background  
Mill Hill Crystal Treasures #13001 - 2

14' stretcher bars - 2 sets

You can pick up the chart kit at the September meeting, and let Angela Jones know what options you would like to order. We will begin stitching on this project at the October meeting.

### NOT TOO LATE TO SIGN UP FOR AN UFO

For those of you, who are still interested in participating in the UFO-Challenge, bring two UFO (unfinished canvases) to the September meeting, and fellow members will select one as your UFO project for the upcoming year.

### NEW CHALLENGE

We will be introducing a new program to get unfinished canvases out of your dark closets and onto your walls or sofas. Drum roll... "**Summer SOS**". Please come to the September meetings to hear the details.

## PHILANTHROPY

### OUR LITTLE HAVEN AND HOUSE OF HOPE ORPHANAGE, PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI

Our philanthropy projects this year will continue to be House of Hope in Haiti and we will also include Our Little Haven in St. Louis. Below are some of the items that can be donated. Thanks again for your support.



Our Little Haven provides **Care for Kids. Mind. Body. Soul.** so that **kids can be kids**, and you can help!

#### Our Little Haven Needs List

- Dial bar soap
- Paper Towels
- Bathroom tissue
- Diapers sizes 3-6
- Pull-ups sizes 5-6
- Juice boxes, healthy snacks (Fruits roll-ups, fruits snacks)
- Baby Lotion
- Bathroom Dixie cups
- New clothing
- Socks
- Underwear
- Undershirts



#### House of Hope Needs List

- Skin Lotion
- Baby Powder
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Washcloths
- Deodorant
- Alcohol Wipes
- Cough Medicine (adult, child & infant)
- Tylenol (adult, child & infant)
- Peanut Butter
- Travel Size shampoo, soap, lotion, toothpaste)
- Children's Chewable Vitamin (no gummies)

## FALL RETREAT

Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011  
9:30am-4:00pm

Hostess: Ellen Ippolito  
WingHaven Country Club  
7777 WingHaven Blvd  
O'Fallon, MO 63368  
Phone (636) 561-9464



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### **Directions from Highway 70**

Take Highway 70 West to Bryan Road exit. Turn south on Bryan Road, travel for 2 miles until it becomes WingHaven Boulevard. Enter the WingHaven community through the concrete pillars, and WingHaven Country Club is on the right.



### **Directions from Highway 40**

Take Highway 40 West to the WingHaven Boulevard exit. Turn North (right) on WingHaven Boulevard and go straight through the stoplight on MasterCard Blvd. Enter the WingHaven community through the concrete pillars, and WingHaven Country Club is on the left.

Summer is over and the holidays are fast approaching. You probably have more than one project that needs finishing for the holidays. It's time to treat yourself to a day of needlepoint.

A full day of stitching and socializing with good friends! You can get a lot of work done on your projects, enjoy good company and eat well for a day.

The Fall Retreat is scheduled for Sunday, October 23rd at WingHaven Country Club from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. This is the same location as the spring workshop last year.

Please be aware that due to construction at this location, we will be working on the lower level of the building in the room where we usually eat. The light is OK but if you are working on an intensive piece, you may want to bring a light with you. And of course as in the past, if weather allows we may be able to stitch outside on the patio.

We have been able to hold the cost to \$20. So take advantage of this bargain.

Ellen Ippolito is sponsoring us at the Country Club and will be in charge of reservations and payment. You can contact her at:

Phone: 636-561-0132

Email: [pinkyellen@yahoo.com](mailto:pinkyellen@yahoo.com)

RSVP by Friday, October 21

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2011

### SEPTEMBER 2011

"Eau de Parfum", will be introduced. Please see details above.

Second Chance for UFO Challenge. Please bring 2 UFO contenders from your stash and fellow members will choose your UFO project for the upcoming year.

We will be introducing a new program, "Summer SOS". Please come to hear the details

### OCTOBER 2011

"Eau de Parfum": Stitching will begin on "Eau de Parfum". It is not required that you participate in the group project. You are welcome to attend the meetings, and stitch on any project.

### NOVEMBER 2011

Stitching & Beading "Eau de Parfum": We will continue stitching and beading on "Eau de Parfum".

### DECEMBER 2011

No Meeting

### JANUARY 2012

Final stitches and beads will adorn "Eau de Parfum" to complete the project.

UFO Challenge "Halfway Point" --UFO participants are invited to show their "halfway point" progress

### FEBRUARY 2012

Tips, Tricks & Gadgets: Members will share their favorite tips, tricks and gadgets. Also, items needed for next month's project will be discussed.

### MARCH 2012

Mad for Plaid: Members will learn about stitching plaids. You will be stitching a coaster size piece with a monogram or initial in the center, and your birthday plaid as the background.

### APRIL 2012

Meredith Barnhill Willett, a National needlepoint teacher, owner of Elizabeth Turner Collection, and owner of two needlepoint shops in Kentucky, will present a short program on "Knots, Fur & Turkey Work". (Her popular book bears the same name.) This will be an evening meeting only.

#### **Workshop**

April 21, 2012: A one day workshop with national instructor, Meredith Barnhill Willett of Elizabeth Turner Collection will be teaching "Tantalizing Tassels". This workshop is open to needlepointers of all levels.

### MAY 2012

UFO Challenge Final Show: Members will "show and tell" their completed UFO Challenge projects and of course begin a new cycle of UFOs for the next year.

"Summer SOS": We will also kick-off our new program, "Summer SOS".

Installation of New Officers: We will be installing the new officers for their upcoming terms.

### JUNE/JULY/AUGUST

Monthly Stitch-In: Join us for a fun filled day of stitching at members' homes during the summer months. A perfect time to stitch your "Summer SOS".

**CHAPTER FUNDRAISING**

**NEW ITEMS TO BE SELECTED AT THE SEPTEMBER MEETING**

Please plan to attend our first meeting in September to help to choose this year's fundraiser. Our new Chairperson, Judy Lewis, has been working hard to try to select items of interest for all of us. We might be looking at several items from shirts to luggage tags. Your feedback would be a great way to ensure success.



**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO BUY A TOTE OR ACCESSORIES BAG FROM LAST YEAR'S FUNDRAISER!!!!**



Our Gateway Chapter ANG totes are still available and can be ordered! There are many color choices and even a new style. They vary in color and features. They make great project bags!

Prices range from \$27.00 to \$30.00 and all include the Gateway Chapter ANG monogrammed logo. Please contact Regina Mohan if you have interest.



**A BIG THANK-YOU!**



WOW! I was completely surprised at the luncheon when I opened my Pischke Bag. It was such a special gift to know that so many people needlepointed on the canvas. The canvas is one I love and I will cherish it always. I appreciate all the people who took time out of their busy schedules to needlepoint on the canvas. It looks fantastic. Thanks again for the beautiful Pischke Bag.

Anne Freeman, Past President



**Library Exhibit**

We will have a display at the Main Library on Lindbergh during the month of October. The theme for the exhibit is decorative stitches, and I would appreciate any items you would be will to share. All items are placed in a locked case, therefore no damage or harm will come to your pieces. If you would bring your item(s) to the September ANG meeting or let me know, I will make arrangements to pick up items from you at your convenience. Items will be returned to you the first week of November. I would like to thank-you in advance because, I'm sure that I will receive many offers. You can contact me at 314-991-5741 to make arrangements.

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### ***New decorative mouldings have arrived!***

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### ***All needlework framing is completed to conservation standards.***

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## Sign of the Arrow Shop News

### Trunk Shows Coming up this fall:

Amanda Lawford thru 9/12  
9/10 – 10/3 Susan Roberts with the exception of Liz  
October – Kathy Schenkel  
November – Elizabeth Turner Belts

### Other News

We are loaded with lots of new canvases from show. We have added to our collection of contemporary canvases with pieces from Picasso, Matisse, and Agam. Our purse collection has never been larger with great pieces from Clara Wells, Red Thread, JP, Elizabeth Turner, Sophia, Julie Pischke, Whimsey and Grace, Mindy, and more.

**Thinking about holiday gifts?** We are fully stocked with small projects such as bookmarks, wallets, and scissor cases that are quick to stitch and may still be turned in to meet holiday finishing deadlines.

If you are familiar with our St. Louis Skyline belt, we now also have a cummerbund and purse flap from the KMT collection with the same skyline artwork.

We have expanded our line of Children's Kits hoping to capture the next generation of stitchers. Our Arrowpoint kits are great for beginners and come in lots of themes. They also make great presents!

### New Threads

New threads in the shop now include the Japan colors in Kreinik #7 and DMC's memory thread.



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## The Needlepoint Clubhouse Shop News

The Clubhouse will be celebrating their 5th anniversary on Wednesday, September 7th. The fun will be happening all day long, ending with drawings for prizes at 6:00 pm. To qualify for the drawings, simply make a purchase at the clubhouse between now and Sept. 7. There will be prizes, surprises, announcements, and refreshments, so come by to help us celebrate. Wine after 5 of course.

Linda and Pam are back from market with lots of new goodies. Be sure you see the new scissors, Puffin magnets, puppy scissors (perfect for travel and so cute), canvas key fobs, scissor fobs and laying tools. And be sure to see the new Petite Silk Lame braid. It is perfect for those open patterns or to add a little sparkle to a piece.

We are also now carrying the full line of High Cotton. This company designed a line of thread with colors that were not found in other lines, and they are so pretty. We have all had a chance to stitch with them and are quite pleased as to how they look and feel (like silk) in your canvas. They fit the bill for size 24 to size 10 canvas, so be sure to check them out.

Like the Pischke rug bag kits, but not the price? We will now be carrying the same line of rug bags that will allow you to use your own canvas, or even design what you want to have on the bag. They are on order and are expected any day. You'll like the price, too.

Classes: Jill Rigoli will be teaching in the Clubhouse Sept. 30, Oct. 1 and Oct. 2. She is sold out, but we will be glad put your name on a waiting list. Many times spots become available. Or if you missed Jill, it is not too early to sign up for Julia Snyder. Julia had such a good response when she was here in June, we are having her back. This class will fill fast so call to be a part of it.

The trunk show for September is Share One's Ideas. She is a unique artist who is only at the Dallas market, so come in to see her canvases.

Thank you for your support of the Clubhouse,  
Linda, Pam, Judy, Angela, Nancy and Dawna

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We encourage everyone to bring a friend and just sit, stitch and visit. We are open from 10:00-7:00 Monday through Thursday, 10:00 – 4:00 Friday and Saturday and 11:00 – 4:00 on Sunday.

We are located at 11734 Manchester Road in Des Peres, "a step above...on the verandah". More parking is available in the rear and a walk-up ramp is located on the east side of the building.

Phone: 314/570-9339

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