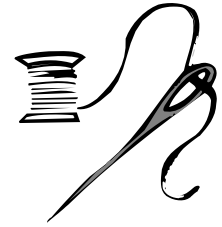




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SHOW-ME STITCHERS CHAPTER - HEARTLAND REGION - EMBROIDERERS' GUILD OF AMERICA, INC.
St. Louis, Missouri

January 2019 – February 2019

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello ladies,

I hope you are stitching to keep warm. I think snow days are more fun without kids because I have time to binge-stitch. So many projects to do and the snow is melting too fast. It's been wonderful welcoming new members and visitors at every meeting. Its fun to talk to people who share our love of needlework. Congratulations to those who completed the 2017-2018 stitch challenge. And another **THANK YOU** to Eileen and Kathy S. for all the work and preparation they put into the **Patterns and posies** stitch along program.

I want to remind you that registration for the 2019 national seminar **GATEWAY TO STITCHING** will reopen **March 16** through **July 31, 2019**. The seminar will be held at the St. Louis Marriot Grand **October 30-November 3, 2019**. There are also **regional classes offered on October 29, 2019**. (more information at egausa.org) The national seminar committee is looking for volunteers for a variety of positions. You don't have to be registered for the seminar to volunteer.

SAPPINGTON HOUSE COUNTRY CRAFTS FESTIVAL ON APRIL 27-28, 2019 would be a great opportunity to **stitch in public**. Technically the first Saturday in February is stitch-in-public day, but national EGA leaves it open for any opportunity.

The **Valley Junction Chapter** will host our next **regional workshop/meeting in Des Moines, IA May 17-18, 2019**. (more information at the Heartland region EGA website) This is a great opportunity to meet and make new friends in the **Heartland region** and learn more about **EGA**.

We have a committee going over our policies and procedures to bring them up to date. The membership will vote on the changes at our regular meeting.

New members should be stitching a name tag. It doesn't have to be fancy. It's a chance to stitch a mini project and a fast way for us to learn your name as you learn ours.

We are still looking to fill the following positions in June. These offices are for a 2-year term: President, 2nd vice president, and secretary. Listen, president is not as scary as it sounds. I only wear a size 6.5 shoe. NOT TOO BIG TO FILL. 2nd VP coordinates programs for Sept., Oct., Nov., Jan., Feb., Mar., Apr. and May. You enlist members to sign up for a month and make sure each meeting has a program. You are not responsible for our social meetings in Aug., Dec. and June. The secretary takes minutes while looking very classy or sassy. We have a newsletter again. Thanks to Teresa Kendall for volunteering. Enough of this, time to get stitching.

THE Prez

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Member News You Can Use

Teresa has created an email address for the newsletter: showmenewsletter@gmail.com

If anyone has anything you wish to be in the newsletter, after approval by The Prez, please email it to this address.

Fran hopes all of you have gotten the latest roster, which was as of 01-19-2019. If not, please let her know.

Reminder: we will be renewing memberships during the months of April/May. It will be \$51 per person, payable no later than May 21st. Should you have any questions, call Fran's land line or email/text her cell number (but be prepared to wait for her reply, as coverage is spotty at best).

Because of some expressed interested, newsletters from other chapters are now attached to the email along with this newsletter.

Our outreach organization is the Humane Society of Missouri. If you wish to help all the dogs and cats that they take in, please see their wish list below.

Humane Society of Missouri Wish list

Newspaper (no ads please)

Long-cut shredded office paper

old blankets, towels, and washcloths (all sizes)

door mat size rugs

cardboard flats (like those from soda)

dog- beds, leashes, collars

cat- beds

grooming supplies

dryer sheets, paper towels

peanut butter, treats, biscuits

hot water bottles and heating pads

Programs for the 2019, February to June meetings

February 12,	Audrey Melton.....	Master Craftsman Program
March 12,	Lisa H. and Kathy M.....	"Thimbles and Hoops"
April 9,	Linda Estes.....	"Chicken Scratch Embroidery"
May 14,	Fran Scholl.....	Lacey Canvas Needlework Case
June 11,	<i>Annual Potluck</i>	Teresa Kendall.....Sashiko Embroidery

Show and Share Ticket Program..... Earn a ticket for a stitched project you completed in the September to August time frame of the current year. Show and Share the completed project with the membership, this will earn you a ticket for each project. At the June Potluck tickets will be drawn for wonderful rewards. Susan has "Guidelines" for the Show and Share Rewards Program.

Stitch Challenge 2018-2019..... Your UFO has been chosen by your fellow stitchers, you have a year to complete your project. The rewards are two-fold, you get a project completed plus a wonderful reward will be yours if all your stitching is completed by the November 2019 meeting. So, get stitching time is passing!!!! Only about 300 days left to complete your stitching!!!

Mini Stitch Challenge....Complete the Valentine pattern handed out at the January meeting by the February 12th meeting to receive a possible total of 4 tickets towards the Show and Share ticket drawing in June for a great reward. Two tickets will be awarded for all the stitching to be completed, an additional 2 tickets will be given if the project is completed into its "forever" form...pillow, frame, you get the idea!!!!

Special Notes on May 14, 2019 program: “Lacy Canvas Scissors Case”

Fran will guide us through an EGA Petite Project, *Lacy Canvas Scissors Case*, an intermediate counted canvas design by Margaret Bendig at our May meeting. This project was featured in late 2017 on the EGA Stitch-a-Long group (part of Facebook). The petite project was originally copyrighted in 1998. If you don't love canvas, you could accomplish the same design on linen, or perhaps even as a surface embroidery project.

Bring the following supplies (from your stash or *get thee to a needlework shop!*):

6” x 12” 18-count colored canvas

Stretcher bars and tacks to fit

#24 Tapestry Needles

8 Perle Coton – in a color closely matching your canvas color

30# Satin Ribbon 1/8” wide

2 ½” x 8” Ultra Suede[®] for lining, color to match canvas

Normal stitching supplies (scissors, light, magnification, etc.)

If you wish to read ahead, set up your canvas, and baste some guidelines, or even to pre-work any or all parts of this project, feel free to go to the Facebook group (EGA Stitch-a-Long), and search for the project instructions. I recommend this especially to anyone wishing to alter the project materials. If you want to see how small the project becomes when stitched on Congress Cloth, ask Janet Garvin to bring hers along to the next meeting. One alteration I have already made is to use beads instead of French knots, so if you prefer to not stitch knots, plan on selecting beads and bring beading thread and needles as well.

If you can't find the instructions on Facebook (they might be inside the Members Only part of the EGA website), let me know. I can email you a 7-page PDF version. Let me know if you have any questions.