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A WORD FROM YOUR PRESIDENT, CINDA HALL

Currently, my ears are carrying my headphones, sunglasses and a face mask. Ears are my new purse." (Pinterest)

Hi all. That made me laugh, but we have learned a lot about masks! The masks that we embroidered for the February meeting are beautiful. Great job!

I must say I am so proud of the way we have handled the past year's hardships. Zoom has continued to be a great way to meet, but I can't wait to really see each other. We have been praised for continuing our class projects during this past year. I thank everyone who helped keep us stitching. Don't forget that we have social stitching Zoom each Wednesday night at 7:30 P.M., plus our regular meeting on the fourth Wednesday of the month. The log-in stays the same for each week and has been sent out, but let me know if you need it.

There are a lot of fun and beautiful projects in the coming months. Check the information for those in this newsletter. Also, there are a few important items to pass along:

- 1. Save the date, April 24, 2021, for a socially distanced luncheon. Details in this newsletter.*
- 2. It is time for membership renewal. Be sure to get your coupon to Phyllis as soon as possible. I know that it has been a tough year and we have not gotten to meet face-to-face, but we will ultimately get to meet in person and we would miss you if you don't rejoin. So, don't forget to renew!*
- 3. I have been reminded by MAR that each person needs to personally change or correct your membership information with MAR and National EGA. Our Membership chair cannot change your information during the year. You don't want to miss your NeedleArts magazine.*
- 4. We need your help with filling our Board for next year. Some chapters have had to disband due to the inability to fill the Board. We don't want that to happen to us. So think about joining the Board. Any questions, just give me a call.*

It is so wonderful to see sunshine and green grass making its appearance. Spring is such a time for renewal, and we really need this one. Enjoy it! Happy Spring!

Cinda Hall, Leader of the PAC

<p>April Celebratory Luncheon at The Orangery Downingtown, PA 12pm April 24, 2021</p>	<p>May Birds of a Feather Zoom Together Sampler Pt 1 7:30pm May 26, 2021 via Zoom</p>	<p>June Birds of a Feather Zoom Together Sampler Pt 2 7:30pm June 23, 2021 via Zoom</p>
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OFFICERS

President – Cinda Hall

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Vice-President – Gerty Romer

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Secretary – Liz Gilbert

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Treasurer – Margaret Hardie

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Region Representatives – Gerty Romer

(scrubbed)

– Diane Bishop

(scrubbed)

Past Chapter President – Kim Thornton

(scrubbed)

Past MAR Region Dir - Patty Smith Gardner

(scrubbed)

STANDING COMMITTEES

Community Outreach – Volunteer needed!

Education – Patty Smith Gardner

(scrubbed)

Fund Raising – Volunteer needed!

Librarian – Gerty Romer

(scrubbed)

Membership & Directory – Phyllis Archer

(scrubbed)

Newsletter – Laura Bonnington

(scrubbed)

Programs – Diane Bishop

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Web & Social Media – Liz Gilbert

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Our Chapter Website is: www.philaega.org

The Mid-Atlantic Region Website is:

www.marega.org

To enter the member-only area; email is:

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National EGA Website is: www.egausa.org

Members-only area Login: individual, as set with National EGA Office

Philadelphia Area Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America Membership

Annual Dues: \$50.00

Plural membership: within Mid-Atlantic Region \$16.00

Lifetime Member: \$18.00

This includes National and Regional dues and subscription of Needle Arts Magazine.

Meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of the month at St. Luke Lutheran Church, Devon (unless otherwise noted). Any questions-contact any board member.

St. Luke Lutheran Church is located at the intersection of Valley Forge Road and Conestoga Road. The address is:

203 N. Valley Forge Road, Devon, PA.

610-688-0122

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INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

If the Easttown-Tredyffrin School District (KYW1060 Radio District #854) is closed that day or has cancelled evening programs on the date of the chapter meeting, the PAC meeting for that evening will be cancelled.



Thank you to **Patty Smith Gardner** for coordinating and teaching the Beaded Icicle at the January chapter meeting! Thank you to **Gerty Roemer & Diane Bishop** for coordinating and teaching the Embroidered Spring Mask at the February chapter meeting! Thank you to **Lisa McGinnis** for coordinating and teaching the Spring Glory EGA Petite Project at the March chapter meeting!



The positions of **Fund-Raising Chair and Community Outreach Chair** remain open. Board meetings are held monthly (except July and August) at Panera Bread in King of Prussia. Attendance at Board meetings for these positions is welcome, but not required, and filling these vacancies will greatly help your Board and your chapter. Please consider volunteering for these important positions!

MEMBERSHIP UPDATES –

Please note the following updated contact information:

Clare Phillips - (scrubbed)

Geri Joseph - (scrubbed)

Tricia Johnson – (scrubbed)

IT'S MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!

This renewal will be for membership through May 2022. PAC primary chapter members will pay \$50 this year. Plural members continue to pay the full chapter dues of \$16, since their National and regional dues are paid to their primary MAR chapter. Plural members who live outside the MAR pay \$18, which includes their regional dues to the MAR.

Please send your checks by May 15, 2021. Please fill out the renewal form below and mail it to Phyllis Archer with your check before May 15, 2021, as she must have it to the National Office by May 31, 2021. Don't be late and miss out on your NeedleArts Magazine!

If you would like a new membership card, you can pick one up at a future meeting or send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your membership coupon.

Philadelphia Area Chapter EGA Yearly Membership Coupon – Deadline May 15, 2021

(If your information **has not** changed, just fill in your name)

Name: _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Please Note: You are renewing or joining until May 2022

\$50.00 **Primary** members

\$16.00 **Plural** members living within the EGA Mid-Atlantic Region*

\$18.00 **Plural** members living outside the EGA Mid-Atlantic Region*

\$18.00 **Lifetime** members

My check (Made out to PAC-EGA) for \$ _____ is enclosed.

Mail to Phyllis Archer at (scrubbed)

*Mid-Atlantic Region has chapters in **Delaware, DC, Maryland**, and parts of **New Jersey, Pennsylvania, & Virginia**

IN THE NEWS –

The EGA Facebook Stitch-Along (SAL) page now has 4,508 members and continues to grow!. Check it out! Many of the projects have been the freebies available on the EGA website or in NeedleArts Magazine. This is another great way to stay connected!

The Strawberry Sampler has moved to 930 E. Boot Rd, Suite 300, West Chester, PA 610-459-8580 www.strawberrysampler.com HOURS: Tues - Sat 10AM - 3PM

WEEKLY WEDNESDAY GET-TOGETHERS VIA ZOOM-

Since the chapter members have been unable to meet in person for some time, the chapter is holding weekly get-togethers for members via Zoom on Wednesdays when a chapter meeting is not scheduled to be held. You can join either by computer/tablet or by telephone, and with or without camera. The meetings start at 7:30 P.M. If you need assistance getting started on Zoom, let us know! Look for an email message from Lisa McGinnis with the full schedule and connection instructions as well as a weekly email reminder about the upcoming meeting (which may be from someone other than Lisa). It is a great way to stay connected with your stitching buddies and show us what you're working on, or just sit in and chat, but BYOB!

STITCH-IN-PUBLIC SATURDAY GET-TOGETHERS-

Our Friday and Saturday Get-Togethers from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. in the Food Court at Wegmans Market located at One Village Drive in King Of Prussia, near the PA Turnpike, Route 202, the Schuylkill Expressway, and North Gulph Road are **temporarily suspended until further notice** due to the current health concerns. These Stitch-In Public Get-Togethers have been great fun and have increased our visibility in the area, bringing new members to our chapter. Hopefully we will be able to resume them soon.

EDUCATION REPORT – PATTY SMITH GARDNER

Thirteen members of the PAC are currently working on the Group Correspondence Course (GCC) "Fandango" with teacher Barbara Kershaw. "Fandango" focuses on Punto Antico, one of many beautiful styles of Italian whitework embroidery. Punto Antico embroidery includes a lot of satin stitch, Palestrina and bullion knots, curls and scrolls. Italian hemstitch is also an integral part of any design, as well as drawn thread areas with sometimes simple and many times intricate needlewoven insertions.

REGION REPRESENTATIVES REPORT – GERTY & DIANE

MAR Pride scholarship money is available to anyone and is not need-based. Everyone is strongly encouraged to apply, and virtual or online classes are eligible. The only restriction is that the total of awards cannot exceed \$1,000 per person. The money is there for your use!

The Needlework Shop Affiliate Program is now active. Shops are being offered membership which will include advertising on the MAR website with eventual search by zip code options, a welcome package including a window decal, and a subscription to NeedleArts Magazine. Please reach out to shops in your area and make them aware of the program. Remember that other “like” shops might be interested, for example shops specializing in quilting or smocking. EGA Marketing is in the process of developing a handout about the program which could be left with an interested shop.

MAR was one of three regions to get all the financial reports in by deadline, thanks to the chapter treasurers.

All region members will receive a survey in the next few weeks allowing you to indicate your interest in virtual lectures. National EGA will not increase the number allowed to attend their virtual lectures, so if you were not able to attend because a lecture was closed and you would still like to see the lecture, please add it to the survey.

Diane Bishop has volunteered to help the National EGA office address Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion issues for those who are visually or hearing-impaired.

The next MAR Board Meetings will take place at the Doubletree Hotel in Wilmington, Delaware, on Saturday, October 16, 2021. A THAP will take place in the morning, and the meeting will be held at 2 P.M.

The 2022 Region Seminar “Waves of Stitches” will take place on June 16-20, 2022 in Virginia Beach, Virginia. Early registration opens June 1, 2021 on the MAR website. Open registration takes place January 1, 2022. Mark your calendars!

A VERY IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT MAR EMAIL MESSAGES - DO NOT FORWARD MAR MESSAGES TO ANYONE, INCLUDING OTHER PAC/MAR MEMBERS! Forwarding the message automatically unsubscribes you from the mailing list of the mail service that the MAR is using, Mailchimp. If you want to forward the message to someone else, save or copy/paste on your computer/tablet, and then send in a new email to your intended recipient.

SEPTEMBER MEETING – OUTREACH IN FLEECE & SOCKS

The PAC will again be providing fleece blankets for those in need through Christ Episcopal Church in Pottstown. Please use your JoAnn coupons or JoAnn VIP Discount to purchase approximately 2 yards of polar fleece material (solids and patterns suitable primarily for teenagers and adults, please) for each blanket as a donation to this worthwhile cause. We will also be collecting new adult-size tube socks for shelter residents. Further details to follow.

APRIL MEETING – CELEBRATORY LUNCHEON

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND A CELEBRATORY LUNCHEON
AND THE PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE!

Where? The Orangery at Glen Isles, 130 South Lloyd Avenue, Downingtown, PA 19335
<https://www.orangeryatglenisle.com/>

When? Noon to 3 PM on Saturday, April 24, 2021

Why? Because we miss seeing everyone in person. The luncheon will be on an outside patio with heaters, socially distanced, with tables of 2-4. Please wear your mask to the table and when you leave the table.

What?

Tuscan Bruschetta

Prosciutto and Mozzarella Crostini

Butternut Squash Soup

Chicken Scallopini with Lemon and Capers

Arugula Salad with Shaved Parmesan and
Cherry Tomatoes Crepes with Mascarpone Cheese and Nutella

Ice tea and water

If you desire wine or something else to drink, please bring your own.

How Much? \$50.00 plus tip CASH ONLY. Please note that our chapter has a policy of not letting anyone miss an event because of financial need. Please let us know when you RSVP.

RSVP to Diane Bishop at (scrubbed) by April 12, 2021.

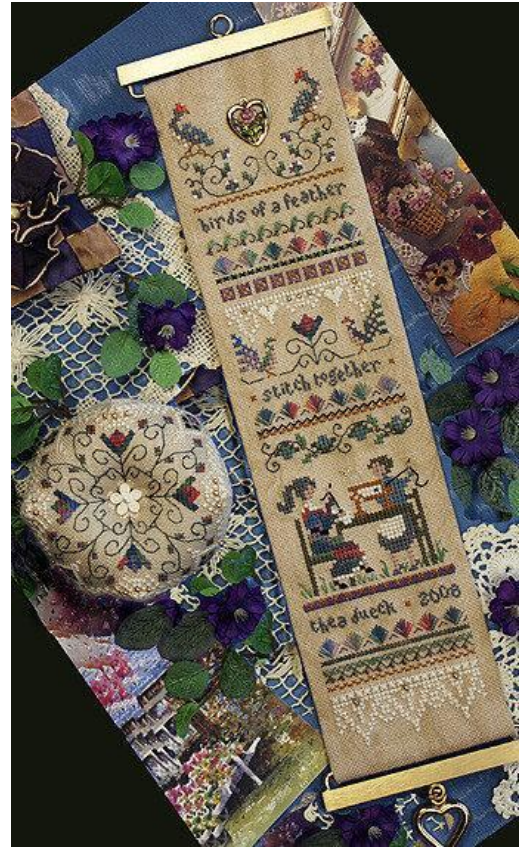
Minimum of 10 people required for the luncheon.

Wear your fancy custom made face mask for the President's Challenge and vote for Best in Show!



MAY/JUNE/JULY MEETINGS – BIRDS OF A FEATHER “ZOOM” TOGETHER

Thea Dueck of The Victoria Sampler states on her website that “Whenever we sit down to stitch with others we seem to find instant friendships. As stitchers, we regularly flock together at various retreats, classes, or at each other’s homes, and many of us have found such wonderful deep friendships through this delightful pastime.” Feel free to substitute “Zoom” for “Stitch” on the piece, making your own unique souvenir of COVID-19. Stitchers will supply their own materials. The stitch count is 36W x 153H. The model is stitched on 28 count Country Mocha or Platinum Cashel Linen with Kreinik #4 Braid, Dinky Dyes, Caron Waterlilies, Kreinik Mori, Needlepoint Inc., Au ver a Soie, SJ Designs beads, Mill Hill Beads, Jesse James Button, and a hand painted heart charm. Feel free to make thread substitutions or pool together with others to share threads and beads. A detailed list of supplies, as well as the instruction leaflet in printed booklet and downloadable .pdf forms, can be found at <https://victoriasampler.com/products/birds-of-a-feather-leaflet> .



PAC 2021 BUDGET

Income	2020 Actual	2021 Budget
Membership		
Regular	1330.50	1350.00
Plural	112.00	112.00
Annual Meeting	0	525.00
Education	855.00	850.00
Community Outreach		
Interest - Checking		
Interest CD		
Ways & Means	530.00	145.00
Gifts & Donations	25.00	
Fundraising		
Other		
Total Income	2852.50	2982.00

Expenses	2020 Actual	2021 Budget
Membership dues		
National	1014.00	1053.00
MAR	54.00	54.00
Annual Meeting	50.0	525.0
Education	1028.00	850.00
Administration		
Directory		
Newsletter		
Community Outreach		
Website & Meetup	104.88	200.00
Rent	300.00	300.00
Fundraising		
Donations		
Other		
Total Expenses	2550.88	2982.00
Net	301.62	

AUGUST MEETING – AUTUMN FIREWORKS BOOKMARK



At the August meeting, we will be stitching the Autumn Fireworks Bookmark by Ann-Marie Anderson-Mayes of Beautiful Stitches. The design will be completed using variegated and solid threads and a variety of stitches. The free pattern can be found at

[www. http://beautifulstitches.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Beautiful-Stitches-Autumn-Fireworks.pdf](http://beautifulstitches.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2018/03/Beautiful-Stitches-Autumn-Fireworks.pdf)

Members will need to provide the usual stitching supplies and

Congress canvas 12x28 cm (5 x 11.25 inches)

Size 24 tapestry needle

Embroidery Frame

1 Variegated thread

3 matching colors

Threads can be silk, cotton, wool, or a combination

A companion Summer Fireworks Bookmark can also be found at

<http://beautifulstitches.com.au/free-patterns/> .

PHILADELPHIA AREA CHAPTER EGA 2021 CALENDAR

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PAC EGA Board Meetings – 2nd Monday of each month (except July and August, and subject to change)
at Panera Bread, 150 Allendale Road in King of Prussia at 7 P.M.

Any chapter member is welcome to attend and participate in a Board meeting!

PAC EGA Chapter Meetings – 4th Wednesday of each month, subject to change, at Saint Luke Evangelical
Lutheran Church, 203 North Valley Forge Road, Devon, at 7 P.M.

Sharing Chapters: Please email your newsletter to Laura Bonnington, Newsletter Editor,
Philadelphia Area Chapter – (scrubbed)

(also, please ask if you want to use anything from this newsletter, I'd be happy to email you the document)



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Hello Prospective Member!

If you are reading this newsletter and you are NOT a member of the Chapter, we invite you to drop in for a meeting. See Page 2 for information about times and locations. We are always happy to see new faces. The guild has learning opportunities for stitchers of all levels, and we are always trying something new! For further information, please call our President, **Cinda Hall**, or our Membership Chair, **Phyllis Archer** (contact info on page 2), who would be happy to provide information. Come and check us out - **You don't have to stitch alone!**



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