



Shorelines

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Although an EGA, Pacific Southwest Region, sponsored event, so many of our Needle Artists by the Sea members were attending the seminar cruise, "Anchors Away Off to Play" that I decided to keep a diary and report back to you...

Day One, Monday: Check our luggage with porter and head towards long line of cruisers awaiting boarding. Discover Nancy Caughlin & Cecilia Canute way up in front and get cut privileges from people behind them. Yahoo! Begin security check & issuance of room key and long walk up gang-plank to board. Hold it! Another security check with pictures taken this time. Once that's accomplished it's off to the first meal on board. Meet Betty Hamilton, Jeanne Brown, Retty Crocchi, and Peg Vezzetti at the Buffet Line, then share a table with Nancy & Cecilia. Also meet up with Tammy & Ron Kritz and Mary & Max Croes.

Check-in with Seminar Staff and then it's off to the room. Explore the ship a bit and see more attendees, Linda Dunsworth and Sharon Holt, and some of the class instructors. Meet group for drinks before dinner including Rachel & Merv Watkins. Off to dinner.

Bingo (Yippee!!) and a show in the main lounge. Tammy selected to join group onstage for "Spoon Game." Tammy said she never previously played this game, but she acted like a pro Dear Diary, and her team won. Everything was videotaped by the cruise line. Since we were at sea and away from the city lights, Lovey and I went to the uppermost deck to see the night sky. It was a beautiful balmy night and the stars were at their best. Returned to room to find bath towels folded into Teddy bear holding two chocolate mints. Cabin is too small for three of us, so flattened Teddy.

Day Two, Tuesday: Sleep in and miss breakfast, so start day with lunch. TV in bar was tuned to the Cruise Channel so got to watch Tammy play spoon game. It's on every public TV on the ship. In a continuous loop. Meet up for stitch and chat on the ship's fan-tail with fellow stitchers not attending classes. There is quite a group there enjoying the ocean breezes and the view of Catalina Island, before the fires.

Later, everyone is all spiffed up for the Captain's Cocktail party and dancing. Lots of fun there and then off to dinner. More Bingo and another show in the main lounge with Nancy and Cecilia. Didn't win at Bingo again. Linda, herein after known as "Sparkle Bottom," danced into the night as part of a very long conga line. Very chilly tonight to view the stars.

Day Three, Wednesday: Made it to breakfast for the first time. Hey Diary, I'm on vacation! Watched the Cruise channel and saw Tammy meet and greet the Captain at the Cocktail party.

Stitching in the fan-tail today was not an option as the ocean breezes are just too chilly. Everyone moved kits and caboodles to the library where there was lots of room and great lighting from windows. Enjoyed lunch with Marge Roberts and Margaret Bendig, among others. Instead of going into beautiful, downtown Ensenada, a group of us visited the shops ashore where ship is docked. It was probably for the best, since Ensenada would never be the same after a large crowd of dedicated stitchers.

A group of us met in Tammy and Ron's cabin for drinks prior to dinner. I think the husbands present had a difficult time comprehending us all. After dinner, Bingo and another show in the main lounge with Nancy and Cecilia. Very funny comedian who told us of his new wife's sorting his underwear drawer that left him with three pair out many. He asked the room if we had an idea what she did with the rest? Almost every women there correctly answered, dust rags. Hilarity ensued. Even chillier tonight to view the stars. While awaiting the elevator, watched Tammy again on the Cruise channel. I think she had her husband pay these guys. Towel animal tonight is an elephant. Same fate as Teddy Bear.

Day Four, Thursday: A full day at sea that gave many of us a day to sit and stitch in the library. People came and went as some of us took part in other activities on board and still others were in seminar classes. A cocktail reception was held this evening for all seminar attendees where thank-you's were made and opportunity baskets awarded.

Towel tonight is a Ghost holding mints. Mints are tasty and ghost joins the other animals; on the towel rack. Tammy was on the Cruise channel while we packed our suitcases. I've got to get that tape for Show & Tell.

Day Five, Friday: The ship docks at Long Beach and Lovey and I disembark. A great time was had by all, Dear Diary, and I can hardly wait to attend another seminar.

Kristi



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Workshops - SAVE THE DATE — The Autry Museum has scheduled our study of the Mexican Samplers in their collection for Wednesday, August 8, 2007 from 10:00 am until noon. Pat Rozendal will attend the Autry Museum with us. The museum staff is excited about our visit. They are looking forward to showing us their collection of samplers.

Pat will then teach at our general meeting on Thursday, August 9, 2007. We will also continue with a workshop on Thursday afternoon and all day Friday, August 10th. Pat will be teaching reversible stitches and the Aztec stitch. The Aztec stitch is unique to Mexican samplers. Pat will also be sharing more history of the Mexican sampler during the workshop.

Sign up sheets for the visit to the Autry and the workshop will be available at the general meetings.

Marge Roberts, Workshop Chair

Hospitality — Thanks to Barbara Robben, Francis Hamilton, Diane Stone, Dorothea Inselmann and Mary Ellen Bell for the May goodies. Those signed up to bring goodies in June are: are Laurie Zurcher, Barbara Larsen, Idele Gilbert and Pat Bagge. Don't' forget to bring your coffee cups!

Hospitality Helpers - Those signed up as Hospitality Helpers in June are Marlene Ezratty and Debby Power. Two members have volunteered to help clean up after each meeting. Things to be done are: folding table cloths, general pick up, washing coffee pots and packing away the hospitality supplies. Thank you!

[Sonia Kalman has volunteered to serve as Hospitality Chair while Betty Van recuperates!](#)

Betty Van Acker, Hospitality Chair

2007 Programs

We were so happy to have Amy with us at the quiet but much fun May meeting. Amy doesn't really teach much so it was a real treat to have her with her help and great suggestions. As I mentioned at the May meeting we are now looking forward to next year and our Year-Long project. If you have any suggestions, please let me or a Board Member know what you would like to see us present. As always, we try to provide fun and interesting projects that are different and will appeal to our membership. Let us know what you want! Thanks!

June – Tips and Techniques for Using Everyday Threads - David McCaskill

David will be with us once again for more tips on effective uses of threads. The last time he was at NAS he shared ideas on what to do with those pesky over-dyes. Now, he will be talking about everyday threads and what effects can be done with them. His kit of threads will cost \$30 and will include perle cotton, Trebizond, silk Ribbon, Patina, hologram Fyre Works, #12 metallic braid, Flair, Neon Rays and Silk and Ivory threads. Bring a piece of doodle cloth and plenty of paper for notes. This is another of his don't miss lectures/hand-on times.

July – Stitch and Chat

Bring something to work on and have some time to talk to friends and get ideas from other. Bring your Mexican sampler if you like, to get the basting done in time for Pat's visit in August, or stitch a Kiss pillow or get more ideas from others about what to do with your Bouquet. Now is your chance to have a relaxing social/stitch time with others!

August – Mexican Sampler – Year-Long Project - Pat Rozendal

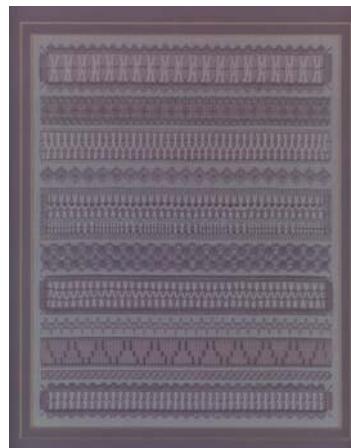
Pat is with us again to work on our Mexican Samplers. After the field trip to the Autry Museum on Wednesday, we will be ready on Thursday to get some more sampler stitching done. We will do reversible Mexican cross stitch for the morning program on a bookmark. Then, in the afternoon, we will practice the reversible stitch and learn the Aztec stitch for our Sampler. Friday, we will have a workshop day to be able to get a little more work done. Pat would like everyone coming to the workshop to at least have their basting done on the sampler and reinforced rectangles done on a doodle cloth to practice cutting ground cloth for the Aztec stitch. DO NOT CUT the cloth before the workshop! If you have any questions about what needs to be done, feel free to call.

Possible September, October and January Program

Margaret Bendig has three samplers that she is willing to teach for us. Two of the choices are pictured below. The third choice *Desert Dawn*, another pulled thread sampler stitched with your choice of an overdyed thread with complementary colors on congress cloth many of you have seen it as it was taught most recently on the PSR cruise. We will announce which Sampler we will be doing soon, so let me know ASAP which (or all three) is your favorite! P.S.: Not shown to scale!



Southwest Sampler
stitched on 18 count
canvas in either the
coppers and turquoises
or peach and medium
greens



The *Lilac Pulled and
Cut Thread Sampler* to
be stitched in your
choice of colors on
congress cloth

Stitch and Chats

Central: Stitch and Chat Central meets on the second Tuesday of the month (June 12) at the chapel at Ports O'Call Village in San Pedro. The chapel is past Ports O'Call restaurant, is painted white, and has a steeple with a bell on it. We meet from 10 am to 3pm. Bring your coffee cup and a lunch. There is a coffee shop right by if you prefer to eat out. If you need better directions, **call Alice Weiss, or for mediocre directions, call Laura Herrmann.** Yahoo maps has a good map: Just put in Ports O' Call restaurant in San Pedro, CA.

South: Gather at Rancho Del Rey Mobile Home Park, Huntington Beach, on the next Thursday immediately following our meeting day, 10 am until? Bring a coffee cup and your lunch. **Call Fran Lambert to have your name added to the list at the guard gate.** Take 405 freeway to Bolsa Chica/Valley View exit. Travel on Bolsa Chica to Edinger Avenue, turn right. Take Edinger to Rancho Del Rey Mobile Home Park, entrance on left, approximately 1 mile. Upon entering the park, go to second right turn (sign will say #3), turn and Club House is at end of the street.

Show and Tell - Beads and ornaments and framed pieces were on display this month. Those sharing finished works were: Laurie Zurcher (5), Amy Wolfson, Kim Griffin (6), and Lorraine Bowman. We look forward to see the treasures from the cruise!

Ways and Means – Opportunity Basket winners for May were: Joan Stewart who won the Flower Garden kit and the Elizabeth Bradley book. Diane Stone won the "X-Stitch a Garden" basket and Susan Rossi won the "Needlepoint Gardens" Basket.

Acknowledging a very nice donation of needlework for ANG NAS opportunities, as well as a big discount on other items – from Jean Wehrman at Needlepoint Joint in Palm Desert. Jean is closing her business on June 30, 2007 (she's looking forward to having time stitch!) And she's having a **BIG SALE!** So if you're out in the desert before the end of June, be sure to stop by, find a bargain, and thank her for her donation to ANG NAS.

Ann Perkins & Laurie Zurcher

Membership – We had 34 members and two new members in May.

Jean Hilton Needle Artist By the Sea chapter patch charts are still available for \$5.00. This is a wonderful small project and makes a great box top. Contact Mary Ellen Bell if you are interested.

Membership challenge is on-going. Jackie Prideaux is in the lead as of the May meeting. Please encourage any of your needlepointing friends to join us.

There has been a request to include cell phone numbers to the next roster. If you are interested in sharing your cell phone number with the members, please email or send me and I'll include it in the next roster.

Remember to wear your stitched name tag to the meeting. You will get a free ticket for the opportunities and it is a real help to our newer members.

There are no June renewals, but there are still quite a few May renewals that have not been paid. If you haven't yet paid, please do so today so you wouldn't miss any of the upcoming events.

Mary Ellen Bell, Membership Chair

NAS Community Outreach Project – A very big "Thank you" to all who have participated in the Soldier Kissing Pillow Project by stitching and/or donating fabric. As of the middle of April, Needle Artists has sent 90 pillows to the Yellow Rose EGA chapter in Texas for distribution to the troops.

Thank you to Mary Croes for sewing the patriotic fabric backing on all the stitched pillows. What a tremendous time commitment that is! Thanks to Angie Carney who secured donations of aida fabric from Alice Peterson designs and also to two ladies who have made donations. Cathy Rapoza, owner of Alice Peterson Designs, has given us a very large amount of Aida fabric. Connie Campa, of Torrance Memorial Hospital Sewing Circle, donated backing fabric. Angie Carney secured these donations.

Please continue to stitch for this very worthwhile project. How about one or two pillows a month? It doesn't take long. **Contact Marlene Ezratty for more information.**

ANG NATIONAL SEMINAR – September 5-12, 2008 – Indian Wells, CA

As I hope you've all heard by now, I am now the Local Coordinator for the ANG Seminar that will be held at the Hyatt Grand Champions Resort and Spa in Indian Wells, California, September 5th through the 12th in 2008. You can take a photo tour by going to the link at www.needlepoint.org and clicking on Indian Wells 2008 or log onto the Hyatt Grand Champions site <http://grandchampions.hyatt.com/hyatt/hotels/index.jsp>. We are inviting any ANG member who would like to volunteer to feel free to do so. We are looking for some needle workers who would like to help out with that stitching. If you would like to help stitch either name tags or ribbon centers, please contact me and I will put your name on a list as someone willing to help! We will also need a lot of people during the Seminar to help and staff different events so if you want to help, we'd love to see you! I am also hoping for any suggestions you may have to help us make this a spectacular seminar. If you know of a great tour opportunity that we should look into, or have a suggestion for us to make this a memorable event, let me know. Laurie McLellan

NAS Annual November Luncheon

We are just beginning to formulate plans for the November Luncheon and many volunteers have stepped forward to help. As plans progress we will need more assistance, so if someone asks you to help, please say "Yes", you will be surprised at how much fun you will have.

Opportunity Baskets - It is always exciting when you are the winner of one of our fabulous opportunities: this year we are planning to increase your chances of winning. The opportunities will be smaller but there will be many more of them. For example instead of having the opportunity to win one very large "Gadget Basket" you will have a chance at winning one of three or even four smaller baskets.

Also the containers does not have to be a basket, how about a small tote bag, a Christmas stocking, a special box, a beach bucket, a watering can, a silk scarf tied at the corners, a fanny pack, etc. Let's make the container as exciting as the contents, remember special treasures often come in tiny boxes. So this summer as you clean out your closets remember the following volunteers and bring along those treasures so everyone can go home with a prize. If you have something to contribute to any of these baskets please give it to the sponsor or to Ann Perkins who is the Opportunity Coordinator.

Purple Basket – Kristi Todd	Gadget Basket – Alice Weiss	Cat Basket – Jody Woolsey
Patriotic Basket – Alta Graham	Tea Basket – Lorraine Bowman	Christmas Basket – Mary Ellen Bell
Mystery Basket – Betty Smith	Music & Wine – Mary Croes	Wine Basket – Carol Stefanik
Quilting Basket – Ann Perkins		

We are accepting donations of 18 ct canvas in white or ecru. Thanks!

Rachel Watkins, Luncheon Chair

Upcoming Events :

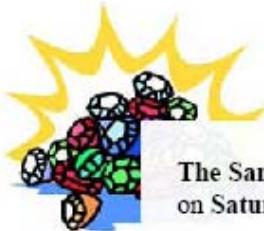
Azure Verde Chapter, EGA is holding their Knot Another Project XVIII, "Looking Back and Looking Forward", A Retrospective of 20 Years. There will be an exhibit of programs and projects spanning the 20 years we have been an EGA Chapter. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon of stitching. Lunch will be served along with door prizes, opportunities and a Lemonade Sale. Purchase tickets soon as there are a limited number.

Location: St. Francis Episcopal Church
2200 Via Rosa, Palos Verdes Estates

Date: Thursday, July 26, 2007
10:00 AM to 2:30 PM

Tickets are on sale now at \$25.00 each. They may be purchased at Azure Verde Meetings or by mail. Please make checks payable to Azure Verde Chapter, EGA. Mail checks to: Ginger Colton

DAZZLE: SDANG Stitch-In 2007



The San Diego American Needlepoint Guild invites you to join us on Saturday, August 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Torrey Pines



Christian Church,
8320 La Jolla Scenic
North, La Jolla, CA
92037.

Margaret Bendig will be teaching *Dazzle*, her original design. *Dazzle* is a fun geometric design stitched with 3 values of one color of floss and a matching Fyre Werks metallic. The design is 5 1/4 inches square and fits nicely into a box top or made into a pillow. The 4 color choices are Neutral, Blue, Raspberry and Turquoise (shown). Your \$60 admission includes the Class Kit, Continental

Breakfast, Box Lunch, and a chance at fabulous door prizes. Opportunity prizes, stitchers baskets, and the silent book auction await you. Opportunity tickets are \$1 each and will be held for you at the Stitch-In due to IRS regulations. Early bird registration prize for registering before June 19. This year's early bird prize will be a mahogany Sudberry box to fit the project. Final registration deadline is July 25. Participants should bring 2 pairs of 10" stretcher bars and standard stitching supplies. For information contact Shirley Fetterolf at 858-560-5291 or email her at stitchin@sdang.org You can also get information and see the alternate color choices at <http://www.sdang.org/stitchin07/index.html>

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

of Stitch-In Tickets _____ # of Opportunity Tickets _____

Mail away or Lunch

Lunch choice (please select one)

Roast Beef Sandwich Turkey & Swiss Sandwich
 Tuna Salad Sandwich Veggie Wrap

Kit Colors (please select one)

Neutral Blue Raspberry Turquoise

Please make checks payable to SDANG and mail to:

Shirley Fetterolf
9780 Caminito Del
Marfil
San Diego, CA 92124

Mail away kits will be shipped after the Stitch-In.

NAS Fundraiser: Seahorse scissors!



**Yes, you can order these scissors from
NAS for \$20 each!**

(They retail at \$22 + tax + shipping.)

Order both colors; extras for gifts!

SEND CHECKS MADE OUT TO "ANG NAS"
TO ANN PERKINS, OR SIGN UP AT
CHAPTER MEETING IN JUNE OR JULY.

Sales will close after the July meeting.

NAS ANG Fundraiser

Arial Lamp by Ott-Lite

Tickets on sale now! \$3 each.

Winning ticket will be drawn at
the November Luncheon

Specially Designed for Quilting, Sewing and other large projects, the Arial 2-in-1 by OTT-LITE® is the most powerful ever!

The 27 watt TrueColor tube provides more naturally balanced illumination than ever, revealing true-to-life colors and making it easier to clearly see fine details; low glare reduces eyestrain.

Height adjusts from 50" to 66", weighs 21 lbs.

Adjustable head rotates 360 degrees with a double-jointed extension, allowing either precise natural daylight positioning or full illumination of your entire workspace.



Retail price: \$270