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FROM THE BRIDGE: CO-PRESIDENTS

Top o' the mornin' to ye, stitchers! Hopefully, you're reading this in the morning!

Michelle did a great recap of 2022 in the last newsletter, which doesn't seem fair since I've only got three months going here! But those three months have been pretty busy with our birthday party in January, a Blackwork class in February and a silk-ribbon embroidery class coming up this month. I enjoy teaching, but I'm not an expert in either technique. Many thanks to Jacky for partnering with me for the Blackwork. I think it went well, and we hope you learned something! Janet has already provided advice on silk-ribbon embroidery, which gives me some confidence for the class this month, and she'll be there to help us out. Don't be shy about volunteering for CIC, it's always fun!

I have to share this... at the February meeting, I picked up a few copies of "Inspirations" from the freebie table. I love that magazine and grabbed the top one to relax with a cup of tea when I got home. Talk about coincidence, there was a Blackwork pattern on the front cover and a silk-ribbon pattern inside! I'm taking this as a good omen!

Thanks go to Cheryl and Vanessa for hosting the mini groups in January and February. Friday, March 10, is at my house. Don't forget to sign up for the April Tea at the next meeting if you haven't done so already, and April will be another opportunity to bring your favorite stitching tool. We failed to advertise it enough last time, and it was very popular. Get ready for the Great Guilt Giveaway in May. Isn't it lovely to browse all the things that show up!

Last, but not least, we have 12 stitchers signed up for the Star Dance workshop with Margaret Bendig, and we would like to have more. Let me know if you're tempted to take the class but aren't sure for any reason. We can answer your queries.

May your day be touched with some Irish luck!

Judith, Co-President

CICEGA CALENDAR 2023

MONTH	DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
2023			
March	22	General Meeting Silk Ribbon Class	Camarillo United Methodist Church
April	8	Mini Group - 10:00 - 2:00 (bring lunch)	TBA
	15	Pacific Southwest Region Spring Meeting	Zoom
	21 &22	Star Dance Workshop	TBA
	26	General Meeting - Spring Tea, Pay Membership Dues	Camarillo United Methodist Church
May	10	Board Meeting	Judith's - 101 Grandview Ci, Camarillo
	12	Mini Group - 10:00 - 12:00	TBA
	24	General Meeting - Great Guilt Give-away	Camarillo United Methodist Church
	31	Membership Dues Due to PSR and National	Susan Sanchez Handling
June	TBD	Scandinavian Days	Cal Lutheran University - Thousand Oaks
	10	Mini Group - 10:00 - 2:00 (bring lunch)	TBA
	28	General Meeting	Camarillo United Methodist Church
July	12	Board Meeting	Michelle's - 2193 Lonsdale St., Camarillo
	14	Mini Group - 10:00 - 12:00	TBA
	TBD	Ventura County Fair Entries Due	Ventura County Fairgrounds
	26	General Meeting	Camarillo United Methodist Church
August	12	Mini Group - 10:00 - 2:00 (bring lunch)	TBA

	TBD	Ventura County Fair	Ventura County Fairgrounds
	23	General Meeting - After The Fair Show N Tell	Camarillo United Methodist Church
September	8	Mini Group - 10:00 - 12:00	TBA
	13	Board Meeting	Judith's - 101 Grandview Ci, Camarillo
	27	General Meeting	Camarillo United Methodist Church
October	14	Mini Group - 10:00 - 2:00 (bring lunch)	TBA
	25	General Meeting	Camarillo United Methodist Church
November	8	Board Meeting	Michelle's - 2193 Lonsdale St., Camarillo
	No General Meeting		
December	6	General Meeting - Holiday Potluck & Drawing, Ornament Exchange	Camarillo United Methodist Church

Birthdays

MARCH — Elizabeth, Annette, Annie,
Kathy W.

APRIL — Janet, Jacky, Louise

ON THE HORIZON

EGA Regional Seminar — Sept. 1-5, 2023
Boston Stitch Party, Boston, MA

HOSPITALITY

Thank you, Shahenaz and Jerri, for bringing goodies to our March meeting!

There will be a sign up sheet for the April Tea at the March meeting. If you forget to sign up, just send Kathy W. And email before the April meeting. I need to know how many will be there for the table set-up. *Remember to bring your favorite tea cup!!*

Kathy W., Hospitality

EXHIBITIONS

Quilting: Gee's Bend: Shared Legacy, Sept. 17, 2022 - Sept. 4, 2023

Huntington Library, San Marino

Celebrates the artistry and cultural significance of work by members of the Gee's Bend Quiltmakers' Collective from Alabama.

https://huntington.org/exhibition/gees-bend-shared-legacy?mc_cid=c2689652f0

Fashion Embroidery: Art of Couture: Guo Pei. Nov. 12 - May 14, 2023

Bowers Museum, Santa Ana

40 haute couture gowns with lavish embroidery reveal the relationship between ideas, threads, and skills which render fabrics into both extraordinary couture and exceptional works of art by Chinese couturier Guo Pei. (A similar exhibition is on view at the Legion of Honor Museum in San Francisco through Nov. 27

<https://legionofhonor.famsf.org/guo-pei>)

<https://www.bowers.org/>

Coming to San Francisco next June

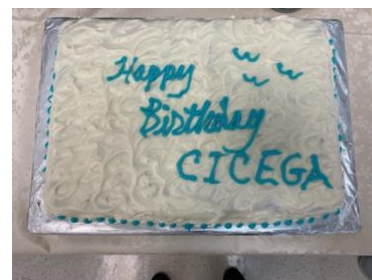
The sumptuous exhibition The Tudors: Art and Majesty in Renaissance England, currently at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, will be at the Fine Arts Museum next summer. It will include tapestries and portraits of iconic figures in magnificent clothing as well as manuscripts, armor, and decorative objects. Check out the preview at

<https://www.metmuseum.org/exhibitions/listings/2022/tudors>

Amy and Judith

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CICEGA!

Thank you, Louise, for making this beautiful, delicious cake to help us celebrate



SHOW AND TELL — JANUARY



Shared by: Margaret, Meher, Kathy, Annette, Judith, and Janet

SHOW AND TELL — FEBRUARY



Shared by: Susan, Judith, Janet, and Annalee

APRIL TEA

At the spring tea there will be a drawing for an “anything tea” basket. If you would like to donate tea or a tea-related item to the basket, please bring it to the general meeting on March 22nd. Jacky will explain more at the meeting and you’ll still have time to bring donations on April 26th.

SILK RIBBON EMBROIDERY

The silk ribbon embroidery class is now full, but you’re welcome to watch if you don’t have a kit.

PSR Town Hall Meeting

February 4, 2023

ZOOM

Attendance: Mari Bangs, Jan Woolsey, Kandy Nunn, Linda Geddes, Mary Louise Eck, Judie Neufeld, Cathy Farley, Anne Baker, Jinice Beacon, Linda Leone, Ruth Hubert, Sandy Higgins, Roni Jeffery, Bonnie Freud, Geraldine Nazar, Michelle Wood, C.J. Frye, Lynne Wright, Amy, Todorvich, Tammy Kritz, and .

Mari Bangs opened the Town Hall at 9:36 am.

Education: Pat Correz has requested that we host a workshop with Alison Cole to teach Cloe Butterfly as part of the international teacher’s tour. Kathy Farley asked about other pieces that she might teach as we hosted a similar project the last time she was here. Tucson are considering requesting Alison as well. If the Region gets selected the workshop will be presented in Ontario.

Mary Louise Eck asked about the ZOOM lectures were helpful that we presented last year. Timing is a major consideration. Weekends and or evenings would be preferable. Earlier in the week is better. Suggested topics were needlework from other countries, featured teachers from our region, special stitching techniques including Huck weaving, samplers, and history. Please email Mary Louise with your suggestions. Mari asked about doing monthly ZOOM meetings as a stitch-in or working on a specific project.

Shoreline Stitchers Showcase. Mari shared the information about the judged show that is held every two years. Kim Griffin sent information about the event and Mari will send it out to the members. Additional help is needed if this event is to continue. It will be a topic at the spring region meeting to assess interest in partnering with this event going forward.

Financial: Linda Leone shared that our financial situation is problematic. Fundraisers are in the future.

Our new logo has been approved by National.

Region Seminar: Linda Geddes shared that we are planning a series of workshops in Arizona and Orange County.

Jan Woolsey shared the tasks that she has been working on since we last met. The presentation will be sent out to the chapters.

Cyber Stitches Chapter. Our region has a number of “at-large” members and Mari will check with these members and see if they would like to form a cyber chapter. Our growth is in these members so might be helpful for them to feel connected.

Mari shared insights from her Region Directors’ meetings on how other areas are increasing membership. Members present shared how they are finding new members.

Mari shared that we are scheduled to host the National Seminar in 2029. The National VP has asked us to do it in 2027 instead. The suggestion was to work with Greater Pacific Region. These are just ideas right now.

Bonnie Freund asked what chapters are doing about the \$2 increase in region dues. Many chapters are not passing it on for this next year.

Anne Baker asked when the next Town Hall will be. Mari shared that they will be infrequently. She is thinking quarterly at this point. It will be on the agenda at the Spring Region meeting on April 15th.

Linda Leone asked about the maximum number of participants for the Alison Cole workshop. Pat Correz says the maximum is 22.

Mari shared the Channel Islands is hosting Margaret Bendig on April 21-22 for her Star Dancer project.

Submitted by

Kandy Nunn, Secretary

Stitch in Public

February 4, 2023



The ladies in the picture had a very enjoyable day in the Thousand Oaks Mall stitching, chatting and laughing. We rearranged several of the comfy chairs by Nordstroms, and despite the fact that none of us actually went inside Nordies, we felt we belonged! Shoppers slowed down to check us out and chat, but mostly to stare! A couple of lovely ladies took our info and talked about "when they had time," and we all understood. There's just not enough time for enjoying yourself these days. After a few hours and a visit to Starbucks, we went to The Cheesecake Factory for lunch and enjoyed meeting our handsome waiter. The food was good, too! Since the mall considers us "low risk," we didn't have to fill in any paperwork and were made welcome. I think I can safely say that we're all looking forward to another visit to sit and stitch in The Oaks.

Judith, Roving reporter

January Guest Speaker — David Mulligan

Thanks for coming to speak to us about framing, David. Thanks, too, to all the stitchers who brought examples of work that David has framed for them in the past.



Red Dress Project



Check out the Red Dress Project featuring a stunning red dress made by over 370 artisans in 50 countries, from 2009 to 2023. The Red Dress project, conceived by British artist Kirstie Macleod, provides an artistic platform for women around the world, many of whom are vulnerable and live in poverty, to tell their personal stories through embroidery. Thanks, Janet, for bringing this to our attention!

https://www.theepochtimes.com/stunning-red-dress-made-by-370-artisans-in-50-countries-over-13-years-tells-womens-stories_4939794.html



The Channel Islands Chapter of the Embroiderers' Guild of America (CICEGA)
is pleased to offer the following workshop

Star Dance

Designed and taught by Margaret Bendig
April 21 & 22, 2023



The finished design is 10"x 10" on 18-count canvas
or 7.5"x7.5" on 24-count congress cloth.

Estimated kit cost for all attendees:

18-count with silk \$155 or with cotton floss \$100

24-count with silk \$140 or with cotton floss \$85

Registration for non-CICEGA members: \$50

(Early registration, by February 22, 2023: \$40)

9:00am to 4:00pm each day

St. Columba's Church, 1251 Las Posas Road,

Camarillo, CA 93010

president@channelislandsega.org

Deposit and kit fee due by March 15, 2023

REGISTRATION – STAR DANCE, APRIL 21 & 22

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ EGA Membership Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Preferred Kit _____

Make checks payable to Channel Islands Chapter and mail to

P.O. Box 1675, Camarillo, CA 93010

Questions? Contact president@channelislandsega.org

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Channel Islands Chapter Membership Form

Name _____ Membership Number _____
 Address _____ Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
 City/State/Zip _____ Birthday (Mo. Day) _____
 Email _____

Renewing Members _____ Primary Member...\$62.00
 Check one _____ Plural Member, PSR Chapter Affiliation...\$20.00
 _____ Plural Member, Outside PSR Chapter Affiliation \$23.00

New members: Please choose the type of membership and the month in which you are joining to determine the dues amount. Please circle the amount.

Month	Primary	Plural (Out of Region)	Plural (In Region)
Jan, Feb, Mar	\$15.50	\$5.75	\$5.00
Apr, May, Jun	\$62.00	\$23.00	\$20.00
Jul, Aug, Sep	\$46.50	\$17.25	\$15.00
Oct, Nov, Dec	\$31.00	\$11.50	\$10.00

Annual dues are \$62: \$39 to EGA National, \$3 to Pacific Southwestern Region and \$20 to Channel Islands Chapter.

If you are new to Channel Islands Chapter EGA, did a member invite you to join?

Yes No If yes, who? _____

Make check payable to **Channel Islands Chapter EGA** or **CICEGA**. Please mail your check and this form to CICEGA, Attn: Membership, P.O. Box 1675, Camarillo, CA 93010-1675.

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CHANNEL ISLANDS is a chapter of The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS are held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October. The November/December meeting is held the first Wednesday of December. The meetings are held at Camarillo United Methodist Church, 291 Anacapa Drive, Camarillo, CA, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. In addition to the business meeting, there is usually a program such as a workshop demonstration, lecture, or slide show. Bring something to stitch. Social with treat 9:30 am – 10:00 am.

BOARD MEETINGS are held on the second Wednesday of every other month at 10:00 am in the home of the president. Any member may attend. Please call the president in advance.

MINI GROUP MEETINGS are an informal get together held in members' homes and other meeting places where you can stitch, exchange ideas and hints, and get better acquainted. For information on the various groups, call the Mini Group Liaison.

ACTIVITIES – In addition to meetings, the Chapter sponsors workshops, tours, lectures, etc. Philanthropy projects are many and varied.

NAMETAG – Each member is to stitch a nametag, including her first and last name, to be worn at meetings. If you are not wearing your nametag, you are subject to a \$.25 fine. New members have a six-month leeway.

SHARING NEWSLETTERS: Other newsletters should be mailed to Channel Islands Chapter, EGA, P. O. Box 1675, Camarillo, CA 93011-1675. The newsletter is printed bi-monthly.

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Mini-Groups alternate Fridays and Saturdays monthly. Groups meet on Saturdays on odd-numbered months, and Fridays on even-numbered months from 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. See Mini-Groups for location and to RSVP.

General Meetings: Social — 9:30 a.m., Business Meeting and Program 10:00 a.m., fourth Wednesday, Camarillo United Methodist Church, 291 Anacapa Drive, Camarillo, CA. 93010