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REGION DIRECTOR NOTES

Michelle Burroughs

I hope everyone enjoyed *Stitchin'* on the Ridge 2010! Seminar in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina. Great friends, fellow stitchers, good fun, mountain air, beautiful flowers and mountain surroundings -- WOW – who could ask for more! We had around 80 members attend, with a fabulous selection of classes taught by some of the best teachers in the country. A new feature this year was the Teachers' Showcase where teachers at all levels from "wannabe's" to professionals showed their models and talked to members about what they have to offer in the way of classes for everyone, from local chapter programs to future seminars. To all of you who were unable to attend this year, we sincerely hope to see you next year.

Plans for the fall retreat have been underway for some time now. The unveiling was at *Stitchin'* on the Ridge 2010. Every year our fall retreat has been refined and improved upon from previous years. This year should be no exception. The committee has worked hard to make available classes and events to create a "mini seminar". Look for more information on our website and at seminar.

I have returned from National and there are many plans in the works to make our EGA a better organization. Better communication between the staff, the board, region directors and officers, chapter presidents and officers, committee chairs and members was one of the main points of discussion at the meeting in Louisville. Also explored in depth were the many opportunities available via the internet. EGA plans to make more of the collection available on line, along with classes and petit projects in downloadable format. Facebook, Twitter, etc. will make us better known and provide much needed exposure. We enjoyed the visit from our National President, Lorie Welker at Ridgecrest this year. She shared her ideas with us as well as her plans for our future.

Keep in mind that we will be hosting the 2017 National Seminar, so be thinking about ideas for locations and classes. There will be opportunities for everyone to participate in the planning and arrangements.

Spring is everywhere and many of us feel that summer has come early. I tend to hibernate during the winter so I am coming out of my winter stupor with yard work and vacation planning keeping me busy and excited. I hope you will all have a wonderful summer.

Michelle Burroughs Region Director

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Karla Gee: Education Coordinator

Correspondence Courses 2009 Update

I wanted to catch everyone up on the progress of our Correspondence Course for this year.

Lady Larkspur: Evaluation deadline – Must be postmarked no later than 6/14/10 to Karla

You will note that the evaluation deadline has been extend

Enrollment: 9 students

Japanese Temari Basics for Beginners: Evaluation deadline- Must be postmarked no later than 6/30/10 to Karla

Enrollment: 12 students

Ikebana: Evaluation deadline - Must be postmarked no later than 7/30/10 to Karla

Enrollment: 16 students

We look forward to hearing from you and hope you will submit for evaluation.

Correspondence Course 2011

Those courses receiving the top 3 votes will be the new courses for 2011. Look forward to seeing you at region meeting.

Fall Retreat 2010

Back by popular demand is our Carolinas Region Fall retreat to be held October 22-24, 2010 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Rock Hill SC. Information will available at the region meeting & seminar. One full day and one half day class is being offered on Sat., Oct. 23. Look forward to seeing you there!

ARD Elizabeth Little

Warm Weather Greetings Fellow Stitchers,

Well it seems that the unpredictable southern weather is living up to its name. It's hard to believe that it's almost 90 degrees in the middle of May. It makes me wish I could bottle the cool weather we had Mother's Day weekend to use later, say around August when the heat and humidity will be stifling.

As I'm writing this article, we're putting the final touches on Stitchin on the Ridge 2010. By the time you are reading it, Stitchin on the Ridge 2010 will be a pleasant memory with plans already in the works for the 2011 version. I find that all stitching events energize my soul. It also reminds me that embroidery can be a social event. It doesn't always have to be a solitary endeavor. Though solitude does have its benefits, such as figuring out that new stitch diagram or where you added your own creative touch to the pattern and it no longer aligns.

The Fall Retreat promises to be another good event. Though needlepoint/canvas work is not one of my strong suits, I'm really tempted by Michael Boren's class. After seeing some of the counted canvas pieces available now, one of those might be what finally tips the scale to move me closer to needlepoint. Cathie Barker's class has sparked my curiosity also. Those baskets speak to my creative side. They would definitely help me move "off the grid" and out of my comfort zone. Something I'm trying to do more of to expand my stitching knowledge. Studio time is also available for those that want to stitch and socialize without adding another project to your ever growing WI P pile.

I hope more of you will take advantage of the great education opportunities available at the region level. See you at a region event soon.

Elizabeth Little

Mary, Mary Quite Contrary How Does YOUR Garden Grow? Seminar 2010 Challenge

Once again we had a spectacular challenge exhibit. Every year the entries become more and more creative. Choosing which one to vote for is always a challenge in its own right. The faculty agonizes over it and this year our EGA President, Lorie Welker, agonized over the decision along with the rest of us. It is not an easy decision but it is a privilege. This year we had six participants. For the first time ever we had a chapter enter the challenge as a group. Most of the members of Florence chapter worked together on their entry.

Listed below are the entrants and the awards they won.

Glenda Herman won the Deanna Powell Award

Pamela Allen

Florence Chapter

Cathie Barker won the Denise Harrington Pratt Award

Kathryn Narron won the Sandy Rodgers Award, the Lyn Payette Award and the People's Choice Award Marilyn Helms won the EGA President, Lorie Welker, Award.

Congratulations to all the participants!

Seminar 2011 Challenge

For 2011 the Challenge committee has made some changes to the Challenge. There will be no theme this year. Instead five words have been chosen, at random, from a group of words contributed by members of the committee. All five words must be expressed in some manner in the challenge piece. At the Award Ceremony entrants will be asked to explain how their entry includes all five words and talk about how they came up with their ideas for the challenge.

The words are: Yellow, Black, Birds, Water, Childhood.

If possible, the committee would ask that entrants provide either an artist statement or some form of an explanation about the piece they are entering. You would be amazed how that influences the voters. And the Florence chapter has issued a challenge to all the chapters in the Carolinas Region. They challenge each chapter to create a chapter entry. They are already working on theirs. Those who wish to have their work covered by EGA insurance **must** complete the required form and send it to me, Diane Stavola, by May 15, 2011. The long form can be accessed on the EGA website or I can send an abbreviated form via email. Even if you do not wish the insurance coverage, which has a \$250 deductible, you **must** sign the bottom portion indicating that you do not want the insurance. This can be done at seminar. No entries will be accepted without the proper forms.

Send forms to: Diane Stavola 1836 Greenwood Rd SW Rognoke, VA 24015-2820

If you wish to do all of this via email, contact me at dhs1836@cox.net. I can send the form to you. Save it to your computer. Fill it out on the computer and then re-attach it to an email and send it back to me. There is no need to print it out and mail it. I look forward to seeing all the wonderful art at our next challenge exhibit.

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NEWSLETTER INFOR-MATION

The Carolinas Region, EGA, publishes *RegioNews* quarterly. Standard practice is to distribute it to all chapter presidents, region representatives, and newsletter editors in the Carolinas Region. It is also available free to all region members

through the region website in the section "members only". **Chapter newsletter editors**: Remember to share information from this newsletter with your members through your chapter newsletter.

Advertising is accepted for 1-year (4 issues) intervals at various

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EGA Chapter Reporting Requirements

ATTN: Chapter presidents, region reps, and editors: it is your responsibility to be sure your membership officer, secretary and treasurer know when and where to send these items.

WHAT	WHEN	WHERE
Minutes of board and general meetings (unless included in the chapter's newsletter)	Within the month	Region Director
Membership roster	By January 15	Region Director
National dues and membership information	By May 31	National Office
Region dues and membership information	By May 31	Region Treasurer
New members	Immediately with dues	National Office Region Treasurer
Chapter Newsletters	When sent to members	Region Director Assistant Region Director EGA Newsletter Reviewer RegioNews Editor Outreach Chair
Chapter Directory on EGA Website	As necessary	Region Director
EGA Chapter Officer Change list (Carolinas Region Form)	Within 2 weeks of election; report only changes	Region Director
Education questions/information	As needed	Region Education Coordinator
Annual financial report	By February 15	Region Director EGA Treasurer

CALENDAR

Carolinas Region

Oct. 22-24, 2010 Region Meet-Rockhill, SC ing, Region retreat

National Seminar

Sept. 5-10, 2010 San Francisco, CA; Greater Pacific Re-

gion, host.

Sept. 10-16, 2011 Naples, FL; Sun Re-

gion, host

International Embroidery Conference

Sept. 8-10, 2011 Naples, FL

OTHER INFO:

Remember that Chapter Presidents and Region Representatives are members of the CAR Board of Directors which is the governing body of the Carolinas Region and as such have a voice in setting policy for the region.

Member officer and chapter updates should go to the Region Director (Michelle Burroughs) and she will send it on to National.

Donations to the EGA National Fund should be sent to National with a copy of the check sent to Diane Stavola so she can send matching funds. The check should be made out to National. Please DO NOT send cash in the mail.

A member survey is coming from National. Please take the time to complete it so National will know of our wants and needs.

National EGA is on a mission to provide many bookmarks for area students. Keep a record of how many your chapter makes. We want to see something positive on the news.

Re4member to complete the outreach form found on the region website and send it in to Janine Bangs, Outreach chairman).

Needed: A new CAR Website Coordinator (ASAP)

From the Treasurer

Carolinas Region Matching Funds Donations

In October the Carolinas Region Board voted to make a donation to EGA. At the same time the Board voted to have a matching fund donation. If a chapter makes a donation to EGA, Carolinas Region will make a \$15 additional donation to EGA up to a total of \$200. Thus far Magnolia chapter and Cardinal chapter have made donations to EGA.

The Carolinas Region Board would like to encourage as many chapters as possible to also make a donation to EGA. In order to receive credit for the donation, send a copy of the donation check to the Region treasurer, Diane Stavola at

1836 Greenwood Rd SW Roanoke, VA 24015-2820

or via email to: dhs1836@cox.net

Diane Stavola CAR Treasurer

The first 2010 matching donation was made in honor of the Magnolia Chapter.

Carolinas Region Gold Thread Award

Congratulations to Susan Banbury of the Charlotte Chapter who is the winner of the 2010 Carolinas Region Gold Thread Award. The Gold Thread awards will be presented during the EGA National Seminar 2010 opening banquet in Pittsburgh.

2010 CRESS (Carolinas Region Embroidery Study Scholarship)

Pamela Allen of the Cardinal Chapter is the recipient of the 2010 CRESS in the amount of \$300. She was chosen from among 3 applicants.

2010 Region Exhibit

For the second year in a row region members exhibited finished works at the region seminar. This year 9 members entered 28 individual pieces from 9 different EGA group correspondence courses. Three courses were represented by 3 pieces each from 3 different members, and 3 pieces had more than 1 component. All were excellent examples of the various techniques and projects.

New Procedures - Reporting Changes to National HQ

The following procedures are in effect immediately. Please assure that your chapter members and officers are aware of these changes.

- **Members' Personal Information** only an individual member may report changes in their personal information, including address, telephone number, and email address. Changes reported by someone other than the member will not be processed.
- **Chapter Officers** report changes in your chapter officers only to the Carolinas Region Director Michelle Burroughs who will forward the information to HQ. Changes reported by anyone else to national will not be processed. A new reporting form is enclosed.
- **Chapter Director Information in EGA Website** report changes to the Carolinas Region Director Michelle Burroughs, who will forward the information to HQ. Changes reported by anyone else to national will not be processed.

EGA National Vice President

Barbara Harrison was recently appointed by the EGA board of directors to the position of EGA vice president, to complete the term of Katrina Lawrimore who resigned because of the heavy workload of her professional job.

Matching Funds:

Carolinas Region has made a minimum donation of \$300 to the EGA Annual Fund. The region will make a donation of \$15 for each chapter which donates to the EGA Annual Fund in 2010 up to a maximum additional amount of \$200. To secure a matching donation on behalf of your chapter send a copy of your chapter's check or acknowledgement letter from HQ to the region treasurer Diane Stavola.

Community Outreach

Hello Fellow Stitchers.

It was nice to see so many of you at Region Seminar. As usual Carolina Region stitchers are busy reaching out to their communities. Aiken Stitchin' Belles continue making Cuddle Buddies for the child Advocacy Center and also stitching samplers for Habitat Homes. Their chapter has also taken on the challenge of stitching fifty bookmarks for Aiken County Library. The Augusta Chapter has been making gowns, blankets and Breavement bags for a local Neonatal ICU. Habitat Samplers have also been stitched and stitching classes continue to be held at local libraries. In Virginia the Blue Ridge Chapter stitched over two hundred Kissing Pillows to be sent overseas to our troops. Charlotte has been busy with Habitat Samplers. The Chicora stitchers in Myrtle Beach provide stitching kits to the local VA and continue to support the Ohio Reformatory for Women with stitching supplies. They too have been stitching Habitat Samplers. In Florence Habitat Samplers continue to be stitched and the chapter will be donating DVDs about needlework techniques to the local library. Laurel stitchers remain active making guilts for the Linus project. This chapter also donated eighty five pounds of food plus two hundred eighty five dollars to a local ministry People in Need. Press releases were sent to six different newsprint outlets. The Laurel stitchers also participated in the Annual Historic Johnson Farm Festival displaying needlework and assisting children making floss friendship bracelets. Piedmont stitchers are busy working with local Girl Scouts and sent fabric to the Ukraine and have plans to send more. The Tryon chapter continues stitching Hospice Doves.

The Carolina Region remains active in their communities. Keep in mind that not only do formal outreach projects help spread the word that needlework is still an ongoing art but when you stitch at a gathering or on the plane, invite someone to a meeting you as individuals perform "Outreach". Keep up the good work.

Happy Stitching, Janine Bangs Carolina Outreach Chair Carolina Region

Wanted: EGA Petite Projects

The EGA education department is looking for new petite projects in all techniques. The guidelines for submitting petite projects are on the EGA website at

http://www.egausa.org/login/secure members/files/forms/general/Petite Project Guidelines.pdf

Petite Projects are small projects, suitable for a two hour chapter class. They can be any embroidery technique. These projects are donated by teachers/designers to be used by EGA chapters. See the EGA website for a few color photos and a list at

http://www.egausa.org/login/secure members/petite projects.html. If your chapter doesn't have a complete set, contact EGA headquarters for copies.

RETREAT INFORMATION

Retreat 2010 Classes

A Vineyard Holiday Quilt Patch Skill level: Intermediate Saturday, Oct 23, 2010 8:30 AM-4:30 PM Michael Boren, Instructor Class size limited to 24







The design is available in 4 colorways: Holiday on the student's choice of line-drawn Victorian Green or Victorian Red 18-mono canvas, or Appalachia on line-drawn Lavendula 18-mono canvas or Colors of Hanukkah on line-drawn French Blue canvas. It features an assortment of threads: Wildflowers, Waterlilies, Vineyard Silk Classic and Silk Shimmer, and, Kreinik Braid. The kit includes: mailing of prestitching instructions and materials; full skeins/spools of all threads, the line-drawn canvas, complete instructions with photo, the complete instructions with photos of the companion ornament and pin designs, and a second piece of canvas for stitching the ornaments or pins. Students who wish to purchase the optional Evertite stretcher bars from teacher should so indicate at the time they register for the workshop.

Michael Boren is a designer and a regional and local teacher specializing in geometric designs. Michael teaches needlearts at meetings and workshops for ANG and EGA chapters, at regional seminars, and in retail shops. He will be teaching on the national level in 2011 at the Callaway Gardens School of Needle Arts and at the ANG Seminar.

Autumn Keepsake Basket
Educational Opportunity Class
Skill level: All
Saturday, Oct 23, 2010 8:30 AM-11:30 PM
Cathie Barker, Instructor
Class size limited to 20



The Autumn Keepsake Basket is a small coiled basket in vibrant greens, golds, oranges, reds, rusts, and browns. Depending on the choices a student makes, the basket could be flat (e.g. coaster), slightly rounded, very rounded, or tubular shaped; it could be simply one color, or two or more colors; it could be smooth coils, or textured; and the basket could be embellished with embroidery stitches, beads, or ... The point of the class is to learn a simple coiled basketry technique that can be used in many creative ways.

Cathie Barker comes from a family of needleworkers, and has been practicing various forms of needle and fiber arts most of her adult life. As a member of the Handweavers' Guild of Boulder (Colorado) in the 1970s, she demonstrated handloom weaving and coiled basket making; as a member of various quilt guilds in the western U.S., she demonstrated and taught quilting techniques; and currently, as a member of The Laurel Chapter of EGA, Cathie has given programs in beading and basketry.

RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Form Hilton Garden Inn, ROCK HILL, SOUTH CAROLINA

Name	Phone #	
Email	Chapter	
Address	*	
City, State, Zip		
Classes		

Please check the box(es) for the class(es) you wish to take.

Registration Deadline: Postmark by August 15, 2010 Make checks payable to: Carolinas Region
Due to space limitations, class sizes are limited. Sign up early to ensure a place in class.
Refunds can only be issued if a replacement is found for your space in class or in the event of an Emergency.

Master Craftsman in Color Program a presentation by Laura Smith, Chairman of the program Friday, 10/22, 8-9:30 PM Cost: None

A Vineyard Holiday Quilt Patch taught by Michael Boren

Saturday, 10/23, 8:30AM-4:30 PM Cost: \$90 includes kit. There will be pre-stitching. Skill level: Intermediate Select one from the following color ways: Victorian Green canvas Victorian Red canvas Appalachia on Lavendula canvas Colors of Hanukkah on French Blue canvas Also available:

Optional Evertite frame with Tightening Tool **\$27** Optional Evertite frame without Tightening Tool **\$24** You can see the color choices at: http://www.shenandoahstitcherydesigns.com/Classes.htm

Autumn Keepsake Basket taught by Cathie Barker. This is an Educational Opportunity class. Saturday, 10/23, 8:30-11:30 AM Cost: \$17 includes kit. Skill level: All

Stitch In

Saturday, 10/23, 12:30-4:30PM & 7 PM-? Cost: \$5 (cost is for those who are not registering for a class)

Trunk Show Saturday 10/23 7 Pm

Jane Hardy of **Two's Company**, a local needlework shop, will be presenting a trunk show.

Region Meeting

Carolinas Region meeting will be held Sunday, 10/24

Chapter sales: 9:30 AM

Region Meeting: 10AM-12Noon

Fall Retreat Room Reservations

Fall Retreat will again be held at Hilton Garden Inn Rock Hill. Retreat is from Friday, October 22-24, 2010. The Inn is taking reservations now. A block of 20 rooms is available until September 22, 2010 for the \$99 + tax room rate. You may call or make your reservations online. **Be sure to use the code: EGA** Also be sure to **let them know whether you want the breakfast package added to your account.**

Hilton Garden Inn Rock Hill 650 Tinsley Way, Rock Hill, SC 29730 Phone: 877-782-9444 Web:http://www.rockhill.hgi.com



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MEMBER PROFILE FOR SERVICE FORM

Please complete a member profile for service form found in the President's folder at the last Region meeting. Please return to Michelle Buroughs, RD. The nominating committee uses the form to help them decide candidates for the Region Officers. Please consider one of the region offices and complete the form. Elections for ARD and treasurer will be held at the October Region Meeting. Please consider volunteering for one of these offices.

Ladies,

The time has come again to elect our regional officers. The Nominating Committee has been given a deadline in **August** to provide a slate of candidates to the current Executive Committee, so that the slate may be published to the full region membership at least 30 days prior to the next Region Meeting. In order to meet this deadline, the committee will need to start talking to interested members by **July.**

As you know, once a member has served a full term (3 years) in one of the elected offices, they cannot serve in that same office again. In this election cycle, we have a slightly unusual situation because of our former RD moving up to National. When Katrina went to the EGA National Committee, the ARD (Michelle Burroughs) agreed to step up and fill the RD position for 2010, while at the same time assisting Elizabeth Little, who agreed to fill the ARD/Seminar Chair position for 2010. Both Michelle and Elizabeth are eligible to be elected to the position they currently hold.

At the Fall Retreat in Rock Hill we will need to elect: Region Director, Assistant Region Director, Treasurer, Secretary, and Education Coordinator. We will also need to elect one member to the Nominating Committee.