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*Mission: To stimulate appreciation for and celebrate the heritage of embroidery by advancing the highest standards of excellence in its practice through education, exhibition, preservation, collection, and research.*

## REGION DIRECTOR NOTES

Michelle Burroughs

National Seminar has come and gone. I hope everyone who attended was pleased and had a great time! Fund raising went well with National netting about \$14,000.00 from the various events. The weather was nice despite the storms on the northern gulf coast Summer this year has been a real trial for many of us. I have seen on the emails from National any number of injuries, surgeries, illnesses and deaths. Maybe we can be past all of this now and look forward to a better year. I think most of my people are at least on the mend now.

Now that National has past we can look forward to the Fall Retreat in Rock Hill the end of October. We have a new location this year – The Hampton Inn, 211 Tabor Drive, Rock Hill, SC, 803-325-1100 – and we still have rooms available at our discounted rate until the Sept 30<sup>th</sup>. The rate is \$89.00 per night for single, double or triple occupancy and includes breakfast! Lynn Payette will be teaching our one day class entitled *Treasure* (a pin/pendant) and Evelyn Riggins will be teaching a Make-it, Take-it or keep. As usual we will have studio stitch time. Also on the agenda is a presentation by Laura Smith entitled *All You Ever Wanted To Know About Fiber Forum*. Please let Sue Osterberg know if you plan to attend email: [osterbed@bellsouth.net](mailto:osterbed@bellsouth.net).

We will have the necklace Gwen Nelson has designed and made (with the help of many talented RD's) to be sold for a fund raiser at National Seminar 2012 on display at the Fall Retreat for all to see and drool over. The picture does not do it justice! Thanks for the loan Gwen!



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## REGIONEWS

### **Education Coordinator**

#### **Lynn Tesch**

Keep working on those correspondence courses.

### **ARD Elizabeth Little**

I was able to attend the Meg Thompson Shinall workshop hosted by Piedmont Chapter. The class was outstanding. I learned a few tips to make my hardanger embroidery better. The highlight for me was seeing Ginnie Thompson's stitched box. The workmanship and detail are amazing. If you hear of an event Meg will be attending with this box, it is worth the trip.

Anyone else participating in the Crazy January 2011 Challenge? In this challenge, I started a new project on each of the first 15 days of January. The goal is to have all of them completed by December 31. The project lists I've seen have varied widely in complexity and tastes. I opted for one BAP (Mirabilia's "Lady of the Flag") and 14 small to medium pieces (mainly ornaments). So far, I've finished 7 of the small pieces and barely made a dent in Lady. I need to get busy on her as I want her to hang in my church on 9/11. It's my first Mirabilia and so far it has been a rather pleasant stitch. Will I make my self-imposed deadline? I'm going to give it my best try.

Happing Stitching!  
Elizabeth

### **National Seminar Opportunity Basket**

As coordinator of the Carolinas' Region, EGA opportunity basket for the 2011 EGA seminar in Naples FL, I send a grateful THANK YOU to all individuals and chapters who donated money, fabric and items to our Flamingo, Flip flops & Sand opportunity.

We had themed donations from members of, or individuals from the following chapters: Aiken Stitchin' Belles, Augusta, Blue Ridge, Florence, Gifted Hands, Golden Needle, Laurel, Low Country, Millwood, Tar River & Tryon.

The opportunity "basket" consisted of a patchwork jacket and matching project tote. A pink striped beach bag & matching towel. We received \$65 in cash which was put towards flamingo themed fabric and notions.

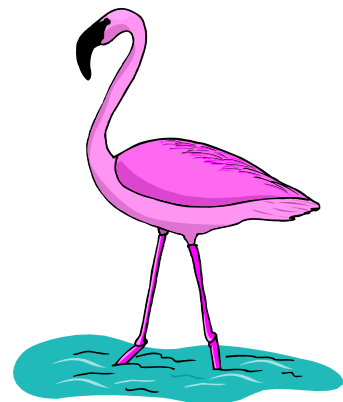
Items received to be part of the "basket" included: Michaels, Bath & Body Works, Starbucks, Discover, & Amazon gift cards, Ruth Kern bookstore certificate, flamingo hand beaded necklace & earring set, flamingo Needle Minder & assorted stitching "smalls", beaded flamingo magnet, Wengewood ort box, flip flop theme memo pad, Fiskar scissor set, flamingo Boca clips, flamingo scissor fob & scissors, flip flop spreaders, double wall flamingo beverage cup, flamingo pink credit card wallet, pink beaded necklace, Bath & Body Works hand cream, petit point flamingo Fab Fob key holder.

Handcrafted items were made by: Cathie Barker, Judy Douglas, Karla Gee, Sydney Mace, Sue Osterberg, Jack Robertson, Faith Walters, & Sandy Washington.

A special thanks to Gifted Hands for the flamingo print fat quarter that got us started with fabric for the quilted jacket.

Our local support to EGA is important. Your donations are truly appreciated. Carolinas' Region can be proud. Now, who will be the lucky person to take our opportunity "basket" home with them? Thanks again to those who donated to our "basket".

Sue Osterberg, CAR basket coordinator.



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<b>WHAT</b>	<b>WHEN</b>	<b>WHERE</b>
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
		Region Membership Chair
National dues and membership information, quarterly	By January 15, April 15, July 15, October 15	National Office
Region dues and membership information, quarterly	Same time as sent to National	Region Treasurer
Chapter Newsletters	When sent to members	Region Director
		Assistant Region Director
		EGA Newsletter Reviewer
		<i>RegioNews</i> Editor
		Outreach Chair
EGA Chapter Officer Change list (EGA Form)	Within 2 weeks of election	Region Secretary
Education questions/information	As needed	Region Education Coordinator
Annual chapter report	By December 15	Region Director
Annual financial report	By February 15	Region Director
		EGA Treasurer

### **CALENDAR**

**Carolinas Region** CAR Retreat & Region  
 Oct. 29-30, 2011 Board Meeting  
 Hampton Inn  
 Rock Hill, SC

Stitchin on the Ridge Ridgcrest



## EGA CAROLINAS REGION

## OUTREACH REPORT

JUNE, 2011

## Aiken Stitchin' Belles

Over 100 Cuddle Buddies for Aiken Child Advocacy Center

62 bookmarks for Children's Summer Reading Program

Habitat Samplers

Finishing a plastic canvas dollhouse started by a cancer patient and will use to raise money for cancer research in her name

## Augusta Chapter

Gowns, blankets and bereavement bags for local NICU

Stitch classes at the local library

## Blue Ridge Chapter

Kissing Pillows for troops

Bookmarks for literacy

Habitat Samplers

## Chicora Stitchers

Support with supplies the Ohio Reformatory for women

Habitat Samplers

## Laurel Chapter

Annual blankets for Project Linus over the last 5 years have donated approximately 124 fleece blankets

Two Stitch in Public Days well attended

Raised \$365 for a cancer benefit

## Tar River

Successful Stitch In Public Day

## Tyron Chapter

Continue with Hospice Doves

Made contribution to Salvation Army

Janice Meyers, EGA National Outreach Chair, will take reports of outreach activities directly if you have something your chapter wants to shout out about. Her email is [GrayceeDM@aol.com](mailto:GrayceeDM@aol.com). There is also a press release available on the National website chapters may use if desired regarding activities related to 'Bookmarks for Literacy'.

Happy Stitching,  
Janine Bangs

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**REGIONEWS**

## **CHALLENGE 2012**

### **EGA Carolinas Region Challenge 2012**

This year's challenge theme is based on a quote from the movie *Steel Magnolias*:  
"The only thing that separates us from the animals is our ability to accessorize." Olympia Dukakis said this line in her role as Clairee Belcher.

Have you designed and stitched accessories such as purses, jewelry, belts, or gloves? How about pictures of accessories? Can you find a hidden meaning in the quote and invent a stitched design from it?

Projects must be original designs that relate to or are inspired by the quote above. They can be any size and any medium that uses a threaded needle. A set or series counts as one entry. For instance, if you made a brooch, bracelet, and earrings that are worn together, the set would count as one entry.

Completed pieces will be exhibited at the Carolinas Region Seminar in 2012, and ribbons will be awarded for Teacher's Choices and Viewers' Choice. Limit one entry per person and one entry per group (each group participant may also enter one individual project).

If you wish to enter, please complete the form on the next page. This is the same form that EGA uses for all exhibits. It allows your work to be covered by EGA insurance (with a \$250 deductible). Even if you don't want the insurance, you must complete and sign the form. Scan/email or mail it by May 15, 2012 to the challenge exhibit coordinator at the address given on the form. If you have any questions at all, please contact me. I look forward to seeing your work in the Region Challenge Exhibit at Ridgecrest 2012.

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