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RD Elizabeth Little

Howdy all,

Spring is upon us. If it wasn't for the pollen, I'd love to be outside stitching. I need to be doing yard work. Stitching time anywhere beats yard work any day. Wouldn't you agree?

Entries in the 20th National Exhibit, Through the Needle's Eye, were chosen earlier this year. Carolinas Region is well represented with 5 members juried in. Congratulations go to Karla Gee, Sue Osterberg, Laura Smith, Ana Sumner, and Lynn Tesch. Laura Smith and Lynn Tesch are the winners of the Carolinas Region Award. Well done ladies!

Thanks to the work of the Laurel Chapter, the Carolinas Region will host the exhibit in 2016. The Southern Highlands Folk Art Center near Asheville will be venue. Fundraising efforts are underway. Golden Needles has issued a challenge to the rest of the region. Details are included in the newsletter.

I am still looking for other fundraising ideas. Please let me know your thoughts. I'd love some fresh, new ideas rather than the same old, same old.

Stitchin' on the Ridge 2014 will soon be here. I hope everyone is putting the final touches on their challenge piece. Don't forget to bring any finished Ed Op pieces or pieces you stitched on during Studio Time. I'd love to see a large display of pieces this year.

Happy Stitching,
Elizabeth
Region Director
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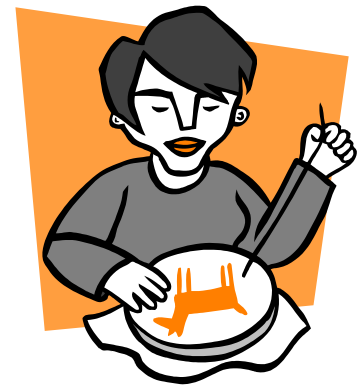
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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

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.

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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	May 31	National Office
Region dues and membership information	May 31	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

May 30 - June 1, 2014 Stitchin on the Ridge,
Ridgecrest



NEWSLETTER TITLE**ARD— JANET NOBLE**

National Tapestry: In March, I attended the national EGA Board of Directors meeting for Elizabeth and everyone there had the opportunity to visit the national office; if you ever have the opportunity to visit this office – go there! There are numerous pieces on a rotating display that you will enjoy, but the best part is seeing the National Tapestry on display. Like most of you, I had read about the tapestry and even seen photographs of it, but seeing it in person is a whole ‘nother thing! It is absolutely fascinating and the longer you stand there gazing, the more details you see and marvel over. It is truly a masterpiece!

International Teachers’ Tour: As you probably have heard, the EGA is the beneficiary of the will of Gay Montague Phillips and last October, the Board of Directors solicited the general membership for ways to use \$130,000 of this gift in a manner that could directly benefit the members. A committee tabulated all the suggestions and reported the results back to the Board in March; after much discussion, the Board voted to distribute \$65,000 of the total between the 13 regions no later than 1 July 2014 (each region receives \$5,000). We must spend this money within two years on anything we want as long as (a) it is educational in nature and (b) it potentially benefits all members of the region. Whooo hoooo! After an e-huddle (i.e., e-mails flying back and forth), the CAR Executive Board of Directors decided to use some of the money this year to fund our part of the International Teachers’ Tour (you can see details of the ITT by going to the national EGA website and click on *Events*). Our plan is to make you the same offer we made last year with Gary Clarke: you will have the opportunity to take a two-day class with an internationally renowned teacher for the price of the kit (and lodging, if necessary). We had to submit our application to the national office by 15 Apr 2014 and we will let you know when we hear who, which class, and what dates. We plan to hold this event in Rock Hill, SC, but it won’t be in conjunction with our Fall Retreat this year.

Bringing the 20th National Exhibit to CAR: The Laurel Chapter succeeded in securing dates for bringing the 20th *National Exhibit* to the National Folk Art Center near Asheville, NC, in 2016. As discussed during the Fall Retreat, we are soliciting donations from all CAR chapters to help pay for the shipping expenses. The Laurel Chapter is holding fund-raising events to raise money, and at our last meeting, the Millwood Chapter voted to donate \$100 to this project. Please think of ways your chapter can help support this fabulous event and send your donations to the CAR Treasurer, Becky Buie, who has created a special account for this money.



2014 Stitchin' on the Ridge Exhibit

Ed Ops and Studio Time pieces will be the theme for the exhibit at Stitchin' on the Ridge 2014.

What are Ed Ops? These are the educational opportunity classes offered at Rock Hill during Fall Retreat. Can't remember what which classes qualify? If you pieces from any of the classes listed below, dig out your project (and finish if necessary) and bring it with you to Stitchin' on the Ridge 2014. In class at Rock Hill or at a chapter meeting doesn't matter. We want to see your creations.

2008 – Button Lariat Name Tag – Sherri Hagar

2009 – Hugs and Kisses Bracelet – Diane Stavola

2010 – Autumn Keepsake Basket – Cathie Barker

2011 – Ort Keep – Evelyn Riggins

2012 – Button, Button, Who's Got the Button Bracelet – Sue Osterberg

2013 – Fabric Ort Holder – Janet Noble

Now that you've been reminded of the Ed Ops, what about those Studio Time pieces? You indulged our oohs and ahhs as we peeked over your shoulder to see what project had caught your attention for that point in the weekend. Well, we want to see the finished product that is sure to knock our socks off. Any project that you worked on during Studio Time at EITHER Stitchin' on the Ridge or Fall Retreat (or both) qualifies.

Now, for the tough part of deciding what to show case. Each stitcher is limited to any combination of 3 pieces for the exhibit. All items must be ready to exhibit; pictures must be framed or mounted, and ready to hang. Please use wire hangers. Be sure to attach your name for identification purposes, and provide a card listing name of the piece, the designer, & your name.

If you have questions, contact the seminar exhibit coordinator, Angie Fittro, psuedocalover@yahoo.com

Carolinas Region EGA Challenge 2014

Create an original design that relates to or is inspired by the theme "Aprons." The design can be any size and any medium that uses a threaded needle. A set or series counts as one entry. For instance, if you embroidered a set consisting of mother's apron and baby's bib with the same theme, they would count as one entry.

An **apron** is defined as an outer protective garment that covers primarily the front of the body. It is worn over clothing to protect from food, dirt, or excessive wear. An apron is usually held in place by two ribbon-like strips of cloth that are tied at the back. There are many different apron styles depending on the purpose of the apron. A basic distinction is between waist aprons which cover the body from the waist down and bib aprons which partly cover the upper part of the body. A pinafore is a decorative apron. All of these types of aprons as well as depictions of aprons or parts of aprons qualify for this challenge.

Completed pieces will be exhibited at the Carolinas Region Seminar in 2014, 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 EGA Exhibit form on the next page. If you choose to assign a value to your item, your work will be covered by EGA insurance (with a \$250 deductible for the entire exhibit). If you don't want insurance, you must complete and sign the form at the bottom. Scan and email or print and send via postal mail by May 15, 2014 to the challenge exhibit coordinator at the address given on the form.

If you have any questions, please contact me. I look forward to seeing your work in the Carolinas Region Challenge Exhibit at Ridgecrest in 2014.

Through The Needle's Eye

Dear Members of Carolinas Region EGA

The Laurel Chapter is endeavoring to bring EGA's *Through The Needle's Eye* traveling exhibit to our region in early 2016. We have made a commitment to raise \$450 in support of this and at the CAR meeting at Rock Hill in October I proposed a motion requesting funding from the region. After discussion and a friendly amendment, \$750 was approved as funding from CAR. This leaves \$600 still to raise for the \$1800 EGA fee. The fruitful discussion made it clear that the region committee sees this undertaking as something beneficial to all CAR chapters and that every chapter should share some of the expense. Therefore we are asking you to consider contributing to the expense for bringing TNE to Carolinas Region. We are still awaiting confirmation of our venue, and I will let you know ASAP about the location.

Thank you, Rosemary Kostansek, President, The Laurel Chapter

Chapter Fundraising Challenge

Golden Needles Chapter challenges you to help in bringing Thru the Needles' Eye to the Carolinas Region. Golden Needles will donate \$100 to the fund IF three other chapters will do the same. So other chapters, will you meet the challenge?

Golden Needles Chapter
Concord, NC

Update April 2014: I've had notice that Millwood and Tryon have accepted the challenge. We only need one more chapter. Will yours be the one? Please let me know if you participate so all will know the challenge has been met. Thanks! Elizabeth



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The Laurel Chapter has opened negotiations with the Folk Art Center (Milepost 382 Blue Ridge Parkway, Asheville, NC) to showcase EGA's National Traveling Exhibit during the first quarter of calendar year 2016. I had the opportunity to visit the Folk Art Center this month and I am convinced this would be the perfect venue to expose as many visitors as possible to our world of needlework. To learn more about the Folk Art Center, go to <http://www.southernhighlandguild.org/pages/folk-art-center/general-info.php>.

To make this happen, we – the CAR - have to raise the money (\$1,800) to pay for the packing, shipping and insurance for the exhibit pieces. Please consider what your chapter (or you as an individual) can do to raise or donate money to cover these expenses. Contact Elizabeth Little or Janet Noble for more information.

CATCH THE SEMINAR 2017 FEVER

An update on our region hosting the EGA national seminar in 2017. We don't know exactly when or where yet, but the executive committee consisting of myself, Sue Osterberg, Karla Gee, Marilyn Sears, Sydney Mace, and Becky Buie has been approved by the EGA Board of Directors, and we are actively seeking many more Carolinas Region members to join us on what promises to be a lot of fun (and yes, a lot of work, followed by even more fun).

Sadie Seminar 2017 will be attending our Region Seminar/Meeting at Ridgecrest at the end of May and she is anxious to add many more names to her growing figure.

Please stop by our display at Ridgecrest to learn about the many opportunities to support our region, EGA and have fun.

Questions – Julie Anderson, Seminar Chair, juliesurgi@gmail.com

Sue Osterberg, Assistant Seminar Chair osterbed@bellsouth.net

Thanks much. See everyone soon,

Julie

Operating Account
Carolinas Region EGA -- 2013
 January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013

	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>CURRENT</u>
Income:		
Dues	1,600	1,484.00
Educational Events:		
GCC's	600	530.00
Seminar	1,500	2,102.15
Fall Retreat	1,000	595.00
Gary Clarke Class		1,320.00
Newsletter Subscriptions & Ads	12	36.00
Region Sales	500	1,071.15
From CRESS Account	300	300.00
Total Income	\$5,512	\$7,438.30
Expenses:		
Educational Events:		
GCC's	900	880.00
Time to Teach Grants	100	0.00
Education Grants	900	1,375.00
Fall Retreat	2,250	577.40
Gary Clarke Class		3,231.06
Newsletter (4 issues)	25	0.00
Website	100	100.00
Outreach	100	0.00
Cress Scholarship	300	300.00
EGA Annual Fund Donation	400	315.00
Region Sales Items		352.28
Opportunity Basket for National	100	0.00
Administrative:		
Postage	200	37.84
Supplies	200	9.19
Region Board Meetings:		
Lodging	1,000	1,261.58
Travel	700	41.63
National Board Meetings (RD):		
Travel	1,000	0.00
Per Diem	350	0.00
Total Expenses	\$8,625	\$8,480.98
Ending Balance	(\$3,113)	(\$1,042.68)
Opening Balance		\$3,507.68
Checkbook Balance		\$2,465.00

Note:

The difference of \$3,513 between anticipated receipts and expenditures will be made up by taking funds from reserves as needed.

Total Asset Summary

Operating Account Balance from above	\$2,465.00
Operating Account CD (matures 12/18/2014)	7,966.38
Operating Account CD (matures 2/6/2014)	8,040.40
Seminar Account Balance (detail separately)	1,054.18
CRESS Scholarship Balance 12/31/2013 (Dreyfus-FMV)	<u>8,990.19</u>
Carolinas Region Total Assets	\$28,516.15

**Carolinas Region EGA -- 2013 Seminar
January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013**

	Actual 2012	2013 CURRENT
Income		
Class Fees	7,660.00	8,690.00
Kit Fees	2,135.00	3,817.00
Non-member Fees	100.00	100.00
(Registration Refunds)	(425.00)	(100.00)
Vendor Tables	250.00	275.00
Teacher's Showcase	5.00	10.00
Opportunity Baskets	838.00	766.00
Ruth Kern Book Sales	351.95	322.06
Other	3.18	0.00
Total Income	\$10,918.13	\$13,880.06
Expense		
Registrar		
Postage	10.40	0.00
Brochure Printing	20.31	68.36
Registration Supplies	248.94	233.98
Dean of Faculty		
Postage & Supplies	206.30	157.35
Seminar Chair		
Supplies	0.00	0.00
Faculty		
Room & Board	646.04	438.76
Teaching Fees & Kits	4,475.00	6,217.00
Goody Bags	50.82	20.30
Travel	2,197.44	2,601.12
Miscellaneous	177.48	201.89
Ridgecrest Deposit for Next Year	500.00	500.00
Pins	332.70	338.00
Roxie Hodgkin Scholarship	205.00	203.00
Opportunity Baskets	828.20	765.94
10% of Book Sales to Ridgecrest	35.20	32.21
Total Expense	\$9,933.83	\$11,777.91
Profit/Loss	\$984.30	\$2,102.15
Opening Checkbook Balance		\$ 1,054.18
Transfer 2013 Profit to Operating Account		(\$2,102.15)
Present Checkbook Balance		\$1,054.18

Education

The Group Correspondence texts have been distributed to the participants - let the stitching begin! We did not have enough participants to make up a class for *Poppies* - but fear not! *Poppies* is one of the Lightning Rounds until the end of May!

Lightning Rounds for Now until May 31, 2014 are:

Embroidery with Mixed Media by Laura Smith (\$62.50)

Poppies by Luan Callery (\$65)

Floral Whimsy Necklace (\$69)

Cleopatra's Cat by Mary Long (\$83)

Remember, any EGA member may register for a lightening round without having to pay the \$175 GCC fee. This is an excellent opportunity to take a class for just the cost of the text plus \$30. The total cost for each class in the current Lightning Round is listed in parenthesis next to the name. There is a coupon with details on page 8 of the pullout *Inside EGA* in the March 2014 *NeedleArts*.

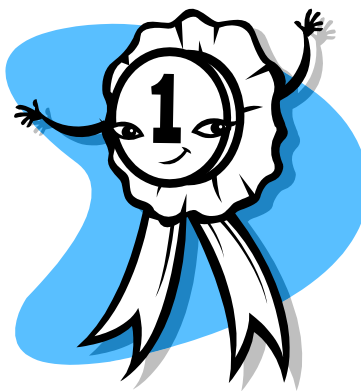
Congratulations!!

~ to Gail Stafford, a new Master Craftsman in Design!

~ to Laura Smith for winning 2 First Place and the Deloris Andrew Award at the NAN exemplary. The Deloris Andrew Award is for exceptional use of color and design.

And speaking of awards

The CRESS Award deadline is May 1, 2014! The Carolinas Region Embroidery Study Scholarship awards \$300 to be applied towards any type of class or course on embroidery during calendar year 2014. The only exception is that you cannot apply CRESS funds towards EGA National Seminar or Carolinas Region Seminar (Ridgecrest). Surely there is a cyber class you want to take, a new technique you want to explore, or a teacher you have been dying to take a class from! Go to http://www.egacarolinas.org/education/documents/CRESS_Application_Form.pdf to get the form and return it to Kathryn Farrago at 127 Village Green Trail, Garner, NC 27529.



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DUES REMINDER –

Chapter treasurers and/or membership chairmen are reminded that it is time to pay Region dues for 2014. Our membership year runs from June 1 to May 31. Please remember that chapter dues must be paid in order to vote at the spring region meeting at Ridgecrest. The following was adopted at the 2012 fall meeting: “To be eligible to vote at the spring region meeting, chapter treasurers must send all dues in time for the region treasurer to receive them no later than May 15 of that year; otherwise, they should hand-deliver the dues to the treasurer prior to the start of the spring meeting.” Annual Region dues are \$4 per member. For new members joining during the year dues are prorated as follows: August 16-November 15, \$2; November 16-February 15, \$2; February 16-May 15, \$1. These dates are the same as the schedule for National dues. Please send your chapter dues check to the following address:

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