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The mission of The Embroiderers' Guild of America is to inspire passion for the needle arts through education and the celebration of its heritage.

From the Mountains to the Sea...

From the Region Director

Hi fellow stitchers,

Once again we're heading into the final weeks before Ridgecrest. As the final preparations are made, I hope many of you will be joining us. The few days in the mountains are always relaxing and rewarding. Leslie Gagliardi, EGA's president, will be joining us for seminar this year.

This year, we have the Seminar 2017 work party added to the line-up. Please note the emphasis is on PARTY and not on work. While we will be assembling various items needed for Alexandria, many hands make light work. Please consider joining the party even if it's only a few minutes. It's a quick and easy way for you to contribute to the success of Seminar 2017.

The region is also offering the Education Grant again for 2016. Simply send me an email requesting it. I'll approve

it and forward to Becky for payment.

It's that easy. You can use the money for anything education related.

There are quite a few volunteer positions open right now. We'd love to have you join us. Julie is looking for quite a few volunteers for various positions with Seminar 2017. Rosemary is looking to fill a few positions for the *21st Through the Needle's Eye* Exhibit. Before long, the nominating committee will begin seeking persons to fill the Executive Committee as this is region election year. Please email me if interested and I'll be glad to answer any questions you may have.

As I finish this writing, I'm off for Marie Campbell's beading class. Funds from the Phillips' bequest are being utilized for this class. Carolinas Region will have some monies remaining after this class. If any of you have suggestions for

teachers, projects, or techniques you'd like us to offer in the next class, please let me know and we'll give it consideration.

Happy Stitching, Elizabeth



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Stitch the winning Logo Contest, see page 5 (Deadline June 3, 2016)

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CALENDAR

2016

June 3-5

CAR Seminar "Stitchin' on the Ridge," Black Mountain, NC;
June 3: deadline for Stitched Logo Contest

September 23-25

CAR Fall Retreat & Region Meeting, Rock Hill, SC

November 2-6

EGA National "Star Spangled Seminar," Alexandria, VA

2017

June ? (TBD)

CAR Seminar "Stitchin' on the Ridge," Black Mountain, NC;
Getting ready to host "Blue Ridge Rendezvous"

August 16-20

EGA National "Blue Ridge Rendezvous," Asheville, NC

August 16 - September 15

21st "Through the Needle's Eye" national EGA exhibit, Brevard, NC

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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 Region Membership Chair
National dues and membership information	Quarterly or as needed	National Office
Region dues and membership information	Same time as sent to National	Region Treasurer
Chapter newsletters	When sent to members	Region Director; Assistant Region Director; EGA Newsletter Reviewer; Editor, RegioNews; Region 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
Budget	When finalized	EGA Budget Director

RegioNews

The Carolinas Region, EGA, publishes *RegioNews* quarterly. Standard practice is to distribute it to all chapter members in the Carolinas Region via email. It is also available free to all region members through the region website.

Chapter newsletter editors: Remember to share this newsletter with your members who do not receive email.

Advertising is accepted for 1-year (4 issues) intervals at \$10/year. Contact editor Cathie Barker for details. There is no cost for emailed newsletters. Subscriptions are available for \$6/year for four printed issues. Send requests to the *RegioNews* editor Cathie Barker and checks, payable to Carolinas Region EGA, to Becky Buie, treasurer of Carolinas Region.

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Matching Funds Challenge for *21st Through the Needle's Eye*



Thanks to the generosity of 5 members, \$425 was received in 2015, including \$150 from the challenger.

The match challenge continues in 2016.

The challenging member will match donations made to benefit the *21st Through the Needle's Eye* up to a total of \$350 for donations made in 2016.

Members wishing to participate in the challenge should send their donations to EGA headquarters and state that it is to be applied to the *21st Through the Needle's Eye*. Checks should be made payable to EGA.

This special event will be launched at the Transylvania Community Arts Council in Brevard, NC, August 16-September 15, 2017; hosted by Carolinas Region; Rosemary Kostansek, Chair. ●

Janet Noble

Marie Campbell's Soutache Braid and Bead Class:

As I write this article, we have 18 people registered to take the class and I, for one, am really looking forward to learning this technique. Full report to come in the next edition of *RegioNews*.

SAVE THE DATE ORT BOXES:

Several chapters have asked, "How long does it take to assemble a box?" Well, about 10 members of the Low-country Chapter devoted their last meeting to making boxes last month, and we had 50 boxes cut, folded, taped, and packed at the end of the meeting (and we even finished before our allotted time!).

I have mailed or hand-delivered or promised card stock to make 690 boxes—

this leaves only 10 boxes to go (whoo hooo!!!) to make our grand total of 700 boxes ready to hand out at the *Star Spangled Seminar* in Alexandria, VA, 2-6 November 2016.

If you have made boxes, please bring or send them to Ridgecrest in June for our Region Conference, *Stitchin' on the Ridge*. If that isn't possible, call (803-783-0239) or email me (Janet Noble) to make arrangements. Thanks so much to everyone who pitched in!



ARD Report: continued on Pg 8...

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DuesReminder

Becky Buie

Chapter treasurers and/or membership chairmen are reminded that the Region membership year runs from June 1 to May 31. Please remember that chapter dues must be paid in order to vote at the region meeting the first week in June 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, \$3; November 16-February 15, \$2; February 16-May 15, \$1. These dates are the same as the schedule for National dues. For all members as of June 1, 2016,

the amount of \$4 each is due for 2016. Please send your chapter dues check (made payable to Carolinas Region, EGA) to the following address:

Becky L. Buie, Treasurer
Carolinas Region, EGA
209 Jabay Drive
Columbia, SC 29229-4348 ●

See Financials page 7

BlueRidgeRendezvousSeminar2017

Julie Anderson

The Carolinas Region Seminar at Ridgecrest (3-5 June 2016) will be the Carolinas Region debut site for seminar merchandise and goodies.

For your buying pleasure, we will have:

- Stitching Diaries w logo - \$15
- Set of three mesh bags w logo - \$25
- Highlighters w logo - \$3
- Blue Ridge Rendezvous Pendant - \$25
- Piggy bank - \$4 (or free with \$30 purchase)
- And maybe more stuff-to be determined!!!!

Also, everyone is invited to a seminar committee meeting (time/location to be determined) to hear what's going on and what's planned. And there will be the big reveal of the faculty chosen to teach at Seminar 2017.

Please take the time to join us and see what's happening—this is a fun time to be in the Carolinas Region.

Questions—Julie Anderson 843-987-1038 or juliesurgi@gmail.com



Fund Raiser for EGA Seminar 2017

Does this container look familiar?

Could it be that gum container that you may have floating around in your purse or jacket pocket somewhere?

As part of our fundraising efforts for EGA Seminar 2017 we will be recycling these EMPTY BLUE gum containers to use in a sellable “pattern” project. We need at least 40 more containers to include with these fund raising kits.

PLEASE BRING THE EMPTY CONTAINERS to *Stitchin' on the Ridge* and place them in the box that will be conveniently located in the Studio Time Room. Note: we need the 15 count size container with straight sides (not curvy).

Thanks for your help! Karla Gee

Opportunities to help:

- Seminar 2017
- 21st Through the Needle's Eye (2017)

Even the smallest bit of help can make a huge difference!

Volunteer Opportunities

Join the fun

Make new friends

Help make Carolinas Region, EGA

Awesome!

BlueRidgeRendezvousSeminar2017



Want your work to be on the cover of *NeedleArts*?

Stitch the winning logo!

A Region-wide contest to render the Blue Ridge Rendezvous logo in embroidery is being announced by the Seminar 2017 committee. The winning stitched piece will appear on the cover of the seminar brochure - the March 2017 issue of *NeedleArts* magazine.

The guidelines are simple:

- The logo can be stitched in any technique on any ground;
- Shape can be a square or rectangle - approximately 5"x7", 6"x6", but no larger than 8"x8";
- There are 6 main colors (a shaded orange, four blues, and white), but because of the color printing process, there are more colors represented by DMC numbers to use as reference:
 - Salmon sky - 608, 3340, 3779, 3855, 744
 - Blue mountains - 825, 824, 3761, 519, 828

NOTE: Shiny metallic colors/thread should be avoided because these do not photograph well.

Deadline for submission is June 3, 2016 (Carolinas Region Seminar - Ridgecrest).

The winner will be chosen by members of the seminar committee. The stitched logo, along with all copyrights, becomes the property of the Carolinas Region until the conclusion of EGA Seminar 2017, at which time the stitched logo will be returned to its stitcher.

Questions about the contest? Contact Julie Anderson: Juliesurgi@gmail.com

National Happenings

Star Spangled Seminar November 2-6, 2016 Alexandria, Virginia

Open registration will begin on March 15, 2016.

For more complete information concerning the *Star Spangled Seminar*, check out the EGA website at:

<http://www.egausa.org/index.php/events/national-seminars/national-seminar-2016>

If you have not attended a national seminar, think about going to Alexandria in 2016; it's close enough that Carolinas Region members could easily drive there.



2017 National Seminar Logo Contest:

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- **Deadline for submission is 3 June 2016** (if hand-delivered) or postmarked (if you mail it) no later than 28 May 2016.
- **The winner will be chosen** during the 2016 *Stitchin' on the Ridge* Seminar at Ridgecrest.
- **Please PRINT or TYPE** your name on a small slip of paper, fold it over so your name **CAN-NOT BE READ**, and safety-pin this label to the back of your piece.

If you are planning to attend the Region Seminar, you may bring your entry with you and give it to Brenda Decker; if you will NOT be able to attend the Region Seminar, you should mail your entry to:

**Brenda Decker,
108 Kenwood Dr.,
Hendersonville, NC, 28739,**

postmarked no later than 28 May 2016, or you can give it to someone else to hand-deliver it to Brenda.

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Carolinas Region will host the 21st National Exhibit
at Transylvania Community Arts Council, Brevard NC
August 16-September 15, 2017

The Embroiderers' Guild of America acknowledges the value of needlework in art and history. The national exhibit is a representative selection of the best in artistic and technical works. It is through the needle's eye that EGA embraces both traditional and contemporary needlework while expanding the perception of embroidery as an art form. ●

Call for Entries for 21st National Exhibit

Share your creations - enter your art in EGA's 21st National Exhibit, opening at the Transylvania Community Arts Council in Brevard, NC in August 2017. Brevard is a short distance from Asheville where the National Seminar will be held at the same time.

This national juried exhibit is described by EGA as "a representative selection of the best in artistic and technical works, embracing both traditional and contemporary needlework while expanding the perception of embroidery as an art form". Contemporary and traditional needlework will be accepted for jurying. Any materials and techniques will be juried as long as a portion of the work is completed with an eyed needle, either by hand or machine. Art works juried into this exhibit will be viewed around the nation as they travel with the show for about three years.

To receive more detailed entry information and an entry form, visit the EGA website at www.egausa.org, under Events/21st National Exhibit, e-mail tne21registrar@gmail.com or send your request with a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Peggy O'Connor, Registrar, P.O. Box 1208, Etowah, NC 28729.

Volunteers are still needed. See job descriptions below

Advertising Chair: Works with exhibit Executive Committee (EC) to determine adv. rates, sizes, and art requirements. Solicits Ads. Receives payment and forwards to catalog editor.

Awards Chair: works with graphics chair to determine type, style, and color of certificates. Works with exhibit EC to determine award ribbons.

Hostesses/Docents/Demos Chair: determines needs and duties of hostesses/docents/demonstrators. Seeks these volunteers. Works with graphics for ID ribbons. Develops schedules.

Graphics Chair: develops certificates, hostess ribbons. Works with publicity to design posters, flyers and announcements. Works with reception to design invitations, with installation chair to design labels and miscellaneous signs. Organizes the printing of above.

Reception Chair: formulates plan with exhibit EC. Creates guest list. Coordinates plans with exhibit facility. Develops hostess needs, issues invitations. Arranges for equipment/decorations. Writes thank you notes for all solicited merchandise and acknowledgments in catalog and/or Needle Arts.

Installation Chair: determines installer, acquires props as needed, draws up a master plan, confers with graphics chair, determines guest book, peoples' choice.

Receiving/Returning Chair: Jurying will be done electronically. This chair will be receiving for photography, then returning at the close of exhibit. The notebook will come from the registrar. Items are unwrapped, tagged, sorted. Provides supplies for handling and shipping. All items go to EGA at the close of exhibit.

Chairman, Rosemary Kostansek 828-298-4017 TNE21chair@gmail.com
Registrar, Peggy O'Connor; Secretary, Carol Foster; Treasurer, Sydney Mace; Juror Chair, Patricia Goaley;
Publicity, Janet Stewart; Catalog Editor, Brad Cape. All chairmen work with the exhibit executive committee.

Operating Account

Carolinas Region EGA -- 2016

January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2016

	BUDGET	CURRENT
Income:		
Dues	1,500	7.00
Educational Events:		
GCC's	800	0.00
Seminar	500	0.00
Fall Retreat	900	0.00
For Opportunity Basket at National		0.00
Region Sales	150	60.00
From CRESS Account	300	0.00
Total Income	\$4,150	\$67.00
Expenses:		
Educational Events:		
GCC's	1,200	0.00
Time to Teach Grants	100	0.00
Education Grants	1,500	375.00
Fall Retreat	1,500	0.00
Newsletter (4 issues)	25	0.00
Website	300	0.00
Outreach	100	0.00
Cress Scholarship	300	0.00
EGA Annual Fund Donation	400	0.00
Opportunity Basket for National	100	0.00
Administrative:		
Postage	75	0.00
Supplies	75	0.00
Region Board Meetings:		
Lodging	1,000	0.00
Travel	500	0.00
National Board Meetings (RD):		
Travel	1,000	0.00
Per Diem	200	0.00
Total Expenses	\$8,375	\$375.00
Ending Balance	(\$4,225)	(\$308.00)
Opening Balance		\$4,289.52
Checkbook Balance		\$3,981.52

Note:

The difference of \$4,275 between anticipated receipts and expenditures will be made up by taking funds from reserves as needed.

**Within the opening balance of \$5,292.26 are the following "designated" funds:
\$2,960.66 from the Phillips Grant.**

Total Asset Summary

Operating Account Balance from above	\$3,981.52
Operating Account CD (matures 11/25/2016)	8,009.44
Operating Account CD (matures 12/16/2016)	6,103.03
Seminar Account Balance (detail separately)	1,000.00
CRESS Scholarship Balance 3/31/2016 (Dreyfus-FMV)	8,675.36
Carolinas Region Total Assets	\$27,769.35

Margaret Wiesemann

My apologies for the delay in submitting the GCC paperwork. I hope to have the materials available to distribute by mid-June.

The finishing touches are being put on the plans for the Fall Retreat in Rock Hill, SC, on September 23-25. There will be offerings from Laura Smith and Sydney Mace. Stay tuned for the details!

I look forward to seeing everyone at Ridgecrest. ●

Have you taken a class from the Royal School of Needlework (RSN), either at Hampton Palace or in the United States? If so, please contact me at cwiesemann@nc.rr.com. I am looking for someone who would like to share their RSN experience with the attendees at the Fall Retreat in Rock Hill.

ARD Report: continued from Pg 2...

STITCHIN' ON THE RIDGE – JUNE 2016: If you missed the deadline for registering for a class at our Region Seminar (29 April 2016), you can still join in the fun by registering for Studio Time or Seminar Work Party (I promise, Work Party sessions WILL be fun!).

You can find the Registration Brochure and the Registration Form for this June's Region Seminar at http://www.egacarolinas.org/events/seminar/2016/documents/2016_Seminar_Brochure.pdf.

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FALL RETREAT: It's early days yet, but mark your calendars for Fall Retreat 23-25 September 2016 at the Hampton Inn in Rock Hill. Margaret Wiesemann has arranged for a very interesting Friday night program, a beading/embroidery one-day class by Laura Smith, and a scissors fob half-day class by Sydney Mace. Details will follow.

2016 NATIONAL SEMINAR FUNDRAISING: We plan to donate another quilted purse filled with gift cards to the 2016 National Seminar fund-raising efforts (last year, our donation netted a great profit for the National organization!). We are asking the chapters to donate gift cards of \$25 from any shop that can be found across the USA, such as Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Target, Starbucks, etc. Of course, needlework shops that offer nationwide mail-order service, such as Nordic Needle, Needle in a Haystack, Hedgehog Handworks, etc., are also popular!

Please bring/send your gift card to Ridgecrest, or mail it to Janet Noble, 1391 Ridge Road, Hopkins, SC 29061. We will display the purse (donated by Sue Osterberg of The Laurel Chapter) at our Region Seminar at Ridgecrest this year. ●