# SDANG CHAPTER MEETING

**August 11, 2026**

Chapter Meeting started at 6:30 PM PDT
Members Present - 40 (14 In Person & 26 on Zoom)

**President:** Jan Woolsey

1. Welcome & Call to Order
2. Two new members in person introduced by Shirley Chin.
3. Denver Recap - Great to meet our members from across the nation & get to know them better. Kudos to Susan Driscoll-Bannister, ANG national auction chair who raised $35,000!!

**Secretary:** Sheryl Forster

- July minutes approved - Approval: 100%.
- Chapter meeting minutes posted on the website.

**Treasurer:** Catherine Salamon - Accounts as of 07/31/2026

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| Petty Cash | $ | 107.00 |
| Pay Pal | $ | 1,054.81 |
| Checking | $ | 10,673.40 |
| Money Market | $ | 6,223.93 |
| CD1 | $ | 10,350.50 |
| CD2 | $ | 5,094.80 |
| Savings | $ | 1.00 |
| **TOTAL** | **$** | **33,505.44** |

**VP Membership:** Kimberly Scott

- Current membership - 200
- **Welcome New Members** ! - Linda Hartwick, Joan Kuh, Jane Tanner, Cherry Nichols, & Zahabiyah Dahodwala.

**VP Programs:** Pamela Blumberg

- Sep - "Ort Box" from Needlepointers magazine by Cathy Siebert
- Oct - "Stitching on the Diagonal" by Dawn Donnelly
- Nov - "History of ANG" by Gwen Schoen
- 2027 - Plans in progress

**Social Media:** Shirley Chin

- Pictures & descriptions of the upcoming 2027 Seminar pieces will be posted on SDANG's social media accounts - 1 piece every other day. Check it out!

**Workshops:** Joanne Einhorn & Chris Loudon

* Aug 8-9, 2026 - Sandi Commaci-Boles - "Jackpot" - 14 in person attendees & was a success. Sandi plans to mail our kits to ghosts this week.
* Oct 29-30, 2026 - Toni Gerdes - (2) pilot programs: Registration is closed. Joanne gave a great overview of "what is a pilot" program & how it benefits the stitchers & the teacher
  1. This is a first look at a teacher's future class/seminar design.
  2. Stitchers have the opportunity to work directly with the teacher in a small group.
  3. Chapter pays for travel & lodging - no teaching fees.
  4. Teacher requires feedback to "fine tune" the project before wider presentation. So, be honest & candid.

**Technology:** Jean Roehrs - Attached overview & instructions

* Members Portal guide sent out to all members with instructions & links to access. Currently, there is a single password: "stitchers"
* Member Directory to be included in the future after input from membership. Survey to be sent out re: what personal info does each person want or not want published. Survey results will determine the directory's future. **NOTE: Each member's info will always be maintained by our VP-Membership even if the member opts out of the directory.**

**Donations:** Susan Driscoll-Banister

* Kudos given to everyone who assisted with our successful auction & local sale. Both were great successes & raised more money than anticipated.
* More auctions TBD - Books, Gay Ann Rogers pieces, finished pieces, high end cross stitch, etc. Local sale details TBD

**Newsletter:** Lindsay Kimnach

* Need a volunteer for "Stitching in Your Nest" - Lindsay will assist with presentation.
* Please send finished needlepoint art you've finished to Lindsay for inclusion in the newsletter & website.

**Old Business:**

1. **Group Project Update -** Canvas "Women Around the World" - The canvas has arrived back in San Diego for final completion. Everyone participating has done a beautiful job.
   * Jan & Joanne would like to donate the piece to a non-profit organization whose mission is dedicated to promoting & helping women of all diverse backgrounds.
   * An article is also planned for Needlepointers magazine.

**New Business**

1. **Holiday Party -** Date 12/13/2026 @ Jill Rigoli's Clubhouse.
   * Joanne E & Chris L are heading up the committee & need volunteers both near & far.
   * Event will be in person & on Zoom for participation
   * Special guest speaker TBD

**Program**

Due to technical difficulties, tonight's program has been rescheduled to our Nov meeting.

**Closure:** Meeting ended at 7:35pm PST.

**Next Meeting:** September 8th, 2026 @6:30pm PST

Respectfully Submitted by Sheryl Forster

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