November 2026 Newsletter

Welcome! We are the San Diego chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild. We meet monthly to share our love of stitching and welcome all who share our passion, from beginners to needlepoint designers. We offer workshops with nationally known designers, open stitching opportunities, and great conversation with like-minded people. Please join us.

Connect with us, Meet with us, Stitch with us!

CHAPTER MEETINGS

- **Monthly Chapter Meetings (Hybrid: In Person & via Zoom)**

2nd Tuesday of the Month @ 6:30pm PST
In Person San Diego Location: North Clairemont Recreation Center, 4421 Bannock Avenue, San Diego, CA 92117
Join Zoom: See body of e-mail for zoom link.

- **Sunday Social Stitching (via Zoom)**

Every Other Sunday @ 12:00pm PST
Hosted by Jo Ann Jackson
Join Zoom: See body of e-mail for zoom link.

- **Friday Social Stitching (via Zoom)**

Every 2 weeks on Fridays @ 7:30pm PST
Hosted by Jo Ann Jackson
Join Zoom: See body of e-mail for zoom link.

- **Thursday Social Stitching (In Person)**

First Thursdays in San Diego @ 10:00am-2:00pm PST
In Person San Diego Location: TBD



New In Person Monthly Stitching to be Announced

President: Jan Woolsey
Vice President - Programs: Pamela Landsman-Blumberg
Vice President - Membership: Kimberly Scott
Secretary: Sheryl Forster
Treasurer: Catherine Salamon
Workshop Co-Chairs: Joanne Einhorn and Chris Loudon
Technology & Social Media Team: Shirley Chin and Jeannie Roehrs
Donations Chair: Susan Driscoll-Bannister
Newsletter Editor: Lindsay Kimnach

President's Report:



Dear friends -

Autumn is one of my favorite times of the year - I begin to think of the many things that I am thankful for ... my family, my health, and my needlepoint community tops the lists each year.

Last year, we had family photos taken at Thanksgiving - I will share a few with you! Many of you have met my wife, Lora, but I'm not sure that you have met my son and his family. At the park - we are pictured from left to right: Hunter (10), Meryl, Jonathan, Logan (13), Lora and me.

We had a wonderful pilot workshop with Toni Gerdes - the next time you have an opportunity to take a class from her, do it! She is a marvelous teacher and fun to boot! We had a small but mighty group for both of the pilots - be on the lookout for the recap in the newsletter and the website!!

Coming up, we have the Holiday Party on December 13th, which I always look forward to. We will be having a bit of an Italian theme and will pass out the charms for the year, initiate the Sandy Higgins Award winner, and induct the new board for the coming year. We will also have a wonderful speaker in Janice Doxey from Old Town Needlework (Scottsdale). She represents Danji Designs and Love You More and will talk about how she selects and supports new designers. This event is open to members from all over as we have the opportunity to join you via Zoom.



We also have a new workshop planned with Jill Rigoli in January. Seats are limited to 8 so, don't miss out - get your registration in early. We will hold a waiting list for those who are interested that don't get in and hope to have another one if this one is wildly popular. Jill is a wonderful teacher, and one of our first representatives for the San Diego ANG Life Achievement Award!

As you can see, there is lots going on!! My grandmother used to say that you get as much out of something as you put into it - I am so proud to represent you as your President. Do enjoy your Thanksgiving and know that I'm so thankful to have the friends I've made in this guild!

Carry on, and keep on stitching!
Jan



Upcoming Programs:

November Program - *The History of ANG by Gwen Schoen*

Gwen Schoen, is an avid needlepointer living in Central California. Belonging to several ANG chapters, Gwen is an expert on the 50-plus year history of the American Needlepoint Guild. She will present photos and information about women important to the founding of ANG and key moments in the organization's history.

Gwen will also share lots of photos of and stories about various pieces designed and stitched by Guild members donated by ANG to civic, military, and Governmental groups in honor of their missions and services to the public.

JOIN US Tuesday, November 10 at 6:30pm PST via ZOOM or In-person in San Diego!

SDANG Workshops - Lots of Upcoming Opportunites:

SDANG's 2026 will end with a bang and 2027 will begin with fireworks!!

Our **Holiday Parties** have always been fun, tasty, and informative. This year, we've invited Janice Doxey to be our Guest Speaker. She owns Old Town NeedleWorks in Scottsdale, as well as the Danji and Love You More canvas lines. We're looking forward to hearing behind the scenes stories about owning a Local Needlepoint Store while running a painted canvas business! Plus Janice has donated two door prizes from her stock - one for local participants and the other for members joining via Zoom. Besides our Stash Gift Drawings, we will also offer a great needlepoint item for sale which the chapter will partially subsidize for attendees (in person and on zoom) making it both a wonderful value and something we can treasure. You'll receive more information about the item before the party.

holiday PARTY

The Holiday Party is scheduled for Sunday, December 13, at 11 AM.

Join us for a great luncheon, gifts and friendship! Here's the link to register on our website and while there, check out the website's new photos and features.

https://sdang.org/holiday-party-2026/

This month you will receive a survey asking you to help pick out a design for our Dawn Donnelly workshop in June. Her designs are colorful and whimsical!

But we can only choose one - so please let us know your preferences.

Return the survey as soon as you can.

On January 22 - 23, 2027, for the first time ever, we are going to hold a Jill Rigoli Canvas Embellishment two day class at Needle Nook of La Jolla. If you've never taken canvas embellishment class, you're in for a treat. You choose your own painted canvas and we'll give it to Jill before the workshop. She will begin to create a design with stitches and thread choices for your canvas. You'll be able to purchase threads and supplies needed at Needle Nook of La Jolla. Over the two days, Jill will work with you to continue to develop your canvas. In order for Jill to provide individual attention to each student, we are limiting the class size to 8 students. If this proves successful, we'll establish a wish list and schedule more in the future. Members will have priority. Stay tuned for the announcement - it should be out soon.

That's not all for 2027. We're working with the North Country ANG Chapter (PMS) on a potential joint venture in 2027, and Toni Gerdes (after two very successful pilot classes last month), promised to bring a new pilot in the fall!

We'll have lots of opportunity to learn and stitch!

Joanne Einhorn & Chris Loudon, Workshops Co-Chairs

Membership Status:

If there are any changes in membership such address change, or phone number or you need to stop your membership please feel free to email me at membership@sdang.org.

Don't forget to renew your ANG membership before the end of the year!

happy birthday!

Jennifer Kiss 11-03
Vickie van Lune 11-04
Gina Howard 11-08
Michelle Crownhart 11-11
Judith Kelley 11-18



Jean Roehrs 11-20
Patricia Redford 11-21
Linda Mosch 11-21
Catherine Salamon 11-24
Sharon Mozeko 11-26

Nominating Slate Brought to a Vote:



I. SECRETARY – MARIANNE RANDALL

II. PROGRAMS VP – PAMELA LANDSMAN-BLUMBERG

NOTE: REMAINING IN OFFICE FOR ANOTHER YEAR – JAN WOOLSEY, PRESIDENT AND CATHERINE SALAMON, TREASURER. ALL OTHER POSITIONS ARE APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND THE BOARD.

Stay Connected with Technology & Social Media:

Be sure to check us out on Instagram: San Diego ANG Instagram

1,000 followers!

And, Facebook: San Diego ANG Facebook

The ANG 2027 Nashville classes are posted on Facebook and you can see all the classes in this video: ANG 2027 Nashville Classes on You Tube. Registration begins in early 2027 so be sure to read the ANG online newsletter for all the details.

MONTHLY TREAT SIGN-UP



Coordinator: Sandy Higgins
If you need to cancel, please contact Sandy at (858) 274-0306

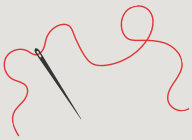
November 10 - Jan Woolsey
December - Holiday Party!

Secretary's Update:

Meeting Minutes will be posted to SDANG Website: https://sdang.org

Supporting the Community:





If you have needlepoint materials to donate, please contact Susan Driscoll-Bannister.

Treasurer's Corner:

Treasurer's Report for Oct. 31, 2026				
Balances as of 10/31/26				
Petty Cash		**$107.00**		
PayPal	$ 500.00			
Note - Paypal fees through 08-31-26			$ 218.69	
Subtotal PayPal		$500.00		
Stripe	$511.36			
Note - Stripe fees 7/1/26-9/30/26			$12.95	
Subtotal Stripe		$511.36		
SDCCU				
Small Business Checking	$5,921.69			
Money Market Max	$6,605.59			
Certificate of Deposit	$10,052.67			New CD
Certificate of Deposit	$5,139.23			
Primary Savings	$1			
Subtotal SDCCU		$27,720.18		
Total Balances		**$28,838.54**		



Artists Gallery:

We want to celebrate our members' artistic talent each month!

PLEASE SEND PICTURES OF YOUR FINISHED PIECES WITH THE FOLLOWING INFO:

- YOUR NAME & LOCATION
- NAME OF THE CANVAS & DESIGNER
- DESCRIPTION & ANY STITCHES, EMBELLISHMENTS, OR TECHNIQUES USED
- IF THE PIECE IS STILL "ON THE BARS," HOW DO YOU PLAN TO FINISH IT?

SEE PAGE 6 FOR BEAUTIFUL COMPLETED WORKS!

Artists Gallery:



Miles and Prudence
Designed by Janey Zickler Casey
Stitched by Chris Loudon



Stitched by Chris Loudon

Needlepoint Resources:





