



New York Capital District Chapter

SUMMER 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 14-17

June Retreat at Ararat

August 14

Deadline for Newsletter

August 18

Altamont Fair

August 24

Deadline for Summer Serenade

September 18

Joint Meeting at Beverwyck

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Summer Serenade with Celeste Chalasani

Friday-Saturday, October 19-20, 2018

Summer Serenade, a two-day Stumpwork workshop, will be led by needle artist and designer Celeste Chalasani on Friday and Saturday, October 19 and 20. The class will be held from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at Blooming Grove Reformed Church. This is a beginner project, although experience with surface embroidery is encouraged.



During the workshop we will learn three essential padding techniques, apply organza fabric to the background fabric and couch a decorative thread. Surface stitches will include: Whipped Reverse Chain Stitch, Stem Stitch, Split Back Stitch, Running Stitch, Satin Stitch, Buttonhole Stitch and French Knot. If you need to review any of these stitches there will be opportunities during our summer sessions at Beverwyck and Studio Time. Be sure to let the group leader know which stitches you would like to review.

Supplies needed: 12" x 12" Evertite frame or stretcher bars, or 8½ inch embroidery hoop; cream colored sewing thread, masking tape, needle threader, scissors for cutting paper and felt; and the usual stitching supplies. Magnification is highly recommended.

Registration deadline is Friday, August 24. Cost of the workshop is \$60 and covers instructions, kit and lunch for both days. (Your NYCDC EGA member benefits cover the cost of Celeste's travel and teaching expenses.) Reserve your space early—seating is limited to 20 participants. Members of other chapters will be invited to attend if our chapter members do not fill up the class. Registration coupon is on page 8.

Savvy Stitching – Metropolitan Region Seminar

The 2019 Metropolitan Region seminar will return to the Wyndham Hamilton Park Hotel and Conference Center in Florham Park, NJ, April 5-7, 2019. Early registration for Metropolitan Region members will be open through June 30, 2018. Regular registration (open to all) will open on September 1, 2018, and close January 15, 2019.

In addition to taking a class and reconnecting with stitching friends from around the Region, you can take part in other seminar activities. Shop at the on-site boutique, at the Teacher's Showcase or at Chapter Merchandise night (Saturday 5-6:30 PM). Take a chance on an opportunity basket or enter the nametag contest. For more information, visit www.metroega.org/seminars/seminar2019.



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Letter from the President

Hello Everyone,

We've just held our biennial dinner meeting, and that means you've elected four new officers, and re-elected two officers. It was a perfect opportunity to publicly and formally thank all members of our board of directors and its committees who serve our chapter's needs and help us to continue as such a viable and vibrant group within the EGA, often at the expense of their stitching time. My sincerest thanks to Kathy, Louise, Doris, Ann, Christene, Terry, Fran, Doris, Pat, Ann, Deborah, Sheri, Helen, Donna, Melody, Dale, and Carol. I have relied upon your steadfast help and support during these past two years and acknowledge that it is YOU who make us such a great chapter, and I am so proud to have been given the opportunity to work with you.

I encourage our members to continue to support our board and ask that each of us consider how we may become more involved in the operations of our chapter. When there is a need, please step up to help.

Summer is nigh and I'm harboring thoughts of a more leisurely paced existence for the next couple of months. How about you? Do you have special plans for this summer? Are you going to concentrate on your embroidery projects with the goal of finishing them in time for our exhibit next spring? Whatever you'll be doing this summer, I hope it will be enjoyable. I wish you peace and quiet, or fun and festivities, or anything in between which will make you happy.

Remember: The North End meetings are suspended during the months of July and August. The Day Group meetings are suspended during the months of June, July, and August. The Beverwyck Group does continue its meetings, though—the first and third Tuesday of each month from 7–9:00 PM. If you need a stitching “fix,” you are welcome to attend the Beverwyck's meetings.

Warmest regards,

Sandie Feck

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Summer 2018 Calendar

JUNE

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19	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share	18 Cross-Stitch
21	North End	Stitch-In, Show & Share	20 Studio Time*
			23 Blackwork

JULY

3	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share	11 Crewel
17	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share	16 Cross-Stitch
			25 Studio Time*
			28 Blackwork

AUGUST

6-10	Chapter	Creative Stitching – Teaching Children to Stitch Bethlehem Public Library	20 Cross-Stitch
7	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share	22 Studio Time
21	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share	25 Blackwork

SEPTEMBER

4	Board	5:30 Meeting @ Beverwyck	10 Whitework
4	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share	12 Crewel
13	North End	Stitch-In, Show & Share	17 Cross-Stitch
18	Chapter	Joint Meeting at Beverwyck – Finishing Techniques	22 Blackwork
19	Day Group	Stitch-In, Show & Share	26 Studio Time
27	North End	Stitch-In, Show & Share	

SAVE THE DATE!

JOINT MEETING Presentation on Finishing Techniques

**Tuesday, September 18
at the Beverwyck**

Following our tradition, we will start the year with a group meeting at the Beverwyck. All members are encouraged to come and enjoy a time to meet and talk with other members. More details will be in the Fall newsletter.

Cancellation Policy

Beverwyck Evening Group: The coordinator, Terry Case, will send out an email if a meeting is cancelled.

Day Group: If the East Greenbush school district is closed or delayed, the meeting is cancelled.

North End Group: The coordinator, Doris Halvorsen, will send out an email if a meeting is cancelled.

*** Location and time changes for Studio Time:**

6/20 – Meeting is on the 3rd Monday instead of the 4th.

7/25 – Meeting in the Berkshire Bank Community Room, 255 Delaware Ave, Delmar.





Beverwyck Evening Group

7-9 PM every 1st & 3rd Tuesday

Community room of the Terrace at Beverwyck Retirement Community, 41 Beverwyck Lane, Slingerlands



From Krumkill Rd turn onto Beverwyck Lane (at the bounding deer sign just east of Blessing Rd), and then turn into the second driveway on the right. As you pull in you will see the entrance to the community room directly across from the driveway. In general, the 1st meeting of the month is a stitch-in (bring whatever you are working on), and the 2nd meeting is a program meeting.

Coordinator: Terry Case

Study Groups and Studio Time

Study Groups and Studio Time are open to all members and offer unstructured time to gather with other chapter members for stitching and socializing. Study Groups encourage exploration and knowledge sharing of a particular type of stitching. Check the Calendar page for exact meeting dates.

Blackwork Study Group

Fourth Saturday of the month; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Meeting location is determined by the hostess.

Contact: Fran Roscello

Crewel & Surface Embroidery Study Group

Second Wednesday of the month; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Meeting location is determined by the hostess.

Contact: Mary Willmott

Cross-Stitch PLUS Study Group

Third Monday of the month; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Meetings at the East Greenbush Library. Bring your lunch and your stitching—come for part or all of the meeting time. Please RSVP if you plan to attend.

Contact: Lynne Priestley.

Studio Time

Fourth Wednesday of the month; 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Meetings at the East Greenbush Library. Bring your lunch; hot water for beverages is provided.

Contact: Sherry McCredie

Whitework Study Group

Second Monday of the month, Sept-June;
10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Meeting location is determined by the hostess.

Contact: Doris Halvorsen

Day Group

10-2 PM every 3rd Wednesday
(Sept-May)

Blooming Grove Reformed Church, 706 Bloomingrove Dr, Defreestville



From the West (Albany, Delmar, Schenectady, etc.) take I-90 East to Exit 8 (Rt 43 Defreestville— second exit after crossing the Hudson River). Follow the very long exit ramp to the first light (Washington Ave) and turn right. The road comes to a “T” with a stop sign; turn right onto Bloomingrove Drive; church is on your right. Come in double doors at far end of porch; meeting room is to the left. From all other areas where you do not need to use I-90; from Rt. 4 turn onto Bloomingrove at the light near CVS and Stewart’s; just north of Home Depot. Church is on the left.

Coordinator: Fran Roscello

North End Group

6:30-9 PM on the 2nd & 4th
Thursday (Sept-June), barring holidays.

St. George’s Episcopal Church, 912 Rte 146, Clifton Park



Take I-87 (Northway) to exit 9 (Rte.146W). Go west for approximately 1+ miles during which you will go through 5 traffic lights (including the exit ramp). The 5th light is the intersection of Moe Rd. Just past this intersection, the church complex will be on the left, set back from the road. Use the second entrance to the church. As you face the church, we meet in the building to the left (Parish Hall).

Coordinator: Doris Halvorsen

Directions to East Greenbush Library

located on Michael Rd, just east of Rtes 4 & 151

From 1-90, take Exit 9, then turn south onto Rte 4; at the rotary go ¾ of the way around onto Rte 151 (like a left turn). Turn right at the next traffic light onto Michael Rd and you will see the library on your right.

From Rtes 9 & 20 (Columbia Turnpike), take Rte 4 North to rotary at Rte 151. Take first right onto Rte 151, and then proceed as above.





Creative Stitches: Teaching Children to Stitch

CREATIVE STITCHES 2018 will be held at the Bethlehem Public Library, Monday through Friday, August 6–10 from 9:30 AM to noon. This program began over 25 years ago and continues to attract as many as 20 new and returning stitchers each year. Please consider helping with this important program! We can always use more hands and encourage you to sign up to be a teacher and/or contribute food:

Be A Teacher: All members are welcome regardless of experience teaching children. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your love of needlework with students who are just beginning to learn about the world of stitching. Sign up for as many days as you can.

Contribute Food: Provide snacks for 25 to 30 students and teachers for one day, Monday through Thursday.

Attend One Teacher Meeting – Monday, June 4, 10 AM to 2 PM at my home. Lunch will be provided. See the projects, learn what is expected, and help put together project kits.

We will provide plenty of information and support. For more information or to sign up, contact Kathy Kuhrt.

– Kathy Kuhrt, Education Committee Chair

It was a really wonderful week with the children, who delighted in designing their own projects, and with stitching friends who were all encouraging of the kids and fun to be with. I even had a couple of tricks to share with the younger generation!

Ann McMillan, New Teacher – Summer 2016



June Retreat Update – June 14–17 at the Ararat Center in Greenville, NY

Dear Chapter members,

I am very happy to let you know that our June retreat is a go! We have enough members signed up to meet the minimum number. If any of you are still on the fence about attending, feel free to sign up for the four or three day weekend, or to come for a day, even at the last minute. If you've never attended our June retreat before, and want to experience how wonderful it is, I suggest you come for a day. I can guarantee you won't want to leave!

If you are planning to come for the weekend, please use the coupon on page 8 and indicate your room preference. If you are planning to come only for the day, following are the prices for meals, including the tip:

Breakfast – \$11.50; Lunch – \$17.25; Dinner and snacks – \$25.80. You will need to send me a note, indicating which meal(s) you want, and on which day you plan to come, as well as a check made out to NYCDCGA. Note that on Thursday, the only meal we will be served is dinner.

Please let me know if you are interested in the massage option. Paul Ventura, the facility manager, will get me the pricing details for those of you who are interested.

Contact me if you have any questions. I look forward to sharing the weekend with you.

– Helen O'Connor, Retreat Coordinator





ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

The election of new officers was held at our Biennial Dinner Meeting on May 15 at the Beverwyck. The following members were elected to serve during the 2018-2020 term:

President
Sandie Feck

First Vice-President
Christene Thurston

Vice-President/Membership
Louise Butler

Recording Secretary
Ginger Iorizzo

Corresponding Secretary
Agnes Bohl

Treasurer
Mary Ann Lundy

OUTREACH EVENTS

Stitching at the Altamont Fair

Our Altamont Fair stitch-in will be held 1-3 PM on Saturday, August 18. The fair will be run from August 14 through 19. Stitching at the fair gives us a chance to share our passion with a large audience while supporting National's "Stitching in Public" initiative. We will be in the Arts and Crafts building near gate 1.

If you are interested in joining the stitch-in at the fair, contact Denise Chonski.

Ten Broeck Mansion Stitch-In

Five members of our chapter participated in Ten Broeck Mansion's "Living History Day" which is held the first Sunday of May. It was a cold, rainy day outside, but inside the mansion was warm and cozy with many visitors which made it a wonderful opportunity to spread the word about needlework and our chapter.



Left to right: Chapter members Helen O'Connor, Kathy Kurht and Barbara Leafer. Not pictured: Terry Case and Natalie Fryzer.

Website Coordinator – Help Wanted

We're looking for a member (or a pair of members) to take over the Website Coordinator position. Our website is important as a source of information for current members and a way to generate interest in our chapter for new members.

The primary responsibility of the job is to keep our website up-to-date by adding or removing content such as newsletters, meeting minutes or membership rosters. You don't need any special software or skills to perform the job.

Is this something you can do? Are you willing to help? To volunteer for the position, or for further clarification, please contact Sandie Feck.

QUILTER'S MARKET

Our EGA chapter collected over \$150 when we participated in the "Quilter's Market" garage sale held in April by Quilt North. We rented a table and sold some of the books and other leftovers from our Needlework Closet last May.





Membership Information

Additions to the Roster

Susan Hart Elizabeth Naculich

Carole Miller Vasanthi Senthil

Welcome Susan, Carole, Elizabeth and Vasanthi!

Founders Fund

The Founders Fund was set up years ago as a memorial fund for the New York Capital District Chapter of EGA. Tax deductible contributions can be made by anyone (members or non-members) in memory of, or in honor of a special person. The money in the Founders Fund is used for educational programs and to promote community awareness of the needle arts.

If you or someone you know would like to make a memorial contribution to our chapter, please contact the Treasurer, Mary Ann Lundy.

Membership Roster

The membership roster can be found on the **Members Only** page of our website at www.nycapega.org. This online version is updated quarterly and provides the most up-to-date information.

Exhibit Update

Save the Date

Mark your calendar and plan to complete projects to display at our next needlework exhibit, Artistry in Stitches 2019. The exhibit will be held May 16-19 at the Carondelet Hospitality Center in Latham.

Needlework Closet

We now have an offer of space in a member's home for collecting items to sell at the Needlework Closet. Now is a good time to look through your stash and set aside items you no longer wish to keep. We will call for items in January 2019. For questions and suggestions regarding the Closet contact Maggie Oldendorf.

Display Ideas

When you visit exhibits or displays, pay extra attention to those done well and send suggestions on to Kathy Kuhrt .

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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.*

June Stitching Retreat at Ararat Center

Thursday-Sunday, June 14-17, 2018

Registration Deadline is June 1

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Room Choice: ___ Single ___ Double ___ Triple

Roommate's Name(s): _____

Four-day Option: Single - \$448 Double - \$328 Triple - \$293

Three-day Option: Single - \$299 Double - \$219 Triple - \$195

Yes, I am interested in learning more about having a massage.

Send to:

Helen O'Connor

Included is SASE for my confirmation OR

Email my confirmation to: _____

___ You are registered for the June 2018 Stitching Retreat.

Summer Serenade

Friday & Saturday, October 19 & 20, 2018

Registration Deadline is August 24

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Send check (made out to NYCDCEGA) for \$60 to:

NYCDCEGA, Melody Brennan, PO Box 443, Slingerlands, NY 12159

Included is SASE for my confirmation OR

Email my confirmation to: _____

___ You are registered for Summer Serenade
with Celeste Chalasani (Lunch provided)

Friday & Saturday, October 19 & 20, 2018 9-4 PM

Blooming Grove Reformed Church, 706 Bloomingrove Dr

**We welcome those of all skill levels
and interest in any needle art technique.**

