



DATES TO REMEMBER

Zoom with Toni Gerdes

Registration for
Valentine Biscornu

Deadline for
Next Newsletter

Registration for
Friendship Bookmark

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ZOOM: Additions to Stitching with Toni Gerdes

7:00 pm on Monday, December 5, 2022

Toni Gerdes will present a Zoom lecture designed to expand your stitching horizons. She'll speak about exploring new threads and other techniques that can be added to your stitching projects. The talk will include embellishments, needlefelting, appliqué and a special 'Wacky' copper lace technique. There will be slides demonstrating all of the above as well as ways to use these techniques in your stitching.

Toni Gerdes of [Toni Gerdes Needlearts](#) holds a Level II Teacher's Certification from NAN specializing in Canvas Embroidery. She currently serves on the Board of NAN as the Director of Education. She is also past president of Milehigh Chapter of ANG. She has been published in *Needle Pointers*, *Needlepoint Now* and *Needle Arts*. Toni has taught for NAN, EGA and ANG as well as guilds and shops and has received numerous awards for her designs.

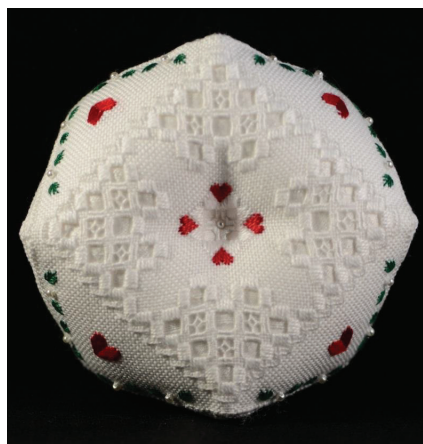
PETITE PROJECT: Valentine Biscornu

Beverwyck – Tuesday, January 17

Day Group – Wednesday, January 18

North End – Thursday, January 26

Chapter member Terry Case will be teaching the Valentine Biscornu, a Hardanger project designed by Cindy Valentine as a Petite Project for EGA. The “Biscornu” in the project title refers to the shape. A biscornu is a small, octagonal, stuffed ornamental cushion sewn from two squares of fabric. After stitching, the two pieces are sewn together to form the top and bottom of the cushion. The project skill level is beginner hardanger though a familiarity with linen and counting threads is recommended.



Hardanger is a Whitework technique that involves cutting and withdrawing threads in an area surrounded by satin stitches (kloster blocks). This introductory class involves stitching kloster blocks, cutting and withdrawing threads to create a grid, and weaving on the grid to create two basic patterns — Dove's eyes and Greek Crosses. Other stitches include four-sided stitch and eyelet stitch. A doodle cloth will be provided to allow students to practice the stitches.

The \$10 class fee includes a kit with 28 count linen, a doodle cloth, #8 and #12 white Perle Cotton, beads, needles and easy-to-read instructions. Students should bring sharp, fine-pointed scissors, a hoop and, if necessary, a magnifier and light.

Registration deadline is December 20. Class size will be limited to 10 students per group. Registration coupon is on page 10.





Winter 2022-23 Calendar

DECEMBER

5	Chapter	Zoom Meeting – Toni Gerdes
6	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share – Zoom
8	North End	Holiday Party**
20	Beverwyck	Holiday Party*
21	Day Group	Holiday Party

12	Whitework
12	Counted Thread Eve
14	Crewel
19	Counted Thread Day
28	Studio Time

In-Person Meetings!

Some group meetings and study groups are now being held in person. Contact the group coordinator if you have any questions.

JANUARY

2	Board	Zoom Meeting @ 7 pm
3	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share – Zoom
12	North End	Stitch-In, Show & Share – Zoom
17	Beverwyck	Petite Project: Valentine Biscornu*
18	Day Group	Petite Project: Valentine Biscornu
26	North End	Petite Project: Valentine Biscornu**

9	Whitework
9	Counted Thread Eve
11	Crewel
16	Counted Thread Day
25	Studio Time***
28	Blackwork

Zoom Invites

Zoom invitation links will be emailed before events.

Group and Joint Meetings:
Invites will be sent to all Chapter members.

Classes:
Invites will be sent to registered participants.

Study Groups:
Invites will be sent to group members. If you are interested in joining a study group, contact the coordinator listed on page 4.

Board Meetings:
Invites will be sent to board members.

FEBRUARY

6	Board	Zoom Meeting @ 7 pm (Tentative)
7	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share – Zoom
9	North End	Stitch-In, Show & Share – Zoom
15	Day Group	Stitch-In, Show & Share
21	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share*
23	North End	Stitch-In, Show & Share**

8	Crewel
13	Whitework
13	Counted Thread Eve
20	Counted Thread Day
22	Studio Time***
25	Blackwork

MARCH

6	Board	Zoom Meeting @ 7 pm
7	Beverwyck	Stitch-In, Show & Share – Zoom
9	North End	Stitch-In, Show & Share – Zoom
15	Day Group	Petite Project: Friendship Bookmark
21	Beverwyck	Petite Project: Friendship Bookmark*
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Board Meetings

All members are welcome at board meetings. If you're interested in attending, email Nancy at nycdeganancy@gmail.com and ask for the Zoom link.

In-person Meetings

* Beverwyck Group: 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the Bethlehem Public Library

** North End Group: 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the Clifton Park Halfmoon Public Library

*** Studio Time: 10:00 – 2:00 pm at For the Stitcher's Soul, Delmar





Going Live in New Location! Going Live in New Location! Going Live in New Location!

Studio Time

Great News for 2023! Starting with the January meeting, Studio Time will meet at our local needlework shop, For the Stitcher's Soul. The shop is located at 163 Delaware Avenue in Delmar, across from the Hannaford shopping plaza.

Studio Time is a great opportunity to meet in person and work on whatever exciting project you have. Everyone is there to ooh and aah and help where needed. And of course, you can shop! We're so excited to be able to meet in person again. Hoping you will be able to join us for at least part of the time. Meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of the month, 10am-2pm.

Daytime Counted Thread Study Group

Starting in December, the Daytime Counted Thread Study Group will meet in person, at Jenni Paperman's home. Interested members should get in touch with Lynne Priestley so they can receive an invite to the meeting with directions and a reminder to take their lunch. Evening Counted Thread will remain via Zoom.

Study Groups and Studio Time

If you are interested in joining a study group, contact the group coordinator listed below.

Study group invites will be limited to current members of the group. Check the Calendar page for exact meeting dates.

Blackwork Study Group

Fourth Saturday of the month; 10 AM - 2 PM

Contact: Fran Roscello

Crewel & Surface Embroidery Study Group

Second Wednesday of the month; Start at 10 AM

For meeting location or Zoom invite, contact Mary Willmott.

Counted Thread Study Group (formerly known as Cross Stitch PLUS)

Day Meetings

Third Monday of the month; 10 AM - 2 PM
Meetings at Jenni Paperman's home

Evening Meetings - Zoom

Second Monday of the month; 7 PM - 9 PM

Contact: Lynne Priestley

Studio Time

Fourth Wednesday of the month; 10 AM - 12 PM
New meeting location & time starts in January!

10 AM - 2 PM

For the Stitcher's Soul
163 Delaware Avenue, Delmar

Contact: Sherry McCredie

Whitework Study Group

Second Monday of the month; 10 AM - 12 PM

Contact: Doris Halvorsen

Beverwyck Evening Group

Meetings in the Albany area on 1st & 3rd Tuesday

Meetings will be a mix of Zoom (7-9 pm)
and in person (6:30-8:30 pm).
Check the calendar on page 3 for specifics.

Coordinator: Terry Case



Day Group

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

Blooming Grove Reformed Church,
706 Bloomingrove Dr, Defreestville

Day Group will be canceled
if East Greenbush schools are closed.

Coordinator: Fran Roscello



North End Group

Meetings in the Clifton Park area on the 2nd & 4th Thursday (Sept-June), barring holidays.

Meetings will be a mix of Zoom (7-9 pm)
and in person (6:30-8:30 pm).
Check the calendar on page 3 for specifics.

Coordinator: Doris Halvorsen





HOLIDAY PARTIES

North End
Thursday, December 8

Beverwyck
Tuesday, December 20

Day Group
Wednesday, December 21



North End

The North End Christmas Party will be held on Thursday, December 8 from 6:30–8:30 pm at the Clifton Park Halfmoon Public Library. Everyone is welcome to attend. If you want to participate in the optional gift exchange bring a wrapped needlework-related gift, value \$10-\$15. We will also have a cookie exchange if you want to bring some to share. Hope to see you there!

Beverwyck

The Beverwyck Holiday Party will be held on Tuesday, December 20 from 6:30–8:30 pm at the Bethlehem Public Library. To participate in the gift exchange bring a wrapped needlework-related item (handmade is very popular!), with a spending limit of \$10. Members are encouraged to bring a dessert to share.

Day Group

On Wednesday, December 21, the Day Group will have a holiday luncheon with members bringing food to share. There will be sign-up and discussion at the November meeting and when notices are sent to all members.

PROGRAM

PETITE PROJECT Friendship Bookmark with Ginger Iorizzo

Day Group – Wednesday, March 15

Beverwyck – Tuesday, March 21

North End – Thursday, March 23

The Friendship Bookmark is one of EGA's Petite Projects and will be taught by Chapter member Ginger Iorizzo in March of 2023. It's a lovely counted thread piece that is suitable for all skill levels. Stitches used include cross stitch, four-sided stitch, double running stitch, Hardanger (don't worry, it's easy!), and Smyrna Cross.

Instructions and 28 count evenweave fabric will be supplied. You will need to supply your own threads. All that's required is DMC floss and #8 and #12 Perle Cotton. The Perle Cotton can be white, to match the fabric, or it can be a contrasting color. You will need three shades of a DMC color — a light, a medium, and a dark. The original instructions use blue, but you can use any color you like.

You should also bring sharp, fine-pointed scissors. Optional items are a hoop, magnifier and light.

Registration deadline is February 17. Class size will be limited to 10 students per group. Use the registration coupon on page 10 to send in your \$5 kit fee.





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New classes: See Calendar of Events on website

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Contact Terri if you're interested in being an instructor.*

Owner: Terri Pittman | 518-898-9416 | www.forthestitcherssoul.com | forthestitcherssoul@gmail.com

Skyllkill Chapter Annual Holiday Auction



Wednesday December 7, 2022



Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church
1168 State Rte 55, LaGrangeville, NY 12540

Doors open & Auction Preview begins at 9:30am;
Bidding begins at 10:30am

Come get a jump on your holiday shopping!
All items are hand crafted by Chapter members

Bid on giftables that are stitched, sewn, embroidered, knitted,
crocheted, beaded, crafted, baked, brewed, cooked, quilted, and more.

The Chapter is also auctioning 2 "Share-A-Square" quilts,
each one approximately 58" square, made by the members.

Open to the public, no admission charge
Come and bring a friend (or few)!

All sales are final, cash or check only



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Pat Athanas email: deerhillfarmxs@optimum.net



New Online Class

GCC Lightning Rounds

- Fandango (Italian Whitework Embroidery)
- Keeping in Shape
(necklace made of various geometric shapes)
- Mark and Paint on Canvas and Fabric
- Perfectly Counted Crosses
(which our chapter did as a GCC)
- Thank Goodness It's Finished

Save the Date!

Members working and gathering for a meal at the September 2022 Retreat.



Online Learning Opportunity

- Embroidered Pet Portraits:
The Thread Painting Technique
- Contemporary Embroidery
with Traditional Mexican Needlework
- Miniature Needlework: Make Embroidered Jewelry
- Extraordinary Embroidery:
Explore Alternative Organic Materials

Happy Learning!





A Big Thank You!

To all who helped with the October Stash Sale.
And to all who visited and shopped at the sale.
We earned \$1,083.50!

EGA NATIONAL SEMINARS

2023 EGA National Seminar Boston Stitch Party

September 1–5, 2023

Sheraton, Back Bay Boston, MA

Hosted by the New England Region

Class info and photos can be found at
<https://egausa.org/seminar-2023-classes/>

Open Registration starts March 11, 2023

<https://egausa.org/event/boston-stitch-party-ega-national-seminar-2023/>

2024 EGA National Seminar Preserving Needle Art

August 14–18, 2024

Hilton Hotel in Atlanta, GA

Hosted by the Tennessee Valley Region

Invite Someone You Know

Do you know someone who enjoys needlearts?

Invite her — or him — to join you at one of our upcoming stitch-ins so they can discover the many benefits of EGA. The more the merrier!

Celebration and Recognition of Achievements, Skills, and Talents

Our chapter has always been active with sharing our skills and talents. This quarter's celebrations:

THANK YOU to our members who were involved in the EGA National Seminar "Broadway Bound."

- **Christene Thurston** took on the job of Seminar Registrar.
- **Sandie Feck** produced the Seminar Handbook.
- These Chapter members supported the event as attendees: **Helen O'Connor, Sherry McCredie, Jane Kessler, Trudi Jacobson, Elizabeth Naculich, Jennifer Paperman, Maggie Oldendorf** and **Mary Willmott**.

"Broadway Bound" was a great success with 380–400+ people attending including teachers and volunteers. 100% of non-EGA people attending joined EGA during the seminar.

Virginia Huerfeld was featured in *Fiber Forum* and *Needle Arts Magazine* for her "Lady." "Lady" was shared with us in May at our Biannual Dinner Meeting. Congratulations, Virginia!

Helen O'Connor deserves our THANK YOU for planning and coordinating a successful Retreat in September. A great time filled with camaraderie, collaboration, fun, and of course, stitching was had by all.

Thank you to **Maggie Oldendorf** and those who worked to achieve a successful Stash Sale!

Congratulations to **Trudi Jacobson**, who had an article published on the *PieceWork Magazine* website!

Please send me your celebrations! Or let your group leader know and they will pass them on... (nycdeganancy@gmail.com)

– Nancy Knowles, President

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through education and the
celebration of its history.*





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Welcome Diane & Queen!

Membership Roster

The full membership roster can be found on the Members Only page of our website at www.nycapenga.org. This online version is updated quarterly and provides the most up-to-date information. The Members Only page also includes recent Chapter minutes and newsletters and other Chapter-only info. If you need help accessing the Members Only page, contact Lynne Priestley.

Updating Your Contact Information

CHAPTER: If your contact information has changed, please send the updates to Membership Chair Agnes Bohl.

NATIONAL: Members are also responsible for reporting their address changes to National. The process is easy. Visit the EGA website at www.egausa.org and log into the MEMBERS ONLY section. The link for the "Update Contact Information" form is in the right-hand column under "Member Information."

EGA E-News

The EGA E-News and other online communications from National are an opt-in service. If you're not receiving these valuable communications and would like to, you need to give permission by emailing Tonya at typarks@egausa.org.

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