



# The Sun News

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## RD's Letter

Hello to everyone in Sun Region. I imagine that most of you are looking forward to some cooler weather just like I am. Lets hope it comes soon and we don't have any more hurricanes or big storms.

The fall board meeting is the 17th and 18th of September in Safety Harbor. At that meeting we will talk about next year's review of the bylaws for Sun Region. 2017 is our scheduled year for this review and this involves every chapter's bylaws and the region's. The chapter reps will come back from the meeting with information on how this process will work. That should make it easier for everyone to get their bylaws reviewed and accepted by the end of 2017.

The nominating committee is struggling to find candidates for positions. I strongly urge you to think about what will happen if the region can not find officers to serve. We'd all like to sit back and just enjoy the benefits of being part of Sun Region but that just doesn't work. And I have to say that the best part of being on the board and committees for me has been meeting region members and getting to know them. I've gotten to know many people that I never would have known and have had experiences that would never have happened. And yes, those are good things. Please help the nominating committee by reaching out to those in your chapters that may never have considered serving at the region level but that you think would do a great job.

I still have tickets to sell for the all expense paid trip to the national seminar next year in Asheville NC. The drawing will be held at the national seminar this year in Alexandria VA. If you'd like a ticket (or two) send your \$10 per ticket to me. Wish you could all attend the seminar. It's always fun and very educational.

*Kathy Singleton*

Sun Region Director

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

**ARD's report***Melody Bryan***SWEET SEPTEMBER ...**

Many fond memories of September exist for most of us, going back to school or preparing others for going back to school, things returning to a more regimented routine around the house, a fall feeling in the air, colors in the trees if you are north of the Mason-Dixon line, perhaps more time for stitching. Whatever memories you hold dear for fall – I hope they will all come flooding back to you soon.

The fall board meeting is going to be held at the Safety Harbor Resort on the west side of Tampa Bay. Safety Harbor is a quaint little town with interesting shops and restaurants. Here is an excerpt from their website:

*Since it was founded in 1925, it has been known as a unique place "where healing waters flow"™. Centrally located on the west coast of Florida and nestled on 22 acres on the west shore of Tampa Bay, our Resort anchors the city of Safety Harbor from which the city found its beginnings and was subsequently named.*



The fall board meeting is Sept 17<sup>th</sup> thru Sept 18<sup>th</sup>. If you've never attended a Sun Region board meeting, why not book yourself into this wonderful resort and sit in on the meetings? The board meeting is open to any member in good standing. It's very interesting and every chapter member should really take a turn serving their chapter by being an officer. You can also serve the region by representing your chapter as a region rep or by being a committee chair or even serve on the Executive Committee. The Nominating Committee is looking for candidates to serve in the next term. It's been a great experience for me to meet more people and attend my first region seminar and region retreat.

The room block and luncheon registration has closed but if you are interested in coming – let me know and I'll see what I can do.

The Sand Dunes chapter is hosting the luncheon and the Biscayne chapter is presenting the evening program. It is \$5 for a kit fee and is a beaded sun catcher.

We so appreciate our sister chapters teaching and sharing their time and talents with us. Being luncheon hostesses and greeters for the board meeting is an important function at the board meetings. If your chapter hasn't hosted or presented a program in recent years – please do consider volunteering. I need volunteers for 2017.

The spring meeting is to be held at the Tampa Westshore Marriott location March 24 – 26<sup>th</sup>, you can make your reservations now. For the fall meeting we are back at the lovely boutique hotel – the Castle Marriott in Orlando on September 22 – 24<sup>th</sup>.

Whatever fall brings for you – I hope it includes EGA and a needle.

**The Sun News is published quarterly - March, June, September and December**

Region officers, committee chairs and chapter representatives are reminded that the deadlines for submissions are: March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1. Thanks to all of you who send your articles for insertion in this newsletter in a timely manner. Remember, this newsletter is entirely dependent on you for content.

## *Sun Region Officers and Committee Chairs*

### Executive Committee

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<b>2018 Event Chair</b>	-	

### 2016 Sun Region Calendar

Sept 16 - 18	Sun Region meetings Safety Harbor, FL
Nov 2 - 6	EGA National Seminar - "Star Spangled Seminar" Alexandria, VA
Nov 9 - 11	Sun Region ITT class - "Tudor Garden" Orange Park, FL
Dec 1	next Sun News deadline

**Treasurer's Report: Activity Period: 6/1/2016 - 8/31/2016**

	Checking	MoneyMkt	
Opening Balance (MM opening 3/31/2016)	18,195.90	57,089.12	
<b>Income</b>			
02 Dues	447.00	0.00	
03 Interest	0.00	7.10	
04 Education Events	1,323.00	0.00	
15 Contributions & Gifts	100.00	0.00	
Money Market Savings Trans.	0.00	0.00	
Transfer from Reserves	0.00	0.00	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>1,870.00</b>	<b>7.10</b>	
<b>Expense</b>			
21 Educ Event	990.00	0.00	
28 Administration	0.00	0.00	
29 Officer Travel	415.82	0.00	
33 Gifts/Contributions	900.00	0.00	
35 Other	61.78	0.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>2,367.60</b>	<b>0.00</b>	
<b>SEPARATE ACCOUNTS</b>			
2017 Retreat (net)	395.00		
Reg. Meeting Luncheons (net)	325.00		
Fundraising/Ways & Means	-10.00		
<b>TOTAL SEPARATE ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>710.00</b>		
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,408.30</b>	<b>57,096.22</b>	
<b>OPEN ITEMS</b>			
Receivables	0.00	0.00	
Payables	1,190.00		
<b>TOTAL OPEN ITEMS</b>	<b>-1,190.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL (W/O OPEN ITEMS)</b>	<b>19,598.30</b>	<b>57,096.22</b>	
<b>CLOSING BALANCES (Regions Bank Account Statements: Checking as of 8/31/2016; MM as of 6/30/2016)</b>			
	<b>19,598.30</b>	<b>57,096.22</b>	

### Treasurer's Report: Budget v. Actual as of 8/31/2016

		Year to Date (actual)	2016 Budget	Year-to-Date v. Budget
<b>Income</b>				
02 Dues		1,545.00	1,700.00	-155.00
03 Interest		19.03	20.00	-0.97
04 Educ Event		1,763.00	0.00	1,763.00
15 Contributions		100.00	120.00	-20.00
17 Other		0.00	150.00	-150.00
Money Market Savings Trans.		0.00	10,800.00	-10,800.00
Transfer from Reserves		0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>		<b>3,427.03</b>	<b>12,790.00</b>	<b>-9,362.97</b>

### Expense

21 Educ Event		2,990.00	10,800.00	-7,810.00
26 Rent		64.00	650.00	-586.00
28 Administration		92.30	215.00	-122.70
29 Officers' Travel		1,349.24	2,340.00	-990.76
33 Gifts		1,154.95	250.00	904.95
35 Other		331.20	225.00	106.20
<b>TOTAL EXPENSE</b>		<b>5,981.69</b>	<b>14,480.00</b>	<b>-8,498.31</b>

## Committee Information

### 2016 SEMINAR - "Red Sails in the Sunset" - Donna Christie, chair



The committee for Red Sails in the Sunset would like to thank everyone who participated in this years education event! It was a fun filled weekend and a very busy one also. The teachers were great and being with fellow stitchers was fun too!

We would like to congratulate Ann Fletcher on being the winner of the scholarship for the 2017 education event . In the event Ann cannot participate, Ruth Nolan is the second runner up.

Our full report was submitted to the Executive Board of Sun Region, and a report will be given at the Sun Region meeting being held in Safety Harbor. The good news is that Red Sails brought in a profit of \$2159.83. Again, a big "thank you" to everyone who participated in this event.

I would also like to again say "thank you" to all of the gals who worked on any committee or behind the scene!!! These education events do not just happen, or put themselves on for our members!! There is a lot of hard work and dedication that goes into making these events a success! So Ladies, "thank you for a job well done"!! I value each and every one of you and appreciate beyond measure the dedication and hard work that you gave for Red Sails!!!

### EDUCATION - Deby Talley, chair

We still have openings for at least 2 people and maybe as many as 6 in our International Touring Teacher class with Merrilyn Heazelwood. We will hold these open until October 15th on a first come, first serve basis. Please contact [education@sunregionega.org](mailto:education@sunregionega.org) if you are interested in a spot. All the details are on the Sun Region website: [www.sunregionega.org](http://www.sunregionega.org).

I am still not getting the new forms from chapters interested in GCC's and region reimbursement. I must have the form either by snail mail or email attachment before Lynn will put it on the website. This is the only way to eliminate confusion when it comes to reimbursing the chapter.

On the following pages are two applications for the region scholarship to attend the region retreat, A Lakeside Retreat, being held in April of 2017. Please note that one is for a first time attendee to any region event and the other is for any region member. The updated registration form for "A Lakeside Retreat" is on pages 14-15.

The Phillips grant project is about to get underway. Since there did not seem to be enough support to tape a class, we will be doing several history tapes of different styles of needlework utilizing some of the EGA teachers and master craftsmen. We hope to have this completed by Jan. 1, 2017.

# SUN REGION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR A LAKESIDE RETREAT

*First time attendee form*

**This is open to any Sun Region EGA Member who has never attended a Sun Region Educational event- including a Sun Region retreat, Sun Region seminar or Sun Region sponsored cruise.**

The Education committee of Sun Region EGA is happy to be able to offer one \$500.00 scholarship to attend the upcoming Sun Region retreat to be held in Mount Dora, FL. The dates are April 21-23, 2017.

In order to apply you must be a member in good standing with Sun Region as of the date of the application and maintain region membership until after the retreat.

The only requirement if you are chosen is you must write a report about your experience attending the retreat to be published in the Sun News, June 2017 issue. The deadline to have the report to the education chair is May 22, 2017.

**Dates to apply for the scholarship are from September 15 - October 31, 2016**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

EGA chapter \_\_\_\_\_ EGA member number \_\_\_\_\_

By signing here I am stating that I am a first time Sun Region event attendee:

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Mail to  
Deby Talley  
753 Sybilwood Circle  
Winter Springs, FL 32708

email:education@sunregionega.org

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## HISTORIAN - *Karan Quintero*

"Reflections" in Cocoa Beach, Florida, brings Sun Region into May 17th-19th, 1992. The committee represented ten region chapters; Chairman, Patricia Werner (Indian River), Asst Chairman, Lydia Hoopes (Sand Dollar), Faculty, Betty Hicks (Sarasota), Brochure, Martha Ellis (Central Florida), Registrar, Janet Hill (Hibiscus), Treasurer, Patricia Neilson (Treasure Chest), Notebook, Debbie Tennis (Sand Dunes), Exhibit, Hetty Ricker (Suncoast), Facilities, Patricia Werner (Indian River), Bookstore, Jonalene Gutwien (Indian River), Class Angels, Lydia Hoopes (Sand Dollar) and three members handled Nametags, Janet Hill (Hibiscus), Patricia Werner (Indian River) and Louise McWilliams, Sea Grape. Some of these hard working ladies even held several positions!

Registration basic fee of \$135 covered Monday dinner and Monday/Tuesday lunch! The Holiday Inn provided the hotel rooms with a limit of four to a room (no wild pillow fights allowed here....LOL). Commuter fees (\$30) were applied to those choosing not to stay at the hotel. Early bird members could arrive two days earlier with the same \$58 rate applied through the 17th.

An exhibit was held throughout the seminar. However no information as to the number of different techniques or number of items presented was found. The bookstore provided a great avenue for members to pick up a few new books to add to their personal libraries. If that did not keep the members busy, off to PJ'S Stitchery, the seminar boutique enticing members to increase their stash as well!!

These women put on a great agenda of classes for the 126 participants. Members had to have three choices out of the ten classes listed, hoping to get their first choice. The classes were 1) LeE Brady: Blackwork Honey Bear [(\$12), seven blackwork stitches and construction methods], 2) Bette Elovitz: Butterfly and Flowers Imari [(\$46) Intermediate Silk and Metal, six different stitches including application of gold kid] 3) Audrey Francini: Jeweled Wings [(\$45) Advanced Intermediate to Advanced with eight different Japanese stitches using silk and gold], 4) Rena Gordan: Ultrasuede Fantasy [(\$20), one of a kind embellishment of a belt, necklace, or strips for a jacket or vest insert utilizing beads, buttons, fabric and other findings], 5) Lydia Hoopes: Summer Bounty [(\$40), using linen twill, crewel yarns with trellis and fifteen textured stitches], 6) Nan Mathe: Indian Blanket [(\$18), ten stitches with shading and compensation on mono canvas], 7) Stephanie Murphy: Autumn Log Cabin, [(\$28), nine different new fibers focusing on "play of light", 8) Cyndi Parker: [(\$38), four different new fibers within five stitches including some stumpwork], 9) Ulla Baroness vonSchoeler: [(\$28), twenty-one drawnwork and Bierdermeier petitpoint, ten stitches on translucent fabrics and finishing techniques and 10) Mary Lou Stransky: [(\$30), pulled thread, canvas stitches and optical mixes used on the two borders, application of a soft metallic collar. Unfortunately, the Ultrasuede Fantasy class was cancelled.

Not all the time was playtime, work was done through the Sun Region meeting and was followed by a great Wine & Cheese party! The grand finale was held at 4pm, Sunday. The drawing for the registration and class fee for the 1993 seminar for some lucky region member (winner's name not found)!

This was a great seminar as I recall....now the big question.....have I finished my project? No, but I know where it is and that is half the battle.....LOL

## NOMINATING - *Karan Quintero, Chair*

It is hard to believe that this time next year we will be handing over the gavel to another group of talented Sun Region members who will serve as our Executive Board. These members will guide our region into the an exciting future.....hmmmm.....?

Will this happen I ask you? Have you asked yourself? Our region is composed of hundreds of women, talented women, professional women, Great-Grandmothers, Grandmothers, Mothers and Daughters, and a few talented men. Their commonality, their love of embroidery.....yet we have vacancies for both the Region Directorship and Secretarial positions.

The guild is changing all the way from the national level down to the chapter level. The move is to modernize the way we market ourselves and develop creative ways to deliver our history and promote the education needed to keep embroidery alive.

Chapter Presidents know their chapter members. Please discuss these vacancies with your board and your membership. Feel free to speak with any of the members of the Nominating Committee. Feel free to speak with any member of the present Executive Board to get a first hand testimony regarding the positions they presently hold.

**We need help in finding the candidates needed for the positions of Sun Region Director and Sun Region Secretary** to help Sun Region move into a new and exciting future.

## OUTREACH - JoyceAnne Stevens, chair

A complete outreach report will be made at the September Sun Region meeting. At this time I would like to highlight a few outreach activities that have taken place since the last newsletter and region meeting.

I hope everyone saw the articles in the past two issues of NeedleArts on two Sun Region chapters' outreach activities or events. In the June issue, page 4 of Inside EGA was an article by Helen Crombe of the Sea Grape Chapter and the work they have done over the past 16 years. In the recent September issue, page 8 of Inside EGA is an article and photo from Maria Giovine of the Neapolitan Chapter describing their exhibition held in February.

Several chapters have been on a summer break but most did some outreach or plans for outreach later in the fall.

**Biscayne Chapter** sent 44 Kissing pillows to the organizers in Texas who have requested a thousand. (Anyone looking for an outreach project?)

**Canopy Oaks Chapter** members deserve the summer break after their wonderful exhibition in May. (Full report in September region meeting report)

**Central Florida Chapter** saw the completion of their huge heart wall hanging and its installation in the newest Ronald McDonald House in Orlando (Lake Nona).

**duClay Chapter** donated 16 stitched bookmarks to the Orange Park Library where duClay meetings are held and will be displaying members' needlework during the month of September.

**Gulfview Chapter** members have been very busy knitting and delivered 151 baby caps and 68 chemo caps to Gulf Coast Hospital.

**Indian River Chapter** was one chapter that did not take a break this summer but instead held classes during June teaching children to stitch. There were 23 students helped by 14 IRC members.

**Neapolitan Chapter's** primary outreach is Habitat for Humanity, stitching samplers for new home owners and making cash donations. In May, Judy Winterhalter, chapter president and Ann Smith, outreach chair presented Habitat for Humanity of Collier County a check for \$200.

**Sand Dollar Chapter** also has some energetic knitters and were able to donate baby blankets, booties and hats. One Sand Dollar knitter has knitted and donated 60 knockers for breast cancer patients. For those who do not know what "knockers" are (I did not), they are special handmade breast prosthesis for women who have undergone mastectomies or other procedures to the breast. The following link explains very well: <http://www.knittedknockers.org/>

**Sand Dunes Chapter** is this year making Chrismons for the church where their meetings and stitch-ins are held.

**Sandhill Crane Chapter** supports Habitat for Humanity by stitching samplers and also collects things to support the Child Advocacy Center of Hernando County.

**Sarasota Chapter** has been on break but in October will be collecting non-perishables and money for the Bethesda Home for the homeless.

**Sea Grape Chapter** continues to knit. Helen has developed a new pattern for the chemo caps which will be given to members along with new, lighter yarn purchased by the chapter. The new pattern is going to be called "Sea Grape".

**Suwannee Stitchers Chapter** have several members stitching bookmarks for women dealing with cancer and the chapter is also collecting bottle caps for a project with Rescue Dogs.

This is just a small taste of Sun Region Outreach. See the region meeting report for more details.

## ROSTER - *Adrienne Meyer, chair*

The updated Sun Region roster was sent via email attachment to chapter representatives and region officers/chairs on August 28. Each representative is responsible for forwarding on to her chapter president and any other interested member of the chapter.

If anyone has changes or additions to the roster, please send them to me via email rather than hard copy. Copying and pasting the changes limits errors made by keying in information. Since several chapters change officers before breaking for the summer, I am expecting many updates.

If the updated roster has not been received by the chapter representative, please update your email address for me. I will send it ASAP.

## SOCIAL MEDIA - *Karan Quintero, chair*

We have been increasing the visits to our Face Book page through the postings of some very interesting subjects. I have also posted information regarding upcoming chapter workshops. Keep submitting the information and our page will spread the word. Be sure to supply contact information.

Thanks for all the contributions received as well as the postings made by Lynn and Jenna. Between the three of us we are striving to get Sun Region EGA noticed!

## 2017 Retreat - *"A Lakeside Retreat" - Claire Nardone, chair*



Imagine warm breezes in a Victorian gem overlooking a tranquil lake. That's right! April 21, 22 & 23, 2017 will bring us a delightful escape to the beautiful Lakeside Inn in the town of Mount Dora, Florida located just northwest of Orlando, yet worlds away from the hustle and bustle of city life. Embroider with your friends, take a mini class or two, or three, or all four. When it's time for a delicious meal, you're only steps away from a smorgasbord of restaurants. When you get the itch to shop, you're a hop-skip-and-a-jump from that, too. Best of all? No need to get in a car.

The Inn was built in 1882 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It radiates an ambiance befitting the Gilded Age. The Inn is a grouping of five distinct buildings adorned with gables, verandas, balconies, and awnings. Many guest rooms feature authentic antique furnishings, king or double beds, spacious bathrooms, wireless internet (no, that is not from 1883). The rooms offer stunning views of the lake or the grounds below. You can start your day with a scrumptious breakfast, and/or take a dip in the shimmering lakefront swimming pool. Besides enjoying the Inn, here is a multitude of things to do in the area, so feel free to bring a friend, partner or spouse and enjoy your stay.



Your rooms are reflect the Victorian Era, complete with quilts and claw footed bathtubs (with showers as well.) The rate for your delightful stay is only \$119 per night, double or single occupancy. A very few even have a sofa comfortable enough to sleep on.

## Sun Region Retreat 2017 - "A Lakeside Retreat" *continued*

This special event rate will also be honored 3 days prior and 3 days following our retreat. There are a limited number of refrigerators available at \$5.00 per day. If you require a handicap/no stairs room, please make your reservations a.s.a.p. as these rooms are available on a first come, first serve basis. Note that Lakeside Inn is NOT ADA compliant due to the age of the facility.

Each student is responsible for their own reservation at the Lakeside Inn. *The telephone number to use to make the guest reservations is 352-383-4101.* This is the direct line to the hotel. Listen to the recording and go to the operator. Tell the answering clerk that you are with "Sun Region" to receive our special *A Lakeside Retreat* room rate of \$119.00 plus taxes. Hotel reservations are now open. No online reservations. Please call the hotel directly using the phone number given.

**Open Registration for the event is now open also** - see the form on pages 14 and 15.

There will be a Saturday night banquet! Choose from one of these delicious entrees: Chicken Roulade, Fresh Salmon or Beef Brisket. All will include a dinner salad, dessert and beverage (excluding alcohol). The Banquet cost is included in the event registration fee.

### The following are the optional Mini-Classes:

The Ultimate Pincushion - Friday, April 21, from 1:00PM to 4:00PM - \$45.00

*taught by Jenna McClooney*



Challenge your creativity while embellishing a prepared gourd with fabric, beads, fibers and other multi-media items. The class will include a presentation on the background of preparing gourds with samples of the stages of preparation and tools that are required. Techniques include beaded fringe, painting, fabric embellishment, Tyvek manipulation and finishing. Students should leave class with a finished gourd pincushion.

Kit contents are: Prepared gourd, Batik and muslin fabrics, acrylic paints, floss, memory wire, invisible thread, beads, needles and Tyvek. Options: Batik fabric comes with multiple colors and variations, so a general color way will be provided such as blue, red, purple, green, gold, etc.

Jenna has been a member of the EGA national board, education committee, and a core committee member of both national and region seminars. She has taught embroidery and beading to Sun Region chapter and divides her creative time between ceramics, gourds, beading and embroidery. She has juried into Fiber Forum in 2015, and has exhibited at the San Antonio, TX, education venue and the international exhibit "Complex: the Art in Mixed Media" in Louisville, KY.

Claire's Beaded Necklace - Saturday, April 22 from 9:00AM to Noon - \$55.00

*taught by Kathy Singleton*



Claire found a necklace that she really liked and wanted to share it with everyone. So, come and enjoy a few hours making this easy, fun and pretty necklace. Anyone can make this necklace. A little bit of peyote – but just easy squares with large beads. Then the fun starts as you string the necklace and embellish as you wish. Make your own closure as you bead a bead. As options, you can embellish the base of the necklace and the strands with anything you'd like. Shells, charms, etc. would all be nice. Bring what you have and see how it works.

Kit contents: Beads, instructions, One-G thread, needle. Students need to bring the usual supplies that includes scissors and magnification, if needed. Also useful would be a beading mat.

Kathy has been a member of the EGA national board, chair of two regional education events and is currently RD for Sun Region. She has taught embroidery and beading to Sun Region Chapters. She loves beading as much as embroidery and loves to mix the two in bead embroidery projects. She has an undergraduate degree in teaching.

Dyed Silk Scarf Workshop - Saturday, April 22, from 1:00PM to 4:00PM - \$45.00

*taught by Marlene Glickman*



This Workshop includes dyeing two silk scarves using the instant setting, non-toxic Color Hue dyes. A variety of techniques in and outside a baggie will be demonstrated with students choosing the techniques they want to explore: floral images, zebra stripes or sunset lines, stencils, clamps and sticks of shapes, repeat shibori lines, stamps, growing trees and more.

Come enjoy Marlene as she shares her knowledge of painting and dyeing silk. this 3 hour class, you will learn special techniques with a fiber we are all familiar with. this information back to your needlework and design a one-of-a-kind creation.

Kit includes: 2 scarves, 1 greeting card, 1 silk broadcloth landscape. Dyes for use in class are part of the price of the class. This includes the dyeing in the baggie technique and basic tabletop techniques: zebra stripes/sunset lines, floral images and repeat Shibori lines utilizing knots.

"Too often we become spectators of life instead of creating life," Marlene says. "Art, for me, is the act of expressing ideas regardless of the medium and sharing them with others. I see things and am compelled to create with them. I also love to encourage viewers to interact with my art and put their imprint on the work. Creating 3D sculptural forms and textile 'paintings' using new and found materials is a passion."

Kumihimo Bracelet - Sunday, April 29 from 9:00AM to Noon - \$50.00

*taught by Karan Quintero*



Nothing could be better than sharing a relaxing time with friends who share a common interest that they love. Within the surrounding sunny and breezy lakeside environment, relive those happy, warm food times; the blue of the lake, the sun glistening off the stone buildings, the multi-greens of the leaves, and the lovely variegated shades of the flowers, by gazing at your wrist encased with a beautiful bead and crystal Kumihimo bracelet.

Karan R. Quintero is a member of Biscayne Chapter, and has been an EGA member since 1987. Karan has served in multiple positions both on the local and regional level. As a Trauma/Burn ICU RN in her county hospital in Miami, FL, creating needle art through its many techniques has given her a continued thirst to learn from the many educational opportunities EGA offers. Beaded Kumihimo is her newest accomplishment which she now wishes to share with Sun Region members.



Sun Region EGA Retreat 2017

REGISTRATION FORM

**A Lakeside Retreat**

*April 21-23, 2017*

**REGISTRATION IS OPEN UNTIL JANUARY 15, 2017.**

The registration fee includes a nonrefundable fee of \$25.00. This form must be postmarked no later than January 15, 2017 to be considered for registration. Non-EGA members must pay an additional \$50 registration fee. Please print or type all the info on this form. Be sure and fill it out completely. There are 2 sides. Please contact the registrar if you have any questions.

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE (DAY) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE (ALTERNATE) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

EGA MEMBER NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ PRIMARY CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFO:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ RELATIONSHIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ (DAY) \_\_\_\_\_ (ALTERNATE)

May we publish your address/phone/email in the participant handbook? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to volunteer? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need a roommate? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first Sun Region Event? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a life-time EGA member? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Sun Region Retreat 2017 cannot be responsible for meals that do not meet dietary needs. I agree to release The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc., and The Sun Region from any liability for theft, property damage, or personal injury while participating in or attending any or all of the functions and meetings of the Sun Region Retreat 2017. I understand that cancellation must be made in writing to the Registrar by March 1, 2017 to be considered for a partial refund. Please observe the cancellation policy.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**The registration fee for the retreat is \$100.00. \$25.00 of this is nonrefundable.** Each class you choose to take will have a fee. This amount will be billed with your final registration invoice in January, 2017

Registration fee \$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Class Selection: Please indicate which classes you wish to sign up for. Details can be found on the previous pages of this newsletter as well as in the brochure and on the Sun Region website. Please note that each class will only be offered one time - and if we have over 25 people sign up during early registration for any one class, then that class will then go to a lottery. After early registration is over, and open registration begins, any remaining slots will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

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| 1. Silk Painting - Marlene Glickman      | cost: \$45.00 | _____ |
| 2. Kumihino bracelet - Karen Quintero    | cost: \$50.00 | _____ |
| 3. Claire's Necklace - Kathy Singleton   | cost: \$55.00 | _____ |
| 4. Ultimate Pincushion - Jenna McClooney | cost: \$45.00 | _____ |

All fees include the Saturday night banquet AND the nonrefundable deposit amount of \$25.00

If you would like to bring a guest to the banquet the charge for each additional person is \$40.00  
 Banquet guests \$40.00 each \_\_\_\_\_

**Total:** \_\_\_\_\_

**The deposit of \$25.00 is a non-refundable fee. The balance of the registration fee will be due by January 30, 2017. If not paid in full by that time a \$25.00 late fee will be added to the invoice.**

Please mail your check, made payable to Sun Region EGA, and the **completed registration form** to:

[2017Registrar@sunregionega.org](mailto:2017Registrar@sunregionega.org) or [Debbear40@aol.com](mailto:Debbear40@aol.com)

# Chapter Reports

## BISCAYNE

*Shelley Iman-Loch*

Biscayne has had their summer break during July and August. We will begin meeting again in September. Our September meeting will be a stitch-in and sharing our summer adventures. In October the slate for the 2017-2018 term will be announced and published. The proposed budget for 2017 will also be discussed. In November, we will have elections and a member's book sale. In December we will have our holiday party and a show of our summer challenge projects. It was created by our Programs Chairwoman Janet Edgar. It is the Shades of Gray and One Color. The challenge was introduced over two months. Ideas for the challenge were discussed in May, and the sign up was in June. Each participant was given the rules and a brown paper bag with three skeins of DMC floss in varying shades of gray.

We had a great time with Kathy Rees in June. Some students have already finished Serenity.



Class with Kathy Rees

## CANOPY OAKS

*Rebecca Lockenbach*

Hello from Tallahassee. The Canopy Oaks Chapter spent part of the summer reflecting on our successful month long embroidery exhibit "What's the Point? Embroidery as Art" At the LeMoyne Center for the Visual Arts. At our summer planning meeting we shared comments and responses that we received from attendees, and we are in the midst of finalizing our lessons learned and final closeout report for the exhibit.

Our year has been laid out and our calendar is full, as you will see below.

- August 13 – Tour the Quilt Show at the Tallahassee Museum
- September 10 – Show & Tell, with a special segment by Linda Dean on "What I Did This Summer", where she will share what she learned during her trip to France
- October 8 – Marion Scoular Workshop on Blackwork – Acorns
- November 12 – Smocking Sampler – Lesson #1 – presented by Rebecca Lockenbach
- December 10 – Luncheon and gift exchange
- January 14 – Smocking Sampler – Lesson #2 – presented by Rebecca Lockenbach
- February 4 or 11 – Stitch in Public
- March 11 – Felt Work presented by Lucy Patrick
- April 8 – Beginning Crochet presented Anita Fertig
- May 12 – Romanian Lace with a Twist presented by Pam Doffek



We are exploring the options for the next EGA Group Correspondence Course to embark on and hope that other chapters are enjoying their ride through the world of Needlearts.

### CENTRAL FLORIDA *Gaby Hubbard*

The summer brings 'summer school'. This year we have had the pleasure of Margaret Kinsey showing us Assisi embroidery and a butterfly using blackwork technique. September 10<sup>th</sup> will be a presentation by Karen Plater about Japanese embroidery. October 14<sup>th</sup> brings us a program by Linda Ferguson on English Paper piecing. On November 12<sup>th</sup> Carol Presley will demonstrate how to finish something into a Jacob's Ladder. And then December 3<sup>rd</sup> brings us to our Christmas luncheon. Our challenge to finish UFOs will be revealed at our luncheon. Can't wait to see how our members did.

### CHAIN STITCHERS *Claire Nardone*

Chain Stitchers has been quiet this summer. Our Outreach Program has fizzled out (Habitat for Humanity) and is focusing on larger events such as golf tournaments, which saddens us. We will be discussing other outreach programs in the coming months. I'd love it if you'd give us some ideas that have worked for you!

Our upcoming programs include a beaded wrapped bracelet in September, a wonderful lecture on participating in the Master Craftsman program by our own Carol Reid, and Ukrainian needlework by Karen Cicero. December always brings out wonderful holiday meeting feast.

### duCLAY *JoyceAnne Stevens*

A busy spring and summer describes duClay's activities, programs, and events. Our March meeting program was a lesson in English Paper Piecing and was appropriately held in a quilting shop which added much to the fun and atmosphere of the class. The project was a small strip of "hexies" which when finished was glued around the outside of a small clock. Almost everyone left with a finished project.



Later in March members enjoyed a Spring Tea at the Bensel House in Jacksonville, complete with tea pots, tea cups, various teas and catered by our friend Brenda. May was an especially enjoyable program because members went thru their belongings and brought in antique needlework, tools, accessories, etc. There were beautiful, antique samplers, a crazy quilt, sewing boxes, scissors, a chair with a needlepoint seat and much more. Each person told about their item(s). Some had been in their family, some were gifts, and some had been purchased.

June was quiet as we continued to stitch on the two SAL's and the various projects in our finishing challenge. Members also stitched bookmarks for the Orange Park Library summer reading program as an outreach program and in July we presented 16 bookmarks to the library.



On July 9, Janeann Sleeman taught a beautiful Easter Egg painted canvas design.

On the last weekend of July duClay members journeyed to The Inn on the Lake in Sebring for our first weekend retreat and a weekend of fun, relaxation, and stitching. 20 members attended and left asking when the next retreat would be held. For our August meeting, Carol P, a plural member taught the finishing of a pin drum. Members brought in their stitched designs and Carol provided instructions, saw dust, and crushed walnut shells for stuffing the pin drums. Quite a few finished pin drums left at the end of the meeting. During the month of September we will have a display of needlework at the Orange Park Library, where we hold our meetings. And finally, duClay is looking forward to hosting the ITT class being held in Orange Park November 9-11.

Please visit our blog <http://duclayega.blogspot.com/>.

We also have a Facebook page—look for duClay Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America.

**GULFVIEW***Ann Ashley*

Summer travel time is almost over. A number of us go north to escape the heat of Florida. However, this year the Florida weather followed us. Now we all look forward to new projects as well as seeing all our friends.

Fall promises to be exciting with many new projects being introduced. After the September meeting some of the members will start on a canvas piece "Mahogany Treasure." For the month of October the Hudson Library will display many of Gulfview members stitching projects, and we are encouraged to spend our stitch together time there. Using a pattern published in "Needlearts" in March 2015, after the October meeting we will learn how to crochet the cord used for Sylvia Muraniu's lace and then in November we'll start to make the beautiful "Snowdrop." Meanwhile Kathy Rees will spend October 21st and 22nd teaching us to create "Sherwood Gardens." At our meeting in November, Christine Brunner, a member of Sandhill Crane chapter, and an Elizabethan re-enactor, will present a talk on Elizabethan Embroidery. In December we celebrate the Holydays.

Gulfview Chapter meets on the second Wednesday of the month. The Board meets starting at 9:30 and the full membership meeting is scheduled for 10:30. Then a snack or lunch break, with lots of time to consider signing up for upcoming learning possibilities and chatting. The afternoon is for learning and stitching. A new project may be introduced and/or assistance given to ongoing projects. With good light, and many tables to accommodate much of our membership at one time, people come to spend the day.

**INDIAN RIVER***Aline Lauzon*

Indian River Chapter continued their meetings during the summer.

On October 8, 2016 we are planning a "stitch-In" in Viera from 9:30 am to 4 pm.

Our toiletry collections for the homeless are ongoing as are the Kissing Pillows and kits for the Vets.

We are planning a grand 40th anniversary meeting in 2017 and also a Workshop in March 2017.

**NEAPOLITAN***Karen Rockenbach*

As summer is winding down, we are looking forward to our snowbirds returning to sunny Florida and a very active fall season. Chapter members are meeting twice a month in member's homes during the month of September. We have a very busy fall and 2017 season coming up!! Our October meeting will feature a Pumpkin wool needle book featuring wool appliqué and embroidery. November is a Mystery Trip. We have no idea what Betty Baechle has planned for us but we will be on the road for the whole day – destination unknown! December will be our annual Christmas luncheon. We have Gail Sirna coming in December to teach a canvas work class, "Florida Palm". Lois Kershner will be with us in January, 2017 to teach her "Provence Pottery Shop" featuring photo transfer and embroidery. Two correspondence classes are planned starting in December: "Isabella – Italian Drawn Thread" and "Poppies". Our members have spent their summer working on their own projects as well as our "Habitat for Humanity" samplers for our on-going service project.

**SAND DOLLAR***Kathie Dougherty*

After the lazy, crazy stitching days of summer, we are back with our general meeting September 1. Over the summer several members completed the bell pull we started in January while others are still working on the project. We had our 100 Days of Stitching Challenge again this year that will culminate at our October meeting with a Show and Tell. The challenge is to stitch 100 days and this has been a very successful summer project for the past several years.

Our education program for September and October will be an EGA Hardanger Petite project by Doris Mengel. In November we will complete the assembly of the Biscornu from the September 2015 Needle Arts magazine. Members will bring the completed cross stitch design to the meeting. And our Christmas Luncheon committee is putting the final touches on our yearly holiday feast extravaganza.

**SAND DUNES***Linda Anne Buehler*

Sand Dunes chapter held our annual August Coffee meeting on August 13. Ample refreshments were provided by the board members, "stitching goodies" were available for purchase from a sizeable stash sale and the programs for the coming "year" were unveiled. We gained three new members at this event, and might even entice a couple more stitching friend guests to join us!

The theme for the upcoming programs is "Ornament Your Life" and it consists of ornaments and ornamental objects in a variety of techniques. In September and October, Barb Harrison will teach a lovely little beaded ornament. In November, Debbie Sewell will lead us in crafting a bargello ball ornament. Three more projects will be done in the beginning of 2017; I'll keep you in suspense and report on these in the next newsletter!

**SANDHILL CRANE***Linda Hansen*

September is a busy month for our chapter. Jenna McClooney is providing a visual presentation from the Fiber Forum and embellishment techniques. The Chapter begins its first GCC with Cutwork, Shadow Work and Tra-punto Basics by Luan Callery and a special interest group beginning the Winter Rose Christmas Ornament from Inspirations magazine. Our members will also present their creations stitched over the summer from the paper bag challenge presented at our May meeting. In October, Lynn Pittenger leads the group stitching a scissor case; November continues work on the GCC and ornament and in December we have our Christmas luncheon and ornament exchange.

**SARASOTA***Clemmie Rounds*

Kathy Singleton, RD (*picture at right*) visited us earlier this spring, the topic of which was a presentation on the functions of our Region.

In May, members shared their "Aprons and Their Stories."



Arlene Harris and Eleanor Langlois presented this needlework (*picture at left*) at our June picnic as a "Thank You" for all the help the Firefighters have given the Chapter. Arlene did most of the stitching. The kit was found on the "Freebie Table" at one of our meetings.



The Board met in August and plans are in the works for the upcoming meetings for the remainder of the year. This includes a welcome back social in September potluck build your own salad bar and pizza party. The October and November meetings will be devoted to making Christmas ornaments that will be displayed on several Christmas trees which will be auctioned off to raise money to build our funds at our December Holiday luncheon.

Some plans have been made for the year 2017 when we will be teaching beginner stumpwork and ribbon embroidery projects as well as an educational presentation on Dorset buttons.

**SEA GRAPE***Betty Baechle*

Our members are busy enjoying the summer months working on their UFO projects. We hope to see lots shown off at our November meeting.

In October, the program will be a white and gold Hardanger ornament. Good timing - so it can be finished by December.

The Outreach Volunteers continue knitting or crocheting baby or chemo caps. The caps are donated to Lee Memorial Hospital. Sea Grape Outreach Chairman, Helen Crombe had a wonderful article in the June issue of Needle Arts, page 4 of the center section Inside EGA.

### ***SUWANEE STITCHERS*** *Patrice Boyes*

The Suwannee Stitchers Chapter ventured into new territory for many members over the Winter and Spring months, offering programs ranging from stumpwork and Brazilian embroidery to Jacobean crewel embroidery and personalized lettering for surface embroidery.

Each program continued the chapter's dedication to educating its members in a variety of embroidery practices. The cross-pollination of ideas and techniques has only begun.

June brought election of new officers for this young chapter, which has nearly tripled membership since starting a few short years ago. The newly elected officers include:

President:	Marion Jones
Vice President:	Kay Hurst
Secretary:	Karen Alberts
Treasurer:	Sally Criswell
Programs:	Rennette Timbrell
Membership:	Betsy Harris
Regional Rep:	Patrice Boyes

The new officers have many more interesting programs and initiatives in the works, and look forward to growing the Chapter. For instance, Regional Representative Patrice Boyes began working with Chapter members at the August meeting to become familiar and comfortable with electronic methods of accessing and moving documents (e.g. minutes, agendas, instruction packets, needle guides) to each other. EGA has a wealth of resources on its national website, and we find that some of our members need practice and encouragement to take that next step into the paperless age. Younger prospective members are already there!

The Chapter has advertised a GCC – Italian Drawn Thread – on the Region website, looking for additional students, and looks forward to that interesting experience later this Fall.

*Several IRC members stitching on International Stitching in Public Day on a cruise on the Columbia River between Oregon and Washington!*



## *Sun Region Chapters' Events Calendar*

### **September**

- 7 Sandhill Crane - Meeting
- 8 Sea Grape - Meeting
- 9 Biscayne - Meeting and Stitch-in
- 10 Canopy Oaks - Meeting  
Central Florida - Meeting  
duClay - Stitch-in  
Suwanee Stitchers - Meeting
- 11 Sand Dunes - Stitch-in and GCC
- 13 Chain Stitchers - Meeting  
Sand Dollar – Stitch-in New Smyrna Beach Library
- 14 Gulfview - Meeting
- 15 Sand Dollar - Stitch-in Port Orange Library
- 19 Indian River - General Meeting
- 21 Gulfview - Stitching at NPR Library
- 22 Sea Grape - Meeting
- 23 Sand Dunes - Meeting
- 24 Sea Grape - Stitching at Edison Home
- 26 Gulfview - Stitching at Veterans  
Sarasota - Meeting

### **October**

- 1 duClay - Meeting
- 5 Neapolitan - Stitch-in  
Sandhill Crane - Meeting
- 6 Gulfview - Stitching at Hudson Library  
Sand Dollar - General Meeting
- 8 Biscayne - Meeting  
Canopy Oaks - Meeting  
duClay - Stitch-In  
Suwanee Stitchers - Meeting
- 9 Sand Dunes - Stitch-in and GCC
- 11 Chain Stitchers - Meeting  
Sand Dollar – Stitch-in New Smyrna Beach Library
- 12 Gulfview - Meeting
- 13 Sea Grape - Meeting
- 14 Central Florida - Meeting
- 17 Indian River - General Meeting
- 19 Gulfview - Stitching at Hudson Library  
Neapolitan - General Meeting
- 20 Sand Dollar - Stitch-in Port Orange Library
- 23 Sand Dunes - Meeting
- 24 Gulfview - Stitching at Hudson Library  
Sarasota - Meeting
- 26 Neapolitan - Stitch-in
- 27 Sea Grape - Meeting
- 29 Sea Grape - Stitching at Edison Home

**November**

- 2 Sandhill Crane - Meeting
- 3 Gulfview - Stitching at Judy's  
Sand Dollar - General Meeting
- 4 Biscayne - Meeting
- 5 duClay - Meeting
- 8 Chain Stitchers - Meeting
- 9 Gulfview - Meeting
- 10 Sea Grape - Meeting
- 12 Canopy Oaks - Meeting  
Central Florida - Meeting  
duClay - Stitch-in  
Suwanee Stitchers - Meeting
- 13 Sand Dunes - Stitch-in
- 16 Neapolitan - General Meeting
- 17 Sand Dollar - Stitch-in Port Orange Library
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Sarasota - Meeting

\* *please verify all dates by checking with the chapters; for times, locations and/or to contact the particular chapter, see the Chapters section of the Sun Region website [www.sunregionega.org](http://www.sunregionega.org)*