



Newsletter of the Blue Ribbon Chapter American Needlepoint Guild, Inc. Volume 5, Issue 11 November 1, 2021

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Calendar

<p>Tuesday, November 9 5:00 - 6:30 pm 6:30 - 7:00 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p>Wednesday, November 17 1:00 - 4:00 pm</p> <p>Sunday, November 21 12:15 pm</p> <p>Tuesday, December 14 6:00 - 6:30 pm 6:30 - 7:00 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p>Wednesday, December 15 1:00 - 4:00 pm</p> <p>Tuesday, January 11 6:00 - 6:30 pm 6:30 - 7:00 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p>Wednesday, January 19 1:00 - 4:00 pm</p> <p>Tuesday, February 8 6:00 - 6:30 pm 6:30 - 7:00 pm 7:00 - 8:00 pm</p> <p>Wednesday, February 16 1:00 - 4:00 pm</p>	<p>Monthly meeting – Knights of Columbus and Zoom Log in to Zoom (6:00 pm); social/stitching time Business meeting Study topic – Finish culling library books, share Projects Half Done (PHDs), and plan schedule for future study topics</p> <p>Stitching at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library Please let Joyce Pencook know by Monday, November 15 if you plan to stitch at the Museum. Joyce's number is 319-491-6227. Masks are required.</p> <p>Tour of the National Czech and Slovak Museum exhibit "Crowning Glory."</p> <p>Monthly meeting – on Zoom Log in to Zoom; social/stitching time Business meeting Study topic</p> <p>Stitching at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library</p> <p>Monthly meeting on Zoom Log in to Zoom; social/stitching time Business meeting Study topic</p> <p>Stitching at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library</p> <p>Monthly meeting on Zoom Log in to Zoom; social/stitching time Business meeting Study topic</p> <p>Stitching at the National Czech & Slovak Museum & Library</p>
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Executive Board Meeting, October 9, 2021

Present: Kareen Strumpel, Cindy Baldwin, Robin Rossignol, Lori Barton, and Connie Rosene

President Kareen Strumpel called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM

Business Before the Board:

- Kareen Strumpel asked if we have a hard copy of our financial records for the chapter in case of problems with computer viruses, etc. Cindy Baldwin and Lori Barton reported that we have copies on a flash drive and also hard copies in the Treasurer's notebook. The Treasurer should also post them on our secure web page.
- Should we discontinue Thread Play since it is not well attended and replace it with more Stitch-in-Public events at places like libraries, malls, or Create Exchange which now has more workspace for demonstrations. Kareen Strumpel will contact the owner of Create Exchange regarding opportunities. We may wait until spring to begin these events.
- Usher's Ferry has resumed children's programs. We might consider offering an Embroidery Camp with three levels of difficulty beginning with cross stitch and working up to more difficult stitches. We will need to have designs in mind that could be either simple designs from friendly designers, free patterns from web sites, or our own designs. The Board should meet with the management of Usher's Ferry to see what interest they have in stitching programs for next year. Robin Rossignol will contact Usher's Ferry and let the Board know when we might have a meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Rosene, Secretary

Blue Ribbon ANG Chapter Meeting, October 9, 2021

Present: Kareen Strumpel, Cindy Baldwin, Robin Rossignol, Lori Barton, Karen Rajtora, Dee Hill, and Connie Rosene

President Kareen Strumpel called the meeting to order at 1:57 PM

Minutes from the September 2021 meeting were approved as they appear on-line (Motion Robin Rossignol, second Cindy Baldwin)
Motion carried.

Treasurer Lori Barton reported current balance is \$632.42 with one check written since our Sept. meeting of \$20 for meeting room rent to Knights of Columbus.

The Blue Ribbon Chapter of American Needlepoint Guild, Inc. (ANG), invites interested individuals, regardless of expertise, into membership. Dues are \$20 per year payable to the Chapter. You must be a current ANG member to belong to the Chapter. ANG membership information can be found at <http://www.needlepoint.org/membership.php>.

Guests and visitors are welcomed.

Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of every month (except May, July, and October) starting with a social time at 6:00 pm, with the formal meeting starting at 6:30 pm. These meetings are held at the Knights of Columbus, 1620 E Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids, IA and on Zoom.

Meetings in May, July, and October will be held on the 2nd Saturday of the month starting with social time at 1:00 pm and the formal meeting beginning at 1:30 pm. The Saturday meetings are held at the North Liberty Public Library, 520 W. Cherry St, North Liberty, IA and on Zoom.

Board meetings will be held in September, December, March, and June.

The Blue Ribbon ANG Newsletter is published monthly. Deadline for submission of items is the 20th day of each month.

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October 9, 2021, Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Reports:

Committee Reports:

- Czech Museum: Our next Stitch-in-Public event at the Museum will be held on October 20. Please call Joyce Pencook by Monday, October 18 if you plan to attend. Masks are required.
- Crowning Glory Exhibit: Connie Rosene reported that the Museum does not do guided tours on weekends except for groups greater than 25 (mostly bus tours). This is not feasible for our group. We can do a self-guided. Connie will check on available dates in November when no other large events or groups are scheduled. \

Old Business:

- Audit of Treasurer's Books: Audit was completed by Robin Rossignol and Cindy Baldwin. All is in order.
- Iowa Arts Council: Kareen Strumpel took a closer look at criteria and found this grant would not apply to our group. She will contact them to see if they have other programs that might be appropriate.
- Discussion of future programs and the PHD (Projects Half Done) program was tabled until our November meeting.

New Business:

- Children's Programs ideas were discussed at the Executive Board meeting.
- Make-It-and-Take-It at the Linn County Fair was discussed. Kareen Strumpel will contact the Fair board to see what criteria they have for such programming.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM.

Robin Rossignol gave instructions on assembling the 3-D ornament.

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 9 at 6:30 at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Rosene, Secretary

Dues

Your dues are payable now through January 1, 2022. Please pay at the November meeting or send them to Lori Barton. Lori's address is on the attached membership form.

In case you missed it, please be aware of the following RE National dues:

"After careful consideration, the ANG Board of Directors has decided to move forward with a change in how our annual dues will be paid. Beginning in January 2022, all membership dues will be paid on an annual basis, in January. This applies to all memberships of 1, 2, 5 and 10 years duration and in all countries. If your membership renewal date is between October and December 2021, please pay your annual dues as usual. In 2022, all membership dues will be paid in January, and will be prorated to account for the new annual schedule.

This change will provide benefits to ANG in reducing the time and effort spent in managing the dues renewal process, providing more timely information for budgeting purposes, and simplifying the membership verification process for chapters.

Additional details will follow in our bi-weekly newsletters."

Crowning Glory Tour

Connie Rosene has arranged for a tour of the National Czech and Slovak Museum exhibit "Crowning Glory" for Sunday, November 21 at 12:15 PM. This will include a self-guided tour with coffee and kolaches. Cost is \$11. We will meet in the museum lobby at 12:15. The parking garage is under the museum. If you want more information about the exhibit of embroidered headdresses go to <https://ncsml.org/> and click on current exhibits. Please RSVP to Connie.

November Study Topics

- Finish culling library books. Members may buy books that are removed from the library; remaining books will be taken to Half Price Books and proceeds put in treasury.
- Share Projects Half Done (PHDs)
- Plan schedule for future study topics.

Future Study Topics

Thanks to everyone who responded. Here are the votes for the options:

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| Simple Elegance – 3 | Beautiful Stitches free project – 4 |
| Shenandoah Memories – 3 | Christmas Bonbon – 2 |
| Intro to Pulled Thread – 5 | Thread Selection – 2 |
| Ribbon Candy Ornament – 3 | Pulled Thread on Canvas – 2 |
| Diagonal Stitches Sampler – 1 | Ribbon Embroidery – 2 |

Some of these can be done in one meeting, but others will require two or more meetings. We'll keep you posted.

Blogs

- **Excellent information on ways to anchor threads on needlework projects. They are shown on needlepoint canvas but will also work on cross stitch and embroidery.** Anchoring with pin stitches from DebBee's Designs - Part 1 <https://debbeesdesigns.com/2021/09/28/anchoring-with-pin-stitches-part-1/>; Part 2 – T stitches <https://debbeesdesigns.com/2021/10/04/anchoring-with-pin-stitches-part-2-t-stitches/>; Part 3 – L stitches <https://debbeesdesigns.com/2021/10/11/pin-stitches-part-3-l-stitches/>; Part 4 – a straight line <https://debbeesdesigns.com/2021/10/20/pin-stitches-part-4-a-straight-line/>
- **An interesting way to embellish a painted canvas....** Covering a Painted Canvas Entirely with Squares <https://chillyhollownp.blogspot.com/p/covering-painted-canvas-with-rectangles.html>
- Slow stitching <https://colourcomplements.com/2021/11/slow-stitching-a-newer-way-to-stitch.html>
- **Interesting microscopic photos of four gold threads and explanation of the differences between them.** The anatomy of modern gold threads <https://www.jessicagrimm.com/blog/the-anatomy-of-modern-gold-threads>

Interesting Needlework and Related Info on the Internet

- Interview: Artist Stretches Delicate Strands of Thread to Produce Awe-Inspiring Rainbows Indoors <https://mymodernmet.com/gabriel-dawe-thread-art/>
- 3D Embroideries Recreate the Lush Beauty of Nature with an Enchanting Twist <https://mymodernmet.com/rosa-andreeva-3d-embroidery/>
- Colorful Spider Embroideries by Adam Pritchett <https://www.thisiscolossal.com/2017/01/spider-embroideries-by-adam-pritchett/>

List of Books in Library

Please review this list so we can continue to discuss which books we want to keep in the library at the November meeting. I've highlighted the ones we've decided to keep so far.

Title	Author Last Name	Author First Name	Description
A Gardener's Book of Needlepoint	Bodi, Merrill, deMontesemolo	Jack, Meg, Catherine	Needlepoint
A-Z of Embroidery Stitches	Country Bumpkin Publications		Stitches
America's Best Cross-Stitch	Better Homes and Gardens		Cross stitch
Anchor Book of Counted Thread Embroidery	Allsopp	Dorothy A.	Counted thread
Anchor Color Card	Anchor		Design
Anchor Manual of Needlework	Anchor		General needlework
Art of Embroidery	Gostelow	Mary	General needlework
Bargello Florentine Canvas Work	Williams	Elsa S.	Bargello
Beautiful Bargello	Petschek	Joyce	Bargello
Better Homes and Gardens Needlepoint	Better Homes and Gardens		Needlepoint
Canvaswork			Needlepoint
Complete Guide to Needlework	Reader's Digest		General needlework
Counted Thread Embroidery Stitches	Anchor Book		Stitches
Creative Canvas Work	Williams	Elsa S.	Needlepoint
Creative Needlepoint Borders	Wall	Maggie	Borders
Decorative Knots	Budworth	Geoffrey	Knots
Decorative Needlepoint	Hickman	Julie	Needlepoint
Elaine Slater's Book of Needlepoint Projects	Slater	Elaine	Needlepoint
Elegant Stitches	Montano	Judith Baker	Crazy quilting
Embroidery Book	Gostelow	Mary	General needlework
Embroidery for the Home	Bullen	Jenny	Embroidery
Embroidery Techniques & Patterns	Bayard	Marie-Noelle	Counted thread

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Encyclopedia of Design	Hart	Harold H.	Design
Evenweave Specialty Stitches	Leisure Arts		Stitches
Father B's 21st Century Book of Stitches	Blackburn, Jr.	The Rev. Robert E.	Stitches
Finishing and Mounting Your Needlepoint Piece	Ireys	Katharine	Finishing
Floral Patterns for Needlecraft and The Decorative Arts	Oleson	Karen E	General needlework
Floral Stitches	Montano	Judith Baker	Crazy quilting
Freeform Bargello	Stevens	Gigs	Bargello
Glorious Needlepoint	Fassett	Kaffe	Needlepoint
Gobelin Stitch Embroidery	Chatterton	Pauline	General needlework
Lady Evelyn's Needlework Collection	Digges, Fehd, Lawson, Vogt	Mary-Dick, Dolly Norton, Nancy, Martha Pearle	General needlework
Learn How Book Knitting Crochet Tatting Embroidery	Coats & Clark		General needlework
Letters and Numbers for Needlepoint	Parker	E.M.	Alphabet
Lexington Lace for Needlepoint	Gantt	Joan D.	Needlepoint
McCall's Needlework Treasury	McCall's		General needlework
Monograms The Art of Embroidered Letters	O'Connor	Susan	Alphabet
More Needlepoint from America's Great Quilt Designs	Davis, Giammattei	Mary Kay, Helen	Needlepoint
More Needlework Blocking and Finishing	Burchette	Dorothy	Finishing
Needleplay	Wilson	Erica	Needlepoint
Needlepoint and Pattern	Katzenberg	Gloria	Needlepoint
Needlepoint Bargello	Kaestner	Dorothy	Bargello
Needlepoint for Everyone	Picken, White	Mary Brokks, Doris	Needlepoint
Needlepoint on Plastic Canvas	Brenner De Nitto	Elisabeth	Needlepoint
Needlepoint Stitch by Stitch	Pearson	Anna	Needlepoint
Needlepoint: Design Your Own	Baker, Eyre, Wall, Westerfield	Muriel, Barbara, Margaret, Charlotte	Design
Needlery	Smith	Glenora	General needlework
Needlework Magic	Iles	Jane	General needlework
Ribbon Basics	Hiney, Anckner	Mary Jo, Joy	Ribbon
Stitch Sampler	Ganderton	Lucinda	Stitches
Stitches with Variations	Enthoven	Jacqueline	Stitches
Teach Yourself Needlepoint	Ipplito Christensen	Jo	Needlepoint
Terrace Hill Needlepoint Designs	Ray	Billie	General needlework
The Anchor Book of Canvaswork Embroidery Stitches	Anchor		Canvaswork
The Anchor Book of Counted Thread Embroidery Stitches	Anchor		Counted thread
The Anchor Book of Crewelwork Embroidery Stitches	Anchor		Crewelwork
The Anchor Book of Free-Style Embroidery Stitches	Anchor		Free style
The Anchor Book of Hardanger Embroidery Stitches	Anchor		Hardanger
The Anchor Book of Ribbon Embroidery Stitches	Anchor		Ribbon
The Complete Encyclopedia of Stitchery	Ryan	Mildred Graves	General needlework
The Complete International Book of Embroidery	Gostelow	Mary	General needlework
The Dictionary of Needlework	Caulfield, Saward	Sophia Frances Anne, Blanche	General needlework
The Embroiderer's Portfolio of Flower Designs	Haraszty	Eszter	General needlework
The Needlepoint Book	Ipplito Christensen	Jo	Needlepoint
The Open Canvas	Ambuter	Carolyn	General needlework
The Thread Thesaurus	Caswell, Howren, Robertson	Ann, Suzanne, Beth	General needlework
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Timeless Ornaments	Leisure Art		Cross stitch
Treasures in Needlework	Warren, Pullan		General needlework
Trianglepoint	Lantz	Sherlee	Needlepoint
Wildflower Designs for Needlework	Winter	Adalee	General needlework
Wildlife in Needlework	Edwards	Stella	Needlepoint
Woman's Day Book of American Needlework	Lane	Rose Wilder	General needlework

Editor's Note

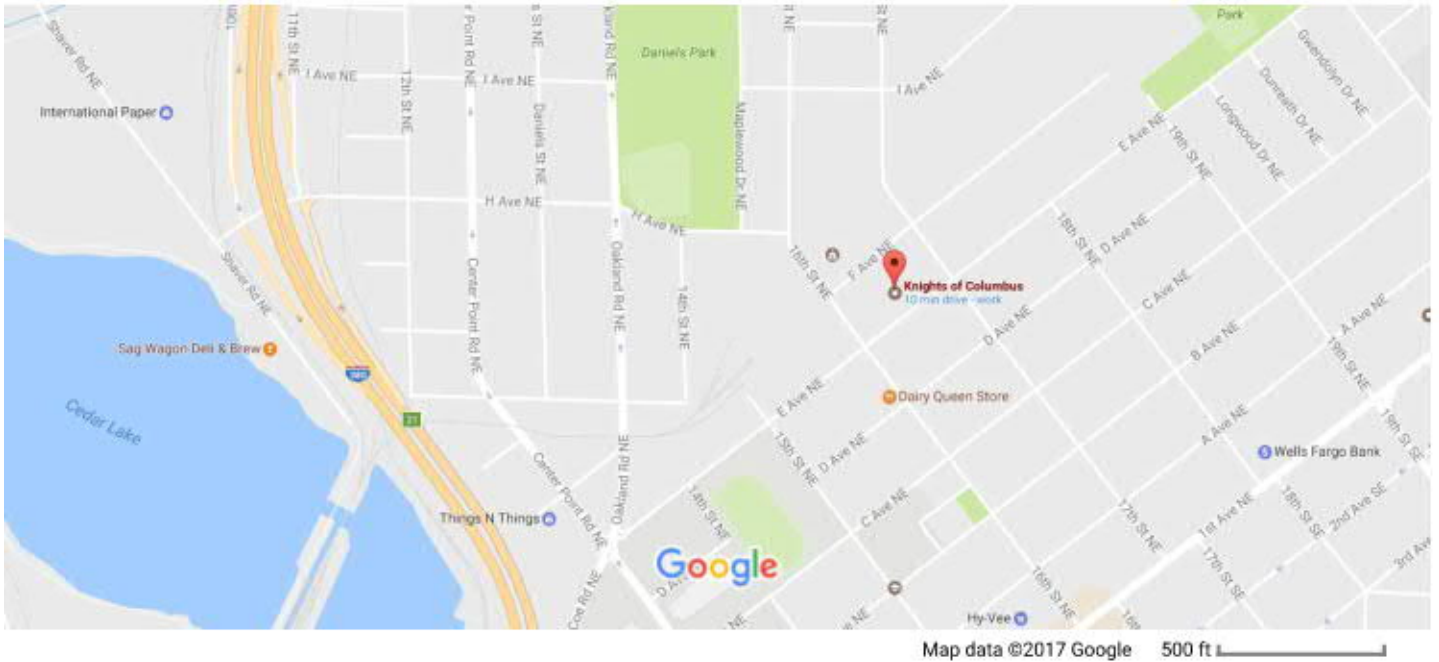
Items included in the newsletter are ones that catch my attention in which I think the membership might be interested. I'm also happy to include news items or suggestions you send me, so please feel free to send things to me for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Cindy

Directions to Knights of Columbus Hall

1620 E Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids, IA

From I380, take the H Avenue exit. Turn onto H Ave NE. Turn right onto 16th St NE. Turn left onto E Ave NE. The Knights of Columbus Hall is on the left.



Directions to North Liberty Public Library

520 W. Cherry St, North Liberty, IA

From I380, take the Penn St exit. Go east on Penn St. Turn right on Highway 965 NE. Turn left on Cherry St. The library entrance is on the west side of the building.



Bountiful Harvest Bookmark

DESIGNED BY PAM KELLOGG

STITCH COUNT: 24W X 100H OR ABOUT 2" X 8"

Materials needed:

- Kreinik Very Fine #4 Braid 221 Antique Gold
- Kreinik Silk Mori: 2013, 2015, 2063, 2066, 4033, 4034, 6086, 6106, 6107
- 24-count stitchband in white (Zweigart brand)
- #24 Tapestry needle
- scissors

Instructions:

Each square on the chart equals two fabric threads, so stitch this design over two threads centered on your stitchband fabric. Use two strands of Silk Mori or one strand of Braid according to the color key. Use one strand of Braid or Mori for backstitching.

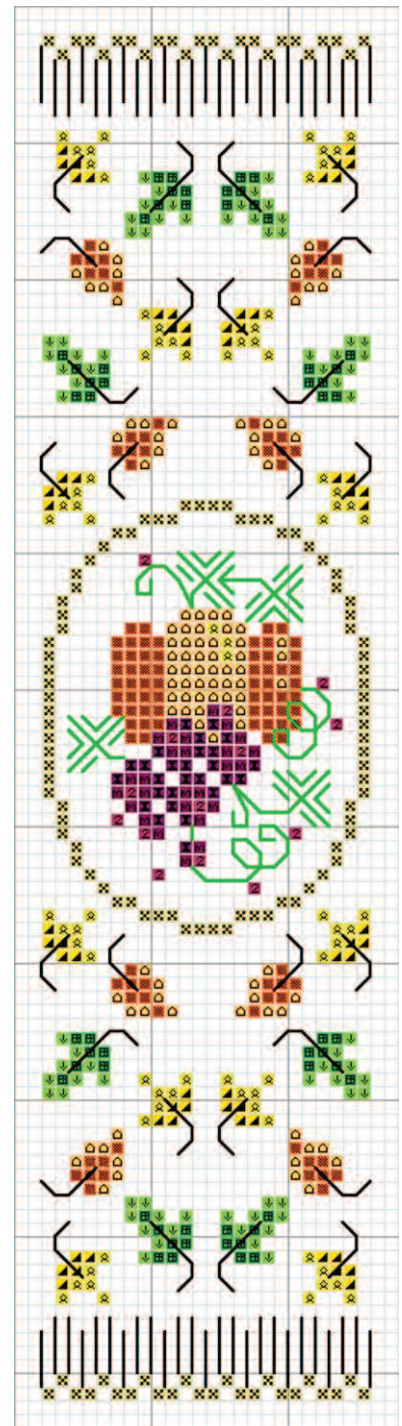
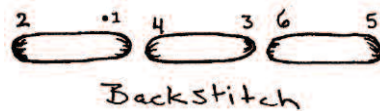
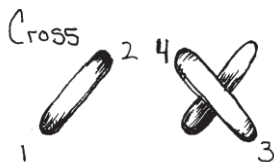
Color Key:

- ✘ Very Fine #4 Braid 221 Antique Gold
- ▲ Silk Mori 2015 Medium Dark Gold
- ⊗ Silk Mori 2013 Light Gold
- ◻ silk Mori 2063 Light Pumpkin
- ◼ Silk Mori 2066 Dark Pumpkin
- ↓ Silk Mori 4033 Light Kelly Green
- ▣ Silk Mori 4034 Medium kelly Green
- ◼ Silk Mori 6086 Dark Grape
- ◼ Silk Mori 6106 Dark Lavender
- ◼ Silk Mori 6107 Very Dark Lavender
- Backstitch with #4 Braid 221
- Backstitch curly q's and stems near pumpkin with Mori 4034



Satin stitch leaves with Mori 4034

Stitch Diagrams:





Blue Ribbon Chapter
American Needlepoint Guild, Inc.
Membership Form

New Member Renewing Member # _____

Date _____

Name _____

Primary Chapter: Blue Ribbon Chapter Other (specify): _____

Mailing Address: _____

Street or PO Box

City

State/Province

Zip/Postal Code

Daytime Phone

Evening Phone

Cell Phone

Email Address: _____

The Blue Ribbon Chapter of ANG will use your email address to send E-newsletters, renewal notices, meeting information, updates and announcements.

Annual Membership Dues: \$20.00
(If joining as a new member after July, dues are \$10 for the remainder of the year)

Please send this completed form and payment to

Lori Barton, Treasurer
Blue Ribbon Chapter, ANG
5700 W Mustang Rd
Cedar Rapids, IA 52411

Questions? Please call Lori at 319-294-1054 or Cindy Baldwin at 319-540-4132

Current membership period is valid through December 31, 2021. Dues for the next year are due before January 1st.