



# The Needle Knows

Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild  
South Central Region



<http://www.DNTG.org>

## From the President

Spring is in the air.... I would like to say it means nicer weather, but it usually means lot of storms. That's ok, the birds are chirping, and the flowers are blooming which means be on the lookout for blue bonnets! They are everywhere and quite the Texas thing. I will miss them once we move to Colorado. Maybe that is something I should stitch....

Just a year ago, we started working on our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary community project Protecting the Twelve for the zoo. I hope you've had the opportunity to stitch on one of the many projects that we have going. If you haven't, contact Paige Guillory to help. I'm working on the tiger and am loving every minute of it.

Don't forget this month is birthday month. Plan on bringing a gift to the meeting when we celebrate everyone's birthday!

Cheers!

Randye

EGA Mission is to inspire passion for the needle arts through education and the celebration of its heritage.

## Calendar April 2024

- 4 Sew Day
- 8 Satellite Group
- 11 General Meeting  
**Birthday Celebration**  
**EDUCATION** - How to make journal covers
- 18 Sew Day & Sampler Group
- 22 Satellite Group
- 25 Sew Day

### [The Church of the Holy Communion](#)

17405 Muirfield Drive, Dallas, TX 75287

**Sew Days:** 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Bring lunch.

**General Meetings:** 10:00 am,  
Coffee at 9:30 am

**Board Meetings:** 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

### [Custer Road United Methodist Church](#)

6601 Custer Road, Room B15, Plano, TX 75023

**Plano Satellite:** 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

This is the newsletter of the Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild Chapter of “EGA, The Embroiderers’ Guild of America, Inc.”

**President:**

Randye Engeran

**Membership:**

Paige Guillory

**Newsletter:**

Elena Andrade

General meetings are held at *The Church of the Holy Communion, 17405 Murfield Drive, Dallas*, on the second Thursday of the month with coffee at 9:30 a.m. and the general meeting at 10:00 a.m. Information and dates for these and other meetings will be listed in the calendar. Sew days are also held at *The Church of the Holy Communion* on all other Thursdays of the month from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Bring a sack lunch.

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**The deadline for submission of written articles for publication in the newsletter is the 15th of the prior month.**

## Plano Satellite

The Plano Satellite group meets on the **second and fourth Mondays** most months at 7:00 p.m. at:

United Methodist Church  
6601 Custer Road in Plano

Entry to the building has changed recently and is now through the two sets of double doors in the lobby. We meet in room **B15** in the basement.

Come and join us for a fun evening of stitching!  
Robin Caraway  
(214) 803-8516

## Join Our New Facebook Group



Come join our new DNTG Facebook Group! You’ll be able to post pictures of your projects, talk to other stitchers and see what they’re working on. If you can’t attend an event, our

Facebook Group will have posts from our monthly Show & Tell, workshops and education classes. We’ll also post upcoming activities on the Events page on our website [www.dntg.org](http://www.dntg.org).

It’s easy to get started! You can search for Dallas Needlework (DNTG) on Facebook or scan the QR code.

Be sure to come back often to see what our chapter is doing and check out other DNTG members’ posts featuring their projects and make comments.



Michelle Kocurek  
Please join our Facebook Group

## Have you seen our New Website



Visit our website at [www.dntg.org](http://www.dntg.org). It has information about our organization, workshops, education classes, photos, an interactive calendar, membership information, newsletters and even a member only section. It’s even easy to use on your phone.

Michelle Kocurek  
DNTG Website

## Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild 2023-2024 Master Calendar

April 11, 2024	General Meeting <b>PROGRAMS – “Birthday Celebration”</b> <b>EDUCATION –</b> How to make Journal Covers
April 18, 2024	Sew day and Sampler Group 2024-2025 Budget Proposal Meeting
May 2, 2024	Board Meeting, 10:00 AM
May 6-7, 2024	<b>WORKSHOPS – “Turkish Delight”</b> taught by Barbara Ellis
May 9, 2024	Annual Lunch and Induction of New Officers
May 16, 2024	Sew day and Sampler Group
June 11-16, 2024	SCR Region Seminar – <b>“Dive into Stitching”</b> in San Marcos, TX
June 13, 2024	General Meeting
June 20, 2024	Sew day and Sampler Group
July 11, 2024	General Meeting
July 18, 2024	Sew day and Sampler Group
August 8, 2024	General Meeting
August 14-18, 2024	EGA National Seminar – <b>“Preserving Needle Arts”</b> in Atlanta GA
August 20, 2024	Sew day and Sampler Group
November 2, 2024	<b>WORKSHOPS –</b> Jolly Santa by Brenda Stofft

## Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild 2023-2024 Master Calendar

January 15-19, 2025	DNTG 31 <sup>st</sup> Annual ReTreat at Tanglewood, 290 Tanglewood Circle, Pottsboro, Tx 75076
June 11-14, 2025	SCR Region Seminar – Fort Worth TX
November 12-16, 2025	EGA National Seminar – Dallas, TX, South Central Region

The purpose of the master calendar is to help our members see all upcoming DN&TG events in one place. The workshops of other guilds are being included in attempt to avoid scheduling conflicts. Events will be added as dates become available, so check your monthly newsletter for the most recent calendar.



Creative success means  
balancing your love of starting things  
with a habit of finishing them.  
- Marie Forleo

## Proposed Chapter Officers

The Nominating Committee proposes the following as officers for the 2024-2025 Chapter Year. Nominations can be made from the floor at the April Meeting for any of these positions.

### ***Executive Board***

President: Marty Anderson  
Vice President: Elena Andrade  
Membership: Paige Guillory  
Arrangements: Stacey Lundgren  
Workshops: Jan Goss  
Assistant Workshops: Karen Dodge  
Programs: Dotty Rowan  
Education: Karen Dittmar  
Secretary: Vanessa Sandoval  
Treasurer: Gail Manning  
Region Rep: Jo Ann Jackson

## Birthdays

Sherry Seville	Apr 2
Eileen Chalk	Apr 6
Glenna Johnson	Apr 11
Marcia Buckingham	Apr 14
Jennifer Herrmann	Apr 14
Patricia Wingate	Apr 14
Linda Cox	Apr 16
Gayle Brown	Apr 18
Faye Crawford	Apr 18
Suzette McKee	Apr 18
Karen Hammer	Apr 20
Michelle Kocurek	Apr 22
Linda Milford	Apr 28

## Welcome

A warm welcome to our new member!

Carol Spruiell

When you see her, please welcome her to DNTE

## Thoughts and Prayers

Please keep

Judy Logan (Past President)  
And Fran Mason's  
Families

in your thoughts and Prayers, they passed away in March.

Please keep all members safe.



## In Memory of Judy Logan and Frances Mason

*It is with great sadness that DNTG announces that, unfortunately, we recently lost two of our long-time members.*

*Judy Logan passed away on March 8, 2024  
And Frances Mason passed away on March 4, 2024*



*Judy's art grew from hobby to her being President of the Dallas Needlework & Textile Guild, a certified nationally recognized teacher, and publishing her award-winning book, Blackwork is Fun. Recently, Judy discovered a passion for Zentangle, which filled her days and provided teaching opportunities to share this art form.*



*Fran's first job in Chicago was as the first female secretary of the head of Burlington Railroad, as the men were serving in WWII. She and her family lived in many countries, including Iran, Germany, Italy, England, Korea, and Brazil. After settling in Dallas, Fran taught needlepoint at the Olla Podrida for several years.*

## Sampler Group

**The Sampler Group is a special interest group in the Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild dedicated to learning about and stitching newly designed samplers or antiques which have been reproduced for duplication.**

**Members also enjoy stitching sampler related small items such as needlebooks, pincushions, and miniatures. The group meets monthly on the third Thursday of each month from 10:00 until 2:00 at Church of the Holy Communion**

Please note: The next meeting of the will be held on Thursday, [April 18](#), 2024 from 10-2 pm, at the Church of the Holy Communion. We will continue to share our knowledge and love of samplers and our study of Quaker samplers in particular. Anyone interested is welcome.

Each member is encouraged to challenge herself to incorporate a Quaker design into a stitched piece.... anything from a full sampler to a small pin keep. Finished pieces will be displayed at the Spring Luncheon in May 2024. Please make plans to investigate Quaker patterns and select one that is of interest to you. The group will appreciate any information you learn while researching your project.

I want to remind the sampler group to finish their Quaker pieces so they can display them on the table at [the Annual Luncheon on May 9](#).

Linda Cox,  
Sampler Group Chairman

## Education

Our last education class for the year will be a demonstration on how to make a journal or notepad cover.

It has been a pleasure doing Education for the last two years.

A big thank you to Elena and Cyndi for doing some of the classes this year.

Thank you to all who participated.

Connie Litfin



## Programs

Just a reminder that our April General meeting is our **“Membership birthday celebration”**. We are having a **“birthday present”** exchange. If you would like to participate, please bring a \$20 wrapped gift that is related to stitching/needlework.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the Party.

June Roden





PLEASE JOIN US FOR DNTG

# *Annual Luncheon*

Thursday, May 9, From 11 AM To 2 PM

Maggiano's Little Italy  
6001 West Park Blvd, Plano, TX 75093  
Cost \$45.00

*Reservation Deadline: May 1, 2024*

*Your check is your reservation.  
Please make checks to DNTG and  
give it or send it to:*

*Valorie Russell  
2428 Merrimac Dr, Frisco, TX 75033*



## Membership 2024 Renewal Begins April 1st

**We will have computers at the April general meeting to assist members with EGA's new online renewal process.** If you prefer to renew online at home, here are some things you need to know.

- **Starting April 1st, all EGA members will renew their primary membership online.** If you renew your membership in April, your annual renewal date will remain as 5/31.
- **Primary DNTG chapter members** will receive an email from EGA headquarters alerting you it's time to renew your membership. You then log onto [www.egausa.org](http://www.egausa.org), visit the Chapter Map, select DNTG, and pay your national, region, and chapter dues. If you have a plural membership with another chapter, you will still need to pay the plural membership fee directly to that chapter for 2024.
- **When you renew your membership online, you will have the option to set your membership renewal as a recurring payment.** With this new feature, you will be able to have your membership auto-renew each year. Payments can be set up using by a credit card, Apple Pay or Google Pay.
- If you are unable to renew and pay online you may request a form to renew and pay by mail. This is not the preferred way to renew, but we do understand this may be the only option for certain members.
- If you are a current life member you will pay your chapter and region dues directly to your chapter. You do not need to make any online payment to EGA.
- **New members can join anytime, and their renewal date will be one year after membership dues are paid on** the last day of the month. For example, if you become a member on June 17, 2024, your next renewal date will be June 30, 2025.
- You can find more information about renewals at the link below:
- [https://egausa.org/step-by-step-how-to-join-an-ega-chapter/?inf\\_contact\\_key=6769fddb02638261913f2299d1be5e8368of8914173f9191b1c0223e68310bb1](https://egausa.org/step-by-step-how-to-join-an-ega-chapter/?inf_contact_key=6769fddb02638261913f2299d1be5e8368of8914173f9191b1c0223e68310bb1)

Paige Guillory  
Membership Chair

## Membership

### New Members:

Your membership number will be sent to you directly from EGA. Please forward this number to [dntg.ega@gmail.com](mailto:dntg.ega@gmail.com) so that our records will show you are qualified to participate in all the FUN stuff offered through DN&TG!!!

### All Members:

**CHANGES!** If ANY of your information changes, please remember to contact me at [dntg.ega@gmail.com](mailto:dntg.ega@gmail.com) to insure you receive the latest and greatest news from DN&TG. You must also contact Tonya Parks at EGA National, [typarks@egausa.org](mailto:typarks@egausa.org) or call 502-589-6956, to ensure you continue to receive your local, Region and National EGA communications and publications. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE THESE CHANGES TO RECEIVE ANY AND ALL COMMUNICATIONS FROM EGA.

### Bring a Friend!

Your name will go in a drawing for each one of your friends that joins DN&TG during the year. What does that mean? You have a great chance to win a year's **FREE** membership!

### Come to our General meetings!

Great friends, delicious refreshments, and outstanding programs! And...just be attending, you may be the lucky one that receives a small prize. Service length pins are available at the membership "Welcome" table. Don't forget to wear your name tag.

Paige Guillory  
Membership Chairman  
[dntg.ega@gmail.com](mailto:dntg.ega@gmail.com)

## From Our Vice President

To all DN&TG members,

I am pleased to serve as your Vice President. One of my roles is to act as a liaison between DN&TG members and the Chapter's Board.

If you have any suggestions or concerns regarding DN&TG, please forward them to me. All issues will be respected, seriously considered, and brought before the Board for resolution. You can even remain anonymous if you choose.

I can be reached in person, by phone, or email. My contact information is in the Chapter Directory.

Don't forget to share your positive experiences with the Chapter too!

With your suggestions and help, we can make DN&TG the best chapter ever!

Marty Anderson

## Regional Representative

I am still collecting items for our Opportunity Knocks Basket until I leave for Seminar. Please have any stitched items already finished. Thanks to Conie Litfin for this beautiful beach scene with the adorable flip flops that is one of our donations.

I have tickets to the drawing for up to \$1500 that can be used for either SCR Seminar 2025 in Fort Worth or SCR Seminar 2026 in Dallas. This can be used to cover travel, hotel, registration, kit fees, and spending money. The tickets are \$10 each or 12 for \$100. They can be bought by an individual or by a group and shared by the group. Contact me until the end of May for a ticket.

You can also order either the new region pin or magnet. I will need your order by March 31 and your payment by the end of May. They will be available at Seminar in San Marcos. Again, contact me if you are interested in ordering either or both.



## Opportunity knocks Basket Stitchin' Texas Retreat

In April 2024, DNTG will be promoting our chapter and EGA at the **DFW Cross Stitcher's Retreat**. This three-day event had 140 attendees last year from the DFW area. The Fort Worth EGA chapter has attended this event for three years and gained 13-17 new members each year.



This is a great opportunity to grow our chapter with members that are already cross stitching together on Facebook in the DFW area. As part of the event, Greater Dallas EGA, Fort Worth EGA, and DNTG will have Opportunity Knocks baskets for the attendees. Our basket theme is **"These are a Few of My Favorite Things."**

Please consider donating items for our basket. We are looking for stitching tools, patterns, fabric, lights, scissors, magnets, fobs, etc. It can be anything you really like to use when you stitch.

If you'd like to participate, please give your **"Favorite Things"** items to Paige Guillory at a Thursday sew day or General meeting.

Thank you for your help promoting DNTG!

## Jolly Santa by Brenda Stofft Needlepoint Class November 2, 2024



**Registration Deadline:  
July 31, 2024**

This Jolly Santa is part of a Brenda Stofft needlepoint series called "Tis the Season to be Jolly". The one-day workshop will be taught by Gayle Anderson, owner of Fancy Stitches in Cleburne, Texas. Gayle is a fabulous teacher. This class is appropriate for beginners as well as advanced stitchers

- **The cost of the class is \$140**, which includes the canvas mounted on stretcher bars, threads, stitch guide, and instructions.
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- The workshop is to be held on Saturday, November 2, 2024 at the home of Jan Goss, 5443 Neola Drive, Dallas, TX, 75209.

The design is on 18 mesh canvas and is 4.5" X 6.25"

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ EGA #: \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Method (circle one)**  
**Check    ZELLE**

Your kit fee is your **non-refundable** deposit.  
**There is a \$20 additional charge for non-chapter members.**

You can pay either by check payable to DNTG or **ZELLE** to: [dntg.treas@gmail.com](mailto:dntg.treas@gmail.com)  
**REQUIRED FOR ZELLE:** In the Memo field, please type: **Jolly Santa Workshop**

**This form must be submitted to be registered for the class.**

**Mail to:** Jan Goss, 5443 Neola Drive, Dallas, TX 75209  
**email:** [janjgoss@gmail.com](mailto:janjgoss@gmail.com)

Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild  
South Central Region (SCR) of EGA

Membership Form – 2024

DNTG Primary Membership (\$80) is now online. Simply click on the link below to go to the registration page:

<https://egausa.org/product/dallas-needlework-textile-guild-chapter>

If you are joining as a **Plural Member**, (your primary EGA membership is with another chapter), you will need to fill out this form and mail it to the address below.

\$20 – Plural inside SCR (TX, OK, LA, AR, MS) / \$25 – Plural outside SCR

Primary Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ EGA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell or Home (circle one)

email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (Month and Day): \_\_\_\_\_ Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been stitching and what is your stitching passion? \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about us? \_\_\_\_\_

Guests are welcome to attend three general meetings, sew days or satellite meetings after which we invite you to become a dues-paying member!

Mail this form to:

Paige Guillory, Membership Chairman  
3704 Skyline Drive, Plano, Texas 75025

Payment Method (circle one)

Check ZELLE

Payable by check to DNTG or ZELLE: [dntg.treas@gmail.com](mailto:dntg.treas@gmail.com)

**REQUIRED FOR ZELLE:** In the Memo field, please indicate you are paying – **Membership Dues**



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**Dallas Needlework & Textile Guild**

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c/o Elena Andrade

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