

# The Needle Knows

Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild South Central Region



http://www.DNTG.org

### **From the President**

Holiday season is upon us! Are you ready? I've been stitching madly on Holiday presents. I still have a few to finish and even some to get started. How about you? I give away most of the things I make. I have just a handful that I've kept to decorate my home.

When I first joined the guild, everyone wanted to know when I started stitching and what I had stitched. It had been so long; I couldn't remember anything. That first year, as I traveled around visiting family and friends, I noticed many of the things that I had stitched and given as gifts. It warmed my heart to see so many things were still around.

It brings me joy to make gifts specifically for people. As I spend time working on it, I'm thinking of the person I'm making it for. Doing this helps make them feel close, even when they are far away. Much love goes into all these gifts. I hope when you stitch for others that you think of the receiver often.

Thanksgiving is quickly approaching. Try to be grateful for all your blessings this year and **don't** gobble 'til you wobble!

Randye

### Calendar November 2023

- 2 Sew Day
- General Meeting
  EDUCATION: Battenburg Lace
  PROGRAMS: EGA study box on
  black work design
- 13 Plano Satellite
- 16 Sew Day and Sampler Group
- 23 No Sew Day
- 27 Plano Satellite

#### The Church of the Holy Communion

17405 Muirfield Drive, Dallas, TX 75287

Sew Days 10:00 am-2:00 pm. Bring lunch General Meeting 10:00 am, Coffee at 9:30 am Board Meeting – 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 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. 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.

### 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 <u>www.dntg.org</u>.

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



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

6601 Custer Road Plano.

Entry to the building is through the far SE door on the corner: it faces the traffic signal at Custer and Cumberland. We meet in room B15 in the basement. Come join us for a fun evening of stitching!

Robin Caraway

# Have you seen our New Website



Visit our website at <u>www.dntg.org</u>. 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

November 2, 2023	Sew Day
November 9, 2023	General Meeting, Program EDUCATION – Battenburg Lace by Elena Andrade PROGRAMS EGA study box on black work design.
November 16, 2023	Sew day and Sampler Group
November 23, 2023	NO SEW DAY
December 14, 2023	Holiday Party / General Meeting
December 21,2023	Sew day and Sampler Group
December 28, 2023	NO SEW DAY
January 4, 2024	Board Meeting, 10:00 AM
January 11, 2024	General Meeting – " <b>MAGIC Revealed</b> " / Soup & Salad Luncheon EDUCATION –Needle Darning
January 17-21, 2024	<b>DN&amp;TG 30th Annual ReTreat</b> hosted by the Turtles at Tanglewood, 290 Tanglewood Cir, Pottsboro, TX 75076
January 18, 2024	NO SEW DAY
February 3, 2024	EGA sponsored "Stitch-in-Public Day."
February 8, 2024	General Meeting, Program TBD <b>EDUCATION</b> –Small Crazy Quilt Project
February 15, 2023	Sew Day and Sampler Group
February 22, 2024	Board Meeting, 10:00 AM
February 22, 2024	Trinket Boxes with Round Lids (7 choices) by Cindy Hambrick

# Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild 2023-2024 Master Calendar

March 21, 2023	Sew day and Sampler Group
March 28, 2024	Christmas Ornaments (5 choices) by Cindy Hambrick
April 11, 2024	General Meeting – " <b>Birthday Celebration"</b> EDUCATION –How to make Journal Covers
April 18, 2024	Sew day and Sampler Group2024-2025 Budget Proposal Meeting
May 2, 2024	Board Meeting, 10:00 AM
May 6-7, 2024	WORKSHOP – "Turkish Delight" taught by Barbara Ellis
May 9, 2024	Annual Lunch and Induction of New Officers
May 16, 2023	Sew day and Sampler Group
June 10-16, 2024	SCR Region Seminar – <b>"Dive into Stitching</b> " in San Marcos, TX
August 14-18, 2024	EGA National Seminar – "Preserving Needle Arts" in Atlanta GA
June 2025	SCR Region Seminar – Fort Worth TX
November 12-16, 2025	EGA National Seminar – 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.



# Welcome

A warm welcome to our new members!

Marsha Maloney Sheryl Overstreet Mary Tabor Gail Manning Ann Tips Glenna Johnson Jody Wetterlind Cynthia Fisher

When you see them, please welcome them to DNTG. For updates to the 2023-2024 Membership Directory, go to www.dntg.org



# **Birthdays**

Judith Markus	1 Nov
Jennifer Kiss	3 Nov
Joy Read	10 Nov
Marceil Geiser	13 Nov
Gale Ozment	14 Nov
Ann Tuley Johnson	16 Nov
Ann Tipps	16 Nov
Holly Laughlin	17 Nov
Dee Smith	17 Nov
Yvonne McCauley	26 Nov
Stella Montgomery	27 Nov
Lynn Melder	28 Nov
Jan Goss	30 Nov
Betty Quelch	30 Nov

# **Thoughts and Prayers**

Please keep these members in your thoughts and Prayers:

Sue Saiter Cindy Scott Jo Ann Jackson Kathy Scioneauxon

Please keep all members safe.

# In Memory of Sue Saiter



### Arrangements

For our **November 9th** DN&TG General Meeting **the Chalice Gift Shop** at the church will be open for our shopping pleasure. It has a variety of unique items for birthday or holiday gifts. Please check them out and let them know we appreciate the chance to shop.

Holiday Party: Our member Karen Dittmar has generously offered her home for the DN&TG holiday party for our December meeting, December 14, 2023. Carpooling is recommended. I will be collecting unwrapped new toys to donate to a needy charity. Details forthcoming.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Valorie

### 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.

The next meeting of the Sampler Group will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2023 from 10 am to 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. 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.

Linda Cox Sampler Group Chairman



Tri Fold Carnation Sewing Case Catherine Theron

### Membership

#### New Members:

Your membership number will be sent to you directly from EGA. Please forward this number to <u>dntg.ega@gmail.com</u> 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 <u>dntg.ega@gmail.com</u> to insure you receive the latest and greatest news from DN&TG. You must also contact Tonya Parks at EGA National, <u>typarks@egausa.org</u> or call <u>502-589-6956</u>, 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 <u>dntg.ega@gmail.com</u>

# Education

After the program on November 9, Elena Andrade will be teaching Battenburg Lace.

Kit \$7.00

Please bring:

- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Pins
- And basic sewing supplies

Sign up and samples will be at the meeting for future classes.

Connie Liftin Education Chair



### Programs

This month's General meeting will be something a little different as we explore an EGA study box program about Blackwork.

I hope everyone is completing their magic list and is ready to show off their items at the January General meeting.

Happy stitching, June Roden





# 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tote Bag Fundraiser

Help support our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary community service project by purchasing a tote bag. The tote bags are made with needlepoint canvases that were donated to our guild. They are all lined and have a 6" bottom/sides. You can see the bags and their sizes on the DNTG website under the **Members Only** tab. The money we raise from the sale of the bags will fund the framing of the 14 animals we are cross stitching for the Dallas Zoo.

· All items will be sold on a first-come first-served basis

• You can view all the items for sale at <u>www.dntg.org</u> - under the *Members Only* tab

• Enter the password (if you don't remember it, email Paige and she'll send you the password)

• At the top of the page, there is a button titled "50th Anniversary Fundraiser" click on this to see the bags

• If you find a bag you want, email Paige at <u>paige.guillory@verizon.net</u> with the item number and description (i.e., Yellow Flower – S2)

· If the bag is available, you'll receive an email with the total for your purchase (it's \$15 extra if you want it shipped)

· You will then Zelle the money to <u>dntg.treas@gmail.com</u> or write a check made out to **DNTG** 

 $\cdot$  When payment is received, you can pick it up at a sew day or it will be shipped to you

Thanks to everyone who has already purchased a bag. We appreciate your support! Paige Guillory

50th Anniversary Chair

# Opportunity knocks

Do you have something to contribute to the Chapter's Opportunity Knocks Basket?

We are looking for any sea related items. Here are some of the items that have been donated so far. I have some books that have some seashore items. They include beads, crochet, and cross stitch. If you are finishing them, they can be given to my through May.

If you need assistance finishing them, I must have them by January.

Thanks

Jo Ann Jackson



### **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

# State Fair of Texas Sew in Public

Thank you to all the DNTG members that volunteered to teach cross stitch at the State Fair.

On Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, we taught people of all ages to cross stitch a corny dog while promoting EGA and DNTG.

We handed out 100 kits in three hours. On October 19<sup>th</sup>, the kits were gone in an hour!

And on Saturday, with the help of members from Fort Worth EGA, the kits were gone in two hours!

We got several people to sign up for our newsletter so hopefully, we'll see some new faces at a sew day or general meeting soon.





### **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!

### ReTreat 2024



The Talented Turtles Invite You To ReTreat 2024 January 17-21, 2024



The Talented Turtles are planning a fun and relaxing 31<sup>st</sup> annual DN&TG ReTreat at Tanglewood Resort! We hope you will join us!

The 2024 Registration Form can be found in the monthly DN&TG Newsletter. You may pay by Zelle or check. Either way please include in the memo area that your payment is for Retreat. **The balance is due no later than December 14, 2023**. Due to a change in Tanglewood management, this year **DN&TG must pay the hotel the entire amount** of the 2024 Retreat before retreat begins. As such, **your reservation will not be confirmed until receipt of your completed registration form and your payment.** 

**Please note:** Our registrar, Marty Anderson, is pleased to assist you by processing installment payments. Please make note of the entire balance of your stay as marked on your registration form and make your payments accordingly.

We are also happy to announce that a Stitching Room will be provided again this year for early arrivals on **Tuesday, January 16<sup>th</sup>!** The cost of your room including use of the Stitching Room is \$89 per night plus tax and resort fees. <u>All early reservations must be made by you directly with Tanglewood Reservations</u> and are not included in your DN&TG ReTreat payment.

**Regarding the Stash Table:** We all enjoy finding treasures at the Stash Table, so please think about what you will bring to share this year. **Bring only original books, magazines, or patterns.** It is an infringement of copyright laws to copy patterns, and as members of EGA we should respect the laws. Stitching accessories are welcome.

If we can assist you in any way, please refer questions to Linda Cox, (<u>lindarcox@earthlink.net</u>) or to any member of the Talented Turtle Committee.



# Barbara Ellis - Turkish Delight May 6-7, 2024



Registration Deadline: March 24, 2024

This is a dual-strand infinity style necklace that focuses on multi-rope variations that are connected using coin pearls and jewel stones. Sections of the necklace are created one at a time and connected to create one 78" long necklace and one shorter 18" necklace finished with a charm and drop focal piece. These ropes are really fun to create and there will be several kits to choose from including purple haze, ivory coast, and midnight clouds.

Technique: Bead Weaving Proficiency Level: Intermediate Pre-Work: Optional **Design Area:** 18" - 78" **Kit Cost:** \$125.00

**Kit Contents:** Gemstones, decorative drop, connectors, coin pearls, 15/0 seed beads, 11/0 seed beads, accent crystals, clasp.

**Student Provides:** Fireline (6 lb.) or One-G thread, size 10 and 12 beading needles, usual beading supplies, light and magnification if needed.

Color Choices - Purple Haze, Ivory Coast or Midnight Clouds

Name:		EGA #:		
email:		Phone:		
Address:				
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Mail to	: Cyndi Scott, 6817	Riverchase Trail, Denton, TX, 76	210	
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# Cindy Hambric - Trinket Boxes February 24, 2024



There is a selection of 9 boxes

- Back Row Ella's Brew, Noelle's Peppermints, and Peg's Leaves
- Front Row Natalie's Bee Time (Not Included) Snow Man for Mary Alice and Be Mine Sweet Clara
- Not Shown Ho, Ho, Ho, Janet's Spooky and Jeanne's Cornucopia

**Kit Cost:** Janet's Spooky \$150, the rest of the kits are \$135. **Kit Contents:** All beads and instructions to complete the Trinket Box **Student Provides:** Usual Stitching Supplies including the beading thread, and beading needles.

### Registration Deadline: December 4, 2023

Name:	EGA #:	
email:	Phone:	
Address:		
City:State: _	Zip:	
Select One or More:		
Ella's Brew	Noelle's Peppermints	Peg's Leaves
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Total Submitted \$		
You	r kit fee is your <u>non-refundable</u> deposit.	
There is a \$20 additional charg	e for non-chapter members <mark>. No Ghosts a</mark>	re allowed for this class.
You can pay either by check payabl <b>REQUIRED FOR ZELLE:</b> In the Mem	e to DNTG or <b>ZELLE</b> to: <u>dntg.treas@gmai</u> o field, please type: <b>Trinket Boxes</b>	l.com
This form must be submitted to be Mail to: Cyndi Scott, 6817 Rivercha email: dntg.ega@gmail.com	-	Payment Method (circle one) Check ZELLE

### Cindy Hambrick - Ornaments February 24, 2024

Select one of more of these unique ornaments by Cindy Hambrick to stitch at our special class on February 24, 2024. There is a selection of 5 ornament.



Your kit fee is your **<u>non-refundable</u>** deposit.

There is a \$20 additional charge for non-chapter members. No ghosts are allowed for this class.

You can pay either by check payable to DNTG or **ZELLE** to: <u>dntg.treas@gmail.com</u> **REQUIRED FOR ZELLE**: In the Memo field, please type: **Cindy Ornaments** 

> This form must be submitted to be registered for the class. Mail to: Cyndi Scott, 6817 Riverchase Trail, Denton, TX, 76210 email: <u>dntg.ega@gmail.com</u>

### 31<sup>st</sup> Annual ReTreat Registration Form January 17-21, 2024

Name:	Ε.	GA #:	
Address:	City	State	Zip
Email:		Phone:	
I stitch with (name of group):	Is	this your first time at R	eTreat?
Emergency Contact Name:		Phone:	

The registration fee includes all appropriate lodging and meals based on the day you arrive. Meals include: 2 meals on Wednesday, 3 meals on Thursday-Saturday, and Sunday brunch as well as sodas, coffee, and tea in our meeting room.

Arrive on:	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Single	\$777.00	\$591.50	\$406.00
Double*	\$645.00	\$492.50	\$340.00
Triple*	\$589.00	\$450.50	\$312.00

Circle the fee for the date of your arrival and list your roommate(s) here: \_

\* Prices stated are for roommates arriving on the same day. If arriving on different days, additional room costs are the responsibility of the roommate arriving on the earlier day. <u>The balance of all payment must be made by the deadline</u>.

#### **Special Requirements:**

Room near to e	vent room:		Non-smoking:
Special Diet:	Vegetarian	Low fat	Other:

Mail this form to: Marty Anderson, 4003 Rolling Knolls, Parker, TX 75002      Please indicate if you are paying your \$100 deposit by check or ZELLE      ZELLE: dntg.treas@gmail.com      REQUIRED FOR ZELLE: In the Memo field, indicate ReTreat      Deposit / registration form due by Oct. 12, 2023.	Payment (circle Check	
Balance due Dec. 14, 2023.		

DNTG's Standing Rules state "items on the stash table are to be taken for the members' stitching enjoyment and are NOT to be taken by members for sale."

By signing this I acknowledge this policy and grant DN&TG permission to use photos taken of me in future newsletters.

Signature:\_\_

<u>Cancellation Policy</u>: Fees are fully refundable prior to December 14, 2023. From 12/14/23 - 1/8/24, the fees paid minus \$100.00 deposit are refundable. After January 8, 2024, no refunds can be issued except in cases of emergency, and effort will be made to refund the fee minus the \$100 deposit. No refunds can be guaranteed.

### Dallas Needlework and Textile Guild South Central Region (SCR) of Embroiderers' Guild of America (EGA)

### Membership Form – 2023-2024

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Payable by check to DNTG or ZELLE: <u>dntg.treas@gmail.com</u> REQUIRED FOR ZELLE: In the Memo field, indicate the event you are paying for – Membership Dues

Dallas Needlework & Textile Guild

c/o Elena Andrade