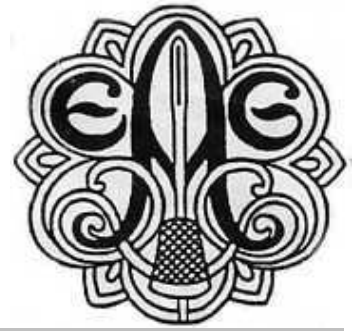




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President's Message

Hello MGTers!

Life after seminar is beginning for me. It was an amazing experience in so many ways. In my working life, I tackled big projects; but they were all within my technical expertise, background and comfort zone. I can't say that about planning 23 food & drink events for 650 attendees. I'm used to being one of those waiting outside the banquet door wondering when they're going to let us in. Man, do I have a new sense of appreciation for what goes into planning an event of this size.

Thank you to each and every one of you who volunteered. I saw several of you on the set-up day. That was a physical labor day, wasn't it! I saw many of you working at various places around seminar. I hope I got a chance to stop by and at least say Hi! You did Marin Golden Threads proud. We had a large number of our non-seminar attendees who showed up to help out (in addition to those who were at seminar). I know that Joy is grateful for the support. I had a large team of volunteers at the banquets, and without them I would have been in a big world of hurt. Your services were greatly appreciated.

I haven't heard yet the results of our table at the Merchandise Emporium. I am grateful for those of you who worked so hard to create our sale items and who manned our booth.

I hope that you were there when the National Tapestry showed up. Oh my goodness, it is beautiful. I had tried to see it while it was in the Modesto museum. The first time was on a Monday - and the museum was closed. The 2nd time was 5 minutes after they closed for the day. I'm so grateful I had a chance to see it.

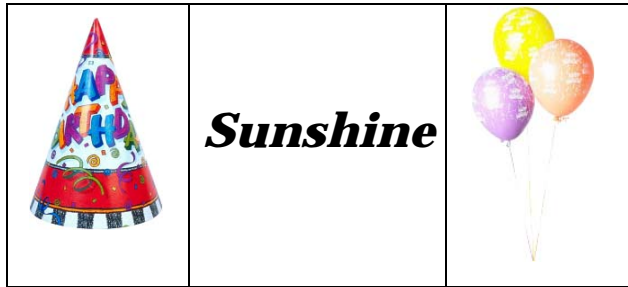
Those of us who took classes, were thrilled with the quality of our teachers, our projects, the materials and what we learned. We had several over-achievers. They shall go unnamed; but it's the usual list of amazing stitchers. We enjoyed lunches & dinners together - and then gathered for evening stitch-ins. I don't recall the last time I laughed so hard and so often. There are several members who will not be allowed to sit near each other at meetings. They just don't know how to behave in public (and they know who they are). My "poor" husband was "stuck" with our silliness. The maids are probably still talking about him. They'd knock on the door to ask about turn down service. He'd open the door wide enough to see the 5 or 6 women in the room; thank the maids, tell them no and accept handfuls of chocolate.

There aren't enough adjectives to describe what a fabulous experience it was. The brochure for the 2011 Seminar in Naples, Florida is now on the EGA website. The pieces that will be taught were on display. There are some very lovely projects there. There is a regional seminar in Tacoma, Washington in 2012. Start planning now!

Life is what happens, when you have something else planned!
Karen

Calendar

- October 23** **9:00 a.m.** -- Board Meeting
10:00 a.m. -- General Meeting
- November 20** **9:00 a.m.** -- Board Meeting
10:00 a.m. -- General Meeting
- December 4** **Holiday Luncheon**



Happy September Birthday to:

- Ellery Burgess
- Kathryn Beebe
- Cheryl Berger
- Emma Oyle
- Barbara Resnick
- Cheri Hoggan
- Mary Seaver

Happy October Birthday to:

- Andrea Pearce
- Karen Nadeau
- Kathie Woolard

Have a great birthday everyone!

Julie Oyle, Sunshine Office

Membership News

How fun and inspiring to see so many Marin Golden Thread members at the recent "Stitching on the Barbary Coast" in San Francisco. MGT sure had a visible presence, with several of our members in major roles.

The Open House on the 25th is opportunity to welcome new stitchers -- potential new members all. Six individuals have indicated they plan to attend. Most of these individuals expressed an interest in learning more about MGT during the County Fair. What a great recruitment opportunity for us. Please

introduce yourselves and make the new folks feel welcome. They will enjoy the bargello project with us!

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September Open House

We will be stitching a Bargello bookmark at the open house this year.



October Ribbon Embroidery

Mike Swan will be with us once again, teaching the basics of ribbon embroidery. I'll have a petite project available for you after the class so you can use what you learned to stitch up a small flower design.



November Blackwork

The Blackwork Pears Needlecase will be the project for the November meeting. The needlecase demonstrates two styles of blackwork. Kits will be available if you sign up for one, or you may provide your own materials. Used for the model were an 8 x 11 inch piece of white 28 count evenweave, one skein of DMC #905 embroidery floss, white felt, and lining material. 14 count Aida or evenweave of a different count could also be used, as could different colors of floss. Please contact Lori Love (LJLWilmunder@yahoo.com) with any questions.



December Holiday Luncheon

Marin Golden Threads annual luncheon will be held on December 4th at 11:30 at La Toscana in San Rafael. The cost per person will be \$24.00 and will include salad, choice of an entrée and coffee/tea. Gratuity is included. The entrée is a choice of Calamari Dore, Veal Scaloppini or Chicken Piccata. Please mark your calendar and further details will be in the next newsletter.

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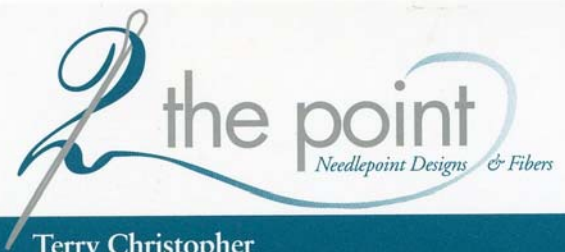
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To educate and promote the highest standards of technique and design in needlework;

To encourage interest, enjoyment, and creativity in doing all forms of fancywork or handwork;

To promote cooperation and interchange of ideas among those who are engaged in or interested in needlework in all parts of the world.

Membership is open to everyone who is interested in and/or who enjoys any of the textile arts. Dues are \$48.00 per year for regular members and \$11.00 per year for plural members (in Region). Members are not only invited to attend chapter meetings, but are entitled to attend Guild-sponsored workshops at a minimum fee. Guests are invited to attend one meeting. Further attendance requires either regular or plural membership. Our library is available to members for their use. Guild members receive *Needle Arts*, a quarterly national publication of the Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc., as well as the bi-monthly newsletter, *NEEDLENEWS*.

Meetings: Regular monthly meetings are held at Valley Baptist Church, San Rafael, on the fourth Saturday of each month at 10:00 a.m. unless noted in the Calendar.

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