

The Okanagan Stitcher

Okanagan Guild
Of Needle Arts

March 2010
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A few words from our President...

It feels like just a few days ago we were celebrating Christmas with family and friends - our family had a special celebration as a new granddaughter was born on Dec. 22- and now it is already half way through February. Where has the time gone?

This month is exciting for all of us in BC as we show off our beautiful province to the rest of the world during the Olympics so I hope that you all get some time to settle down with a stitching project and cheer on our athletes. Go Canada Go!

For anyone who wants to travel and take in stitching experiences in other places I have some upcoming events to share with you:

The Embroiderers Guild of Victoria is sponsoring a Needlework Show called **With Threaded Needle 2010** at the Community Arts Council of Greater Victoria, Sussex Place, G6-1001 Douglas Street from March 25 - 31st 2010, Monday - Friday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturday and Sunday 10:00am to 4:00 pm. Admission is free.

The 30th annual Provincial Needlecraft Workshop in Olds, Alberta on May 28 - 30. Information on classes and registration is included in the newsletter.

Seminar 2010 in Regina May 19 - 23. Registration information can be found on the EAC website.

Of course, Andrea is keeping us busy at home with the mystery project and stocking challenge.

And don't forget the retreat in April. Heather has included some more information in this newsletter so please be sure to read all about it.

Happy stitching. Hope to see everyone on March 1 at the meeting.

Pat



Don't Forget

Wear your nametag
& bring your mug
for tea or coffee.

Coming Events

Monday, March 1/10—7:00pm
General Meeting

Monday, March 29/10—7:00pm
Executive Meeting

Monday, April 12/10—7:00pm
General Meeting

Monday, April 19/10—7:00pm
Executive Meeting

Monday, May 3/10—7:00pm
AGM & General Meeting
Elections

Monday, May 17/10—7:00pm
Executive Meeting

Monday, June 7/10—Time TBA
Year-end Dinner

Monday, June 7/10—7:00pm
Executive turn over

Meetings are held the first Monday of every month, September through June, in the "Main Hall" of the Immaculate Conception Church, 839 Sutherland Avenue, Kelowna, BC. at 7:00pm. All are welcome to attend.





Spring Retreat—April 16-18, 2010

A spring retreat is being planned for the weekend of April 16-18. Bring your own stitching and be ready to stitch, laugh, eat and have fun with your fellow stitchers!

There are three possible venues:

1. Green Bay Camp

The price of \$105/person (\$65 if only coming during the day, no overnights) includes:

Friday night snack

Saturday—3 meals & evening snack

Sunday—2 meals

Accommodations—bring your own bedding & towels

Green Bay is right on Okanagan Lake with beach access as well as a firepit available if desired.

2. Rock Ridge Canyon Resort, Princeton, BC

Approximately \$160 plus taxes includes:

2 nights accommodations

3 meals Saturday & 2 meals Sunday

Check it out at: www.rockridgecanyon.com (click on Facility Rental in the left side column to view accommodations, activities, etc.)

3. Lake Okanagan Resort or The Cove

More info available at the March meeting.

The final decision will be made at the March General Meeting. Please be prepared to vote for your choice of venue .and to give a \$25 deposit to hold your place.

Heather



May Elections

My goodness, it is almost time for elections again. Where has the year gone?

First, I would like to thank again those that stepped into positions last May to help keep this guild going strong and am pleased to see that many will be staying for another year. I also understand why some can't remain so we will be needing a few volunteers again for the following positions:

- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Newsletter



Please let me know if you are interested or want to nominate someone for any of these positions. As Secretary and Treasurer are elected officers of the executive, there will be an election at the May meeting for these positions. Newsletter position will be filled by a volunteer.

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Do think about joining the executive. It is very rewarding, helping you to get to know the membership and be involved in making decisions and changes. New people getting involved will bring new ideas and keep things interesting for our membership.

Thanks and Happy Stitching,

Pam Cousins

Past President

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EDUCATION...

A number of ladies of the guild are now hard at work designing and preparing for next year's mini classes. I am sure you will find them interesting and want to take one. Thank you ladies for your work and dedication to our guild and the mini classes. It looks like a good variety to choose from. In May we will be able to sign up for the fall classes to start in September.

Andrea



Mystery Project Supplies...

Lesson #2:

You will need only your floss that matches your cross-stitch.

We will be doing blackwork in this lesson.

Tapestry needle #26 is recommended.

1 medium green

A variety of other colours—yellow, peach/pink, purple, red, blue, or variegated coloured thread

(Andrea will bring the guild floss in case you decide that you don't like your colour choices or you might "borrow" a bit from someone else.)

Embroidery needle, size 7 or 8

Tapestry needle



Lesson #3:

1 skein of brown (rusty to dark, or, if you are using dark linen, you might want to have a lighter colour brown)



Christmas Stocking Challenge

I do hope that you have thought about joining in on the challenge. It will be fun to see what everybody comes up with!

There are only 2 requirements:

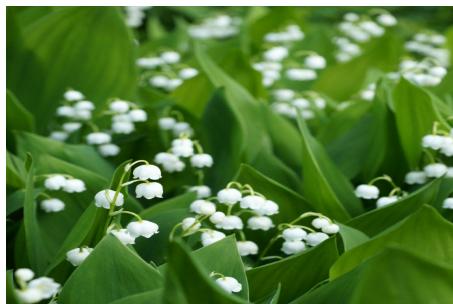
- It has to be your own original design, not from a pattern
- It has to be at least 12" long

Looks Like Fun!



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MEMBERSHIP

A reminder to all members that they need to advise me of name, address or e-mail changes.

This is very important in order to keep a correct record of membership, as well as to ensure the delivery of your EAC magazine.

Thanks... Lucie



Attention Executive Members

Just a quick reminder that annual reports are due at the AGM

FIBRE POT POURRI

May 28-30, 2010

Olds, Alberta

Fabulously Fun Felted Figurines—Andrea Graham

Mystique—Carolyn Mitchell

Thread-painting Redux—Tanja Berlin

Pulled Thread Seminar Pouch—Barbara Kershaw

To see the full brochure check the OGNA website or talk to Pat Weicker at the March 1st meeting.

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