

**CONSTELLATION CHAPTER EGA ZOOM BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**February 21, 2022**

**Zoom Meeting Recorded by Mary Tod and Minutes Submitted by Bonnie Berman**

Meeting called to order at 10:03 am by Tara Roberts, President.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Tara Roberts, Alice LaSota, Nancy Kenealey, Laura Koren, Mary Tod, Bonnie Berman, Jan Rollins, Eugenia Matthews, Sandra Connolly, Heidi Snyder, Alyson Krumweide, Carol Crumley, Susie Jordan

**AGENDA** (Attachment #1):

Submitted by Tara Roberts, President

- See Attachment #1.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

- Minutes were previously approved via email.

**PROGRAMS** (Attachment #2):

Submitted by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

- See Attachment #2.
- Schedule for 2022 is complete.
- Nancy reported that talking to new & present members that they are interested in workshops/classes/lectures on Zoom. There were other suggestions.
  - Keeping some classes/lectures on Zoom we may be able to have teachers that do not want to travel.
  - Offering basic techniques.
  - Offering classes/meetings in the evening and/or weekends.
  - Finding designers that appeal to younger people.
- Barbara and her husband are working on the possibility of having the Showcase as a hybrid of in person and Zoom.
- Mary announced that there are two people who have signed up for the Wright Brothers class who would like to pull out if replacements can be found. An email blast will go out to local and regional membership.
- Lunch for all day classes. It will depend on HCAC policy at the time. It would have to be a unanimous decision of eating without masks in room. Mary said the Wright Brothers class has only allowed half hour for lunch and suggested everyone bring lunch. People can also eat outside or in their car.

**TREASURER** (Attachment #3):

Submitted by Mary Tod, Treasurer

- See Attachments
  - Treasurer Report (Attachment #3)
  - YTD Budget vs Actual (Attachment #3.1)
  - Annual Financial Report submitted to National (Attachment #3.2)
- Mary also commented if we want to have more of a balance in our checking we could transfer money from one of the CDs since they are not earning much interest.

## **MEMBERSHIP:**

Submitted by Nancy Kenealey, 2nd VP/Membership

- See attachment #4
- There were three inquiries. Two came from our gmail account and one plural member recommended by Donna Pence.
- It was suggested that when Ann Fink talks to new members she might ask where they heard about our Chapter.
- Nancy will send out a blast about renewals in March. Annual renewals will begin in April. Renewal paperwork must reach National by the end of May
- Suggestion was made that in our Directory we include member's technique interests and willingness to mentor. Diversity said that 65% of stitchers start out as cross stitchers. There is a feeling that EGA looks down on cross stitching. Some suggestions were made to change that perception.
  - Small satellite groups – meet at different days/times
  - Mentoring
    - Interest groups
    - Groups for different techniques
    - Rotating breakout groups of different techniques
  - Classes/groups/events. Some suggested titles are Cross Stitch and More as well as Beyond Cross Stitch

## **NEWSLETTER:**

Submitted by Laura Koren, 3rd VP/Newsletter Editor

- Laura reported that her husband is helping her with new software they purchased for the Newsletter.
  - There is sometimes a problem with importing certain fonts so flyers might look slightly different.
  - The subject of inserting flyers for classes that are no longer available in the newsletter, especially flyers that are a full page. Insertion will depend on the other information obtained for the newsletter as the page limit for the newsletter must be kept to 16 pages. It was suggested that these will be under Events on our Facebook page and our website.
- Mary reported we have three advertisers (Hummingbird Needlework Finishing, Bees Knees and The Stitching Post). We need to make sure they receive the size they are paying for.
- As discussed at the previous meeting the deadline for submission to the newsletter will be the first of the month and Laura will do her best to get out as soon as possible once information is received. Laura sends reminders of due date and another reminder if not received by due date.

## **REGION (Attachment #5) :**

Submitted by Carol Crumley, Director & Regional Representative

- See Attachment #5.
- Regional Bylaws – See Attachment #5.1

## **50th ANNIVERSARY (Attachment #6) :**

Submitted by Susie Jordan

- See Attachment #6.
- Nancy asked about having a show in the HCAC Gallery. Susie said they are already fully booked for 2023 but will look into the possibility of Woodlawn and other venues.

- Mary moved that funds be allotted for the 50th Anniversary celebration on Saturday September 11th, 2023 which was seconded by Alice. Unanimously approved.
  - The 50th Anniversary will be a budget line for the 2023 budget.
  - If monies needed this year is over \$400 it will have to be voted on by general membership. If it is under \$400 the Board can approve.

#### **OUTREACH (Attachment #7):**

Submitted by, Eugenia Matthews, Director & Community Outreach

- See Attachment #6.
- Additional suggestions for Outreach and for the stitching in public day.
  - Sheep & Wool Festival
  - Alyson suggested stitching once a month rotating libraries.
  - Jan suggested stitching at the Miller library entryway.
- Bonnie reported that a friend of herself, Barbara, Mary and Jan's, who passed away, gave floss on spools and perforated paper for the outreach community to use. Bonnie will bring to next meeting.

#### **CHAPTER BYLAWS:**

- Alice reported that she has been working on the Chapter's bylaws which are due to National this year for approval. She feels that they are compliant with National's rules. Alice asked for volunteers to review what she has done before they are submitted. Mary and Tara volunteered to review them.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Alice will look into the possibility of getting a grant for \$1,000 from HCAC for the possible use toward our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- Susie reported there have been no volunteers to be in charge of an auction. Leslie Carson had some ideas which Susie passed onto Tara.
- The following are some suggestions on how to increase our membership
  - Susie spoke with Jill Nedeau who is very knowledgeable in social media and maybe able to set up the Chapter with Instagram and Pinterest accounts.
  - Alyson and Susie are on the Facebook group Cross Stitch of Maryland. They are starting to meet in person. Susie plans to attend and she will take our brochures to try to let people know we exist.
  - Alyson suggested continuing education classes at either local high school or even community colleges to teach needlework.
  - Jan noted that anyone can teach for Howard County Parks and Recreation.
  - Suggested we pilot some diversity events to reach out to people.
  - Alyson noted that Anne Arundel County has two trades schools for high school. It would be interesting to see if there are any programs we can tap into.
  - Carol suggested we should cooperate with the DC & VA chapters.
  - Jan commented that she has sent our tri-fold brochures and business cards with a cover letter to all chapter presidents in MAR region.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Tara announced she has a new job so her schedule is different. She is willing to use leave to continue meetings on Mondays. Discussion concluded that meetings can be in evenings, weekends and at different dates/times to accommodate those still working.
- Discussion also concluded that keeping the Board meetings on Zoom works well for everyone.

The next Board meeting will be held in April. Tara will send out a poll for the best date/time.

Susie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:26 am. Mary seconded the motion.

Constellation Chapter  
Agenda  
February 21, 2022  
10:00 AM

Call to Order

Programs

Treasurer

Membership

Newsletter

Region

Outreach

Old Business

- 50th Anniversary Team
- By-Laws

New Business

Announcements

Attachment #2

Constellation Chapter Board Meeting

February 21, 2022

Program Report

Alice LaSota, program chair

Program Committee: Terri Tubergen, Barbara Bass, Debbie Logsdon, Edie Catto-Fink

The 2022 schedule is almost set. We have had several in-person classes by now. They have been quite successful. We hope to have more and more of our programs in person, incorporating them with online access whenever possible. For 2023, the program committee is focusing on scheduling gold-themed programs for the 50th anniversary year.

2022

Mar. 6-7	Class: Wright Friends, Minieri needlepoint design taught by Mary Tod and Barbara Bass
Mar. 12	Class: Overdyed Spools (THaP) taught by Amy Helsel
April 4	Lecture and workshop: Hillary Waters Fayle, Our Connection with the Natural World and Embroidery with Botanical Material
April 9	Lecture: Linen: From Journey from Seed to Cloth by Ellen Phelps
May 2	Class: A Taste of Needlelace by Linda Kay Benning (tea with Louise Grady?)
June 6	Member Showcase
Aug. 30-31	ITT Class: Shakespeare's Flowers Sampler I taught by Jane Nicholas
Sept. 12	Lecture: Shenandoah Tapestry
Oct. 3	Lecture: Mennonite Hair Embroidery by Joel Hofziger
Oct. 8	Class: Project Finishing taught by Pat Mazu
Nov. 12	Lecture: Mountmellick Embroidery by Shelley Wells
Dec. 5 & 10	Crystal Snowflake taught by Cindy Comeyne

Attachment #3

Treasurer's Report for Board Meeting

February 21, 2022

As of February 21, 2022, the checking account has a balance of \$11,962.68. Our income to date is \$1,594.05 and our expenses to date are \$1,154.74, leaving us with an expected year end surplus at this rate of \$439.31. I have attached our year-to-date (YTD) Budget vs. Actual tracking to show our income and expenses for the current year.

We have a PayPal balance so far for February of \$318.55 that will be transferred, along with any additional income, to the checking account February 28.

Our 2 CDs have the following amounts: CD ending in -0137 has a balance of \$3,186.21, at a rate of 0.03%, and matures February 23, 2023.

CD ending in -2241 has a balance of \$5,497.39, at a rate of 0.05%, and matures December 8, 2022.

Our total current worth (combined checking account, PayPal, and CDs) is \$20,964.83.

Mary Tod

Treasurer

## Attachment #3.1

## Budget vs. Actual for 2022

	2022	YTD		2022	YTD
	Budget	Actual		Budget	Actual
INCOME Dues*			EXPENSES		
Interest*	\$6,348.00	\$15.25	National Dues	\$3,510.00	\$9.75
Educational	\$20.00		Region Dues	\$218.00	\$0.00
Events*	\$10,000.00	\$1,433.80	Educational	\$11,000.00	\$788.00
Seminar (MAR)			Events*+		
Exhibit			Seminar* (MAR)		
Fund Raising*			Exhibits*		
Sales*	\$300.00		Fund Raising*		
Advertising*			Cost of Sales		
Community	\$130.00	\$110.00	Rent*	\$900.00	\$0.00
Outreach*	\$700.00		Newsletter &	\$350.00	\$0.00
Contributions,			website*		
Restricted*	\$400.00	\$0.00	Administration*	\$370.00	\$121.26
Contributions,					
Unrestricted*	\$240.00	\$35.00	Officers Travel	\$300.00	\$0.00
Parties/Meals					
			Community	\$900.00	\$235.73
			Outreach		
Retreats			Parties/Meals		
Contributions/Gifts			Retreats		
Other*		\$0.00	Contributions/Gifts	\$100.00	\$0.00
Transfer from			Membership	\$200.00	\$0.00
savings			Expenses*		
			Other*	\$290.00	\$0.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$18,138.00	\$1,594.05	TOTAL	\$18,138.00	\$1,154.74
			EXPENSES		

**Attachment #3.2**

**THE EMBROIDERERS' GUILD OF AMERICA, INC.  
ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT: January 1 through December 31, 2021**

Constellation \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ CON \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Code \_\_\_\_\_ Region Code \_\_\_\_\_ (EIN) 52-1041537 \_\_\_\_\_

1 Total cash on hand as of December 31, 2010(as reported on last year's financial report) **(DO NOT CHANGE)** \$ ,22,994.04

<b>REVENUE</b>				<b>AMOUNT</b>				
2 3	Member Dues	\$	6,500.75	19	National Dues	\$	3558.75	
4 5	Interest	\$	71.95	20	Region Dues	\$	220.50	
6 7	Educational Events	\$	14,163.20	21	Educational Events	\$	18,127.34	
8 9	Seminar*	\$		22	Seminar*	\$		
10	Exhibit*	\$		23	Exhibit*	\$		
11	Fund Raising Events	\$		24	Fund Raising Events	\$		
12	Sales	\$		25	Cost of Sales	\$		
13	Advertising (List if over \$300)	\$	82.00	26	Rent	\$	1,275.90	
14	Community Outreach	\$		27	Newsletter	\$	137.66	
15	Contributions - Unrestricted	\$	186.00	28	Administration	\$	574.97	
16	Contributions - Restricted	\$	522.00	29	Officers Travel	\$	189.29	
17	Parties/Meals	\$		30	Community Outreach	\$	237.73	
	Retreats	\$		31	Parties/Meals	\$		
	Contributions/Gifts	\$		32	Retreats	\$		
	Printing	\$		33	Contributions/Gifts	\$	100.00	
	Other (List if over \$300)	\$	177.50	34	Printing	\$		
				35	Other (List if over \$300)	\$	69.70	
18	<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	\$	21,703.40	36	<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	\$	24,491.84	
37	Total Revenue less Total Expenses <b>(Line18 minus Line36)</b>						\$	-2,788.44
38	Total Cash on Hand as of 12/31/11 <b>(Line1 plus/minus line37. This must equal line43)</b>						\$	20,205.60
39	Checkbook Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$	11,523.37					
40	Savings Account Balance as of December 31, 2011	\$						
41	Other Cash Assets/Investments as of December 31, 2011 (please list)	\$	8,682.23					
42	Restricted Contributions Balance	\$						
43	Total Cash on Hand as of December 31, 2011 <b>(Sum of lines 39 thru 42 must equal line 43)</b>						\$	20,205.60

Treasurer's Name Mary L. Tod  
Address 8 American Court

*To the best of my knowledge, the above is true and correct.*  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

City/State / Zip

Baltimore, MD21228-5304

Telephone 410-782-5646

Date 01/25/2022

E-mail marytod@me.com

Please return by **February 15** to:  
EGA, 1205 East Washington St Suite 117 Louisville KY 40206

\* *Please attach copies of the financial reports for these events.*

Revised 10/11

## VolunteerCount

Chapter Name: Constellation

Region: Mid-Atlantic

What is the number of elected officers in your chapter? 13

Excluding your elected officers, how many of your **primary** members did volunteer work\* for EGA in during the year? 5

\*Count only your primary members, and **count each person** only once. Examples of volunteer EGA work include: (1) Serving as a region or national officer. (2) Serving as a chapter or region or national committee chair or member. (3) Teaching a chapter or region program for free; that is, a teaching fee was not paid. (4) Education outreach sponsored by a chapter or region such as teaching embroidery to youth and/or non-members. (5) Membership outreach sponsored by a chapter or region such as stitch-in-public day, at fairs, or mounting a chapter exhibit for public viewing. (6) Charitable outreach sponsored by a chapter or region.

## Attachment #4

### Membership Report

The Constellation Chapter currently has 137 members. One new member was added in January and two more joined in February. Two of the three new members are Primary Members and so are also new to EGA. I am in contact with two other prospects - one, who would be a plural member from the MAR, has said that she definitely wants to join. I will send mailings next week to National and MAR that will bring us up to date with payments and paperwork due for new members.

Membership renewals for the year beginning on June 1, 2022 and extending through May 31, 2023 will get underway in April. An article with all the details about the renewal rates and process will be prepared for the March newsletter. Prices will remain the same as last year.

## Attachment #5

### Region News

Next Regional Meeting will be on March 26th at 10 AM. We will review and hopefully approve the updated Regional By-Laws. All region members are invited to attend. We will be joined by Karen Hamilton, National President. Zoom link will be sent out on March 24.

The Waves of Stitching Seminar registration is currently open through March 1 2022.

Remarks in an email from Donna Pence

Donna Pence is still working on the Regional Website and would like notifications about any changes needed to the individual chapter information to our page of the website as she has not turned over the daily management. (There are several chapters who have not set up or finalized their chapter information.)

Regarding the need for new leadership, the Nominating committee composed of Heather Gitlin, Donna LaBranche and Kathy Weigl are reaching out across the region looking for nominees for Region Director, Assistant Region Director, Secretary and Treasurer. If you identify a chapter member who might be interested in helping guide the Region for the next three years, please let them know.

Please remind your treasurer that when they complete the required chapter financial report that needs to be submitted to National by mid February, I should also receive a copy. And a reminder: **All IC Payment Reporting Forms for teacher payments made in 2021 must be sent to headquarters ASAP**

Need to start thinking about a nomination for the Gold Thread Award. Deadline to submit is May 1.

I am pleased to share with you the approved Region By-laws. Please share with your chapter members and be prepared to approve them at the Board of Directors meeting in March. Eleven chapters in the region have at least submitted their first draft to the National Reviewer with at least four chapters whose documents have been approved by National and are being finalized with their members. When you receive your completed and signed document from National please let me know so that I am aware to be on the lookout for it to be added to my file. If you have any questions or concerns, let me know. My hope is that when I turn over the leadership on December 31, every chapter will have submitted and ratified their By-laws.

## **Attachment #5.1**

### **The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc. Mid-Atlantic Region Bylaws: 2022**

#### **ARTICLE I NAME; USE OF EGA'S TRADEMARKS**

The name of this organization shall be Mid-Atlantic Region (MAR) of The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc. (EGA). While this region is recognized as a region of EGA, the region and its member chapters may use EGA's registered trademarks: the name "The Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc.," the stylized logo and design, and the letters "EGA," under standards approved by EGA. All use of such registered trademarks shall be discontinued upon the suspension, withdrawal of recognition, resignation, or dissolution of this region.

#### **ARTICLE II OBJECT**

The purpose of this region shall be to inspire passion for the needle arts through education and the celebration of its heritage, to serve as a link between chapters and the national organization, and to aid in effective cooperation and communication among its member chapters.

#### **ARTICLE III MEMBERSHIP**

Section 1. The Mid-Atlantic Region shall be composed of chapters within the geographic boundaries as defined by EGA board of directors. Membership in a chapter confers membership in its respective region. Any person, regardless of race, gender, religion, national or ethnic origin may become a member of the individual chapters upon application and payment of dues. Individual chapter membership shall be open to any individual interested in furthering the purpose of this organization upon payment of dues. Membership may not be limited in number or group of people and must be nondiscriminatory with regard to race, gender, religion, national or ethnic origin, or as required by federal law, the law of the state of Kentucky and the

Section 2. Annual region dues shall be payable to the region treasurer by the chapter treasurers. Region dues are to be concurrent with the members' national and chapter dues.

Section 3. Those chapters whose dues are not current may, at the discretion of the executive board, have voting or other privileges suspended until all dues are paid.

Section 4. Region dues for transfer and plural members shall be paid by the chapter to the region treasurer, provided the member's national dues are current. Plural members of the region whose primary dues are collected outside the region shall pay region dues to the member chapter with which they plural.

Section 5. Upon the completion of the term for the region director, all future region dues are waived.

#### **ARTICLE IV OFFICERS**

Section 1. The officers of this region shall be a region director, an assistant region director, a secretary, and a treasurer. Officers shall be members of a chapter within the region.

Section 2. Officers shall serve for a term of three year(s) or until their successors are elected, and the term of office shall begin at the beginning of the calendar year after the election year.

Section 3. No member shall be eligible to serve more than one term consecutively in the same office, and no member shall hold more than one elected office at a time.

Section 4. If a vacancy occurs in the office of region director, the assistant region director shall automatically become region director; all other vacancies in office shall be filled by election by the board of directors from a slate submitted by the nominating committee. Upon a motion, an officer may be removed for cause by a vote of the membership.

Section 5. Nominations and Elections:

- a. A nominating committee of three past or present region board members shall be elected at the annual meeting every three years beginning in 2012. The members of this committee shall be from different chapters and shall choose their own chairman
- b. It shall be the duty of the nominating committee to nominate at least one candidate for each of the offices to be filled, having obtained consent for nomination from each. The slate will be which is published in the MARN issued at least thirty days prior to the meeting at which the election will occur.
- c. The election of officers shall be at the annual meeting. Additional nominations from the floor may be made providing consent to serve has been obtained from the nominees prior to the meeting. If there is more than one candidate for an office, the vote shall be taken by ballot.
- d. Officers of the region shall not concurrently be the region representatives of their chapter. The region director may not concurrently be a chapter president or an officer of EGA. Successive region directors shall come from different primary chapters and only one officer shall be from any one primary chapter.
- e. The nominating committee shall submit to the EGA National Secretary, no later than June 1 of the year that national elects officers, a candidate for the National Nominating Committee.

## **ARTICLE V MEETINGS AND NOTICE**

Section 1. The region shall hold at least two regular meetings per year unless otherwise ordered by the board of directors.

Section 2. The annual meeting shall be held the in the fall, or at such time and place as the region board shall determine for the purpose of electing officers, receiving annual reports from the officers and standing committees, adopting a budget and transacting any other business that may arise.

Section 3. Special meetings may be called by the region director, executive board, or by any three (3) region representatives. A fourteen-day notice stating the business of the special meeting is required, and no business other than that stated in the notice may be transacted.

Section 4. The quorum for all region meetings shall be one-third of all voting members of the board. Voting members are defined as region officers, standing committee chairmen, and chapter region representatives. An individual serving as both a chapter region representative and the chairman of one or more standing committees may have a maximum of two votes, regardless of the number of committees the individual chairs.

Section 5. Voting without a meeting. Any action required or permitted to be taken by the board or any committee thereof may be taken without an in-person meeting provided that all members of the board or committee are notified in writing or by electronic means of the resolution and that two-thirds of the members

of the board or committee consent in writing or by electronic means to the adoption of the resolution authorizing the action. If action without an in-person meeting is necessary by the board, the action must be ratified at the next regular board meeting in order to become an official act of the board.

Section 6. If substituting an electronic meeting for an official board of directors meeting, all board members must be notified of the meeting.

## **ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1. The board of directors shall be composed of the elected officers, standing committee chairmen, the member chapter region representatives, region seminar chairman and region sponsored EGA national special events chairman(men). Board members serving in more than one capacity shall have only one (1) vote.

Section 2. The region director may appoint a parliamentarian, with the approval of the executive board. The appointment shall be announced at the first region meeting after the election or as appropriate. The parliamentarian shall serve without a vote.

Section 3. Unless otherwise stated, the term for the appointed members of the board of directors shall be concurrent with the term of the region director who appointed them. The exception is the region's special events chair(s). Upon a motion, a board member may be removed for cause by a vote of the board.

## **ARTICLE VII EXECUTIVE BOARD**

Section 1. The executive board shall be composed of the elected officers of the region and the standing committee chairmen.

Section 2 The executive board shall have general authority over the affairs of the region between meetings of the board of directors: fix the day, hour and place of meetings; make other recommendations to the region members, and perform other duties specified in these bylaws. Any action taken by the board shall be reported at the next board meeting.

Section 3. Meetings of the executive board shall be held between meetings of the board of directors, if necessary.

Section 4. The quorum for the executive board shall be a majority of its members.

Section 5. Members serving in more than one position will only have one vote.

## **ARTICLE VIII COMMITTEES**

Section 1. The standing committees of this region shall be Bylaws, Camp Wannastitch, Education, GCC, Historian, Joan Masterson Chapter Fund, MAR Pride Scholarship, MAR sales, Membership, Newsletter, Nominating, Outreach, and Web site.

Section 2. The region director shall appoint all standing committee chairs. Committee appointments shall be approved by the executive board. The region director shall announce said appointments at the first region meeting following the appointments

Section 3. Special committees or additional standing committees shall be appointed by the region director as the executive board deems necessary.

Section 4. The region director shall be an ex officio member of all committees except the nominating committee.

## ARTICLE IX FISCAL POLICIES

Section 1. The fiscal year shall be from January 1 through December 31.

Section 2. The books and accounts of the regions shall be kept in accordance with sound accounting practices. Region financial records shall be audited each year, either professionally or by an audit committee appointed by the region director. The treasurer shall furnish EGA with a report of the finances of the region by February 15 of each year.

Section 3. No profit from membership in EGA; however, an EGA region may contract with individual members in their professional capacities. EGA prohibits the use of membership lists other than for EGA purposes.

Section 4. Annual Budget

- a. The regions shall prepare and present a budget to the membership for approval prior to the effective date of the budget.
- b. The board of directors and/or the executive board shall not spend any non-budgeted funds in excess of \$750 during the fiscal year. The region may approve an expenditure in excess of this amount provided:
  - 1) the membership is notified in writing at least thirty days prior to the meeting at which the vote is taken,
  - 2) the written notices shall include the amount and purpose of the expenditure, and
  - 3) the approval is by a two-thirds vote.

Section 5 Donations: Donations of monies by the region may be made to any organization which is in compliance with Section 501(c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code and which the region, by a two-thirds vote, has designated as the recipient. Notice of such a proposed donation shall be submitted to the members in writing at least thirty days prior to the meeting at which such a vote is taken.

Section 6: In the event of dissolution of the region, all its assets and funds remaining after payment or provision for payment of all debts and liabilities of the regions shall be distributed to one or more organizations which have been in existence for a period of two years, which are in compliance with Section 501 (c)(3) of the United States Internal Revenue Code, and which the region has designated as a recipient by a two-thirds vote. Notification to the membership shall be provided in writing at least thirty days prior to the meeting at which such a vote is to be taken.

Section 7. Indemnification of Directors or Officers.

The Indemnification of Directors and officers in Article X, EGA National Bylaws, specifies that EGA may indemnify the region director, director-elect, assistant director, secretary, treasurer, and any other elected officers of this region as described in Article IV, Section 2D of the EGA National Bylaws.

**ARTICLE X PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY**

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised* shall govern the region in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Bylaws of The Embroiderers’ Guild of America, Inc., any special rules of order the region may adopt, or any statutes applicable to this organization.

**ARTICLE XI AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS**

Section 1. Any bylaw amendment(s) effected by EGA that necessitates amendment(s) to the region bylaws shall be incorporated automatically in the region bylaws and that the membership shall be informed of such changes at the next regular meeting; and

Section 2. These bylaws may also be amended by a two-thirds vote at any regular meeting of the region provided the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing to the membership at least thirty days before the meeting and that the proposed amendment has received the approval of The Embroiderers’ Guild of America, Inc. prior to the meeting.

Membership Approval

\_\_\_\_\_

Date Signature of Region Director

EGA Approval

\_\_\_\_\_

Date Signature of Chair, Chapter/Region Bylaws Review Committee

\_\_\_\_\_

Date Signature of EGADirector of Bylaws

## Constellation Chapter EGA 50th Anniversary proposal and team

Team:

Susie Jordan                Heidi Snyder  
Karen Olsen                Darcey Walker

(Amy Helsel – Fundraising – Not confirmed)

Susan Elliott                Jill Fritz  
Karen Olsen                Ann Fink

Jill Nedeau – Book Discussion Leader

We propose having 3 or 4 activities/events during the year. Culminating with a luncheon for the September Saturday meeting (/9/9/2023) We strongly recommend having this at a local restaurant, both for simplicity of planning and with an awareness of Covid 19. In addition, Programs is already working on some gold themed meetings for 2023.

January

- Kickoff with challenges
  - Finish a piece from an EGA class from your stash
  - Create something gold....gold thread, gold fabric, goldwork

March/April

- Some sort of history of the chapter presentation/photos
- Woodlawn

Summer

- Zoom book discussion The Golden Thread. Jill Nedeau will lead the discussion

September

- Luncheon
  - At a restaurant with a fixed menu.
  - A keynote speaker
  - Chapter provides cake

December

- Chapter challenges sharing

The months where there is no event and no gold themed program, we propose giving out something gold at the meetings. A gold needle, a gold Hershey kiss, a gold coin..... Something small and simple that keeps the theme going. We do not yet have a budget. The Luncheon and the giveaways would be the primary expenses. Hopefully, we can work with Amy to do a fundraiser/auction to meet the costs.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

**Approve this proposal and the team**

**Provide some seed money as we begin to plan.**

Attachment #7

Submitted by EugeniaMatthews

Mary had contacted a hospice for the Hearts for Hospice but no one returned her call.

Plans are being made for the embroidery camp for preteens. It will be held during the week of August 8th through 12th for the morning and afternoon. The project for the teens will be to make a bookmark. An application will be submitted to the Howard County Arts council to fund the summer camp.

Plans are still being made for the food pantry and school supplies for the children for the upcoming summer. The committee will search for recipients. The chairperson is in the process to reach out to Shady Side United Methodist Church and school principal Jamie Coffen.

The committee is researching libraries to reschedule and sponsor the public stitch in.

Mary is going to research the Catonsville Library while Eugenia and contacted the Millers and Howard County Library. The Howard County libraries stated the we can go on line and reserve a room.

**CONSTELLATION CHAPTER EGA ZOOM BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**April 11, 2022**

**Zoom Meeting Recorded by Mary Tod and Minutes Submitted by Bonnie Berman**

Meeting called to order at 10:08 am by Tara Roberts, President.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alice LaSota, Alyson Krumwiede, Carol Crumley, Eugenia Matthews, Jan Rollins, Mary Tod, Nancy Kenealey, Sandra Connolly, Tara Roberts

**AGENDA** (Attachment #1):

Submitted by Tara Roberts, President

See Attachment #1.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Unanimous approval of February 21, 2022 minutes.

**PROGRAMS** (Attachment #2):

Submitted by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

See Attachment #2.

Alice commented on the wonderful lecture by Ellen Phelps and hopes people will watch the recording.

Alice needs to get with Tara to sign the contract for the two day class at HCAC.

**TREASURER** (Attachment #3):

Submitted by Mary Tod, Treasurer

See Attachment #3

**MEMBERSHIP** (Attachment #4):

Submitted by Nancy Kenealey, 2nd VP/ Membership

See attachment #4

Tara brought up the subject of gathering information on member's favorite techniques and willingness to mentor.

Nancy reported the following:

- Gathering information is not doable during renewal season but hopefully in the fall.
- We need to decide how to collect the information.
  - o Google form/Google poll which will dump into a spreadsheet for manipulation. Mary and Tara both have experience with this.
  - o Have hard copies of questions for in-person meetings
- This information may be useful for Program Committee so they know what members want to see, want to do, want to learn, etc.
- Some of the information that would be collected would be what types of needlework being done, willingness to mentor, willingness to teach, willingness to participate in outreach activities, etc.
- We will need to decide on what questions to ask and what form we want to use.
- Mary mentioned at the Saturday meeting a new member Joan Kasura was introduced and she said she loves doing hardanger. Maybe she would be willing to teach since we have not had that technique presented in a while.

- Tara said collecting the information might make a good President's project. It would include techniques, skill levels, participation (includes mentoring and teaching), and which techniques would you want to learn.
- Tara, Mary and Nancy offered to help. The plan is to present a Google Poll at June Board Meeting. Once approved by Board it will be activated. We can also decide if the information will appear in the chapter directory or in a different document. The data collected would be presented to people at the September meeting.
- By having a uniform format we can continue to collect this data.
- Since the Membership Chair is the first contact they would be responsible for obtaining this information from new members.

**REGION (Attachment #5):**

Submitted by Carol Crumley, Director & Regional Representative  
See Attachment #5.

**50th ANNIVERSARY & IDEA (Attachment #6):**

Submitted by Susie Jordan  
See Attachment #6.

**OUTREACH (Attachment #7):**

Submitted by, Eugenia Matthews, Director & Community Outreach  
See Attachment#7.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mary brought up Susie's concern about a scent free/flower free policy (See Attachment #6). This has been mentioned before but will be an ongoing statement in our newsletter as well as when Jansend's notices. It will now be in each newsletter asking members to be as scent free as possible. Tara will contact the person who brought in flowers to advise her of the no flower policy.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Jan report that Jill Nedeau will be soliciting pictures for internet accounts she is working on. She is setting up Instagram, Twitter and Reddit pages for our chapter. She could also set up a Twitch channel and video our stitch-in without people's faces. Tara thought reporting this under Announcements in the Newsletter would be a good place to promote this adventure.

The next Board meeting will be held in June. Tara will send out a poll for the best date/time.

Carol motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 am. Mary seconded the motion.

Constellation Chapter  
Agenda  
April 11, 2022  
10:00 AM

Call to Order

Programs

Treasurer

Membership

Newsletter

Region

Outreach

Old Business

- By-laws
- 50th Anniversary
- Auction committee - Donations of needlework items

New Business

- Skill/technique inventory of members

Announcements

Constellation Chapter Board Meeting  
April 11, 2022  
Program Report  
Alice LaSota, program chair  
Program Committee: Terri Tubergen, Barbara Bass, Ann Fink, Debbie Logsdon

Welcome to Ann Fink, who joined the Program Committee in March.

The remaining programs this spring include:

May 2 - Needlelace class taught by Linda Kay Benning and the May tea. Bring a sweet or savory to share.

June 6 – Annual Member Showcase, a hybrid event combining showing projects in person at the Arts Center and on Zoom.

June 11 – THaP class Over-dyed Spools taught by Amy Helsel

July and August include 2nd Saturday stitch-ins at the Arts Center. Betty Rice is investigating having Monday stitch-ins at Miller Library on July 11 and Aug. 1.

Plans for the ITT class with Jane Nicholas on Aug. 30-31 are set. We have a two-day contract with the Center from 9 am to 4:30 pm which includes six hours of teaching and a one hour lunch break. We will be taking her out to dinner after class each day. Anyone is welcome to join us. As of April 9, 18 have registered for the class and two people outside our chapter are on the waitlist. There is a 24 student limit. Do not wait until the June 1 deadline to register!

The fall programs include a road trip by carpool to Winchester, Va. on Sept. 12 to see and hear about the Shenandoah Tapestry, a lecture in October on Hairweaving among the Pennsylvania German Mennonites, and a crystal snowflake class in December taught by Cindy Comeyne.

The Program Committee, in response to requests from new members and Membership at the last board meeting, is developing a suite of introductory classes in separate embroidery techniques. These classes will all be on Zoom.

We are continuing to look for classes and lectures for 2023 related to the 50th anniversary and are working in cooperation with the 50th Anniversary Committee.

## Treasurer's Report for Board Meeting

April 11, 2022

As of April 11, 2022, the checking account has a balance of \$14,644.05. Our income to date is \$5,267.60 and our expenses to date are \$2,146.92, leaving us with an expected year end surplus at this rate of \$3,120.68. I have attached our year-to-date (YTD) Budget vs. Actual tracking to show our income and expenses for the current year.

We have a PayPal balance so far for April of \$59.30 that will be transferred, along with any additional income, to the checking account April 30.

Our 2 CDs have the following amounts: CD ending in -0137 has a balance of \$3,186.36, at a rate of 0.03%, and matures February 23, 2023.

CD ending in -2241 has a balance of \$5,498.07, at a rate of 0.05%, and matures December 8, 2022.

Our total current worth (combined checking account, PayPal, and CDs) is \$23,387.78.

Mary Tod

Treasurer

Budget vs. Actual as of April 11, 2022

	2022	YTD		2022	YTD
	Budget	Actual		Budget	Actual
INCOME Dues*			EXPENSES		
Interest*	\$6,348.00	\$2,184.50	National Dues	\$3,510.00	\$19.50
Educational	\$20.00		Region Dues	\$218.00	\$1.00
Events* Seminar	\$10,000.00	\$2,893.10	Educational	\$11,000.00	\$1,720.05
(MAR) Exhibit			Events*+		
Fund Raising*			Seminar* (MAR)		
Sales*			Exhibits*		
Advertising*	\$300.00		Fund Raising*		
Community			Cost of Sales		
Outreach*	\$130.00	\$110.00	Rent*	\$900.00	
Contributions,	\$700.00		Newsletter &	\$350.00	
Restricted*			website*		
Contributions,	\$400.00		Administration*	\$370.00	\$170.64
Unrestricted*					
Parties/Meals	\$240.00	\$35.00	Officers Travel	\$300.00	
			Community	\$900.00	\$235.73
			Outreach		
Retreats			Parties/Meals		
Contributions/Gifts			Retreats		
Other*		\$45.00	Contributions/Gifts	\$100.00	
Transfer from			Membership	\$200.00	
savings			Expenses*		
			Other*	\$290.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$18,138.00	\$5,267.60	TOTAL	\$18,138.00	\$2,146.92
			EXPENSES		

MembershipReport  
April 11,2022  
Submitted by Nancy Kenealey

We are currently in membership renewal season. To date, we have had 47 renewals, accounting for about one-third of the current membership. We have also had four new members join the chapter in April (three are primary members). The chapter has two MALs who are plural members of the chapter. I emailed both and invited them to become primary chapter members during renewal season (National charges MALs \$11 more for membership than they charge members joining through chapters). One has agreed to do so.

Renewal paperwork is due to both EGA National and EGA MAR by May 31, so I will need to mail the paperwork by May 25. I attended a Zoom meeting with the MAR Region Director on April 6. MAR has changed their paperwork requirements for renewals to insure better handling of pertinent information at the MAR level.

## Region News

The Regional Meeting was held on March 26th at 10 AM. We approved the updated Regional By-Laws. The next regional meeting will be in person on October 6 2022

The Waves of Stitching Seminar registration is currently open through March 1 2022. Seminar registration is now closed. They had to cancel 2 of the classes for lack of interest.

Highlights from the meeting:

Donna Pence is still working on the Regional Website and would like notifications about any changes needed to the individual chapter information to our page of the website as she has not turned over the daily management. (There are several chapters who have not set up or finalized their chapter information.)

Regarding the need for new leadership, the Nominating committee composed of Heather Gitlin, Donna LaBranche and Kathy Weigl are reaching out across the region looking for nominees for Region Director, Assistant Region Director, Secretary and Treasurer. If you identify a chapter member who might be interested in helping guide the Region for the next three years, please let them know.

Need to start thinking about a nomination for the Gold Thread Award. Deadline to submit is May 1.

The next lecture is on Tuesday April 12, 2022 at 7:30 pm. The topic is "Art in the Japanese Internment Camps" Donna Pence sent a zoom link out on April 10 to those who expressed an interest

The region is working on streamlining the membership reporting process. Any suggestions would be welcome.

The hotel for Camp Wannastitch has been sold. The committee is looking at other hotels and possibly other dates. This is to ensure we get the best deal possible.

Deadline for the next newsletter is April 10

The Region is attempting to compile a list of people willing to teach a project or technique to another chapter for the Regional Website.

## Outreach Report

April 11, 2022

Submitted by Eugenia Matthews

- Our Public Stitch in is May 7, 2022 from 9 to 12 noon. Mary Vransy and Jeanette Farrell is in the process of looking through the materials to determine which project will be used for the event.
- Also we are still in the process of planning the bookmarker class for our teens.
- We had a response from a member by the name of Amy Helsel who would like to do volunteer work for both events.
- The president of the Hagerstown chapter, Darlene Leboeuf, is to get information on the Ukraine cross stitch project to share with her members.

**CONSTELLATION CHAPTER EGA ZOOM BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**June 20, 2022**

**Zoom Meeting Recorded by Mary Tod and Minutes Submitted by Bonnie Berman**

Meeting called to order at 10:06 am by Tara Roberts, President.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alice LaSota, Carol Crumley, Eugenia Matthews, Jan Rollins, Mary Tod, Nancy Kenealey, Sandra Connolly, Tara Roberts, Susie Jordan, Susan White, Heidi Snyder

**AGENDA** (Attachment #1):

Submitted by Tara Roberts, President

See Attachment #1.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Unanimous approval of April 11, 2022 minutes.

**50th ANNIVERSARY & IDEA**(Attachment #2):

Submitted by Susie Jordan

See Attachment #2.

Have selected venue but still looking for one that might be better.

There will be luncheon the second Saturday in September 2023. Trying to keep the cost to \$30 per person.

The committee is asking for \$2,000 to cover costs for the year.

Members will be asked to bring an EGA class project taken during the past 50 years.

Susan Elliott and team are putting together a yearlong sampler challenge starting in January 2023.

Nancy questioned if we were doing a fund raiser. Susie said they had not planned to as there was no interest when an auction was trying to be put together. It was suggested that we could take donated canvases and other items to Fireside to raise money. It was agreed that there will be a fund line for the 50th anniversary in the budget.

There is already a Fund Raiser line item in the budget and the Fireside idea should be used as to satisfy that line item.

It was suggested if someone takes the merchandize to Fireside they should be reimbursed for gas. There is a line item in the budget for fund raising expenses which can be used to reimburse gas at the charitable federal reimbursement guidelines.

**PROGRAMS** (Attachment #3):

Submitted by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

See Attachment #3.

Alice heard from Jane Nicholas that she is sending out 25 kits. We are one of only two chapters that sold out her class.

Mary is hosting Jane and her travel arrangements are made through National. Washington said they will pick her up to take her to the next class. Alice commented that everyone is welcome to join when they take Jane out to dinner. Terri Tubergen will be the class Angel.

Alice is concerned about the Shenandoah trip. Only eight people have registered so far.

One concern is mobility so Alice will send out an email indicating that the program takes

place in one area. There are other tours to take if people want to do more. Hagerstown chapter wants to join so a deadline of August 1st for our registration will be announced to determine if there is enough space for Hagerstown to join. There is a 30 person limit. When Alice sends out email it was suggested to include a picture.

Cindy Comeyne is going to teach in December. The Program committee has offered to pay for her gas since she is traveling a far distance.

Alice thanked Barbara Bass for doing the very difficult task of the technical side of the Showcase and to Jan for handling the camera.

#### **TREASURER (Attachment #4):**

Submitted by Mary Tod, Treasurer

See Attachment #4 & 4.1.

Mary brought up that although we have a substantial budget, the monies are allocated to line items. The money needed for the 50th Anniversary needs to be covered by additional income. Each year income and expenses should balance. That makes the fund raising important.

It was noted that the Constellation Chapter is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) so any donations can be used as a charitable contribution.

Nancy suggested we say how important fund raising is in the newsletter.

Mary explained that the items on the budget with an asterisk in her report are items required by National and that must be on the yearly report submitted to National. Items that are not relevant to our chapter are reported as zero.

Mary will be working on the 2023 budget that will be voted on by the Board at the August 2022 meeting. This budget will be voted on by the members in November 2022. If anyone has any suggestion/questions/concerns about the 2023 budget please let her know.

#### **MEMBERSHIP (Attachment #5):**

Submitted by Nancy Kenealey, 2nd VP/ Membership

See attachment #5.

A concern was brought up about the loss of members. This might be attributed to not having as many online programs. Several of our members live outside our area. Another reason might be that people are busier with the Covid restrictions being lifted. Nancy commented that we seem to lose members around this time of year but pick up members throughout the year.

Nancy will put a note in the newsletter reminding members how important it is to update her when they change their home address, email addresses, change phone numbers, etc.

There was a member complaint about not receiving her snail mail newsletter. Penny has been trying to reach her by telephone but she does not have voice mail and has not answered. The member did say she received her membership card and it has been verified that the newsletters are being sent to the same address as the membership card. Penny will continue to try to reach her.

#### **NEWSLETTER**

Newsletter articles are due for the August/September issue.

#### **REGION (Attachment #6):**

Submitted by Carol Crumley, Director & Regional Representative

See Attachment #6 & 6.1.

- Region sent out an inquiry if we would like to participate in a Sewing and Quilt Expo in September in Fredericksburg by either hosting a day or a simple make and take. Donna needed an answer today. It was discussed and decided that Donna would be told we would let our members know about the Expo but we cannot guarantee a chapter presence.

### **OUTREACH**(Attachment #7):

Submitted by, Eugenia Matthews, Director & Community Outreach

See Attachment #7.

The HCAC summer class to teach bookmarks is August 8-12 from 9 am-12 pm.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Bylaws

– Revision need to be submitted in 2022.

– Alice compared our approved 2018 bylaws to the new guidelines and with the help of Mary and Tara added the missing information. It was submitted for review and requested clarification was made.

– It was decided that the new bylaws will be voted on at our annual business meeting in November. It will be sent out 30 days before the meeting so members will have time to review.

- Survey (Attachment #8) to collect data of our membership to better tailor our programming to the member's preferences, who might be willing to help us with administration, outreach, mentoring, teaching, etc.
  - Any comments on the survey should be sent to Nancy.
  - Mary will put the survey on our Chapter Google site.
  - Nancy will put an article in the upcoming newsletter and then an email blast will be sent out.
  - Those who receive the newsletter by mail can request a hard copy.
  - Nancy will inform new members about the survey when they join.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Alyson Krumweide has resigned from the Board due to personal issues. Whoever is selected will complete Alyson's two-year term.

Tara has contacted Norma Diehl of the Nominating Committee to scout out interested people.

Mary checked our bylaws and the Board is allowed to appoint someone. The two people who were suggested are Judith Todes, who has expressed interest in being on the Board, and Susie Jordan, who is a nonvoting member of the Board handling Diversity she might be interested. It was decided to ask Judith first as not to unduly burden Susie.

- Mary has been in touch with Sharon Gallagher who has volunteered to help Mary on the website. Sharon uses a free site called Wix. Mary is awaiting more specifics about the site. There was a delay in answering Mary because of a move by Sharon. Mary wants to be able to put the website on Google as that is where many of the MAR websites are. Mary needs to find out if Sharon is willing to work with the Google format or if it can be created in Wix and inputted into Google. Mary will contact Jana Bass to see if she knows how it can be done.
  - Sharon looked at other Region websites and suggested the following pages:
  - Home page with basic information such as the National & Chapter's mission and diversity statements, our meeting days/times/locations.

- An About page listing the Board of Directors members with names and contact information. It was questioned if we are comfortable having this open to public.
  - An Events page which shows a calendar with our upcoming events.
  - A Newsletter page with links to each newsletter. Question if we are comfortable to have this open to public because our newsletters contain phone numbers and home addresses. Maybe we can make it a member's only page or scrub our newsletter of that information.
  - Membership information with information on how to join, etc.
  - Another page with basic contact information.
  - Sharon suggested we get an Instagram account for a social media presence. She thinks that would be more useful than a Facebook page. Since we already have a Facebook page we can tie it with Instagram. Instagram would be able to post our flyers for upcoming programs.
  - Nancy brought up Jill Nedeau and Mary said she is willing to work on the Instagram account and other social media platforms.
- Two items that have been Donated
- Lisa Houck, who is Marilyn DeLand's daughter, wrote to Terri Tubergen about a wooden box that was her Mother's. The box is made to have embroidery inserted around all four sides and top. It is 8"H x 13"W x 9 ½"D. It is called the Stuart Sampler from Serendipity Designs. Lisa would like someone from the chapter to have it with the stipulation that a donation be made to the chapter.
  - Tara has a DMC chest 5 drawers filled with floss that has an insert on top for stitching that Jennifer Gilligan's estate donated. Tara also has some of her designs that can be used for a future fund raiser.
- o After much discussion it was decided that the 50th Anniversary Committee be given the opportunity to use these items as two separate opportunity drawings to be picked at the luncheon, although you will not have to be present to win. Alice will notify them and see if they are willing to take on the responsibility of the opportunity drawing.
  - o Alice suggested the money go to the Marilyn DeLand fund. That was agreed upon.
  - o Mary clarified that the opportunity drawing has to be done in person per the law it cannot be done online.
  - o The question came up if the box would be more valuable stitched or left blank. The time element for stitching is a big issue. It was also suggested to fill the Stuart Sampler box with stitching supplies.
  - o After discussion it was thought the DMC box could go in General Education Fund and the box proceeds go into the Marilyn DeLand fund.
- The ANG chapter, Black Eyed Susans (BES), is considering dissolving. There are 15 members of BES who are also members of Constellation chapter. At the last BES meeting it was decided to email all members about dissolving and approaching the Constellation chapter about becoming an EGA Constellation needlepoint interest group that would continue the same format as the BES chapter meeting, meeting the third Thursday of the month at 7 pm.
- We think having a special needlepoint interest group would be of interest to current EGA members as well as potential members that didn't know that EGA has needlepoint opportunities.
  - Once the BES dissolves, Nancy suggested the special interest group being formed could also be pushed out to the Region by using Zoom.
  - There is no need for approval by the Board on forming an interest group. It would be announced at meetings and put into the newsletter who to contact if you are interested.

- If the BES decides to donate their balance of \$2,859.15, it can restrict it to go into the Marilyn DeLand Fund.

The next Board meeting will be held in August. Tara will send out a poll for the best date/time.

The meeting adjourned at 12:22 pm.

Constellation Chapter  
Agenda  
June 20, 2022  
10:00 AM

Call to Order

50th Anniversary update (moved up in the agenda to accommodate request).

Programs

Treasurer

Membership

Newsletter

Region

Outreach

Old Business

- By-laws

New Business

- Resignation of Alyson Krumweide from the board
- Website development
- Matter regarding the Black Eyed Susans ANG chapter

Announcements

Constellation Chapter EGA is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Constellation Chapter EGA's Board Meeting

Time: Jun 20, 2022 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87143035840?pwd=bFoySGtVV3A3OWxaTDhSQkhUjZnNPdz09>

Meeting ID: 871 4303 5840

Passcode: 096961

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87143035840?pwd=bFoySGtVV3A3OWxaTDhSQkhUjZnNPdz09>

## Attachment #2

### 50th Anniversary meeting report

Still working on an overall theme.

#### Programs

Book Discussion will be The Stumpwork Robe by Prue Batten for the Saturday meeting in February by zoom. Jill Nedeau will lead the discussion in conjunction with a stitch in. Susie will let programs know.

Susan Elliott and her team are working on a stitch a long with Constellation themes.

An idea was raised about redoing Katie Franetovich's Blackwork door with a golden door of friendship theme. Susan will follow up.

#### Woodlawn

Jill Nedeau will get in touch with Nellie's about a showcase for 2023. We will need a team to work on this to coordinate with Woodlawn, take pieces and return them, manage any paperwork etc. Susie will talk to Darcy and Jill about this since Darcy lives close and Jill has contacts with the Nellie's.

#### **Budget Action Item for the board**

**It was agreed that the cost of the luncheon/shindig will be \$30 for members. We will ask the board to authorize up to \$2000.00 for the whole year's activities. We hope not to spend that much but it is better to ask forgiveness than permission.**

#### Luncheon/shindig

Venue options being reevaluated

Timing suggested, which is useful no matter where we have the event, meet at noon, lunch at 12:30-45, any program at 1:45.

Members will be asked to bring projects from classes taken over the 50 years for a showcase.

It was suggested that we ask Penny Haviland to talk about the different projects and their history.

### Attachment #3

Constellation Chapter  
Board Meeting  
June 20, 2022  
Program Report

The Program Committee wants to thank Barbara Bass and Jan Rollins for engineering the chapter's first hybrid program – the annual member showcase on June 6. This was a complicated program. Barbara figured out a way to show projects of members, both at the Arts Center in person and on Zoom, through use of the chapter projector, a projector screen, her laptop logged onto wifi and the Zoom link, and a cell phone video camera. All members could see each other's projects on the screen and hear descriptions of the work by the stitchers. This was a first attempt and we will learn from it. Bravo to Barbara and Jan.

We are looking forward to hosting Jane Nicholas on Aug. 30-31. Mary Tod will be her host. The class is full and Constellation is one of only two groups (the other being Carolinas Region) to accomplish that so far. On September 12, we are taking a field trip to historic Winchester, Va. to hear about the Shenandoah Tapestry, a historic piece developed by the Winchester Chapter, EGA over many years and on permanent display at the Godfrey Miller Center.

Betty Rice is arranging for the chapter to have stitch-ins at the Miller Library on July 11 and August 1. HoCo will be available for stitch-in on the 2nd Saturdays in July and August.

The September through December schedule is done. One addition since the April board meeting is a class on December 5, Crystal Snowflake, taught by Cindy Comeyne. The flyer will be in the next newsletter.

We look forward to continue cooperating with the 50 Anniversary Committee as they develop their plans for 2023.

Alice LaSota  
Chair, Program Committee

## Attachment #6

### Region News

The next regional meeting will be hosted by Colonial West Jersey Chapter. The meeting will be held on September 16-17 2022 at the Hilton Garden, Mount Laurel NJ. The ThaP for the meeting will be "Blackwork on Nature's Palette" by Katherine Jordan.

Donna Pence is still working on the Regional Website and would like notifications about any changes needed to the individual chapter information to our page of the website as she has not turned over the daily management. (There are several chapters who have not set up or finalized their chapter information.) As of our March 2022 meeting. Waves of Stitching Seminar wrapped up on June 19, 2022. Information on how it went will be discussed at the Fall Region Meeting.

Regarding the need for new leadership, the Nominating committee composed of Heather Gitlin, Donna LaBranche and Kathy Weigl are reaching out across the region looking for nominees for Region Director, Assistant Region Director, Secretary and Treasurer. If you identify a chapter member who might be interested in helping guide the Region for the next three years, please let them know.

The next zoom lecture is on Thursday October 6, 2022 at 7:00 pm. MAR PRiDe recipient Heather Gitlin will "Embroidery and the Brain: How Knowledge of Your Noodle Improves Creations with Your Needle."

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SAVE THE DATE — CAMP WANNASTITCH 2023 — Ocean City Fontainebleau January 12-16, 2023 Look for updates in the Summer MAR Newsletter.

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The Region is attempting to compile a list of people willing to teach a project or technique to another chapter for the Regional Website.



Mid-Atlantic Region Directory JUNE 2022

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Attachment #7

Outreach Report

The Outreach Committee is currently working on preparing for the upcoming class for the Bookmark Cross stitch class for preteens in August.

Currently we have not got a response from anyone to teach the class and volunteers to assist with the children.

The Howard County Arts Council is advertising for the classes and have not received any information on anyone that has signed up.

### Skill Level Questions

1. In general, do you consider yourself
  - a. An experienced stitcher?
  - b. A novice stitcher?
2. For novice stitchers, would you like a mentor?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
3. For skilled stitchers, would you consider mentoring someone?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
4. Your preferred technique(s) is/are
  - a. Counted cross stitch
  - b. Canvaswork/needlepoint
  - c. Crewel/long and short stitch
  - d. Goldwork/silk and metal
  - e. Stumpwork
  - f. Blackwork
  - g. Pulled work
  - h. Cutwork
  - i. Beadwork
  - j.
5. Would you join a technique interest group within the chapter?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No

### Meeting Attendance

1. How often do you attend chapter meetings?
  - a. Usually attend 1st Monday meeting
  - b. Usually attend 2nd Saturday meeting
  - c. Usually attend both 1st Monday and 2nd Saturday meetings
  - d. Only attend when there's a program of interest
  - e. Attend sporadically as time permits
2. Do you prefer meeting in person or via Zoom?
  - a. In person.
  - b. Zoom.
  - c. Depends on program
  - d. Depends on personal schedule
3. What do you enjoy most about chapter meetings?
  - a. Learning new things through lectures/workshops
  - b. Sharing what you are stitching/asking others about their work
  - c. Socializing with friends
4. Do you attend chapter-sponsored lectures?
  - a. Always
  - b. Sometimes, depending on personal schedule

5. Do you prefer to have lectures in person or via Zoom?

- c. Sometimes, depending on topic
- a. In person

6. Do you have a lecture topic suggestion?

- b. Zoom
- c. No preference
- a. \_\_\_\_\_

Workshops/Classes

1. Why do you take classes?

- a. To learn something new
- b. To advance your knowledge of a familiar technique
- c. Because you like the project
- d. Because you are interested in the teacher
- e. Don't take classes

2. Do you prefer workshops to be in person or on Zoom?

- a. In person?
- b. Zoom
- c. No preference

3. What kind of classes do you like?

- a. Short, less expensive member-led workshops
- b. 1- to 2-day national teacher classes
- c. EGA group correspondence courses

4. What factors influence your decision about taking a class?

- a. Price
- b. Class length
- c.
- d. Technique
- e. Instructor

5. Do you prefer project-based classes, classes that teach elements of design,

or classes that experiment with stitches/skills that could be used in your

- a. Project-based classes
- b. Elements of design
- c. Experiment with stitches/skills

6. What technique(s) would you like to take a workshop in?

- a. Design
- b. Counted thread on linen
- c. Canvaswork/needlepoint
- d. Crewel/long and short stitch
- e. Goldwork/silk and metal
- f. Stumpwork
- g. Blackwork
- h. Pulled work
- i. Cutwork

7. Is there a particular teacher that you would like to see the chapter bring in?
- i. Beadwork
  - k. Other
  - a.
- \_\_\_\_\_

Contributing to the Chapter

1. Are you willing to mentor a less-experienced stitcher?
  - a. Yes
  - b. No
  - c. Don't feel qualified to do this
2. Are you willing to
  - a. Serve as a chapter officer?
  - b. Serve as a member of the Board of Directors?
  - c. Serve as a leader for a correspondence course or workshop using existing instructions from an EGA source or commercial design
  - d. Teach a class for chapter members with your own material
  - e. Give a presentation on an area of personal expertise
  - f. Host a visiting teacher or lecturer in your home
3. Are you willing to help with
  - a. Building and maintaining a website
  - b. Publicizing the chapter, especially on social media
  - c. Welcoming new members
  - d. Organizing special events
  - e. Setting up a technique interest group
  - f.
4. Are you interested in any of the following outreach activities
  - a. Teaching children
  - b. Teaching young adults
  - c.
  - d. Manning Constellation Chapter table at a community or arts event
  - e. Other

**CONSTELLATION CHAPTER EGA ZOOM BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**August 29, 2022**

**Zoom Meeting Recorded by Mary Tod and Minutes Submitted by Bonnie Berman**

Meeting called to order at 3:00 pm by Tara Roberts, President.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Alice LaSota, Carol Crumley, Eugenia Matthews, Jan Rollins, Mary Tod, Nancy Kenealey, Sandra Connolly, Tara Roberts, Susie Jordan, Susan White, Heidi Snyder, Bonnie Berman, Norma Diehl, Laura Koren

**AGENDA** (Attachment #1):

Submitted by Tara Roberts, President

See Attachment #1.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:**

Unanimous approval of June 20, 2022 minutes.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

Nancy made a motion to accept the proposed 2023 Slate of Officers (Attachment #2) to be voted on at the yearly business meeting. Mary second the motion.

Mary made a motion to accept the proposed Nominating Committee (Attachment #2) to be voted on at the yearly business meeting. Susie second the motion.

Norma Diehl is being appointed to serve out Alyson's term which ends December 31, 2022.

**PROGRAMS** (Attachment #3, 3.1):

Submitted by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

See Attachment #3, 3.1.

Added to 2022 program schedule on November 12th is Ann Fink presenting Jean Cuddington's stand-alone pieces. More details will be in next newsletter.

Jan brought up the question of Zoom lectures/classes. It was reported that Barbara Bass had suggested three pieces of equipment to help with hybrid lectures/classes. The pieces of equipment are speakers, a cell phone stand and a microphone. Tara stated that storage of equipment is not a problem as we have a locked cabinet.

Nancy commented that if we purchase this equipment it would enable us to do short technique videos to be posted for private use online.

**TREASURER** (Attachment #4, 4.1):

Submitted by Mary Tod, Treasurer

See Attachment #4, 4.1.

Mary suggested, if needed, we can take part or all of the money out of the small CD that matures in Feb 23, 2023 to use for general operating expenses, 50th Anniversary, or possibly invest in technology.

**MEMBERSHIP** (Attachment #5, 5.1):

Submitted by Nancy Kenealey, 2nd VP/ Membership

See Attachment #5, 5.1.

Nancy reported that she will be pulling the information about volunteers from the surveys to share.

**NEWSLETTER** Alice requested access to the surveys to share with Program Committee. Mary will give Alice and Susie (who also requested to see the responses) access.

Newsletter deadline for upcoming issue is Sept 10, 2022.

Laura inquired if any other items of importance need to be in the newsletter besides 2023 proposed budget and the new Slate of Officers.

Nancy will write up a few lines about the survey for the newsletter including the link on how to reach the survey.

Nancy will write up an invitation to members to join the Needlepoint Interest Group whose next meeting is the third Thursday in October.

#### **REGION (Attachment #6):**

Submitted by Carol Crumley, Director & Regional Representative

See Attachment #6

Carol reported the proposed money for regional travel is sufficient for this year but may not be so in the future if the Mid-East Region (MER) Region joins our Region.

In the discussion of the possible MER addition Jan inquired who makes the decision. Carol reported the Mid-Atlantic Region (MAR) Board makes the final decision at their next meeting.

Carol said if you had any pertinent questions you would like her to ask at the next MAR meeting please send her an email.

#### **OUTREACH (Attachment #7):**

Submitted by Eugenia Matthews, Director & Community Outreach

See Attachment #7.

Tara commented that the signup to participate in the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival is sometime in the Fall. Susie reported that the Region is planning to have an information table and will discuss with Eugenia offline.

#### **50th ANNIVERSARY (Attachment #8):**

Submitted by Susie Jordan

See Attachment #8.

Susie reported that the 50th Anniversary Sampler is almost ready to roll out.

Susie asked if anyone had a preference between cake and cupcakes for the luncheon. The consensus was cupcakes.

#### **INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESSIBILITY (IDEA) (Attachment #9):**

Submitted by Susie Jordan

See Attachment #9.

Susie reported that there is a restriction on receiving EGA brochures. In addition there is only one official EGA banner for the region. These items are being discussed. Susie suggested we put a line item in our budget to show the Region how important we think the IDEA/Diversity is to the Chapter.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

Nancy reported that the Needlepoint Interest group is moving forward. They will be inviting any member interested to please join the meeting in October. This will go into the newsletter.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

Proposed Budget for 2023 was discussed (See Attachment #10). Nancy made a motion to accept the proposed budget for 2023. Carol second the motion.

– Addendum: There was discussion about what was to happen with the Opportunity Drawing funds. I looked at the previous minutes and it read: “After discussion it was thought the DMC box could go in General Education Fund and the box proceeds go into the Marilyn DeLand fund.”

– Jan made a motion to continue to give the Jess Carson Foundation the \$100 contribution from the category “Contributions/Gifts” for 2022. Mary seconded the motion. No decision on which charity to give the funds to for 2023 was made.

There was a discussion of a need for a Technology person to be responsible and manage the tech equipment, as well as assisting with hybrid lectures/classes/videos.

Susie brought up the idea of having a special class through the RSN as one of the ways to accommodate members looking for classes on Zoom. This will be discussed at a later date.

Sue White has a large amount of plastic canvas she is willing to donate. It was noted that this could be used for youth education or for senior citizen education.

Black Eyed Susan (BES) ANG Chapter is being dissolved and will become an EGA Special Needlepoint Interest Group starting in October 2022 with all Constellation members invited to attend. These meetings are both in person and on Zoom.

– BES requests the funds given to the Constellation EGA Chapter from BES be used for needlepoint education/classes.

– Mary is having difficulty obtaining the correct form in order to have the library room each month on a regular basis as allowed for a 501c organization which we are. Now Judith Todes has to stay up and put in for the room each month at midnight. It was suggested that Mary contact Michele Hunter who had worked at Howard County Library as she might have some insight to the form. Carol will send Mary contact information for Debbie Happel who might also have some insight. Laura suggested to use this meeting as a way to attract new members since having a meeting at night will allow a total group of people to attend which falls in with our diversity mission.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Carol announced that the Group Correspondence selection will be one of three samplers. They are the English Sampler, Snowflake Ball or the Star Spangle Ball.

Susie brought up that after the Take Home a Project (THaP) Overdyed Spools class a chat group was set up. It went over very well as it kept the group together, people had support when having difficulty, and most people finished piece. It would be nice if this could happen for all classes. If we had a technology person they could set up a private group on Facebook to eliminate all the dings/notices when chat groups are done by text/email. Ideally there would be one person who would monitor and bring any questions to the teacher.

The next Board meeting will be held in November. Tara will send out a poll for the best date/time.

Susie motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mary second the motion. Meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm.

Constellation Chapter  
Agenda  
August 29, 2022  
3:00 PM

Call to Order

Programs

Treasurer

Membership

Newsletter

Region

Outreach

Old Business

- 50th Anniversary
- IDEA/Diversity

New Business

- 2023 Budget
- Appointees and volunteers (for upcoming election) for seats on the Board

Announcements

## Attachment #2

### Proposed Slate of Officers with Term Dates

Position	Name	1st term ends	2 <sup>nd</sup> term ends
President			
1st VP/Programs			
2nd VP/Membership	Susie Jordan	01/23-12/24	
3rd VP/Newsletter	Alice LaSota		01/23-12/24
Treasurer	Nancy Kenealey		01/22-12/23
Recording Secretary	Karen Olsen	01/23-12/24	01/22-12/23
Corresponding Secretary	Mary Tod		
Regional Representative	Bonnie Berman	01/22-12/23	
Outreach	Donna Finley	01/23-12/24	
Director	Deneen Wilson	01/23-12/24	
Director	Eugenia Matthews	01/22-12/23	
Director	Heidi Snyder	01/22-12/23	
Director	Susan White	01/22-12/23	
Director	Eugenia Matthews	01/22-12/23	
Director	Jan Rollins	01/23-12/24	
	Judith Todes	01/23-12/24	
	Carol Crumley		01/23-12/24

#### **Nominating Committee**

Donna Finley, Chair 01/21-12/23

Nancy Knuth 01/23-12/24

Darcy Walker 01/23-12/25

#### **Program Committee**

AliceLaSota, Chair

Barbara Bass

Debbie Logsdon

Terri Tubergen

Ann Fink

#### **Outreach Committee**

Eugenia Matthews, Chair

Jeanette Farrell

Mary Vransy

### Attachment #3

#### Constellation Chapter Board Meeting August 29, 2022 Program Report

We are looking forward to ITT teacher, Jane Nicholas, teaching Shakespeare Flowers, Sampler I on August 30-31. On September 12, we travel to Winchester, VA for a history program on the development of the Shenandoah Valley Tapestry. October includes two Zoom events: a lecture on Pennsylvania German hairwork artistry and an introduction to five EGAPetite Projects by five members of our chapter (Katie Franetovich, Barbara Bass, Terri Tubergen, Donna Finley, and Lisa Houck) who will teach the projects in early 2023 to introduce new techniques to chapter members. In November, member Chris Armstrong will present a lecture/demo on finishing on the 7th following the annual business meeting and members Jean Cuddington and Ann Fink will demonstrate self-standing display of projects following on the 12th. Cindy Comeyne will teach a crystal snowflake on December 5, followed by a holiday buffet.

In 2023, our anniversary year, we will feature some gold-themed programs: a lecture on gold-trim on Napoleonic style coats by Liz Tapper of Somerset, England, a black and gold ort box 2-day class designed and taught by Canby Robertson, and a gold color-themed needlepoint designed and taught by Mary Tod. The Petite Project classes will take place in February and April. Shelley Wells and Dawn Donnelly will present lectures via Zoom in April and May. Terri will teach a class in Polish Eyelet embroidery in May and the annual members showcase will take place in June. Laura Smith is coming to the Arts Center, October 13-14, to teach Batik to Stitch.

We will present most of these programs either via Zoom or as a hybrid Zoom/in person event.

Alice LaSota  
Chair, Program Committee

## Attachment #3.1

## Constellation Chapter Attendance January, 2022 - present

January 3, 2022	SurfaceEmbroiderybyCanbyRobertson–Zoomlecture	58
January 8, 2022 February 7, 2022	YubinukiThimble,Class2byTerriTubergen3, Stitch-In2,5onzoom	10
February 12, 2022	HistoryofEGAbyAnnStrite-Kurz–Zoomlecture	43
March 7, 2022	BeadedTapeMeasurebyNancyKenealey14,Stitch-In4,6 on zoom	24
March 12, 2022	WrightFriendsClasspt.2byBarbaraBassandMaryTod	34
April 4, 2022	14, Stitch-In 7, 13on zoom	13
	Stitch-In	48
	OurConnectiontotheNaturalWorldbyHillaryWatersFayle 41, 7onzoom(Maryheldupherphoneforzoom)	
April 8, 2022	Linen:TheJourneyfromSeedtoClothbyEllenPhelps- Zoom Lecture	35
May 2, 2022	A TasteofNeedlelacebyLindaKayBenningandMayTea 26, 10onzoom	36
May 14, 2022	Stitch-In	8
June 6, 2022	Stitcher'sShowcase20,11onzoom	31
June 11, 2022	OverdyedSpoolsWorkshopbyAmyHeisel14,4onzoom	18
July 9, 2022	Stitch-In4,14onzoom	18
July 11, 2022	Stitch-InatLibrary8,9onzoom	17
August 1, 2022	Stitch-InatLibrary11,12onzoom	23
August 13, 2022	Stitch-In5,5onzoom	10

Attachment #4

Treasurer's Report for Board Meeting

August 29, 2022

As August 29, 2022, the checking account has a balance of \$14,594.02. Our income to date is \$12,386.56 and our expenses to date are \$9,315.51, leaving us with an expected year end surplus at this rate of \$3,070.65. I have attached our year-to-date (YTD) Budget vs. Actual tracking to show our income and expenses for the current year.

We have a PayPal balance so far for August of \$114.33; these funds will be transferred to the checking account August 31.

Our 2 CDs have the following amounts: CD ending in -0137 has a balance of \$3,186.60, at a rate of 0.03%, and matures February 23, 2023.

CD ending in -2241 has a balance of \$5,498.76, at a rate of 0.05%, and matures December 8, 2022.

Our total current worth (combined checking account, PayPal, and CDs) is \$23,393.71.

Mary Tod

Treasurer

## Attachment #4.1

## Budget vs. Actual as of August 29, 2022

	2022	YTD		2022	YTD
	Budget	Actual		Budget	Actual
<b>INCOME</b>			<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Dues*	\$6,348.00	\$6,369.50	National Dues	\$3,510.00	\$3,549.00
Interest*	\$20.00		Region Dues	\$218.00	\$222.00
Educational	\$10,000.00	\$5,815.85	Educational	\$11,000.00	\$3,119.30
Events*			Events*+		
Seminar (MAR)			Seminar* (MAR)		
Exhibit			Exhibits*		
Fund Raising*	\$300.00		Fund Raising*		
Sales*			Cost of Sales		
Advertising*	\$130.00	\$110.00	Rent*	\$900.00	\$1,357.50
Community	\$700.00		Newsletter &	\$350.00	
Outreach*			website*		
Contributions, Restricted*	\$400.00		Administration*	\$370.00	\$270.73
Contributions, Unrestricted*	\$240.00	\$38.00	Officers Travel	\$300.00	
Parties/Meals			Community	\$900.00	\$235.73
			Outreach		
Retreats			Parties/Meals		\$500.00
Contributions/Gifts			Retreats		
Other*		\$53.21	Contributions/Gifts	\$100.00	
Transfer from savings			Membership	\$200.00	\$61.65
			Expenses*		
			Other*	\$290.00	
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$18,138.00</b>	<b>\$12,386.56</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,138.00</b>	<b>\$9,315.51</b>
			<b>EXPENSES</b>		

## Attachment #5

### Membership Report

The chapter currently has 133 confirmed members. We have one additional plural member whose status is in question since it has come to my attention that her dues to EGA National were not paid. She has been notified that she needs to either pay National directly or pay Constellation Chapter an additional \$39 to cover her national dues. I will email her one more reminder, but if payment is not received in September, I will ask that she be refunded the \$22 dues that she paid and she will be removed from chapter rosters. Two new primary members joined the chapter in August.

The membership survey that was approved at the last BOD meeting opened after the release of the July-August newsletter. So far, 21 members have responded - this represents approximately 16% of the chapter. I am attaching a copy of the data summary from Google which reflects the responses of these members (note that everyone did not respond to all of the questions). I believe that this survey will prove very useful for planning purposes and helpful for identifying volunteers; however, we do need more responses. I have delayed sending out an email blast on the subject since a lot of members seem to be out of town during the summer but will do so in the first part of September. I will also place an article about the survey in the upcoming newsletter.

Nancy Kenealey

# Constellation Chapter EGA Member Survey 2022

21 responses

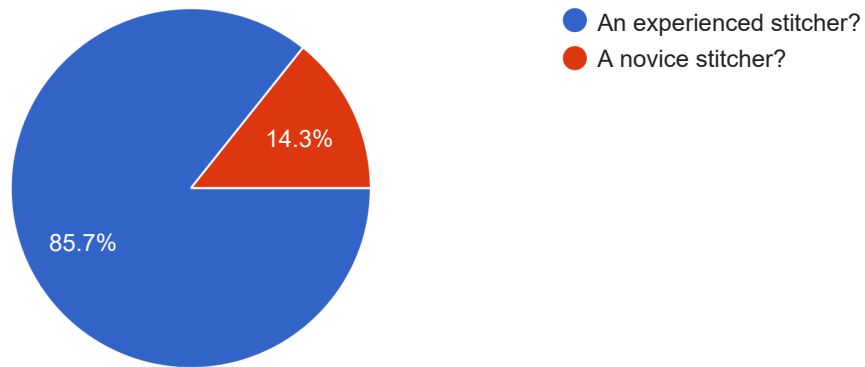
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## Skill Level

1. In general, do you consider yourself

21 responses

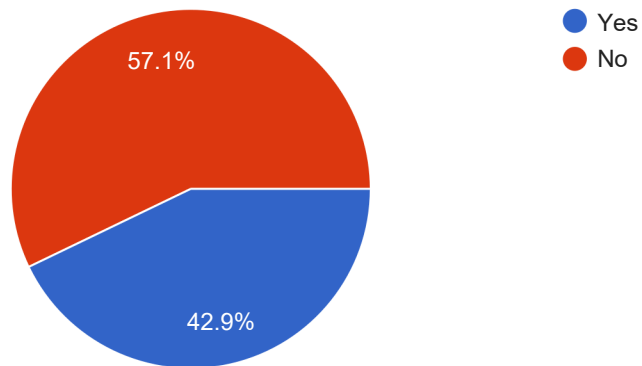
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2. For novice stitchers, would you like a mentor?

7 responses

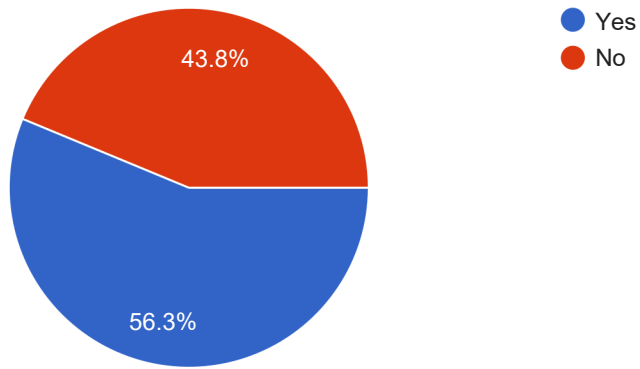
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### 3. For skilled stitchers, would you consider mentoring someone?

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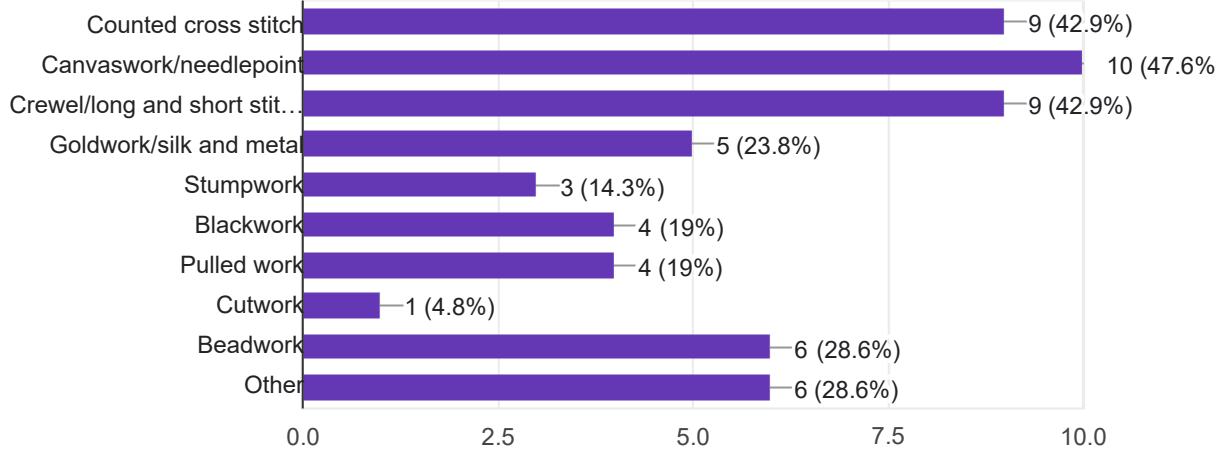
16 responses



### 4. Your preferred technique(s) is/are (may select more than one response)

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21 responses



If answer to question 4 is other, please specify technique below.

6 responses

I like to experience different techniques if I'm drawn to the project

Crazy Quilt stitches

Surface embroidery

drawn work e. g. hardanger, schwalm

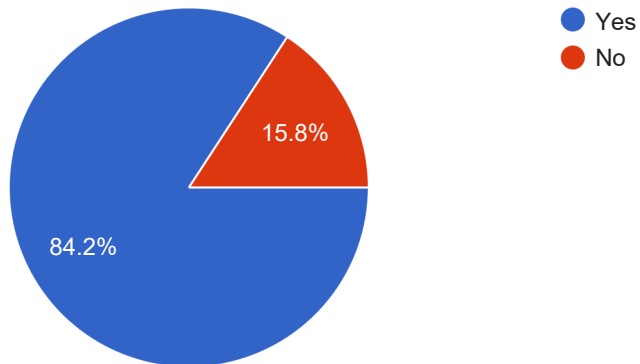
thread painting; Ukrainian embroidery

General hand embroidery including stamped cross stitch and embroidery along with various doodle stitching patterns/techniques

5. Would you join a technique interest group within the chapter?



19 responses



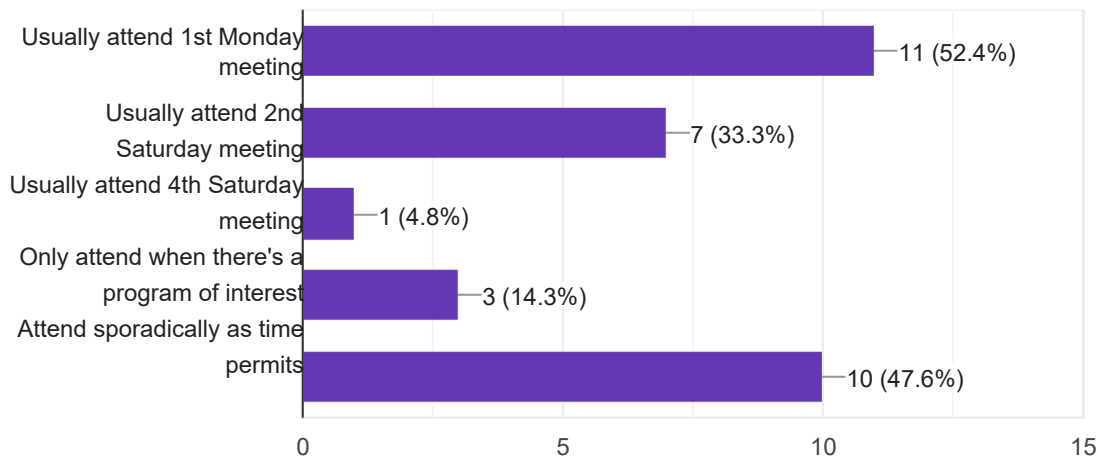
Meeting Attendance



### 1. How often do you attend chapter meetings? (may select more than one response)



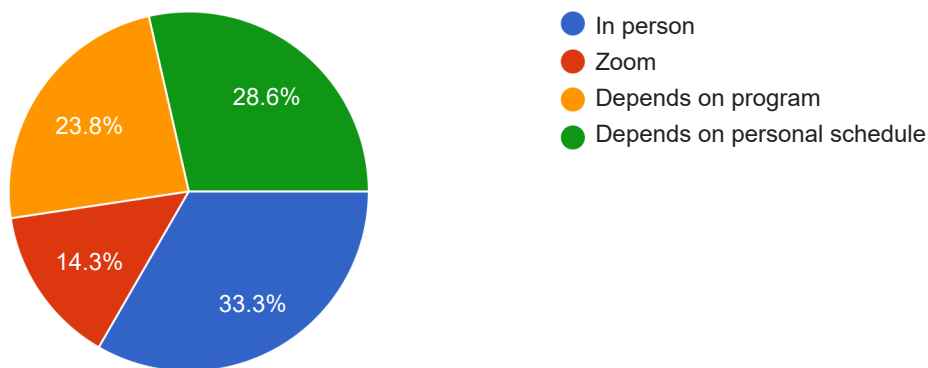
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### 2. Do you prefer meeting in person or via Zoom?



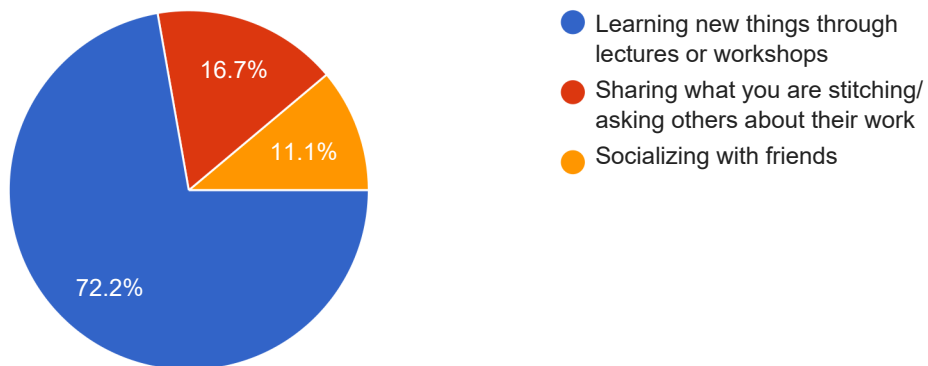
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### 3. What do you enjoy most about chapter meetings?



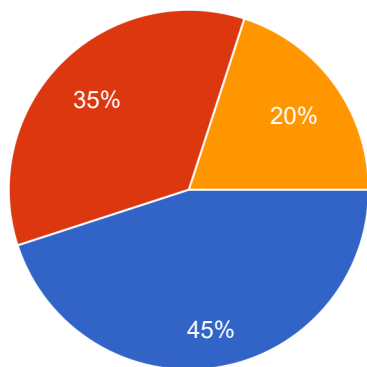
18 responses



4. Do you attend chapter-sponsored lectures?



20 responses

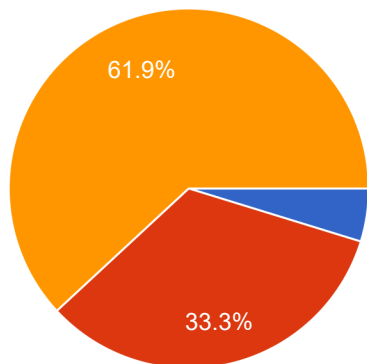


- Always or almost always
- Sometimes, depending on personal schedule
- Sometimes, depending on topic

5. Do you prefer to have lectures in person or via Zoom?



21 responses



- In person
- Zoom
- No preference

6. Do you have a lecture topic suggestion?

4 responses

exercise, stretching...we sit too long/often

Basic stitches freestyle

Japanese Embroidery

more on this to come

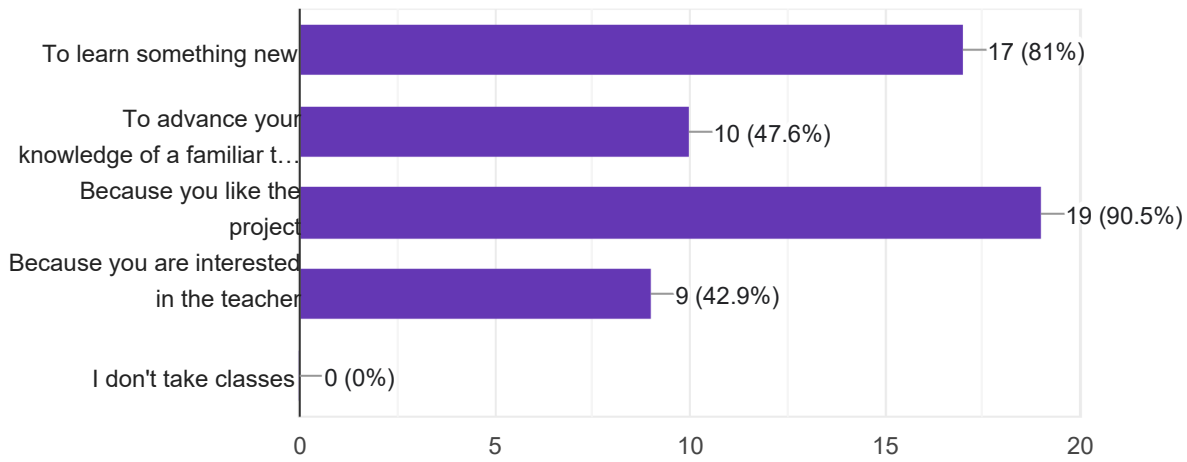
Workshops/Classes



### 1. Why do you take classes? (may select more than one response)

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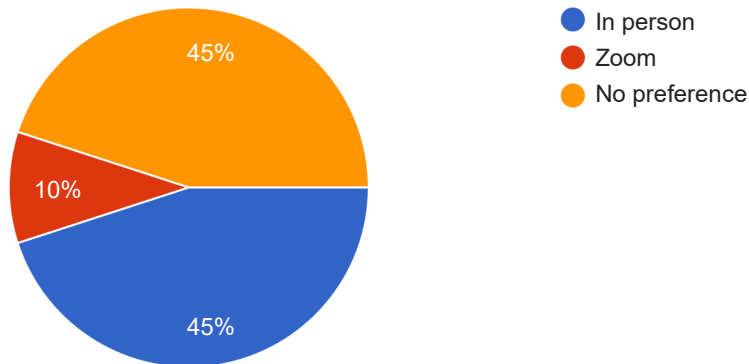
21 responses



### 2. Do you prefer workshops to be in person or on Zoom?

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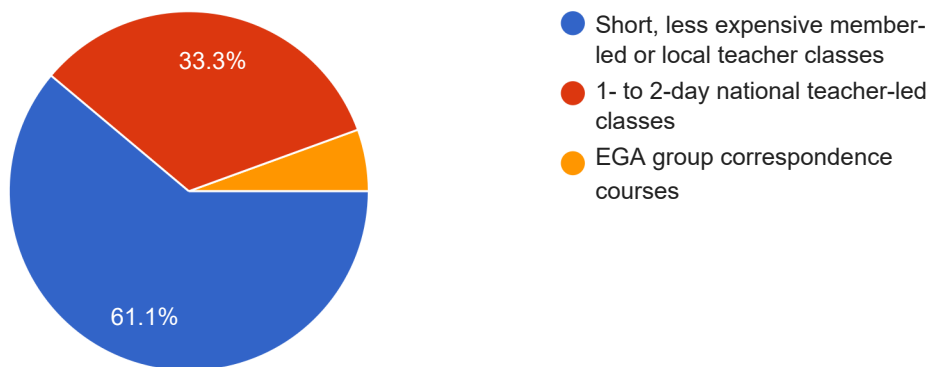
20 responses



### 3. What kind of classes do you prefer?

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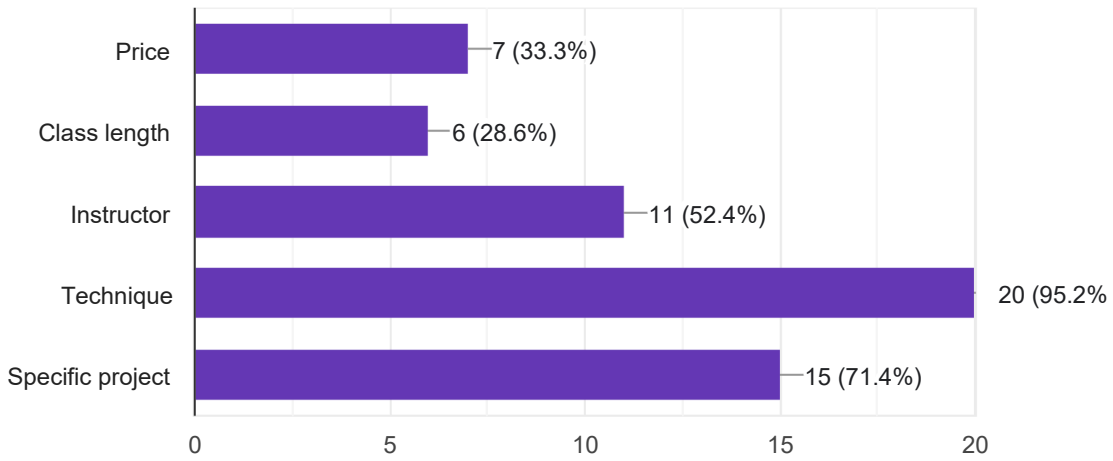
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4. What factors influence your decision about taking a class? (may select more than one response)



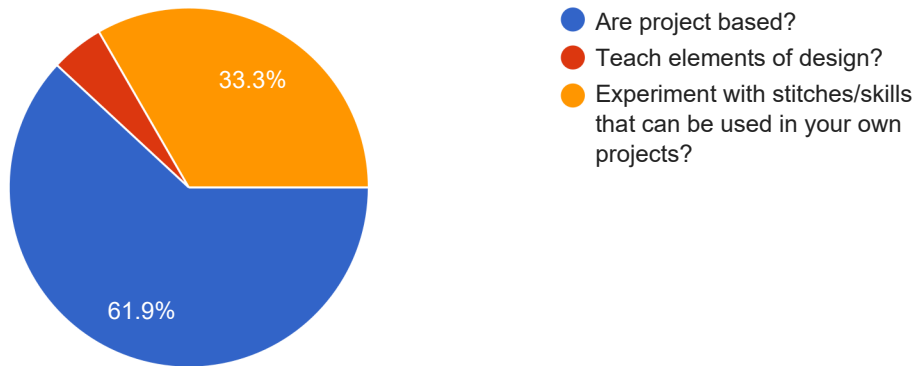
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5. In general, do you prefer classes that



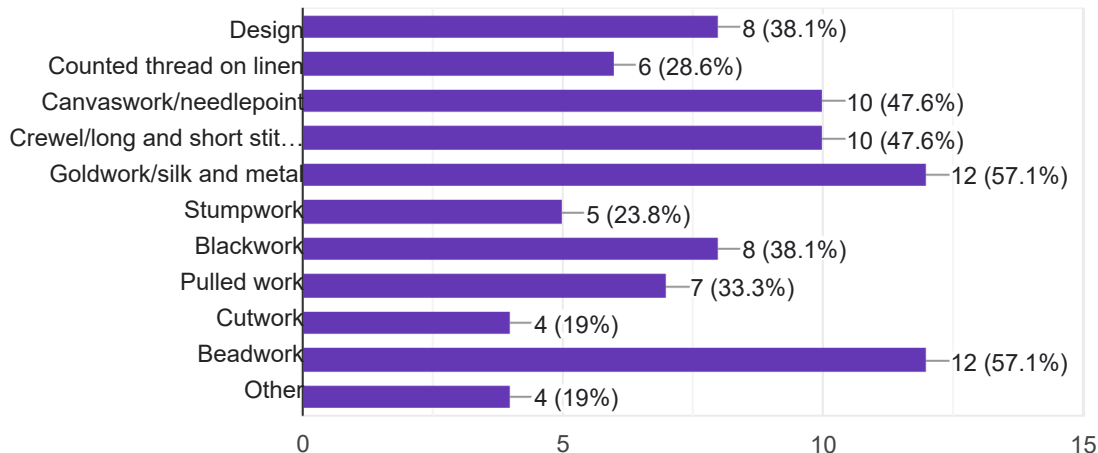
21 responses



6. What technique(s) would you like to take a workshop in? (may select more than one response)



21 responses



If answer to question 6 is other, please specify technique below.

4 responses

Ribbon embroidery

More freestyle embroidery

drawn work, e. g. hardanger, schwalm

thread painting; folk embroidery

7. Is there a particular teacher that you would like to see the chapter bring in?

4 responses

None

someone to teach lefkara

Lorene Salt (maybe on Zoom), Wendy Moore

Lorena Salt, Orna Willis

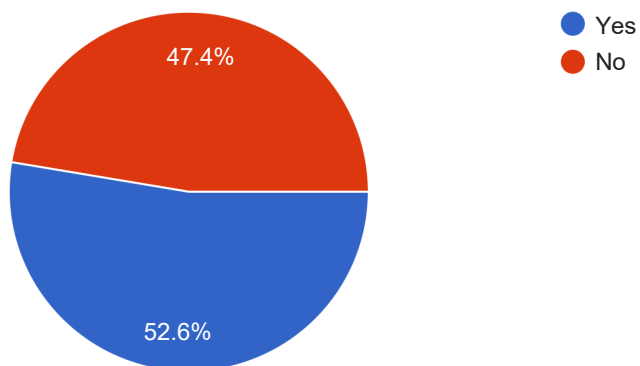
Contributing to the Chapter



### 1. Are you willing to mentor a less-experienced stitcher?

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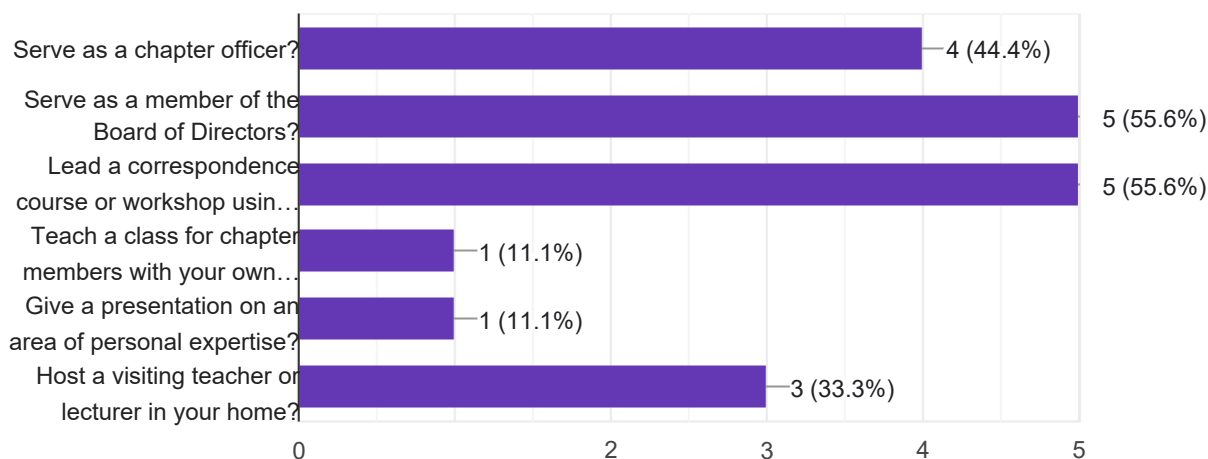
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### 2. Are you willing to (may select more than one response)

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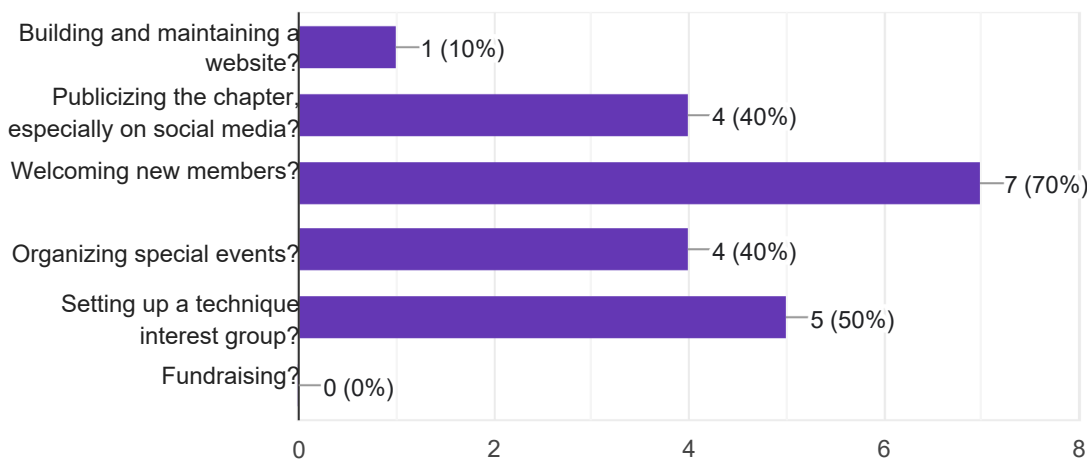
9 responses



### 3. Are you willing to help with (may select more than one response)

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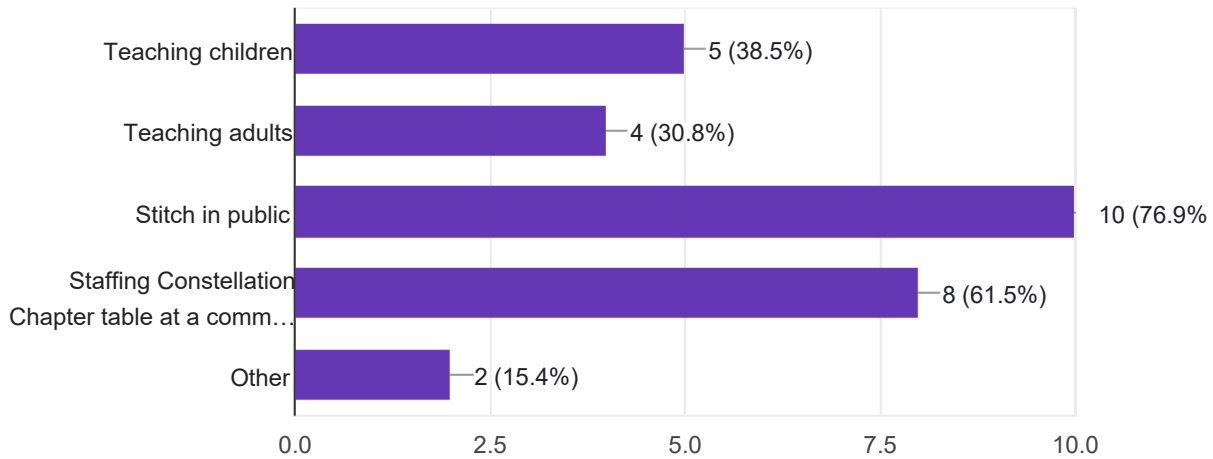
10 responses



4. Are you interested in any of the following outreach activities? (may select more than one response)



13 responses



If answer to question 4 is other, please specify activity or below.

7 responses

Volunteering is time permitting; I work full time and travel regularly

Comment - wold like to see more programs on Saturday rather than Monday

As a plural member, I do not live near the chapter. Therefore much of this will not pertain to me, due to distance.

Not available due to health issues

Check all on Meeting Attendance #3; workshops #3 and #5

Constellation Chapter is a plural chapter for me as I live In Richmond. i maintain membership to keep informed about RGA activities and information.

more infomation to come

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## Attachment #6

### Regional Report for Constellation Board 8/29/2022

I plan on attending the next Regional Meeting on September 17, 2022. The meeting will be held in Mt Laurel NJ.

Topics for this Regional Meeting are:

Results from the Regional Seminar held in June.

Committee Reports

Annual Budget will be on the agenda

Discussion and Election of the following proposed officers:

Assistant Regional Director – Heather Gitlin

Secretary – Lisa McGinnis

Treasurer –Stephanie Muller

Vote on acceptance of new chapters from MER. See further details below

On August 18th Donna Pence sent the following information to Regional Representatives and Chapter Presidents for advance notice and consideration.

“The Mid Eastern Rregion (MER) will be requesting approval to proceed with the process of dissolution. One of the components involved will be the move of their chapters to other regions. I will be asking for discussion and a vote for acceptance at the September Board of Directors meeting.

The following Chapters currently in MER would like to join Mid-Atlantic Region when the Region dissolves:

Buffalo & Southtown Needle Nuts- Buffalo NY; Genessee Valley – Rochester, NY; Central New York -Syracuse NY; Corning (NY); Chemung Valley, Elmira, NY; BC Stitchers – Binghamton NY, Treasured Stitchery – Towanda PA;

National Trails – Wheeling WV has not made their final choice as yet, so they are possible.”

The Mid-Atlantic Region currently has 26 chapters listed on the EGA Website. This would add 5-7 chapters to our region. This will increase our northern boundary up into New York State. Our current Southern Chapters are in Southern Virginia/Tidewater/ Virginia Beach area.

We have had a lively discussion via email with the following issues being discussed:

1. Financial considerations – what finances will they bring and what will it cost to merge the chapters that come into Mid-Atlantic Region.
2. What will be the total number of members coming in.
3. How will the additional miles (approx 300 miles for some) and how will we handle the additional time compensation to members required to attend meetings).

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4. These members have the capability of bringing fresh talent and prospective to our Region.
5. Most of the chapters being considered are in the Central region of New York State with the Buffalo & South Town Needle Nuts being the farthest West. Treasured Stitchery is located in Towanda PA in Bradford County on the New York State Line.
6. Partner Chapters across the Region to assist with the additional # of people and additional geographical area

Upcoming Regional Meetings through Spring of 2024 have already been placed on the Regional Calendar. They are as follows:

Spring 2023 – Wyoming Valley

Fall 2023 – Fauquier Chapter

Spring 2024 – Philadelphia Chapter

Fall 2024 – Oatlands and DC Chapter

I have decided to step away from the job of Regional Representative at the end of 2022. This will allow someone else the opportunity to represent Constellation Chapter.

Submitted by

Carol M Crumley

Constellation Chapter

Regional Representative.

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Attachment #7

Outreach Report

The Bookmark class for teens that was supposed to be held the week of August 18th was canceled due to the lack of students signing up for registration. There was a failure of reaching the 5 student quota. This was a disappointment for our chapter because we depend on these classes for income.

The Outreach Committee will plan for events for the upcoming fall and the upcoming year of 2023.

Eugenia Matthews

Attachment #8

50th Anniversary Team report

We have a venue. Rolling Road Country Club on Saturday Sept 9. The deposit has been paid and the date secured. Details to follow.

Newsletter articles should begin with the Oct/Nov issue.

Other plans coming along nicely.

Attachment #9  
IDEA/Diversity report

Nothing happening at the chapter level. Hopefully as things start up for fall some things can get going

At the region level much is happening.

The team has recommended that all Region meetings go hybrid by the Spring meeting. All chapters will be asked to query National to amass EGA brochures. This will enable all chapters to be consistent with their marketing of EGA.

Team is creating a "how to host an outreach event in the community" document/kit to be ready by the Spring MAR meeting. The hope is to encourage chapters to get out in the community to share with folks what EGA has to offer.

The team is creating a list of possible larger events in which EGA chapters could have a presence, like the Sheep and Wool festival.

Attachment #10

Proposed Budget for 2023

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		Diversity Effort	\$100.00
		Other	\$235.00
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**CONSTELLATION CHAPTER EGA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 7, 2022  
ZOOM MEETING HOSTED BY MARY TOD  
IN-PERSON MEETING RECORDED BY BONNIE BERMAN**

Meeting called to order at 10:16 AM by Vice-President Alice LaSota.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

In person: MaryTod, AliceLaSota, Jan Rollins, Susie Jordan, Nancy Kenealey, Bonnie Berman, Heidi Snyder, Norma Diehl  
On Zoom: Eugenia Matthews, Carol Crumley

There were a total of 31 members present (including Board Members). There were an additional 17 members viewing/participating on Zoom. Quorum was satisfied.

**OPENING STATEMENT**

Alice LaSota announced that Tara Roberts, President, had a family emergency and would be unable to attend the meeting.

**OFFICERS REPORTS**

**AGENDA** (Attachment #1)

Submitted by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education  
See Attachment #1

**PRESIDENT** (Attachment #2)

Submitted by Tara Roberts, President  
See Attachment #2

**PROGRAMS** (Attachment #3):

Submitted by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education  
See Attachment #3

**TREASURER** (Attachment #4):

Submitted by Mary Tod, Treasurer  
See Attachment #4

**NEWSLETTER** (Attachment #5):

Submitted by Laura Koren, 3rd VP/ Newsletter Editor  
See Attachment #5

**MEMBERSHIP** (Attachment #6):

Submitted by Nancy Kenealey, 2nd VP/ Membership  
See Attachment #6

**OUTREACH** (Attachment #7):

Submitted by Eugenia Matthews, Outreach Director  
See Attachment #7

**MAR REGION** (Attachment #8):

Submitted by Carol Crumley, Director & Regional Representative

□ See Attachment #8

**PROPOSED SLATE OF BOARD MEMBERS (Attachment #9)**

Presented by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

See Attachment #9

Alice thanked the Nominating Committee composed of Michele Hunter (Chair), Norma Diehl, and Donna Finley.

Mary Tod made a motion to accept the Slate of Officers in a unanimous vote. Susan Elliott seconded the motion. There was a unanimous vote by the in-person membership. There were no objections. Motion carries.

**PROPOSED BUDGET (Attachment #10)**

Presented by Mary Tod, Treasurer

See Attachment #10.

Bonnie Berman made a motion to accept the budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Penny Haviland. There were no objections. Motion carries.

**2022 Chapter Bylaws Revision (Attachment #11)**

Presented by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

See Attachment #11

Susie Jordan made a motion to accept the bylaws as presented. The motion was seconded by Mary Vransy. There were no objections. Motion carries.

According to the bylaws the committee chairs are accountable to the board. With Susie Jordan becoming President in January, there is a conflict of interest as she is also the Chair of the 50th Anniversary celebration. This will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

**Election of Nominating Committee (Attachment #9)**

Presented by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

See Attachment #9

Susie Jordan made a motion to accept the nominating committee as presented. The motion was seconded by Jan Rollins. There were no objections. Motion carries.

**Announcement of Charity Donation of \$100.00**

Presented by Alice LaSota, 1st VP/Programs & Education

The 2022 donation goes to the Jess Carson Foundation.

Susie Jordan made a motion to accept the charitable donation as presented. The motion was seconded by Mary Tod. There were no objections. Motion carries.

A different recipient for the 2023 donation will be discussed by the Board.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 AM.

Approved: Minutes were approved at the December 9, 2022 meeting.

Agenda  
2022 Annual Business Meeting  
Constellation Chapter, EGA  
November 7, 2022

Presentation of Officers' Reports

President  
Programs/Education  
Treasurer  
Newsletter  
Membership  
Outreach  
Region Representative

Items for chapter membership vote

Slate of Officers for 2023  
Budget Proposal for 2023  
2022 Chapter Bylaws revision  
Election of Nominating Committee members

Announcement of Charity Donation of \$100

President Annual Report  
Constellation Chapter, EGA  
2022

2022 brought some changes and opportunities to an organization that relies on face to face interactions, e.g. classes and stitch-ins. As county guidelines shifted for the ongoing COVID pandemic, classes and stitch-ins began anew with the continued opportunity for remote access and hybrid meetings via Zoom classes, lectures and stitch-ins. The Program Committee had yet another excellent array of offerings to appeal to the various levels of participation of chapter members. Although some outreach programming suffered from pandemic and participation issues, chapter members have been working at providing recognition to the chapter and what we offer.

Alice LaSota and Mary Tod are to be thanked for their work on updating the chapter bylaws, as required by EGA. Changes made will keep this chapter in compliance with our parent organization and with the vote of the membership to accept these bylaws in our annual meeting on November 7th, we will have fulfilled that required duty.

I want to thank everyone who has made the Constellation Chapter viable and thriving in these abnormal times. The chapter Board has been exemplary in continuing the service the Constellation Chapter, EGA, provides to its membership. Personal difficulties have made it untenable for me to ask for a second term as chapter president, but I am certain the dedicated work provided by the volunteers on the Board and in the chapter itself will continue to strengthen this EGA chapter and continue to bring joy to its membership.

## Programs and Education Report 2022 Annual Business Meeting

Programs for 2022 were organized by a Program Committee, including Alice LaSota, chair, Barbara Bass, Ann Fink (from April on), Debbie Logsdon, and Terri Tubergen. All shared in the duties of contacting and scheduling lecturers and teachers, arranging a field trip, writing and creating flyers for the newsletter, and improving our ability to host Zoom and hybrid meetings. Alice attended chapter board meetings and communicated with the Howard County Centre for the Arts and Terri handled the detailed job of registration, which included keeping a record of registrants, collecting fees, and answering many questions. We all highly recommend the continuation of handling programs with a Program Committee.

In 2022, we hosted the following lectures: Surface Embroidery, Surface Design by Canby Robertson; The History of EGA by Ann Strite-Kurz; Embroidery in Nature by Hillary Waters Fayle; Linen, from Seed to Cloth by Ellen Phelps; and, Hairwork Among the Pennsylvania German Mennonites by Joel Horst Nofziger.

Classes and teachers included: Yubinuki Thimbles by Terri Tubergen; Carol Ohl's Beaded Tape Measure Cover by Nancy Kenealey; Tony Minieri's Wright Friends by Barbara Bass and Mary Tod; Embroidery with Botanicals by Hillary Waters Fayle; A Taste of Needlelace by Linda Kay Benning; and Overdyed Spools (THaP) by Amy Helsel; Standup Display Easels by Jean Cuddington and Ann Fink; and Crystal Snowflake by Cindy Comeyne. Finally, it was our distinct privilege to host Jane Nicholas teaching Shakespeare's Flowers: Sampler I as part of the EGA International Teacher Tour.

Other activities included a field trip to Winchester, VA, arranged by Debbie Logsdon, to hear about and view the Shenandoah Valley Tapestry, a project created by the Winchester Chapter under the leadership of Elaine Evans and Irina Galunina, and the annual member showcase, a hybrid presentation engineered by Barbara Bass.

The same Program Committee will continue to work through 2023 and we have the year almost fully planned and are looking forward to the Constellation Chapter learning experience.

Alice LaSota  
Programs and Education

## Treasurer's Report for Annual Chapter Business Meeting

November 7, 2022

As of November 6, 2022, the checking account has a balance of \$13,611.76. I have just transferred our PayPal balance into checking, so there are no funds to report for PayPal at this date. Our income to date is \$14,404.45 and our expenses to date are \$12,316.06, leaving us with an expected year end surplus at this rate of \$2,088.39. However, there will be expenses that have not occurred yet that will still be paid for this year, such as the kits for the Crystal Snowflake class and an additional room rental invoice to be paid before year's end.

Our 2 CDs have the following amounts: CD ending in -2241 has a balance of \$5,499.45, at a rate of 0.05%, and matures December 8, 2022.

CD ending in -0137 has a balance of \$3,186.84, at a rate of 0.03%, and matures February 23, 2023.

Our total current worth (combined checking account, PayPal, and CDs) is \$22,298.05.

Mary Tod

Treasurer

## **EGA Constellation Chapter Newsletter Annual Report**

Editing responsibilities for the Chapter newsletter successfully continued as the Newsletter process continued to receive assistance and support from many chapter members.

Our Newsletter contains a wealth of detailed information regarding the activities of our Chapter Officers, Board Members, and planned/upcoming Chapter Program Activities. Both Program Flyers and the Chapter Calendar provide detailed information on our upcoming Chapter events. Our Newsletter also includes the latest updates from the Region and EGA Headquarters. The Newsletter encourages and welcomes articles and photographs from our members about their stitching activities.

This Newsletter Annual Report also marks the end of my tenure as Newsletter Editor. I wish to take this opportunity to thank both the Chapter Officers, and the Membership, for allowing me to serve our Chapter in the capacity of Newsletter Editor.

Submitted by Laura Koren

Annual Membership Report – Constellation Chapter EGA Despite some ups and downs,

overall membership in Constellation Chapter remains relatively stable. Although the chapter experienced a greater than usual membership drop at renewal time in May of this year, we have since added 4 new members and have a current total membership of 135 - two more than at last year's annual meeting.

In late August, the chapter launched a Google survey to gauge how well we were meeting members' needs, solicit information about potential volunteer opportunities, and explore interest in some new initiatives to include the establishment of technique interest groups and a mentoring program. So far, sixty members have responded giving us an excellent response rate of about 45%.

To date, the survey shows an 80% positive response to the question about joining technique interest groups. In October, the chapter sponsored a new needlepoint interest group that will meet at 7PM on the 3rd Thursday of each month with options to participate both in-person and via Zoom. So far, 20 members have asked to be put on the mailing list for this group and 13 members showed up for the first meeting. In the next year, I hope to explore opportunities to form other technique interest groups, as well as to set up a mentoring program for those trying to learn a new technique.

Attachment #7

Outreach Report

There will be three classes that will be taught for the upcoming summer camp through the Howard County Arts council. Bookmarking taught by Donna Finley, Thread Painting taught by Abby Roane, and Needlepoint taught by Chris Armstrong. There will be a Public Stitch-in at the Glen Burnie Regional Library on March the 4th. The head librarian wanted us to have a class where embroidery stitches will be taught. The library will pay for supplies needed for the class. This will be an opportunity for others to know about EGA and be possible members.

Through The needle's Eye virtual exhibition is open through December 31. Read more about this in the Summer Newsletter

Spring THAP will be Shading With Crewel with Judy Jeroy

Plans are already underway for the next regional seminar

New officers for the region are:

Assistant Region Director: Heather Gitlin, from Bucks County Chapter.

Secretary: Liz McGinnis from Philadelphia Chapter.

Treasurer: Stephanie Muller from Molly Pitcher Stitchers.

Donna Pence has agreed to continue on as Regional Director.

Attn. Camp Wannastitchers: please contact Anne Wilson today Nov 7th if you still need to make your hotel reservations. Also if you intend to register for camp Wannastitch and have not registered, Anne needs to hear from you today Nov 7th. Anne Wilson's emails: [barney12315@gmail.com](mailto:barney12315@gmail.com) or [MARCampWannastitch@gmail.com](mailto:MARCampWannastitch@gmail.com) phone 540 847 0221. For more details about this request see email from the region sent on Friday November 4th.

Remember that there are scholarships available under the Regional and the National Websites.

## Proposed Slate of Officers

Position	Name
President	Susie Jordan
1st VP/Programs	Alice LaSota
3rd VP/Newsletter	Karen Olsen
Corresponding Secretary	Donna Finley
Regional Representative	Deneen Wilson
Director	Jan Rollins
Director	Judith Todes
Director	Carol Crumley

### Nominating Committee:

Nancy Knuth (2-year term)

Darcy Walker (3-year term)

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## 2022 Proposal Constellation Chapter Bylaws

The Mid-Atlantic Region chapters are all submitting proposed revisions to their Bylaws in 2022. A description of the proposed revision was published in The Compass Needle and the complete version of the proposed bylaws was emailed or mailed to each of you at the end of September, giving you the required 30 days' notice before this annual business meeting. The 2022 proposed Bylaws have been reviewed and approved by the regional and national directors of bylaws and today we will vote for approval by the membership of this revision of the Constellation Chapter bylaws.

Because our chapter did a thorough revision of our Bylaws in 2018, there was little that needed to be changed. In summary:

1. Wording was added under Article V. Meetings to include provision for electronic communication, as suggested by the national guidelines.
2. Under Article VI. Board of Directors, a statement was added that the term of a member of the board of directors appointed by a president shall be concurrent with the term of that president.
3. At the request of the national Bylaws director, we added more definitive wording about accountability to the board by committee chairs. Under Article VII. Committees: The Program Committee shall be chaired by the first vice president/programs and education and the Outreach Committee shall be chaired by one of the directors. The president shall appoint all ad hoc committee chairmen. Ad hoc committee chairmen shall report regularly to the board of directors.

Now we will have the membership vote on the proposed 2022 revision of the chapter bylaws.