



CACTUS WREN

Green Valley AZ

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January 1, 2012

ELECTED BOARD

PRESIDENT
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Rosemary Johannesson
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Karen Weidner
& Barbara Ann Weixgerber
Linda Nettling
Susan Bumsted
Phyllis Gilbert
Earl & Norma Pennington

BOARD MEETING

The January Board meeting will be held on Monday, January 23rd at the home of Rosemary Johannesson at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBER'S MEETINGS

Second Wednesday of the month at Friends in Deed. (301 West Camino Casa Verde, at the Southwest corner of LaCanada and Camino Casa Verde)
The entrance door for the room is on the East side of the building.

We begin at 9:30 a.m. for social time, the business meeting begins at 10:00, and the program follows. If you wish, you may bring your own lunch and join other members for a stitch-in until 2:00.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Happy New Year!

I trust you had a good Christmas and are looking once again at another year! Where does the time go? My last year's resolution regarding needlepoint sadly failed. Didn't finish very many projects, but started several more! So I have a lot of things to "finish two before you start one new."

Several of you have commented that you are looking forward to the Jan-Feb program. Janelle Smith, Phyllis Richardson and I sat down and picked out stitches we liked and thought would work. More on this later.

We are happy to have our snowbirds in town and look forward to catching up on all their latest news.

See you at the meeting.

Rosemary

PROGRAMS

January 11th and February 8th

We are going to be stitching a sampler with many fun stitches. You will need the following:

10" x 10" 18-count canvas mounted on stretcher bars

You may want to have a colored canvas as some canvas shows through on a few stitches.

Phyllis has several colors available and is providing that size for only \$3.

Before you mount the canvas on the stretcher bars, you may want to draw an outline on your canvas. The finished size will be 6" x 6", or 108 threads square. If you go in 2 inches from each side, it should give you the correct size. Then divide this into nine squares, 2" x 2". There are several options for the borders and dividers.

Choose a variegated thread which will be the basis of your sampler. I thought that the colors on "Watercolours" were pretty long, meaning they don't change quickly enough to get the effect you need on the small squares you will be working with. If you don't mind cutting the colors apart, it can be used. Needle Necessities Overdye is a good choice. Now dig into your stash and pull out anything that compliments your basic thread. I pulled Splendor, floss, Kreinik, ribbon and more, and I was amazed at how many I had. But I picked one Krienik and finished what I had in my stash and had to buy another! So didn't reduce that one. You will want to have about 4 plain colors to compliment your chosen thread. Phyllis and I have stitched our samplers, and have very different pieces. Each of yours will be unique and I hope you have as much fun as I have had getting this together. Call Rosemary, 399-3056, or Phyllis, 648-1029 with questions.

BOARD NOTES

YARD SALE

Our yard sale will be held on Friday, February 3rd at Phyllis Richardson's home.

We have decided to have the hours be 8am - 12 noon. This is a one day sale. Linda Lies has been gathering items in her garage. Now is the time to get that New Year's resolution done and go through your stuff so we may have as much as possible. We will have a sign up sheet at the meeting for volunteers for workers the day of the sale. We have someone doing the advertising and signs, so that is taken care of. Most of all we need your items.

NOMINATIONS FOR 2012 BOARD (must be published 60 days prior to Annual Meeting)

President	Janelle Smith
Vice President	Rosemary Johannessen
Secretary	Olga Edwards
Treasurer	Honey Montrose
Director at Large	Honey Montrose

NOTES FROM CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

I'm sorry you couldn't all have been at our Christmas luncheon this year. Our own multi-talented Earla Swope provided one of her wonderful "eggs" as a table prize. They are so exceptional and we THAJK YOU so much for them. Brenda Harte donated one of her stitch books and a lucky lady now has one in her library. Thanks for that also, Brenda. A Santa Christmas decoration rounded out our prizes. We donated 81 pounds of food to the GV food bank, and many, many toys to the Toys for Tots drive. When I delivered the toys to the fire station on Camino del Sol, there was a fireman outside, and I rolled down my window and asked where I could drop off toys. He pointed me to the parking lot, and when I opened the back of my van he said, "Just a minute, I'll get the door". Then when he saw how much there was he went inside and at least 4 more came out to

help unload. They had nothing in their Toys for Tots box and were just overwhelmed at our donation. They asked me at least four times who we were. So ladies, know that your donations were very well received. Even made the firefighters happy!

Rosemary

COMMUNITY PROJECT

The stitching piece we are doing as a community project is coming along real well. We will have it at meetings for all so see. If you have a little time to donate to this project, it would be appreciated.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for the next issue is Thursday, January 26th.

E-mail Phyllis Gilbert with your news: phyllis@rpgilbert.com.

FROM OUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRPERSON - DUES

REMINDER

Annual dues are due on or before February 1st. You may pay the \$18.00 annual dues by paying me at one of the meetings or by mailing a check payable to Cactus Wren ANG to me at 802 East Vault Mine Court, Green Valley, AZ 85614.

Thank you.

Susan Bumsted

**TUCSON CHAPTER OF EGA
THIRD ANNUAL YARD SALE
MARCH 2ND AND 3RD, 2012**

We've had a great time with this yard sale in the past and plan on having an even better time this year. We have expanded our sale to two days!! We will be offering a large selection of needlework and craft items as well as household items. Shop early and shop often. All proceeds from the sale go to the chapter.

Our sale will be located at 3007 W Country Hill Drive in the northwest section of Tucson. Country Hill Drive is off Shannon Rd just across the street from Tucson National Omni Resorts. Hours will run from 7:00am until 2:00pm on both days. For more information email us at tucsonega@gmail.com or call Linda at (520) 398-7268.

We hope to see you there!

CACTUS WREN CHAPTER, THE ANG, INC.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR DECEMBER, 2011

Check Book Balance as of December 1, 2011 \$6,618.97

INCOME:

Christmas Lunch	\$88.00
Raffle	<u>86.00</u>
Total Income	\$174.00

EXPENSES:

Room Use	\$250.0
Christmas lunch	<u>514.47</u>
Total Expense	\$764.47

Check Book balance as of December 26, 2011 \$6,028.50

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Margaret Tilly,
Treasurer