



# CACTUS WREN

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**JANUARY 2006**

## **LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Happy Stitchers!

Hope you had a Merry Christmas and will have a very Happy New Year! We are always happy to see the holiday activities come to an end so our lives can get back to normal. I hope to devote more time to my own stitching, and I am sure we all feel the same. There is something about picking up a piece we enjoy doing, and appreciate the relaxation we receive from it, particularly when we can say "finished"!

I want to say thanks to all who have worked and helped to make 2005 a successful year. Now we look forward to 2006. This year, our attention must be devoted to a basic issue. We need to encourage friends, or anybody that expresses interest in our work, to visit us at a meeting. New members bring new ideas and that is always good. We need them to take an active interest in our guild and realize we need their help.

I know we are all very busy and have many reasons why we can not devote more time to our guild. But as stated many times, this guild will not continue in the style we have enjoyed if you are not willing to volunteer. Many Chairmanships are open and you may think to yourself "I would say yes to her, if she would just ask me." If so, please pick up the phone or see me at a meeting. Let me know how you would like to help.

### ELECTED BOARD

PRESIDENT	Phyllis Richardson
VICE PRESIDENT	Muggs Tilly
SECRETARY	Nancy Sour
TREASURER	Honey Montrose
DIRECTOR AT LARGE	Dale Miller

### APPOINTED BOARD

CAMP CACTUS WREN	Judy Burgess Sharon Skoczek
EX-OFFICIO	Susan Ettl
HOSPITALITY	Ermaline Hannum
KEEPER OF THE FEATHERS	Marti Harris
KEEPER OF THE RECORDS	Margaret von Kuegelgen
LIBRARIAN	Ruth Wallace
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PROGRAMS	Muggs Tilly
PUBLICITY	Ruth Deobler
SOCIAL & STITCH-OUTS	Eloise Fredrickson
WEB SITE	Margaret von Kuegelgen

### BOARD MEETING

Fourth Monday of the month at Phyllis Richardson's.  
• Next meeting is January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 am.

### MEMBERS MEETING

Second Wednesday of the month at La Posada Recreation Room.  
• Next meeting is January 11<sup>th</sup> with 9:30 social time and 10:00 business meeting.

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for the next issue is January 23<sup>rd</sup>. E-mail Donna Lou Hetler at DLHetler@aol.com or mail typed copy. Please include CWNewsletter in the subject line.

Interested in going to dinner with Cassie after the Wednesday's class? Please let me know. We will go to The Greens at Canoa Ranch with reservations for five o'clock. That way we can leave early to be home before the streets roll up in Green Valley.

If you have an idea you would like to have as a program, please pass it along to Judy Burgess or Ann Seese. They started working on programs, and are always happy to hear from the membership during the planning stage.

I hope you will come to hear our speaker for January. Cassie Prescott from Sundance Designs (many of you know her from the store) has a very interesting story to share about her beginnings in needlework.

Happy Stitching  
Phyllis  
President

## MONTHLY PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS

### **January Program and Project** – “Young Brave” with Cassie Prescott

Cassie will be giving a lecture in the morning of January 11<sup>th</sup>. Even if you are not signed up for the class, come to hear this fascinating women talk about her many years in the needlework business.

For those taking the classes, the kits will be distributed after lunch. You will need the following supplies

- 11"x11" stretcher bars
- Tacks or staples for the bars
- Regular stitching supplies
- Light or magnifier if needed



On Wednesday, the class will begin after lunch at our general La Posada meeting. On Thursday the 12<sup>th</sup>, the class will meet at Friends In Deed in the Boal Room from 9-3. A pot luck salad luncheon will be that day, with dessert provided by Eloise Fredrickson.

For those not familiar with Friends In Deed, they are located at 301 West Camina Casa Verde. From Tucson, exit I-19 at Duval Mine Road, which is on the north end of Green Valley. Go right (west) past Safeway to La Canada. Turn left (south) at the light. About 1 mile, on your right is the Baptist Church. Just past that is a right turn for Camino Casa Verde. Friends in Deed is immediately on your left at the corner.

Wednesday night, we will be taking Cassie to dinner at Canoa Ranch Restaurant. Anyone wishing to join the group, please contact Muggs Tilly or Phyllis Richardson.

### **February Program and Project** – “Locker Hooking” with Bonnie Wedekind

This Tucson lady is a spinner, knitter and weaver who does a form of latch hook that originated in Australia. It is done on a large canvas with a large crochet hook, and is an approved ANG method. Come listen to this fascinating talk.

### **February Program – “Spring Luncheon”**

Join us at on our regular meeting date for our annual Spring Luncheon. This year we will be returning to The Country Club of Green Valley. Details will be announced at the January meeting, but the cost is expected to be about \$20. As with last year, friends are welcome.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **“TOUR OF STITCHERS’ HOMES” January 28<sup>th</sup>**

Now that the busy holidays are over, time to get ready for our end of the month home tour. Please send your entry notice to either Nancy Sour or Pat Phillips. Deadline is our January 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. Forms are at the end of the newsletter. Any and all works can be submitted, so let’s put on a really nice show.

Members are selling tickets, so turn in your money for more tickets at the January meeting. Janet Watson will be more than happy to help you. Ideas for selling tickets include your bridge or Red Hat club. They can come as a group and make an outing of the day.

We appreciate all those who have signed up to help, but two areas still need a volunteer. First, a “Balloon Gopher” is

needed. Nancy Sour will have the balloons that will be placed at driveway ends, but needs help distributing them the morning of the tour. A fun little job, so contact her if you want to join in the fun. Also, each house needs more demonstrators. It’s a sitting job! All you need to do is bring a few pieces you are working on and be prepared to answer questions. A doodle canvas is suggested in case you need to show how to do something. Let Nancy or Pat know if you can do this.

If you have any questions, contact Pat Phillips or Nancy Sour.

### **UPDATE ON SEMINAR 2006 September 8<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>**

There are only nine more months to go before Tucson Seminar 2006 is here. This is just a quick note to thank those of you who ordered Seminar shirts at the Christmas luncheon.

The shirts are still available and if you order from Dorothy Green at the next meeting, you will save the \$5 shipping charge listed in the Seminar brochure. The cost of the shirts is \$35.00 for sizes XS-XL and \$39.00 for sizes 1X –2X. They are available in long sleeved denim or in the golf shirt. Colors are: Pistachio, Blueberry, Light Pink, Lilac, White and Navy Blue. Please have checks made out to **Tucson Chapter ANG** and Dorothy will collect at the January meeting.

Once the Seminar brochures are out and you made your class selections, help will be needed. If you do have an extra few hours or a day, Sharon Skoczek and Jan Towery are in charge of the Exhibit, and Angela Yardy is the chairman for Hospitality and Opportunity Basket.

Another area that will require work will be the set up and monitoring for the Silent Auction. This activity is usually on Tuesday

with the Live Auction at night. If you have never been to a Live Auction, this will definitely be a treat for you to see the many wonderful pieces that the members of ANG have stitched and donated for this event. And maybe you will even want to bid on an item!

If you have any questions on Seminar, please contact Barbara Richardson, local coordinator, at anytime and she will be happy to answer (if she knows) or will definitely find out the answer for you.

Thank you for your support of "A Desert Tapestry" and whether you take classes (this is a wonderful opportunity for you to take from national teachers) or volunteer or just come and visit the Exhibit, Bookstore and Boutique, this will truly be a great event for our Tucson guilds.

**TIDBITS OF NEWS**

**SECRETARY NEEDED**

The Guild is still in need of a secretary for next year. This is a good job if you want to get to know what is going on in the group. Just be able to listen and write up notes. Contact Honey Montrose if you are interested.

**PULLED THREAD JACOBIAN  
STYLE – EGA CLASS**

Tucson's Embroidery Guild of America has invited our members to a class on Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. The class, taught by Barbara Ewbank, will be pulled threads on linen canvas. It will meet from 9:30-4:30 in Tucson. The class will be kitted, with the cost TBA. However, any non-ega member will be charged an additional \$20. For details on the course, contact Honey Montrose or Barbara Lewis.

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
FOR NOVEMBER**

Checkbook balance 11/01/05	\$2996.12
Income	\$ 2356.85
Disbursements	\$ 375.17
Checkbook balance 11/30/05	\$4977.80
Committed Funds	\$1879.00
Operating Funds	\$3098.80

**MEMBERSHIP DUES DUE**

Lifetime Members dues due for 2006 (local \$16)

Brenda Hart  
Susan Hill (due for 2005 & 2006)  
Nancy Pfeifer  
Earla Swope

The following wrens have membership past due which are \$16 for all members.

Arlene Ehli  
June Elliot  
Lucille Kardel  
Ann Mosher  
Judy Robertson  
Katherine Siggins  
Catherine Stanislow  
Sue Strause

Membership expiring January 31st are the following:

Cindy Armstrong  
Carol Copeland

Marilyn Davison  
Arlene Deeds  
Kathy Devine  
Susan Ettl  
Jan Grant  
Mary Hamilton  
Marilyn Hinkle  
Jean Hunsberger  
Marjorie Martin  
Anne McLean  
Evelyn Morris  
Barbara Nevecek  
Linda Nettling  
Ann Hardy Payne  
Ethel Skowronski  
Lee Spooner  
Nancy Sour  
Barbara Venable  
Janet Watson

All members are to send checks for the local chapter of \$16 to Judy Burgess. National will invoice members for \$29 directly.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Description (Southwest, Floral, etc) \_\_\_\_\_

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Size of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach your name and phone number to the back of each item. Include any prize winning ribbons as well. You will be notified at a later date as to where to deliver your needlework on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Feel free to duplicate this form.

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ENTRY ITEM  
Attach to the back of the item

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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TOUR OF STITCHERS' HOME  
ENTRY FORM – JANUARY 28  
PLEASE RETURN BY JANUARY 11<sup>TH</sup>  
TO NANCY SOUR OR PAT PHILLIPS