



# CACTUS WREN

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## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hi Happy Stitchers

Are you ready for 07? The year has sure flown by. I can say it has been a year I finished several projects but not enough. So I will keep trying.

Our Christmas Luncheon was a great success. We collected 96 lbs. of food this year compared to 70 lbs last year. Our Christmas Donna Lou reported that when she turned in the toys they were happy to see a trunk full and asked where they came from. When she said "The Cactus Wren Guild" they couldn't remember who that was. Then she reminded them it was the group that stitched the Fireman hanging in the station. We have to thank Earl again for his efforts.

Our Christmas tree at the Chamber of Commerce is something to see. With all of the new ornaments we have hanging on it it is a beauty. I know the volunteers there appreciate it.

I have found a new thread. Kreinik has come out with a size 24 and is offered in many beautiful colors. The shops in Tucson didn't have it yet, however I ordered a few colors from Fireside Stitchery. It is a nice size between 16 and 32 and can be stitched as well as couched. I knew about it because some teachers at convention used it.

### ELECTED BOARD

PRESIDENT	Phyllis Richardson
VICE PRESIDENT	Ann Seese
VICE PRESIDENT	Judy Burgess
SECRETARY	Carol Copeland
TREASURER	Donna Lou Hetler
DIRECTOR AT LARGE	Eloise Fredrickson

### APPOINTED BOARD

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### BOARD MEETING

Fourth Monday of the month at Phyllis Richardson's.  
• Next meeting is January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00 am.

### MEMBERS MEETING

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

### NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for the next issue is January 24th. E-mail Sue Swan at [sueswan@msn.com](mailto:sueswan@msn.com) or mail typed copy. Please include **CWNewsletter** in the subject line.

You may notice in the report from Rosemary that the committee decided to have a corner for items of your choice to be sold. Some of us are running out of space and if we can sell something we will have an excuse to finish something to replace it. You will price your own piece and mark it. The Guild will keep 10% and you will receive the rest. So many times we have been asked if any of the pieces were for sale and now we can say yes.

Keep a Happy Face,  
Phyllis

## MONTHLY PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS

### January Program

National teacher Barbara Richardson will talk about designing for needlework. How she does it, what design principles are most important in her work, and other aspects of the work of art. This is a program which can be enjoyed by all our members. Then, for those that have signed up for the kit, Barb will teach us the Southwest logo canvas. For those of you who have signed-up, please don't forget to bring your usual stitching supplies such as scissors, laying tool, and if needed a lamp or magnifier,

### February Program

The Morning Glory will be the program with a Valentine's gift of the kit for free to the participants as a thank you to our members.

Please bring the usual stitching supplies including straight pins, tapestry needles (sizes 20, 22, 24), needles for beading (#10 quilting will work), and a laying tool. You will also need 2 pair of 8" stretcher

bars, tacks, wax or thread heaven, a light colored, very fine point permanent marking pen (for example a Pigma Micron .05 light brown). In addition, if you want or need them bring a light, extension cord and/or magnification.

### March Program

It is time for the Spring Luncheon and March Meeting. Look for more information on our lunch in the next newsletter.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2006-2007 – JANUARY 10th

The nominating committee would like to present the following slate of elected officers before the membership:

**President: Dale Miller**

**V.P.: Earla Swope and Linda Nettling**

**Rec. Secretary: Carol Copeland and  
Elizabeth Farmer**

**Treasurer: Donna Lou Hetler**

**Delegate at Large: Eloise Fredrickson**

The slate will be presented at the January 10th meeting, voted on at the February meeting and then installed at the March meeting (which is our Spring Lunch).

Thank you from the Nominating Committee,  
Elizabeth Farmer, Linda Nettling, and Carol Copeland

## THREADED TREASURES 2007

I'm sure you all had a laid-back, relaxing holiday, and are ready to dig into your stitching to be ready for the Threaded Treasures Show in February. We will be setting up on February 22nd and ready for all the oohs and aahs the next day. The forms to attach to the back of your pieces will be in next month's newsletter.

This year we are going to have an area where you may sell your completed work, not necessarily framed, if you wish. This will be a fund raiser for our chapter. You will set the price; Cactus Wren will accept the checks and retain 10% as a donation to the guild, the remainder given to you in a check from Cactus Wren. Of course you will only submit pieces that are in pristine condition, not damaged or soiled in any way – in other words only something you would purchase. Remember everything about this show represents the chapter and we want to maintain our reputation of being artists in our field!

Any questions, please call Rosemary Johannesson, 399-3056 or Phyllis Richardson, 648-1029.

### TIDBITS OF NEWS

## CACATUS WREN CHAPTER, THE ANG INC. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR November 2006

Checkbook balance as of November 1,  
2006 \$ 5250.99

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### Income

Dues	112.00
Tote Bag	25.00
Laying Tool	50.00
Name Tags	1.50
SW Books	132.00
Christmas Lunch	440.00
January Kit Fee	<u>150.00</u>
Total	\$910.50

### Expenses

Newsletter Printing	29.79
Storage	<u>60.00</u>
Total	\$89.79

Checkbook balance as of November 30,  
1006 \$ 6071.70

Committed funds  
\$ 840.00

Operating funds  
\$ 5231.70

CD# xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx0450 \$1,594.99  
CD# xxxxxxxxxxxxxxx0829 \$1,054.84

Prepared and submitted 12/07/06

Donna Lou Hetler  
Treasurer

### MEMBERSHIP

Membership Info from ANG:

Payment of ANG National Dues

Your e-mail address will help us keep you more informed of when your dues are due. ANG wants to reach as many of our members via e-mail as possible! ANG has an ANG Web site [www.needlepoint.org](http://www.needlepoint.org) section for updating their member information electronically. Select the "Change of Address" line under "Member Resources". A page entitled "Update Membership Database." This can be used for adding your e-mail address to ANG database. The membership office will be e-mailing members when their dues invoices have been put in the mail. This has proved to be extremely effective with their other clients and doesn't cost anywhere near mailing reminds does. We know we have many members who do not have e-mail, but you would be surprised how many do.! Let's give this a try. Help ANG help you! Be proactive and give ANG your current e-mail address!

**ATTENTION WINTER VISITORS AND THOSE OF YOU WITH SECOND RESIDENCES:**

Please be aware of your ANG renewal date and where you are likely to be at that time. If your are routinely at a secondary address at that time, please contact the Membership Office of ANG and alert them to this situation.!

Apologies to the Life members who were listed as past due. Actually, their Cactus Wren dues are due this month. They are:  
 Brenda Hart  
 Dale Miller  
 Nancy Pfiefer  
 Earla Swope

Regular membership also due are:

Carol Copeland	Linda Nettling
Arlene Deeds	Ethel Skowronski
Kathy Devine	Nancy Sour
Jeanne Hunsberger	Janet Watson
Barbara Nemecek	

REMEMBER: When you receive your dues notice from ANG that means your Cactus Wren dues are also due.

National will invoice members for \$33 directly. All members are to send checks for the local chapter of \$16 to Muggs Tilly.

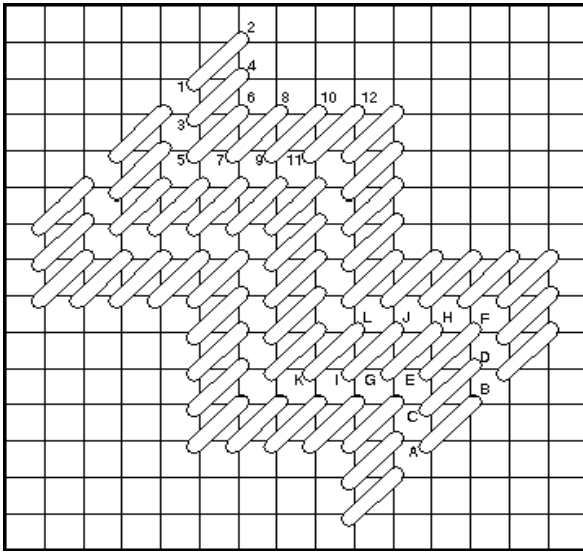
**STITCH OF THE MONTH**

*Stitch of the Month*  
**June 1999: Byzantine**

by **Beth Robertson**

There are many variations of the Byzantine stitch. It is a great stitch for backgrounds or large areas that require a diagonal pattern. This is not a good stitch for small areas. There are many possibilities for this stitch. It can be worked all in the same thread and color, or for a striped effect alternate thread colors. For a more dramatic effect alternate threads of the same color.





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## WEB LINKS

American Needlepoint Guild  
<http://www.needlepoint.org>

ANG Cactus Wren's  
<http://gvang.org>

ANG Tucson Chapter  
<http://www.tucsonang.org>

The West <http://www.thewestinc.com>  
Busy Needle <http://busyneedle.com>  
Fireside Stitchery  
<http://www.firesidestitchery.com>