

New Jersey Needle Artists
American Needlepoint Guild
July 17, 2019 Meeting

Hi Everyone –

Diane welcomed 14 members, including one new member, to our annual summer salad supper. This low turnout was in part due to the pending thunderstorms and rain, and indeed we had a flicker of the electricity during our meeting. You may remember meeting our new member, Pat B, who visited NJNA at our April meeting. Pat has been rescuing needlework canvasses and supplies from the VNA auction for years. She brought a tableful of items to our meetings that were “free to a good home!” So glad to have you in NJNA, Pat!

Not to rub it in too much, but look at this gorgeous buffet table of salads!



Rosie reported that the current balance in our treasury is \$5174.74. We are on target to meet our EOY budget balance of \$3181.21.

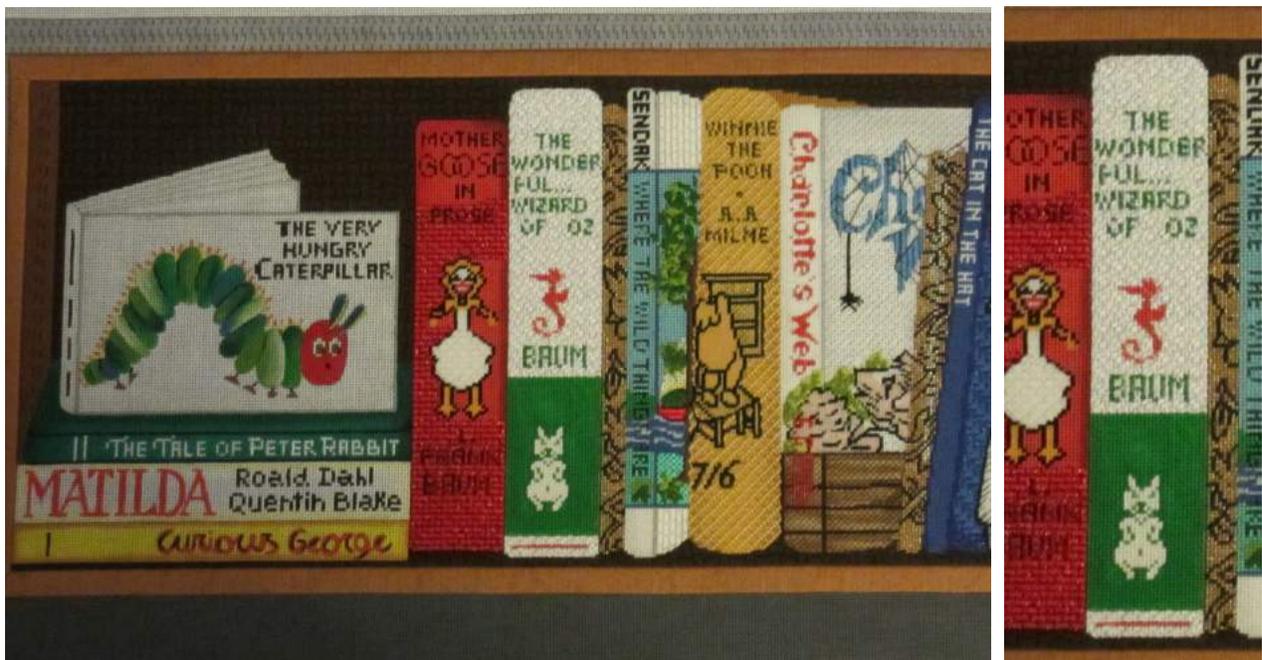
If you have been paying attention, Sue C, Mally, and Linda M put together a stunning exhibit at the Morris County Library for NJNA. “Not Your Grandmother’s Needlepoint“ is the name of the exhibit currently on display at the Morris County Library, 30 East Hanover Avenue, Whippany. The exhibit is in the display cases that you see when you enter the doors of the main lobby. There are three display cases filled with a variety of needlepoint, painted canvases, counted work, framed pieces, pillows, stand ups, ornaments, purses. The incentive and the focus of the display is Stars of the Millennium, designed by Tony Mineri and stitched by ten members. In this exhibit you can see all of them together. The exhibit was rounded out with a variety of pieces by other members. The exhibit is open Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed on Sunday. The exhibit will run through August 9th when it will be dismantled. We hope you will find the time to visit!



WOW! NJNA's Morris County Library Exhibit!

NJNA is in search of a nominating committee for next year's slate of officers. If you want to volunteer to be one of our officers or to be on the nominating committee – NOW is the time! Please let Linda know! The nominating committee needs to be in place before the October meeting.

NJNA is stitching Alice Peterson's *Children's Classics* to be given to the Bernards Township Library as our community service project. This past month, Robin stitched the white portion of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*. Here's our progress to date:



Alice Peterson's "Children's Classics" canvas

Cathryn reviewed the programs for the remainder of 2019. In August, in addition to our summer stitch-in, NJNA will host a presentation by Rob of Framed Image. Cathryn has been working with Rob to customize his presentation which will include lots of suggestions and ideas. It is recommended that you come prepared to take notes!

In September and October, NJNA plans to do David McCaskill's *Autumn Topiary*.



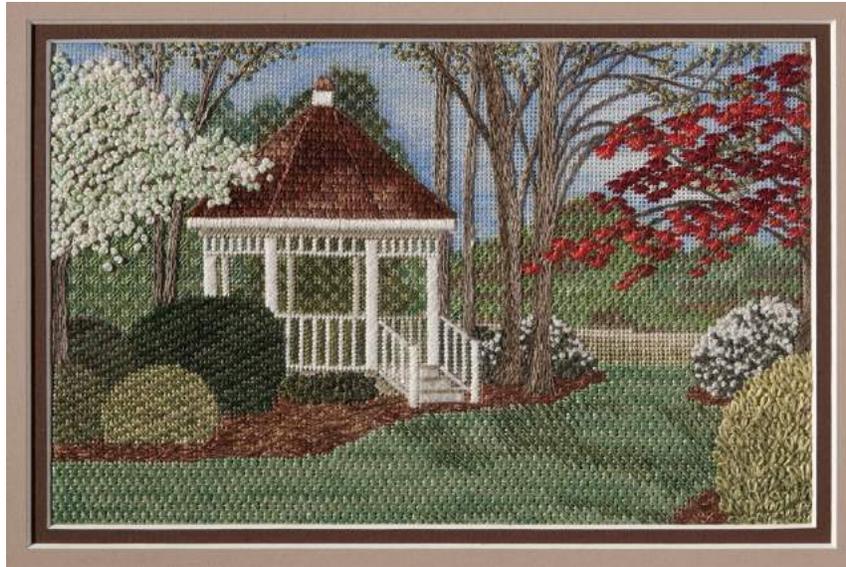
David McCaskill's Autumn Topiary

Our November meeting will be a stitching catch-up month! Bring a chapter project or any other stitching that you NEED to get done! December will be our usual Holiday Party. Please note that we had intended to discuss the Woodlawn pieces in July, but due to the exhibit at Morristown Library, NJNA has decided to postpone that and include it with the November program.

The NJNA 2019 Stitch of the Month (SOTM) group is stitching the ANG SOTM Mystery Project by Debbie Rowley, Pat Hartman, Linda Reinmiller, and Mary Knapp. While no one knows what this project will look like, July's progress is available for viewing on the NJNA Blog: <https://blog.njneedleartists.org/>. All NJNA members are welcome to join the SOTM group as long as they are stitching a current or past project. Contact Linda M for more info.

Sylvia has been working with Needleworker's Delight to bring in Rachel Donnelly for an NJNA workshop. Stay tuned for more information. She also hopes to schedule another stitch-in!

Diane announced an upcoming workshop hosted by the ANG Keystone Chapter next June in the New Hope area. It is Gail Stafford's "Arrival of Spring", a companion piece to "Dusting of Snow" which several of us took this past June. Both pieces feature a gazebo that is near Gail's home in NC. The workshop will be on June 6 and 7, 2020.



Gail Stafford's "Arrival of Spring". You can see Janice M's completed "Dusting of Snow" in the Show and Tell Area!

In new business, Heidi announced that she and the Perantoni's have set up a memorial aquatic scholarship in Pam G's name at the Somerville YMCA where Pam taught for many years. The scholarship will provide for continuing education for aquatic instructors. Individual members of NJNA are invited to make a personal donation to the cause. Heidi and Janet will be collecting at the August meeting – or contact Heidi for more details on how you can support this worthwhile cause.

I hope you enjoy the Show and Tell pictures.

Everyone should feel free to e-mail me with pictures and relevant information about their project and I will include them in the next summary! Relevant information includes: piece name, designer, where finished, stitch help or stitch guide info, other fun stuff – like who it's for, why, etc.

Cheers,
Rosie

Show and Tell



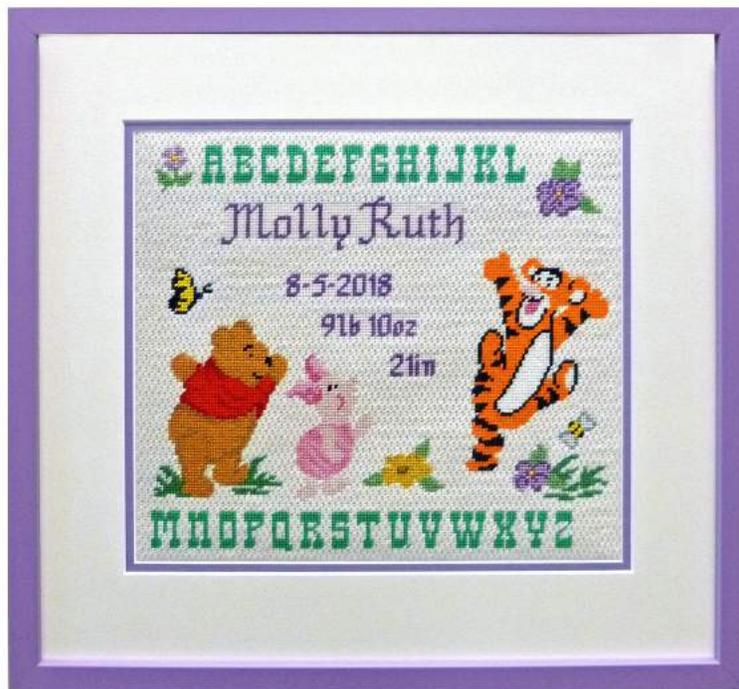
This is "Ocean Pearl", a painted canvas by Janet Watson. Cathryn had seen this at Edwardian Needle and loved it. But when she saw it again the next day somewhere else, she decided that the world was telling her that she needed to stitch it. Cathryn describes this as her "Zen" piece because it was so fun and peaceful to stitch! Framing by Rob at the Framed Image.
Magnificent!



What better way to celebrate a Grandson who is attending the University of Virginia? Ellen S stitched and finished this refrigerator magnet! Yahoo, Ellen!



This is Diane's SOTM from 2018, Autumn Kaleidoscope, framed by Rob at Framed Image. Diane started with the basic kit from Lorene Salt and changed the purple and turquoise to yellow and burgundy. The black mat and copper frame set it off beautifully. I think this is now one of my favorite color combinations for the Kaleidoscope! (I say that every time I see a new one!)



Diane also completed this birth sampler for her Granddaughter, Molly Ruth. The Winnie the Pooh themed painted canvas is from Canvas Connections. I went to Framed Image with Diane when she was picking this frame. It was quite the dilemma and lavender was not where Diane expected to go, but I think the end result is spectacular, don't you?



This is Gail Stafford's companion piece to the workshop described above, "Dusting of Snow". It shows a different aspect of the same gazebo. Janice M, speed demon stitcher, completed this with a few subtle changes of her own. Great job, Janice!



Andrea and several other NJNA members took this butterfly class with Betty Pillsbury at the Edwardian Needle last Saturday! This is Andrea's finished butterfly. The butterfly is stitched using Shibori Ribbon (pictured on right) which is an overdyed, wide ribbon that is pleated. The butterfly was stitched alone and then applied to the background silk. Everyone in the class said how fantastic the teacher and class were. How cool is this ribbon?



Linda M completed her “Hooray for the Red, White, and Blue”. While the original said “Happy 4th of July” and many NJNA members changed it to “USA”, Linda went the “AMERICA” route. She, like so many others, made sure that the flag had 50 stars so that Alaska and Hawaii were represented! Very nicely done!



Rosie completed this small Ann Strite-Kurz project called “Beachcombers Bounty” after taking a one-day class with Ann at Needleworker’s Delight in May. Rosie has purchased a box from Sudberry to frame it and had planned to use it as a hostess gift for her good friends. Unfortunately, she injured her leg and had to postpone the trip. So, you might get to see it at a future meeting after all!