



The Needleworker

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From the President ✍

I hope you enjoyed calendar year 2015 with the Stan Hywet Needlework Guild. I am very pleased to say that the future looks pretty bright. There are many reasons I look forward to stitching with the Needlework Guild in 2016, because first of all: there will be a Guild in 2017!

Just five short years ago, the leadership was very concerned and the Board of Directors almost made the decision to end the Stan Hywet Needlework Guild. We had some financial issues, we had no President to follow Judy Kotick and Barbara Shearer, and volunteerism in our organization was waning. The outlook was pretty bleak. Candy Marang stepped up to the plate. Then I stepped up after Candy. Now Sue Fassoles will step up a year from now.

The optimism and forward thinking of this Guild and its membership is crucial to its survival as an independent needlework guild. Stan Hywet provides a home and venue to hold our meetings and we have the opportunity to pay it forward in the form of our Conservation Committee. This Committee has allowed us to become a crucial part of Stan Hywet's conservation efforts and they work diligently to help preserve many of the fabrics in the Manor House. Thank you to Betty Jo Scurei, Candy Marang, Carla Waggoner, Julie Kerner, Rozelle Hirschfeld, Janice O'Connor, and Judy Caiola.

I want to thank those of you who have served on my Board for the past two years. Once again, everyone makes it so easy to pay it forward. AND thank you to those who have stepped up to serve for next year. A huge thank you to Barbara Shearer and Phyllis Dreyer for the great job on the Members Only Exhibit this year and the main chairs, Penny Thompson – Children's Corner and Candy Marang – Stitchers' Fair.

Please remember to step up. Please consider accepting a committee position when our Chairperson, Julie Kerner, contacts you in January.

We have a full slate of officers, our finances are in great shape, and volunteerism in the Guild is going strong.

Happy Holidays! Sharon Merklin



2016 Newsletter Publications Dates

Feb 1 (Jan 5 deadline)

April 1 (March 5 deadline)

June 1 (May 5 deadline)

August 1 (July 5 deadline)

Oct 1 (Sept 5 deadline)

Dec 1 (Nov 5 deadline)

STAN HYWET NEEDLEWORK GUILD BOARD
2016

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Guild Programs 2016	Jan Hutchinson, Michelle Sayre, and Sherri Hawley
Guild Programs 2017	Sherry Hawley, Marion Mewhinney, and Rose Marie Konet
Historian & Curator	Phyllis Dreyer
Public Workshop	Dolly Monroe
Nominating 2016	Candy Marang

Stan Hywet Honors Donors at Great Hall
Assembly

On Thursday, November 19th, Stan Hywet hosted an event called the "Great Hall Assembly," honoring generous donors. As the speeches were made and the various awards given, a continuously running slide show thanked the various contributors to the Capital Fund. The \$6 million goal was met! (That makes Stan Hywet the Six Million Dollar Mansion.) One of the slides showed contributors to the restoration of the interiors, and the first name on the list was the Stan Hywet Needlework Guild. The donors' names are on a plaque that will be displayed in the house. In the lower right corner is the Stan Hywet Needlework Guild. Kudos to the Needlework Guild for their financial and needlework contributions toward the preservation and restoration of the interiors of the mansion.



Nomination for the Marjory B. Wheeler Service Award



We nominate Joyce Feucht to be the first recipient of the Marjory B. Wheeler Service Award.

Joyce, a member of the Stan Hywet Needlework Guild since 1984, embodies the ideals of the Guild.

She is a wonderfully talented designer, stitcher, and quilter, who shares her love of needlework and her talents with us in many ways.

Most members know Joyce's designs and needlework through the beautiful pieces that she shares with us and with the public at Stitchery Showcase. Where do we even start to count the best of show and first place ribbons that Joyce has earned?

When the Guild took on the Cromwell bedroom project, Joyce was right there. It was Joyce whose talents recreated the "missing" part of the overall design. She spent hours and hours transferring the design so that the bed curtains and coverlet could be stitched.

Those who have more history with the Guild will remember the fundraiser prizes that Joyce designed or stitched. There was the beautiful flowered bench, a stunning serving tray, the tree of life vintage quilt, and probably many others. If you had the opportunity to work on any of these prizes with Joyce, you would have found yourself, most likely, at her home sharing her hospitality and friendship as you worked.

Of the items that our Guild stitched and sold over the years, many of the items have the Joyce Feucht touch. I wonder how many Tudor Roses Joyce stitched for our stitchers' accessories!

She taught our Guild. I seem to remember a quilt that Joyce designed. Joyce also taught informally. Sitting next to her at a class was a joy. She always had a smile and a helping hand.

Joyce chaired the Stitchery Showcase in 1989, another way of sharing her love of needlework and promoting interest in needlework. I remember wandering through Stitchery Showcase and being entranced enough to pick up a needle and see what I could do. How many of us joined Stan Hywet Needlework Guild because of Stitchery Showcase and the beautiful pieces of art that we saw there? Most likely one of them was a Joyce Feucht original.



Save the Date:

 **Fifth annual Camp Stitch-A-Lot.** Do you want to relax? Then join the Mid-Eastern Regional (MER) Stitching Retreat, Friday, January 15 through Monday, January 18, 2016. Spend a fun-filled weekend stitching, eating, relaxing, and stitching some more. Join MER at the Villa Maria Education and Spirituality Center, 2067 Evergreen Road, Villa Maria (Pulaski), PA
<https://www.humilityofmary.org/>.

➤ **Reservations are due Dec 28**, so book soon. For details contact Christine Harris 304-845-0974 rphonwheels@yahoo.com or Sandy Pell 304-277-1163 spell2@comcast.net

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 **March 5-6, 2016** – Entry days for the Friends of the Stow-Monroe Falls Public Library 42<sup>nd</sup> Needlework Show are Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.. Members should deliver their entries to 3512 Darrow Road, Stow, Ohio. Contact Betty Jo Scurei if you have questions: [bscurei@yahoo.com](mailto:bscurei@yahoo.com) or 330 923 8850.

 **March 9-13, 2016** - Friends of the Stow-Monroe Falls Public Library 42<sup>nd</sup> Needlework Show. Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9 a.m.- 9 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.- 6 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.- 5 p.m., and Sun. 1 - 5 p.m.

 **March, 2016** - We have the display case at the Stow Munroe Falls Library, 2512 Darrow Road, Stow, Ohio. This year's theme is any jewelry, beaded or gold work small items. Betty Jo will be collecting items and arranging them in the display case. To contribute items for this mini exhibit, just contact Betty Jo Scurei if you want to exhibit: [bscurei@yahoo.com](mailto:bscurei@yahoo.com) or 330 923 8850.

 **March 2-31, 2016** - Woodlawn historic home will hold their 53<sup>rd</sup> annual needlework exhibition. Woodlawn was part of George Washington's Mount Vernon. Mail-in entries are welcome. For more information, check out the exhibition website:  
<http://www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org/53rd-annual-needlework-exhibition/>

 **October 8th and 9th, 2016**, Stitchery Showcase offers the **Children's Corner** during Ohio Mart (Oct 6-9, 2016)

See page 11 for our meeting and workshop dates.

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## SHNG milestones

Colleen Casey – 10 years

Sherri Hawley – a second 10 years

Sharon Merklin – 10 years

Congrats to all our milestone members!

## Honoring our Volunteers

In the Spring/Summer 2015 issue of SHHG's magazine, volunteers with substantial cumulative volunteer hours are honored. Volunteers who worked more than 7500 hours are honored with a paver in the garden pathway to the Carriage House. Stan Hywet Needlework Guild members who were recognized are:

Phyllis Dreyer – 1500 hours

Betty Jo Scurei – 1500 hours

Candy Marang – 3000 hours

Irene Udall – 3000 hours

Carla Waggoner – 3500 hours

Joyce Feucht – 15,000 hours. Look for her paver!



### **Do you have an article, announcement, or workshop information?**

Submit items in an e-mail or an attachment (.doc, .docx, or .odt).

Photos should be attached to an e-mail (.jpg, .gif, .tiff, or .png).

Send items to Miriam Kahn, Newsletter Editor [mbkcons@gmail.com](mailto:mbkcons@gmail.com)

## REMEMBER THE CHILDREN!

In 2016, our Guild will have two programs planned for children – your children, your grandchildren, your neighbor’s children – whoever would enjoy our fun stitching projects.

On **Tuesday July 12**, our annual **Adult-Child class** meets from 9:30 a.m. to noon with lunch available for both children and accompanying adults. This year, our project involves stitching-on-wool. Watch our newsletters in the spring for details.

We need help assembling projects for **Children’s Corner**. Please join us during the Adult-Child Class in the tent of the Carriage House where put together a variety of needlepoint kits for the children in October.

Mark your calendars! On **October 8 and 9, 2016**, Stitchery Showcase offers the **Children’s Corner** in a large tent with a dozen different stitching projects to choose from! Bring your child, ages 5 and up, to the Children’s Corner tent during Stitchery Showcase and Ohio Mart. Stan Hywet Needlework Guild members will be on duty to help the children with their selected projects. Even better, sign up next year to be one of these valued members helping children find their love of needlework.

For more information on the July class, contact **Sherri Hawley or Michelle Sayre**, 2016 Program Co-Chairs.

For the Children’s Corner in October, contact **Penny Thompson or Barbara Shearer**, Children’s Corner Co-Chairs.

Have you been volunteering? Working on Ornaments or working with the textile conservation committee? 

Don’t forget to keep track of your hours and submit them to Stan Hywet via Jamie Hale, the Volunteer Coordinator!

“Plaid Made Simple” Mini-workshop Program & Guild Booth ornament  
for 2016 Showcase  
Instructions for finishing

Supplies:

- Card stock or heavy paper;
- sewing thread to match main color of plaid and a sewing needle;
- mat board (enough for two small circles the size of the finished tube) or two – 2-hole or 4-hole buttons of correct size;
- fabric or felt to match main color of plaid; and
- cording or trim for hanger and optional tassel

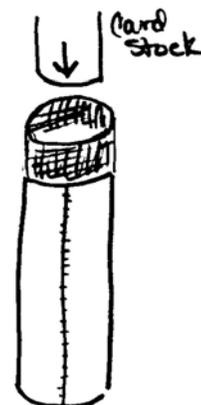
With all stitching complete, measure your worked area of canvas for the width and length. Cut a piece of cardstock slightly smaller and about 1” – 2” shorter than the width of your worked canvas. Set aside.

Trim your canvas to a ½” seam allowance on the sides and ¾” seam allowance on the top and bottom. Fold over the top and bottom allowances and finger press. Fold in the two side seam allowances and finger press. Cut a length of sewing thread, thread the needle, double the thread, and tie a large knot on the end. Gently roll the canvas into a tube. Whip stitch or ladder stitch the main seam together, being careful go over canvas threads, not just the stitching, with your needle. Don’t know the whip stitch or ladder stitch? Follow this link for simple instructions and illustrations <http://www.dmc-usa.com/Education/Technique-Overviews/Embroidery/Embroidery-Stitch-Guide.aspx>.

Before you reach the bottom of the side seam, pull the folded canvas back out from the bottom edge for inserting the card stock. End your thread, insert the card stock or heavy paper, and push the canvas back inward.



Figure 1



You will need to measure the diameter of the top and bottom of your tube. Either cut two disks of mat board this size and cover with matching fabric, or use a pair of 2-hole or 4-hole buttons.

Figure 2



Figure 3

Fold your cording or trim in half and tie a knot to make a loop about 2" down. Pass each end of the cording through the disk or buttons, through the tube, through the bottom disk or button. Pull the cording tight and tie a knot on the end.

With your matching sewing thread, you can whip stitch the fabric-covered disk to the tube or use a bit of white glue along the edge to attach the buttons.

Use the remaining cord to secure your tassel or use it in the making of your tassel.

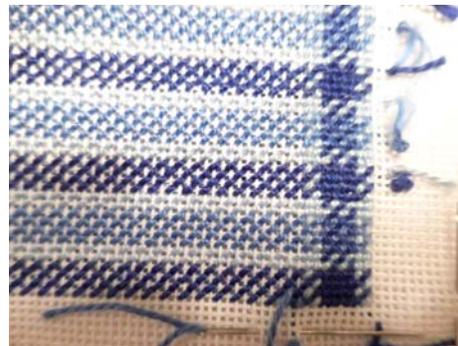


Figure 4

We would like to thank everyone who has been working on ornaments for the guild booth. We have some lovely ones turned in already and look forward to more beautiful examples next year.

Thanks again and you make our guild booth a success!

Julia Kerner, 2016 Showcase Chair & Carla Waggoner, Guild Booth Chair



DUES and MEMBERSHIP REPORT 2016

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ .

(As you wish to be listed in membership book)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ .

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ . STATE: \_\_\_\_ . ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ .

HOME PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ . BIRTH MONTH/DAY: \_\_\_\_\_ .

CELL PHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ .

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ .

\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS – Permission to Publish in Directory

\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL ADDRESS - DO NOT Publish in Directory (For Committee Use Only)

\_\_\_\_ Please send the Guild newsletter (*The Needleworker*) to my current e-mail address. (Otherwise, it will be sent to you by regular USPS mail at an additional fee of \$10.00).

SHHGF MEMBERSHIP NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ . EXPIRATION DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ .

(You must be a current member)

MEETINGS ATTENDED

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STITCHERY SHOWCASE ACTIVITY

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OTHER ACTIVITY

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SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO MEMBERSHIP

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ENCLOSE A CHECK FOR DUES MADE PAYABLE TO:

**SHH&G FOUNDATION** (STAN HYWET HALL AND GARDENS FOUNDATION)

\_\_\_\_ ACTIVE MEMBER \$15.00

\_\_\_\_ ASSOCIATE MEMBER \$25.00

\_\_\_\_ NOT RENEWING MEMBERSHIP

SEND THIS FORM WITH YOUR CHECK BY **January 31, 2016 EVEN IF YOU CHOOSE NOT TO RENEW**. TO: Ginger Mangie 3735 Barber Drive, Canfield, OH 44406

Questions? Contact Ginger at [gingersnap1444@aol.com](mailto:gingersnap1444@aol.com) or call 330-702-0532

## Stan Hywet Needlework Guild Interest Survey

Please circle or mark the items you are interested in

| I would be interested in learning the following techniques |              | I would be interested in serving on the following committees |              |
|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Assisi                                                     | Bargello     | Program Committee                                            | Membership   |
| Beadwork                                                   | Blackwork    | Stitchery Showcase                                           | Newsletter   |
| Canvas                                                     | Crewel       | Hospitality                                                  | Reservations |
| Cutwork                                                    | Drawn Thread | Catering                                                     | Historian    |
| Hardanger                                                  | Needlepoint  | Parliamentary Advisor                                        | Sunshine     |
| Quilting                                                   | Smocking     | Other                                                        |              |
| Stumpwork                                                  | Whitework    |                                                              |              |
| Other                                                      |              |                                                              |              |

I enjoy these areas of needlework:

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I would recommend including the following teachers for upcoming meetings:

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I would be interested in teaching a class for the mini-workshop. My area of expertise is:

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Other interests or skills outside of needlework? (Computer, Advertising, Accounting, etc.)

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I would be interested in housing a teacher or judge. (Please specify which one or both)

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Comments and/or suggestions to improve Stan Hywet Needlework Guild:

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## SHNG 2016 Calendar of Meetings and Programs

|              |                                                                                                                                  |
|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| March 15     | New Member Tea @ 9:30 a.m.<br>Board Meeting @ 10:30 a.m.                                                                         |
| April 12     | Mini Workshops Michelle Sayre – Hardanger Biscornu<br>Kathy Olex – Blackwork Tudor Rose<br>Carla Waggoner – Temari               |
| May 8-9      | Two-day workshop with Stefanie Deddo-Evans                                                                                       |
| May 10       | Workshop – Beading – Stefanie Deddo-Evans                                                                                        |
| May 17       | Board Meeting @ 9:30 a.m.<br>Showcase meeting @ 11:00 a.m.                                                                       |
| June 14      | Evening Lecture @ 5:30 p.m. by Gail Sirna about<br>Calligraphy in Needlework                                                     |
| July 12      | Adult/Child Workshop led by Carrie Golias – Wool<br>Appliqué                                                                     |
| July 19      | Board meeting @ 9:30 a.m.<br>Showcase meeting @ 11:00 a.m.                                                                       |
| August 9     | Workshop, Sharon Schlemmer teaches her Golden Pear<br>Sewing Kit, work in Wool                                                   |
| August 16    | Showcase meeting @ 10:00 a.m. (tentative, check time<br>with Julie)                                                              |
| September 13 | Evening Lecture @ 5:30 p.m. features David Lewis<br>speaking about Civil War Quilts                                              |
| September 20 | Board meeting @ 9:30 a.m.<br>Showcase meeting @ 11:00 a.m.                                                                       |
| October 6-9  | Stitchery Showcase, Stitchers' Fair and Ohio Mart – four<br>fun-filled days of volunteering, stitching, and more<br>volunteering |
| November 6-7 | Two-day workshop with Sue Reed teaching Not Your<br>Usual Knot                                                                   |
| November 8   | Public Workshop Sue Reed features her unusual pattern,<br>Independence                                                           |
| November 15  | Board Wrap Up Meeting @ 9:30 a.m.<br>Stitchery Showcase – wrap up meeting @ 11:00 a.m.                                           |



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

*It's Membership Renewal Time - See page 10*

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*For more information about Stan Hywet Needlework Guild, check out our website and previous newsletters.*

The Guild Webpage <http://stanhywetneedleworkguild.org/>

The Needleworker <http://www.stanhywetneedleworkguild.org/newsletter.html>