



Grand River Valley Chapter January 2008 Newsletter

Meetings are held at the Cascade Library, the 3rd Saturday of the month. Meetings begin at 10:30 with "Stay and Stitch" following the meeting. Members are also invited to join the early birds for breakfast at Sundance Grill, before the meeting at 9:00.

Chapter membership is \$16 per year and is due by the January meeting each year. Checks should be payable to: Grand River Valley ANG and sent or delivered to the Treasurer, Dawn Gribben.

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A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Dear Sister Stitchers,

Happy New Year!!! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. I loved my week in Florida with my twin 4-1/2 year old grandsons, but needed and didn't have enough needlepoint time.

So I am hoping that we all will be looking forward to the New Year with lots of new (or old) needlepoint projects! Let's try to finish up all of those half finished canvases.

Our January meeting will be a good time to catch up and hear all of our holiday stories. So join us January 19th for some serious stitching!

Happy stitching!
Anne

CONGRATULATIONS to all who participated in the White Elephant Auction at our November luncheon. We donated \$142 to the Santa Claus Girls, which was the chosen charity. Our donation was published in the Grand Press from the Grand River Valley Chapter of the American Needlepoint Guild. Thanks to all who contributed

JANUARY 19th MEETING

Our January meeting will be a planning and stitching meeting. We hope to have more information on a class with Anne Strite-Kurz this fall.

Please bring a current project and plan to stay and stitch after the meeting. With our Art Show only a little over 8 months away, we all need lots of stitching time!

LONG RANGE PLANNING

Needlepoint Art Show

Mark your new calendars for October 19 thru November 24, 2008 for our first the Needlepoint Art Show at Fountain Street Church in Grand Rapids.

Anne is starting to collect a list of items that members would like to submit. Remember, they must be needlepoint but we want to have a wide range of projects so go through your finished projects and let Anne know what you would be willing to contribute. We want ALL members to participate!

National Teacher

Betsy continues to gather information about having a National Teacher event. Currently, we are looking at having Anne Strite-Kurtz in the fall of 2008 and are looking into Libby Sturdy to come in 2009.

Libby Sturdy is sending examples of her available classes for the chapter to review.

An excellent job, Betsy, thank you for all of the research.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Our annual chapter dues of \$16 were due January 1. There has been a very good response of members submitting their dues before the holidays. Thank you to all.

So far, the members who have **not** renewed are:

Kim Elzinga	Jean Miller-Stouten
Margarete Fochtman	Ann Nedeau
Anne Freiburger	Jennifer Pohlman
Diane Hoban	Barbara Richardson
Karen Hunter	Gwen Spaulding
Linda Kanamueller	Anne Swift
Geri Krajewski	Lu Warnshuis
Val McAleenan	Marty Whitehead
Dot Messinger	Joann Grabinski

Your check must be received no later than the January 19th meeting. With the uncertainty of January weather, it might be safest to mail your check!

Checks should be written to GRV-ANG and given to our Treasurer, Dawn Gribben or mailed to: Dawn Gribben 306 West Spring Meadow Lane, DeWitt, MI 48820-8700

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

January

Carole Brown on the 6th

February

Nancy Mulvihill on the 12th

Dot Messinger on the 16th

Karen Hunter on the 22nd

Happy New Year!!!

Happy Stitching!

Joyce Working