



Embroiderers' Guild of America, Inc.

September-October 2026 NEWSFLYER



President's Message

2026 is flying by! We are already to September and the Kentucky State Fair is behind us. I hope to see everyone at the September meetings with their fair entries. It's always fun to see all of the beautiful projects our members create. There will be no regular "Show and Tell" because of the display of the fair entries. At this meeting we also have a fun, free "make and take" project for members and guests to enjoy. Remember to invite a stitching friend to the September Membership Tea.

October is our general business meeting at both the morning and evening meetings. We will have a brief business meeting to review our 2026 budget and to approve our 2027 budget. We will also be electing our slate of nominees for the open 2027 board positions. The open positions are Treasurer, 1st VP of Programs, 2nd VP of Membership and 3rd VP of Night Facilitator. The nominees are Susan Kimbrough for Treasurer, Terry Allen for 1st VP of Programs, Laura Welch for 2nd VP of Membership and Rhonda James for 3rd VP Night Facilitator. Anyone interested in more information should contact our nominations committee. The board members on the nominations committee are Linda Reed or Ellen Yunker.

I want to thank our membership for promoting EGA to prospective members and for helping our chapter promote embroidery in our communities. Anissa

EGA Mission Statement: The mission of the Embroiderers' Guild of America is to inspire passion for the needle arts through education and the celebration of its heritage.

The Embroiderers' Guild of America (EGA) is committed to providing a safe, inclusive, and supportive environment for stitchers of any experience level, age, race, ethnicity, nationality, ability, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion, or other background to develop their skills and express their creativity through the needle arts. EGA affirms its commitment to inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility (IDEA).

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Calendar

September

Thursday, September 10th, 10:00 a.m.: Chapter Meeting at St. Teresa of Calcutta, Membership Tea. Staie Fair show and tell, showcase of classes for the upcoming year, make and take project.

Deadline to register for the October draped beaded ornament class.

Thursday, September 24th, 6:30 p.m.: Chapter meeting at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Membership Tea. Staie Fair show and tell, showcase of classes for the upcoming year, make and take project.

September 11th-13th: Country Lake Stitching Retreat

October

Thursday October 8th, 10:00 a.m.: Chapter meeting at St. Teresa of Calcutta, business meeting to elect officers and approve the 2027 budge, beaded ornament class taught by Ellen

Saturday, October 17th, 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.: Stitch in at Angi Collins' home

Thursday, October 22nd. 6:30 p.m.: Chapter meeting at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, business meeting to elect officers and approve the 2027 budge, beaded ornament class taught by Ellen

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, November 12th: Chapter meeting, flat finishing lecture by Jenny

Thursday, December 10th 6:30 p.m.: Holiday party. Potluck meal, ornament exchange and teacup auction

DIRECTIONS: To St. Teresa of Calcutta Church, 903 Fairdale R. Lou. KY 40118: Take the Gene Snyder Expressway (I-265) to National Turnpike. Head South, turn right on Fairdale Rd. Church is 2nd driveway to the right. Go to the small white building at the back of the parking lot.

DIRECTIONS: To St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 2822 Frankfort Ave. Lou. KY 40206: located on Frankfort Ave., the parking lot is off Kennedy. Use the rear door; after 6:30, ring the doorbell.



STITCH INS

Wednesday EGA and Friends Stitch-ins (a very fluid group of EGA and ANG members and friends) meet at St. Matthews Library, 3940 Grandview Ave., from 1:00 to 4 PM Note: November 18th stitch-in will be from 2:30-5 (due to room availability)

Rogue Stitching Stitch Ins: Every Tuesday and Thursday from 4:00-6:45, open to the public. EGA group meets on the 4th Saturday from 10:00-2:00; all members are welcome.

Louisville Fiber Supply: Tuesdays 2-6, Wednesdays 5-8, and Saturdays 2-6

Indiana Stitch Ins: Floyd County Public Library, 180 W. Spring Street in New Albany, IN, 2nd floor, first Thursdays 10am - 2pm and third Thursdays 4-7:30pm.

UPCOMING RETREATS

Blue Licks retreats are November 4-8, 2026, March 17-22, 2027, November 3-6, 2027, March 15-19, 2028. You can arrive anytime from Wednesday to Sunday those weeks.

Country Lake: April 26-28, 2027 and September 10-12, 2027

Please let Peggy know if you are coming to the November retreat, and if so, which day you will arrive. 502-592-3992 or mimpeg@gmail.com

PROGRAM NEWS FROM LINDA

September 10th and 24th meetings will be our membership teas. We will have snacks, a make and take project, and the State Fair show and tell tables. There will be samples for the 206-2027 classes. September 10th is the deadline to sign up for the October beading class.

October 8th and 27th will be the draped ornament class taught by Ellen.

PROGRAM COUPON

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New Albany, IN 47150**

Refer to Louisville Local Chapter EGA by-laws for missed classes and unclaimed kits.



OUTREACH NEWS FROM ELLEN

A big thank you to all the stitchers at our July 25th class at Bon Air library and also the all day stitch in at the State Fair on August 26th! We made some meaningful connections while sharing the wonderful world of embroidery, and I appreciate all y'all who make the commitment to help. Outreach is an "every member effort" and we have the best members who show up every time!

The last major Outreach event for 2026 will be the Girl Scouts' Festival of the Arts on Saturday, November 7th at Noe Middle School, 121 West Lee Street in Old Louisville. EGA is signed up for two sessions, at 11:00am and 1:30pm. We're stitching our patriotic red, white and blue felt postcards as we did at the Filson this summer. So we're all well trained and ready to stitch something we already know! Unfortunately, GSA chose the Saturday of a Blue Licks retreat, and I know many of us will be out of town. Please, anyone not attending the retreat, join Linda Reed and me to share our joy in stitching with these young women! We truly need as many stitchers as we can get. Thank you in advance! Ellen 502-727-1959 egy@gmail.com

EGA HEADQUARTERS

I'd like to remind chapter members that you can visit the National Headquarters library at [501 Baxter Ave, Suite 200, Louisville, KY, 40204](#). Business hours are 9-5. You can park in the lot behind the building and go up to the second floor. If any of the ladies are working alone, the door might be locked. Call (502) 589-6956 and they will come meet you. You do not need to make an appointment.

To learn more about online classes available from EGA go to <https://egausa.org/courses-overview/> Maureen

MEMBERSHIP NEWS FROM BETH

Visit EGAUSA.org. to join or to renew if you are currently a member.

The system does not save our credit card numbers so you will need to enter your card number annually.

I am available to answer any questions. Text or call.

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EDUCATION NEWS FROM MAUREEN

We will be hosting national embroidery teacher Deborah Mitek on April 16-17, 2027. Deborah will teach silk ribbon embroidery and canvas work techniques along with ornamental techniques using beads, crystals, and sequins in her gorgeous design *Peacock Afternoon*. The teacher fee will be covered by EGA. Students will be responsible for the \$140 kit cost. Sign up will begin at the October meetings.

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR QUILTERS

Louisville Area Fiber and Textile Artists (LAFTA) Education Chair Susan Zepeda is reaching out to Embroiderers Guild members, to invite participation in a Kentucky Foundation for Women-sponsored project, "Crafting our Heritage." Sets of 12" fabric blocks will be stitched into a quilt and will travel, along with their makers' stories, to libraries and community centers around the Commonwealth, to be a springboard for guided discussions of the role of refugees and immigrants in Kentucky's past and present. Susan asks that you follow these steps, to share your own – or your ancestors' – immigrant heritage:

Take a 12" square piece of fabric – or piece together fabrics to make a 12" square.

Allow ½" seam allowance all around, to permit your final piece to be sewn with others into a heritage quilt.

Either work directly on this square – with embroidery, applique, embellishment – or attach an original work of weaving, felting, knitting or crochet to the 12" square to create a piece that is meaningful to you, about your family's "immigrant story" – did you or your ancestors come to America to escape plague, famine, wars or religious persecution? Did they come seeking education, jobs or a better future for their children?

Write a brief paragraph ("artist statement") sharing the meaning to you of the work you created. Add your name and email address.

Mail your completed square - or multiple participants' squares - to:
Susan Zepeda

Crafting our Heritage

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