



September
2009



Welcome!

A word from your Editor....

It feels great to be back from our hiatus in August! In this edition of your newsletter, be sure not to miss the Member Profile featuring our youngest Chapter member and Membership Chair, Abbey Clymer. Check the calendar of events and share your pearls of wisdom in response to a member's question in our Member's Forum. Don't be shy; we'd love to hear from you! Program Chair Cynthia Land continues to line up many fabulous programs including this month's, Caela Tyler's Ornament Finishing Class. Consider signing up for one of the pilot classes offered by our local members and watch for important changes to your dues schedule, new classes at Tactile and much more!

Yours in Stitches,
Madonna

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2009 General Meetings	Location	Time
September 21	Bethany Lutheran Church	6:50 pm Social
October 19	4500 E. Hampden Avenue	7:00 pm Meeting
November 16	Cherry Hills Village, CO 80113	
December - Special Event-See Calendar		

Colorado Columbine Chapter meets on the 3rd Monday of the month except August and December. Please join us and bring a friend. You may attend 3 meetings as a guest before membership is required.



HEYAAAAY! If you haven't signed up for the ornament finishing class, there's still time! Call Cynthia Land or email her at landstitches@comcast.net. Let her know whether you want the instructions only or the instructions plus the kit. Then just pay at the September meeting. You don't want to miss out on this great opportunity!



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello!

Welcome back from Summer break! I hope you all had a great August and are ready for ornament finishing at our September meeting. It seems like forever since we were all stitching together! Especially since I missed our last chapter meeting (thanks, Cynthia, for taking the reins)...

But while I was in Philadelphia, missing the July meeting, I was still thinking about needlepoint. I had the opportunity to visit a fun new needlepoint store downtown in Rittenhouse Square. Aptly named Rittenhouse Needlepoint (<http://stores.rittenhouseneedlepoint.net/StoreFront.bok>), the shop is on the second floor, up the stairs to a bright, naturally lit room filled with fibers and canvas.

Opened just last Thanksgiving, Rittenhouse Needlepoint is small and growing. While not bursting with completed sample pieces, owners Stephen and Russell are hosting free classes, a Friday night happy hour, Internet trunk shows, and a blog. But the most impressive part of the shop was the inviting atmosphere and the customer service. Not only did I have a great chat with one of the owners (who was very familiar with Denver) as I picked out my Philadelphia souvenirs, he was equally welcoming to my non-stitching co-worker. In fact, he pointed us to a restaurant for the best dinner we had in Philly, and was very good-natured when we had to call to confirm the directions.

Today, eBay, Internet shopping, and cyber workshops are commonplace tools for stitchers as we seek the patterns, canvases, threads, and tools to create our art. But there's still nothing like looking at and feeling a fiber and thinking, "I have to create something with that"; where your imagination is sparked by the texture and hue of a silk, wool, rayon, or cotton.

We all check out the local stores as we travel, so these days it's easy to shop nationwide and support those stores that provide the best value, selection, and especially service. I look forward to shopping at Rittenhouse Needlepoint in the future, as well as in Colorado, California, Washington, and Pennsylvania stores. And I'll be shopping at those stores, both Internet and storefront, that provides me with the best shopping experience.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our next chapter meeting on September 21!

All the best,

Would you like to share what you've been stitching with our readers, maybe include a photo? Tell us your news. Ask/Answer a question? Found a new stitching related book or magazine? Attending a class or Seminar? Or would you like to be our featured member profile? Why not author an article? This is your page to speak up and reach your kindred spirits in stitching (see pg.9).

If you'd like to participate in our **Member's Forum** won't you write or call today? Refer to your membership roster or email your post to: madonnao@msn.com and enter Newsletter in the subject line. We would all love to hear from you!



Ornament Finishing

With Caela Tyler



You'll love this month's program as you finally learn how to finish your own ornaments! We have all marveled at the talented finishers in our group and thanks to Caela Tyler we will learn how to finish like the professionals. All you need to do is bring your own stitched ornament ready for finishing, decide if you want to purchase the finishing kit or just the written instructions and, lastly, bring along the supplies listed below. By the end of Caela's demonstration your ornament will be mounted to a backing and ready to sew together. Contact Cynthia Land to sign up now!

Instructions plus Mini-kit - \$5.00 - Includes mat-board type backing (8"x 12"); needle punch (12"x12"); and shared archival tape. Instructions only - \$3.00

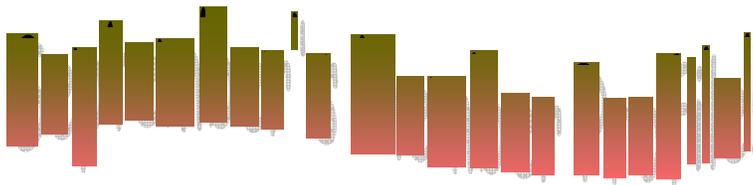
You will also need to bring the following supplies:

- Backing fabric and sewing thread to match
- Needle
- Fast Grab Tacky Glue
- 10-12 pinch clothespins
- 3-4 photocopy's of your ornament
- Small to medium size fabric scissors
- Pencil
- Thread for twisted cord (Perle Cotton or Kreinik Braid)

Questions? Contact Cynthia Land at landstitches@comcast.net

AREA STITCH GROUPS! The Colorado Columbine Chapter encourages you to join a stitch group. There are no programs to follow—it's just a great time stitching with fellow needlepointers outside of a chapter meeting! If you are interested in learning more about area stitch groups (there's one in northwest Denver, southwest Denver, and another in southeast Denver), see our website for more details or talk to one of the Board members who can point you in the right direction. Or maybe you'd like to start a new stitch group in your neck of the woods.

*Don't forget to register for Jennifer Reifenberg's pilot class, *Arborvitae!* Or Toni Gerdes' Golden Ginkgo Kimono pilot class. It is a great privilege to have these talented teachers piloting their nationally taught classes in our area. Thank you Jennifer and Toni for affording us this great opportunity to learn new techniques and stitch with you. Good luck to you both!*



Abbey

Clymer (on left with mom on right) moved to Denver about a year ago and one of the first things she did was to join ANG. Prior to her move, Abbey lived for several years in Boston where her favorite activity was going to the beach! There were many adjustments to be made in her new home especially when it came to weekend activities. Finding no "real" beach in Denver, Abbey now spends a lot of time sitting on her patio with her dachshund, Lucas, soaking up the sun and stitching.

Originally from Rochester, New York, Abbey left her childhood home to attend college at Mount Holyoke College, in South Hadley, Massachusetts. After graduating with a degree in Economics she continued on to earn her Master's of Public Administration from Syracuse University. Abbey began her career in public finance with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and is currently employed by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Stitching has always been a part of her life, but Abbey finds it often takes a more prominent role than other times. She started stitching at Pioneer Camp in 1989 at the age of 10. Her mom still has Abbey's first cross-stitch sampler completed and hanging in their home in Rochester. Since then she mostly needlepoint's and states, "I cannot resist the finished products". She continues, "Since I work full-time it is hard to find time to stitch; however, I travel to see my family a lot, and I find that airports and airplanes are the perfect spot for uninterrupted stitching". "I do get a lot of funny looks since people my age typically don't bother with stitching, but it doesn't bother me".

"Since joining ANG, I have really grown a lot in my stitching ability. I have learned so much from hanging around the other stitchers, and am always inspired by what the other members are stitching". Abbey says, "My favorite things to stitch are Christmas ornaments or other small items, because I love the feeling of accomplishment that comes with completing a project. I am currently working on a larger project though—a cross-stitch wedding sampler for my wedding in June 2010". Congratulations Abbey!

We are very fortunate to have this accomplished young lady as part of our Chapter both as a Member and Chapter Membership Chair. Abbey, we wish you all the best as we enjoy watching you expand your needlework horizons.

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Rocky Mountain Region

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NEW HOURS!
11 to 6 PM Tuesday thru Saturday

Our fall classes are scheduled. Tactile is excited to have a showcase of workshop products from September 1 - 26. You are invited to attend our open house to view these samples, meet the instructors, and register at a discount. This showcase will run concurrently with Doll Daze and Button Show. If you haven't seen these creations, be sure to stop by Tactile.

TACTile Education Open House
Saturday, September 12, 2009
1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

REMINDER! Our Chapter Fall Stitch-in will be on October 24 from 9am – 4pm



Membership Dues

2009 annual membership dues are \$59*

*(**\$33 National ANG** membership and **\$26** Chapter** membership)

Both national and chapter dues must be current in order to be a member in good standing.

See detailed information on our website or pick up a brochure at the meeting. There are no dues renewals or the month of September, members with October dues renewals are: **Lea Kushner, Joyce Lauener, Mary Mahaffey, Madonna Ousley.**

****IMPORTANT DUES CHANGES! Transition to Once-per-Year Membership**

As was announced at the July chapter meeting, the Colorado Columbine Chapter of ANG will be transitioning to a once-per-year membership renewal. Our transition date will be at our October Chapter meeting on October 19, 2009. All members will continue to pay their regular dues through September. In October they will make one "catch-up" payment that will pay their dues through October 18, 2010. Individual member's catch-up payments are outlined below, and are **in addition** to any normal dues for September or October.

Last Name	First Name	CCC Renewal Due	Catch-Up Payment
Akers	Doris	June 2010	\$ 8.67
Anderson	Carolyn	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Bell	Beverly	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Burke	Carolyn	November 2009	\$ 23.83
Celmer	Janet	August 2010	\$ 4.33
Clymer	Abbey	June 2010	\$ 8.67
Cornetta	Barbara	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Diggs	Anne	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Dorr	Terri	December 2009	\$ 21.67
Freeman	Sandy	June 2010	\$ 8.67
Golubiewski	Barbara	August 2010	\$ 4.33
Gooldy	Marcia	June 2010	\$ 8.67
Hale	Joan	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Hauert	Gisela	August 2010	\$ 4.33
Howlin	Peg	May 2010	\$ 10.83
Hubis	Tina	March 2010	\$ 15.17
Hulfacher	Amanda	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Jorgensen	Brynne	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Kushner	Lea	October 2009	\$ 26.00



COLORADO COLUMBINE CHAPTER/ANG

September 2009

Last Name	First Name	CCC Renewal Due	Catch-Up Payment
Land	Cynthia	August 2010	\$ 4.33
Lauener	Joyce	October 2009	\$ 26.00
Locke	Darlene	July 2010	\$ 6.50
Mahaffey	Mary	October 2009	\$ 26.00
Mailand	Jane	January 2010	\$ 19.50
Makings	Vickie	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Morgan	Gloria	December 2009	\$ 21.67
Muggli	Shirley	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Obermeyer	Judy	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Ousley	Madonna	October 2009	\$ 26.00
Pinfield	Ann	March 2010	\$ 15.17
Plante	Kay	June 2010	\$ 8.67
Porter	Luron	February 2010	\$ 17.33
Race	Karen	February 2010	\$ 17.33
Richmond	Eleanor	November 2009	\$ 23.83
Riefenberg	Jennifer	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Rosen	Sharon	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Ross	Charles	January 2010	\$ 19.50
Shigley	Vicki	February 2010	\$ 17.33
Short	Jeanette	April 2010	\$ 13.00
Smith	Ritta	June 2010	\$ 8.67
Storick	Julie	December 2009	\$ 21.67
Stuart	Sharon	March 2010	\$ 15.17
Sunderland	Janet	August 2010	\$ 4.33
Tuckwell	Cindy	March 2010	\$ 15.17
Tyler	Caela	August 2010	\$ 4.33
Yablans	Susan	February 2010	\$ 17.33
Zeff	Ellen	April 2010	\$ 13.00

Please bring your check payable to CCC-ANG to the October meeting or mail to Abbey prior to the October meeting. Abbey's address can be found in the membership roster.



CASH FOR STASH SALE!



Proceeds Split 50%
Chapter/50% Seller!
See below for details!



October 19th
Membership Meeting
Bring your unwanted Blank
Canvas, Painted Canvas, Charts,
Books, Threads and Accessories.
All things stitch related!



Mark Your Calendar! Now!

GARAGE SALE! GARAGE SALE! GARAGE SALE! GARAGE SALE! GARAGE SALE!
When: October's Membership Meeting
Where: Bethany Lutheran Church
Sellers: Colorado Columbine Members
What: A fantastic Garage and Split the Proceeds Sale! This is your opportunity to clear out your stash and sell it at the Cash for Stash Sale. Start going through your unwanted stitching treasures today so you'll be ready to partake in this year's FUNdraiser. Don't forget all proceeds will be split 50/50 between the Chapter and the Seller.
How it Works: Tag (available at September meeting) each item with your name and price; cashiers will be available to handle the money leaving you free to sell.
Who may come: All local ANG Chapter & Consortium members welcome!
Need More Information? Contact Cynthia Land @ landstitches@comcast.net
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Historical Tidbits in the Life of Colorado Columbine Chapter with Julie Storick

30 Years Ago - 1979

~Program- Plaid Eyeglass Case by Marilyn Blake from "Points and Particulars" in Ft. Collins
~No stitch of the month

25 Years Ago - 1984

~Program- Betty McClain presenting a program on basketweave and Marcia Gooldy kicked off the 10th anniversary project stitching all projects by Nita Grace
~Stitch of the month- Ermine stitch

20 Years Ago - 1989

~Program- Slide show/lecture, "Harmony of Color" by Debra Lindquist, President of Color Profiles.
~Stitch of the Month- Basketweave on Top stitch

15 Years Ago - 1994

~Program- A Banding of Memories Sampler from *Needlepointers*
~No stitch of the month

10 Years Ago - 1999

~Program- Fundraiser for the chapter making tassels from kits by Ruthmarie Hoffman
~Stitch of the month-Stitch Chart 8

5 Years Ago - 2004

~Program- Christmas Balls by Ruth Dilts.
~Stitch of the month-"Long May It Wave" pattern by Erica Michaels designed for Rainbow Gallery



On the Calendar

UPCOMING CCC PROGRAMS

- September Ornament Finishing with Caela Tyler
- October Garage Sale
- November Holiday Party-Watch for details
- DECEMBER No Regular Meeting, but watch for details from Cynthia

IN AND AROUND TOWN

- September 1 - Arborvitae Consortium Registration closes
- September 8 - The Big Red Truck Event www.ruthsstitchery.com
- September 21 - Fees Due for Arborvitae Class

[Ongoing through October 31 - Navajo Weaving: Diamonds, Dreams, Landscapes](http://www.cumuseum.colorado.edu/Ehibits/NavajoWeaving)
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- October 3-4 - Arborvitae Pilot Class with Jennifer Riefenberg
- October 11 - 9am - 3pm Fanci Mats Fall Retreat
- October 22-23 - Golden Ginkgo Pilot Class with Toni Gerdes
- October 24 - 9am -4pm - CCC Stitch-in at Tactile

OUT OF TOWN

[Aug 28-Sept 4 - ANG Seminar 2009 Nautical Needles](http://www.needlepoint.org) www.needlepoint.org

Our advertisers have many great events coming up for Fall. Be sure to subscribe to their E-newsletters for all the latest information on classes, specials, shop closings, etc.

Contact Fancy Mats and More (cindy@fancimats.com) so you don't miss out. A Fall Retreat will be held on October 11. Space is limited so call Cindy at the shop or check out her newsletter.

The Creative Needle's newsletter (needle@thecreativeneedle.com) lists numerous new classes for Fall including quilting, hand embroidery, beginning hardanger, silk ribbon and so much more. Call or visit the shop for more details.

Don't forget about the BIG RED TRUCK SALE at Ruth's Stitchery this month. Visit the shop and help them celebrate their 25th Anniversary!

Check out Stitcher's Garden's website (www.stitchersgarden.biz) for many upcoming events they have in store for the Fall.

Diversions Needlepoint has updated and given a whole new look to their website at www.diversionsneedlepoint.com! Be sure to visit Mary Lou, Cari and the gang for the latest in supplies, painted canvas and finishing.

Next time you're in Colorado Springs be sure to stop in at the Needle Nook. Peg is always getting in new things and will be pleased to help you with all your stitching needs.



Columbine Speaks – A Members’ Forum

This month’s question: *What is the difference between an away knot and a waste knot?*

Answer: Both are used when starting stitching in a new area, and there are no existing stitches to run the thread under. A knot is tied in the end of the thread, and the needle is plunged into the canvas from the top, a few inches away from where you are going to start stitching. The difference between the two types of knots comes in where the knot is put.

An **AWAY KNOT** is put in the direction you will not be stitching. After you've stitched awhile, you can clip the knot off, then slip the end under existing stitches to secure it. A **WASTE KNOT** is placed a couple inches away from where you will start stitching, in the direction that you will be stitching. In this case your first few stitches go over the loose end and tie it down, and when you reach the knot you just cut it off and your thread is already secure. By www.needlepoint.org

October Newsletter Submission Deadline is September 22



Upcoming Board Meeting
7 PM - Thursday
September 10, 2009
Bethany Lutheran Church
Room 209

2009-2010 Board

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Hostesses:	All Board/Committee Members

[General Meeting Minutes www.columbineang.org](http://www.columbineang.org)

*******WANTED*******

Have you signed up to bring a delectable treat to the next meeting? Don't miss out on a chance to show off your culinary skills and/or aptitude for finding a great snack at the market. Contact Judy Obermeyer to sign up!



DENVER METRO NEEDLEWORK CONSORTIUM

A message from Caela Tyler: These two classes are pilot classes offered and taught by two extremely talented designers who hold National Academy of Needlearts certification and who are beginning their careers as national teachers. We are so fortunate in Denver to enjoy the skills of several acclaimed teachers. Please welcome and support Jennifer and Toni.

TITLE: **Arborvitae (Pilot Class)**
TEACHER: **Jennifer Riefenberg**
DATE: **Saturday & Sunday, October 3-4, 2009**
LOCATION: **To Be Announced**
TECHNIQUE: **Canvaswork**
PROFICIENCY LEVEL: **Intermediate**
WORKSHOP COST: **participant's share of any room**
KIT COST: **\$75**
REGISTRATION BEGINS (SPONSORING CHAPTER):
July 1, 2009

REGISTRATION BEGINS (CONSORTIUM MEMBERS):
August 1, 2009
REGISTRATION CLOSES: **September 1, 2009**
SPONSORING CHAPTER: **Columbine Chapter ANG**
SEND REGISTRATION FORM TO:
Kay Plante
1381 Havana St.
Aurora, CO 80010
303-344-1317
plantek@q.com

CLASS DESCRIPTION:

Gaze away the warm afternoon as you create a lovely rendition of summer topiaries. This elegant and serene piece treats you as though you're enjoying a day at the spa. Learn unique new stitches and explore threads as you create wonderful texture. Learn about perspective and how to achieve depth and a sense of motion in this piece. [PAYMENT IS DUE TO Kay Plante BY 09/21/09](#)

The Consortium Registration Form is available on our website or at the General Meeting

TITLE: **Golden Ginkgo Kimono (Pilot Class)**
TEACHER: **Toni Gerdes**
DATE: **Thursday & Friday, October 22-23, 2009**
LOCATION: **Bethany Lutheran Church**
TECHNIQUE: **Canvaswork**
PROFICIENCY LEVEL: **Advanced Intermediate - Advanced**
WORKSHOP COST: **participant's share of any room cost**
KIT COST: **\$100**
REGISTRATION BEGINS (CONSORTIUM MEMBERS): **July 1, 2009**
REGISTRATION CLOSES: **August 31, 2009**
SEND REGISTRATION FORM TO:
Toni Gerdes 16880 County Road 289, Nathrop, CO 81236 719-395-9994 - tonigerdes@aol.com



CLASS DESCRIPTION

Golden Ginkgo Kimono is a beautiful design depicting seasonal changes of a ginkgo tree, and expressed in silk, metals, and an interesting "Hot Gold Foil Pen" technique on congress cloth. In this advanced-intermediate class you will personalize your kimono by choosing your own ginkgo leaf shapes and their placement. You will learn many stitches including a wonderful blackwork lantern pattern and a new "overshading" technique. To finish, you will design your own signature seal which is sometimes called a "chop".



ADVERTISER SHOP HOURS

Creative Needle: *M-Tu 10-7, W-Th-F-Sat 10-5, Sun 12-4*

Diversions: *Mon-Sat 10-5:00, Closed Sunday*

FanciMats & More: *Mon-Sat 10-5:30, Tu 10-7, Closed Sunday*

Main St. Stitcher's Garden: *Mon-Sat 10-6, Closed Sunday*

Needle Nook: *Mon-Wed-Thur-Fri 9:30-4:30*

Ruth's Stitchery: *Mon-Sat 9-6, Thur 9-9, Sun 12-5*

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