New Jersey Needle Artists American Needlepoint Guild July 16, 2014 Meeting

Hi Everyone -

Eleven members attended a busy meeting in which we each constructed a Project SAFE!



To help with the pacing of the construction, we opened the meeting by gluing spacers onto the top of our Project SAFE. While the glue dried, Diane opened the meeting.

We discussed sign-ups for the Somerset Patriots "Stitch and Pitch" night on August 7. NJNA has a small contingent going and Sue ordered the tickets for us. \$9.50 per ticket is due to Sue C.

Rosie indicated that NJNA would be taking at two tables for the November NJ Needlefest. Since it is the regular SOTM day, we will have one table for this subgroup. We also have at least three other members who will attend. If you haven't already and would like to attend, please send your sign-up form and \$29 (\$18 if you don't want lunch) (checks to NJNA) to Rosie at 34 Gunther Street, Mendham, NJ 07945 by August 1. REMEMBER! NJNA voted last month to provide the lunches for this event, so we'll have to start a project plan and get volunteers for that.

Diane reminded everyone that NJNA would be jointly blogging from seminar. Diane will republish the instructions for blogging in the newsletter. I'll check the sign-up status and will e-mail instructions for becoming an author on our blog. This is a great place to share our individual needlepoint adventures with the NJNA group. It's easy to follow our blog by receiving an e-mail when each new post is uploaded.

NJNA is stitching an English garden sampler in memory of Barbara Davis, a longtime, active member. The finished piece will be presented to her husband. Mary D-S and Linda have completed their sections and passed the sampler on to Robin. We still need

a few more volunteers for stitching. All of the threads are included in the project bag. Here's our progress:



English Garden Sampler in memory of Barbara Davis

Carol reminded us of upcoming programs. August will be our traditional salad supper – please bring a potluck salad to share while we enjoy a stitch-in. In addition, Sue C will be doing a demo on how the ort box cutting and folding is done! And after skipping show and tell this month, we should have a LOT to share for that!

"Stitch by the Pool", another NJNA tradition, is planned for July 27 this year. Please mark your calendars! It's hosted by Carol and will start at 1:00 PM. This is always a fun event. Please e-mail Rosie if you need directions.

In September we will have a debriefing about the ANG Seminar from the attendees. Then Sue C. will lead us through the finishing for our Ort boxes.

In October, we'll start the Sudoku project – in its many variations!

The remainder of our July meeting was consumed with the construction of our Project SAFEs. Don't they look great?





NJNA Project SAFE!

Happy Stitching!

Cheers,

Rosie