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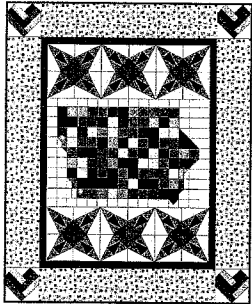
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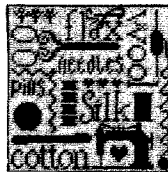
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All Iowa Shop Hop: June 1st thru the 30th is the run of the AISH. There are 94 shops all over the state of Iowa that will be participating. At each store you will receive a 6" charm square that you can use in one of the six regional patterns in our hop magazine or however you want. The

magazines are on sale for \$5.00 or are free with a \$25.00 fabric purchase. It has maps, store hours, passport and some interesting articles besides the project patterns in it – a good reference to keep. We will not be open on Sundays this year, but we will be open on Mondays ONLY during June for this event. You can also download the information you need and the passport from www.alliowashophop.com. Be sure to look at the drawing prize list for those completing and turning in their passports. Both statewide and regional prizes will be given away. There are three exclusive fabrics for the 2014 hop which are available on a limited edition basis. (If you have one of our calendars this event replaces the Over 20 Shop Hop that was stamped on it in June.)

Trunk Show: Now on display are models from Erica Michaels Needleart Designs and will be here until June 28th. These silk gauze pieces are truly gorgeous – come in and look. We are selling patterns for the models at 10% off one or 15 % off two or more. Notes on working with silk gauze: 1. Find the best lighting and magnification for you. 2. Work from the chart as you would any other counted cross stitch design but only do a half stitch instead of a full cross stitch. This should go faster since you are only doing half the motion. 3. Do the design first and then fill in the background last. 4. The holes in the gauze are actually bigger than the ground threads. 5. Designs can also be stitched on a fabric of your choice. Select a color to compliment the design and leave the background unstitched.



Regular hour change: As of July 1st our shop will be open until 5:00 instead of 6:00 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. We will continue to be open until 8:00 on Thursday nights.

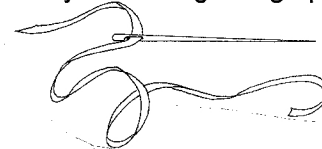


Christmas in July: Get ready to make your holiday hand made items, gifts and décor, now. 15% off anything with a Christmas theme – patterns, quilting fabric and supplies to stitch it from July 15th – 19th.

We will be closed on Friday and Saturday, July 4th & 5th for Independence Day holiday.

Newsletter Delivery: Let me know if you want an email when it is posted on our web site rather than receiving a regular mail copy – save paper and postage and your subscription won't run out if you're not in for awhile. Be sure to add our email address to your accepted emails.

Patterns: Thanks to Waxing Moon and Pam Miller thru Rainbow Gallery for sharing free graphs this month.

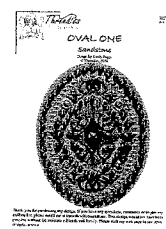
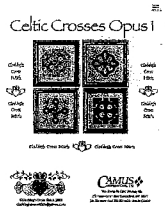


TECHNIQUE TIP: Gadgets for stitching II

This is a continuation from the last issue on helpful tools you should include in your stitching bag. Clover's Thread Cutter Pendant is what I wear on a cord around my neck when I travel to use instead of scissors to cut threads. It looks like a necklace and passes airport security without a beep. It comes in either an antique silver or antique gold color with notches to access a small rotary cutter blade. A needle grabber can be a small rubber circle or a balloon works, too. This is used to give your fingers more traction when pull your needle through the fabric or canvas. You can get a hold of your needle easier if just the point is sticking out a bit when ending off threads on the back of your work. Ever have to take stitches out and you have lint residue from the removed threads? A Boo Boo Stick has two size brushes on either end so you can "sweep" off those pesky thread poops. An Ort Collector is a good thing to use to put the snippets you cut off in rather than putting them on the arm of your chair only to find you have leaned in them and are taking them with you wherever you go. There are some that straddle the arm of a chair or sofa with a weighted base. Some fold up to go with you. An empty, clean plastic oleo or yogurt container works for this, as well. You can also cut a hole in the middle of the lid and stick your needles in the area around the hole to park them. However, once the holes are used several times, they may expand enough that your needle drops down into the waste area – just use a new lid if this occurs or leave some thread in the eye to pull them out before dumping. A scissor fob not only helps you find your scissors when you drop them down between the sofa cushions, it helps you identify similar pairs when stitching in a group of people. My Big Toe makes lovely ones, long or short, using charms and Swarovski crystals. There are some that coordinate with the Gingher limited edition scissors. Counting pins come in handy when you are locating your place on your ground fabric. Use these instead of your needle so you don't lose your place when you have to move to the back side to take a stitch. These are usually straight pins or needles with a larger bead glued to the top to facilitate handling.

WHAT'S NEW!

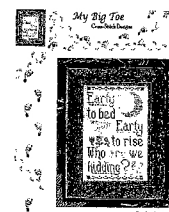
Kits: Mill Hill – Christmas Jewels beaded ornaments Jade, Blue Topaz, Holly Christmas, Peridot, Berry, Lapis; Bead & Buttons Nuthatch, Snowy Owl, Polar Bears, Ginger Friends; Autumn Harvest beaded kits Princess Carriage, Grandpa's Tractor, Jeweled Pear, Monster Mash; Winter Holiday beaded kits Snow Fun (snowman), Holiday Panda, Scottie, Cat in a Box, Drummer Boy, Winter Bird; Trilogy series – 3 Angels: Angelina, Gabrielle, Seraphina; Santa series – Merry Christmas Santa, Joyeux Noel Santa and Feliz Navidad Santa; Curly Girl – Sparkles; Lizzie Kate – Inspirational Boxer – Don't Cry Because Tis Over; Heart in Hand – 2014 Collector's Heart; Textile Heritage – Violets bookmark, sachet, needlecase and bookmark; Praiseworthy Stitches - Limited Edition Quaker Harvest Necesaire; Rosewood Manor – Spring Has Come part 3 so it is complete now; Shepherd's Bush – Winter and Spring Boxes, Count Your Blessings, Garden Sheep, Wisteria Snowman, Tisket A Tasket, A Full Heart (Shepherd's Fold part 1) My Home (Part 2); Riolis – Butterfly brooch using felt, bead, zipper; Several beginner kits for stamped and counted cross stitch, needlepoint and crewel. **Other Stuff:** Adjust A Frame – similar to Evertites but not as heavy. **Fabric** Fabri Quilt – Train Under the Tree Advent panel; RJR – Hocus Pocus (Halloween themed – free pattern for quilt or porch banner available); Blank – Adeline – bright and cheery prints with a free pattern available; Benartex – Holiday Magic (Christmas prints); Henry Glass – Rhyme Time – soft book or panel nursery rhymes. Snap Sacks – these are banner size quilted pieces with all fabric for the front, back and binding plus pattern in a sack ready to go. We have Liberty Belle in bright or colonial colors, Party Cakes, and Gramma's Favorite in green/rust or blue/yellow colors



QUILTING: That Patchwork Place: Cuddle Me Quick; Pine Mountain: Charming Point of View; Thimbleberries: Beautiful Blocks for Beautiful Quilts; Art To Heart: Table Please 1 & 2; Friend Folk: Turning Twenty Just Got Better, Turning Ten Book 1; Lunch Box Quilts: Cat's Meow.

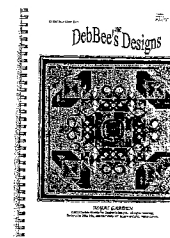
CROSS STITCH: My Big Toe: Early To Bed, Bless the Lord, Grievs and Sorrows, Our Father, I Need Thee Every Hour; **Cricket Collection:** March, April; **Blackbird Designs:** Mother's Day, The Garden Fair, In Full Glory; **Scissor Tail Designs:** Spring Bling Easter Eggs 1, 2, 3; **Just Nan:** Miss Kitty's Pin Cube, Rhyme & Reasons, Bunny Shower, Cardinal Tweet and Lorelei Lamb (limited edition ornaments); **Little House Needleworks:** Hands to Work, Freedom House, Louise and Henry, Hometown Holidays (6 of them) ; **Abby Rose:** Peace; **Homespun Elegance:** Still Stitching-Still Friends, Uncle Sam Crow; **Lizzie Kate:** Mothers, Busy Bee, Kitty String, Doggy String, 1st 3 Tingle Flip-Its (Halloween series); **Heart in Hand:** Be You, Baby Banners; **Tempting Tangles:** Peacock Pinwheels; **Country Cottage Needleworks:** Frosty Forest 1-7; **Ink Circles:** Reflections of Paris; **Stoney Creek:** Frosty Friends Block; **Erica Michaels:** Christ's Cross bookmark, Blossom & Bloom, 4 Seasons Summer; **Drawn Thread:** Summer Jumble; **Blu Cobalto:** Christmas Ornament and needleroll, Utility Bag, Pinetti, Chemin de Table (table runner); **Reflects de Soie:** Roses Blanches, Emerence 1896, Sarah Moore, Marie Danne 1882, Tapis Arabesque, Le Tresore de Blanche and Le Tresore d'Eugenie (both beaded bags); **Vickery Collection:** Bass Attack, Antique Autos; **Hands On Design:** Sew Many Tools; **Ship's Manor:** Fire and Ice; **Camus International:** Celtic Crosses Opus 1, 2, 3; **Country Stitches:** Patriotic Poppies, Sweet Violet, Mary Valentine's Handework, Time for Halloween; **Praiseworthy Stitches:** Mermaid's Love Tokens; **Summer House Stitch Workes:** Inheritance.

CANVAS: DebBee's Designs: Royal Garden, Easter Parade; **Threedles:** Log Cabin Fan, Butterfly Effect, Christmas ornaments 2011, 2012, 2013, Ovals One and Two; **Foxwood Crossings:** Ribbon Star, Ribbon Wreath, Christmas Crown; **Needle Delights:** Color Delight Coral, Colorwaves. **EMBROIDERY:** Aunt Martha's: Embroidery Patterns Farm Living, Holidays, Flowers & Butterflies; Annie's: Easy To Learn Hand Embroidery. **PUNCHNEEDLE:** Country Stitches: Pocketful of Autumn.



Happy Stitching!

Kare



CLASSES: If you would like to learn some specific technique or work on a specific project, let me know. We will schedule a custom class at your time choice and expertise level.

These are some of the classes we have offered before: counted cross-stitch, beyond cross-stitch which would include adding specialty stitches, stamped cross-stitch/embroidery, canvaswork - needlepoint, hardanger, pulled thread, drawn thread, bargello, petite point on silk gauze, knotted work, smocking, temari balls, knitting, crochet, duplicate stitch, myreshka drawn work, tatting, bridge stitching (darning stitch), beadwork (peyote, herringbone, right angle weave, square stitch, brick stitch), huck embroidery (Swedish weaving), Brazilian embroidery, silk ribbon embroidery, punch needle, locker hook, stumpwork, blackwork, beginning piecing for quilting, paper piecing for quilting, fusible applique, crazy quilts, bargello quilts, felt applique, free lace for scarves/shawls, framing and mounting tips, finishing pillows, finishing standups, finishing in a box shape, tassels, etuis, stitch notebooks. Just let me know your pleasure.

SIT AND STITCH – COME AND JOIN US!

"Sit and Stitch" will "officially" be on June 26th, July 24th and August 28th from 5 to 8. During this time you can come to the shop and work on whatever needs the most attention. If you need any assistance or have questions how to do things on your projects, I can help you with those as well. We have some friends that want to stitch together more than once a month and often come in on other Thursdays of the month that they are free. All are welcome.

"USA" Tin Box Topper^{© 2001}

A Pam Miller Design for Rainbow Gallery

Materials:

5 1/2 x 6 1/2 Cut Piece of 28 ct Linen/Silk Natural from Wichelt

1 card each *Theresa's Braids* *Shaw*

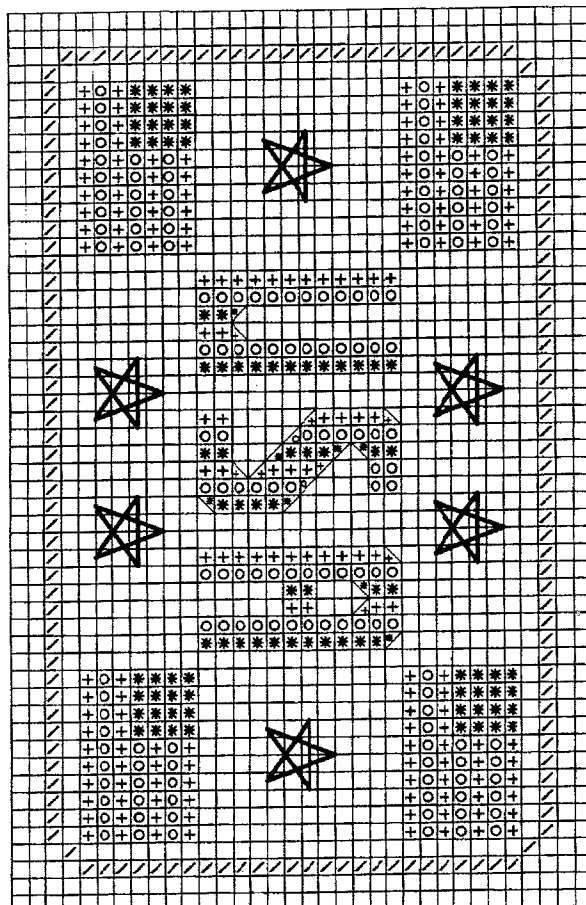
1 PB02-Arcic Gold

+ PB07-Red

* PB08 Royal Blue

o PB10-White Pearl

Each square on graph=2 threads



Stitch Count: 48 x 30

Cross Stitch according to chart. Long stitch stars in PB02. Finish as a tin box topper or in a frame.

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All Iowa Shop Hop

June 1-30

Erica Michaels Designs

Trunk Show thru June 28

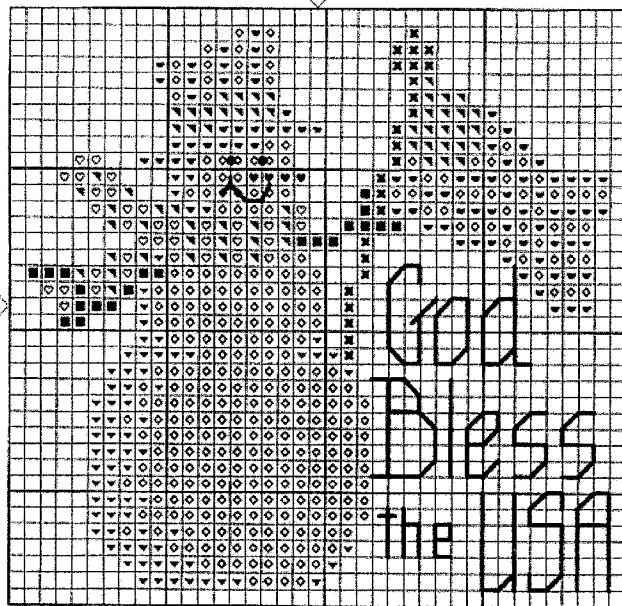
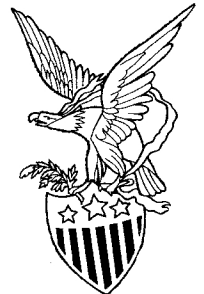
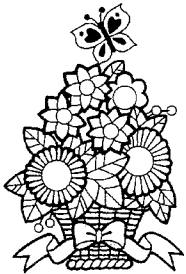
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Patriotic Snowman

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SYMBOL	DMC / Anchor	Gentle Art Threads
◇White / 2	Oatmeal
▼3024 / 397	Oatmeal
●816 / 1005	Raspberry Parfait
♥	.....334 / 977	Cornflower
■	.....3021 / 905	Cinnamon
▼	.....336 / 150	Midnight
♥	.....922 / 1003	Bittersweet
✱	.....729 / 890	Grecian Gold
●	.....3799 / 236	Soot

STITCH COUNT: 35 long x 37 wide

DESIGN SIZE: 2 1/2" x 2 1/4"

Stitch with 3 strands over 2 threads on 28ct. Morning Glory linen (#76147) from Wichelt OR 28ct. Raw Cashel (#3281-53) from Zweigart.

Backstitch Snowman's mouth with 1 strand of 3799.

Snowman's eyes are French Knots stitched with 1 strand of 3799.

Lettering is stitched with 2 strands of 3799.

2 Small Gold Star buttons (3314.S) from Just Another Button Co. can be added to snowman's chest if desired.

