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**Coming SOON: Rock N Roll Ridiculous Day** will be on Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:00 in the morning. Come to Waverly and see what bargains merchants will have on the sidewalk (weather permitting - it's been raining here so

easily). A variety of visiting vendors will also be present.

Look for a great deal on Thimbleberries overstock patterns - at least half off! Other technique patterns closed out, also at ½ off and much more. All 40% off sale bolts another 10% off - 1 yard minimum cut. Come and dig!

**It's Fair Time.** Think about sharing your stitched projects at your county fair or take the plunge and go for the open show at the State Fair. There are many classes in which you can enter your work. You might want to check on display conditions and security at your local level. For Iowans go to [www.iowastatefair.org](http://www.iowastatefair.org) and click on competitions, fabric/thread department to see all the categories. These include tatting (8), embroidery (25), counted cross stitch (20), counted thread (15), needlepoint (12), crochet (26), hand knitting (32), felting (5), machine knitting (7), quilting (46). There are also classification for juniors (under 18) and seniors (over 60). Entries are accepted on Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Market coming:** St. Charles will be here before we know it the end of September. If you are looking for anything special, let me know before then (cross stitch or needlepoint for this one).



**Last Call for Kissing Pillows:** If you have any finished pillow tops or unfinished for that matter, please get them back to the shop immediately. We have over 1500 done into pillows and bagged up ready to hand out, but we also found out we have

double the number of soldiers going than we were first told and no idea how many children are involved so we want to have plenty. A huge thank you to all who helped in any way to get these stitched and put together.

**Christmas in July Sale:** Get your Christmas gifts for the special people in your life started now or add to your holiday decor. Any Christmas themed fabric, patterns and materials to complete them will be 15% off from July 13<sup>th</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup>.



## TECHNIQUE TIP:

Button, button, who's got the button? Buttons are available in all shapes and sizes from stars to animals to Christmas shapes and everything in between. Even companies like JHB who makes predominantly garment buttons also have novelty items like tractors (for Derek) and fish (for Jordan). Many quilting and cross stitch patterns are shown with buttons for embellishment. Art to Heart has button packs available to accompany many of her books. If you have seen any of the Bent Creek "rows" you may know that even though the designer did not add buttons, someone else has chosen a set to enhance the design and a "map" is provided to show you where to put the buttons. In some cases there will be pieces that you don't need to stitch that are replaced with a button such as a bee or ladybug. Jeanne just finished the Lizzie Kate Boo Club Flips-Its all together in one piece. Come in and see how the buttons add to the appearance of the picture. The shapes used on this design are from Just Another Button Company and are made out of polymer clay. When you are sewing these on you must be careful to use a very small needle as the holes are usually tiny and buttons can break if you use too large a needle. These are also fairly soft and may not take the stress of sewing on under pressure as in using them to pouf a biscornu. If you want to use them for this, gather the center channel first with just the thread, secure, and then add the button on the top/bottom. Other popular ceramic buttons are from Mill Hill. These are more durable and heavier but can break if you try to machine wash and dry them from the clunking around against the drum. If you want to use decorative buttons on clothing that will be laundered you can make a thread shank and use a safety pin from the back of the fabric to catch the thread to hold it on and then they can be easily removed when it is time to wash. When buttons are added to cross stitch pieces, they can be sewed on first or they can be sewed on after the piece is mounted and sewed through the foam core. This works good when using the heavier buttons so they don't make the fabric sag.

Thank you to Little House Needleworks for the pattern in this issue.

WHAT'S NEW! -

**Kits:** Mill Hill - Seafaring Santas (3), Autumn and Winter Holiday beaded design kits (6 each), Autumn and Winter themed buttoned and beaded kits and Festival Trees (6 each), Jim Shore Seasonal Angels; Lizzie Kate - New Giggle Boxer - All You Need is Love and Chocolate, Summer Fab Fob, ABCs of Halloween; Just Nan - Snow Deer Whimzi, Spring Thrills Humbug with charm pin, Twilight Pearls Leaf Ball; Bent Creek - Photobooth - Flags & Friends, the last piece of the Big Round Zipper; Heart in Hand - Plum Cottage Sampler; Trilogy - Secret Beach; Stitch Your Heart Out (SYHO) #4-Purr Like You Mean It from Designs By Lisa; #5-The Heart is the Spirit of the Home by Homespun Elegance; #6 will be here next week - it is My Two Ducks from Rosewood Manor; Sweetheart Tree - S is for Stitching, T is for Teatime, Wedding/Anniversary Sampler, Berries & Shortcake Biscornu. **Fabric:** Marcus Bros - from Dianna Marcum Snowbuddies; South Seas - Santa's Big Night by D. Mumm; Benartex - Tidings by Nancy Halverson and the panel for Garden Song finally; Blank - Asian Enchantment, Cherry Blossom Lane, Marakesh II, great black, white, and red prints; Henry Glass - Let Us Adore Him by LeAnne Anderson and kits for a cute baby play quilt with seek and find called Down By the Sea; I-H Farmall tractors (red!). **Other stuff:** ai - Thread palettes and rulers with the metal figure embellishment. We now have zippers in neutral colors.



**QUILTING:** Grizzly Gulch: Bargello style scenes, Walk About; **That Patchwork Place:** Calendar Kids; Wing and a Prayer: The Queen and the Court; **Pacific Patchwork:** Friend-Sheep; Cut A Round: New York Beauty; Trice Boerens: Creative Two-block Quilts; Thimbleberries: Star Studded Wall Quilt; Art to Heart: Garden Song, Tidings.

**CROSS STITCH:** Drawn Thread: When I am Sewing, Button Boxes, Generosity; Bent Creek: Stitching Row, Patriotic Branch - first 2, Wave, Happily Ever After, Pumpkin Full of Autumn, Shepherd's Bush: Summer Flies; Homespun Elegance: I Love Summer and Autumn, Recycle Buy Antiques; Heart In Hand: Leggy Swimmer & Ballplayer, Let Freedom Ring, Together; Lizzie Kate: 1<sup>st</sup> two double flip-its in Christmas Rules series, Dog Lessons for People; Blackbird Designs: Bird in Hand; Imaginating: Sunflower Way, Bloom, Daughters, Rose's Alphabet; Sue Hillis: Women Are Angels; Prairie Grove Peddler: More candle mats bees, star, lighthouses; Just Nan: Spring Frills Humbug; Erica Michaels: Freedom Bits, Mending; Waxing Moon: Just For Grandmas, Grandpas, July & August monthly Samplers; Rosewood Manor: My Token of Love, Phebe Warner Quilt; Lila's Studio: Alphabet Samplers I & II; Stoney Creek: 4 Easel Stand Ups, 4 Seasons in the Village, Wedding Heirlooms; Sampler Cove: Bellagio, Time Well Spent; Praiseworthy Stitches: Do Ye Goode; Long Dog Samplers: Spirit of Marken; Nouveau Encore: Days of Knights & Dragons Sampler, Mary Stewart's Prayer Sampler; Chatelaine: Japanese Octagon Box; Ink Circles: Turkish Delight, Petits Fours; Val's Stuff: Kitty Kalendar May, June & July; With My Needle: Within My Heart Sewing Case, Mrs. Waddellow's Huswif, Quaker Sampling III; Handblessings: Hooked on Cats, Dogs, Cooking, Golf; My Big Toe: A New Day, Cast All Your Cares, Blackbird's Garden; Seba Designs: Misty, Dimond; Kit & Bixby: Always Welcome, Home Sweet Home.

**OTHER:** Canvas: Needle Delights - Color Delights Bubble Gum, Arabia, Strawberry Shortcake, Galaxy; Laura J. Perin - Bargello and Violets, Malachite Maze; Northern Pines - Earth Spirit, Sapphire; DebBees Designs - Glitz & Glamour Kunzite and Morganite, A Neat Sweet Treat. **Knitting:** Chin - Knit & Crochet with Beads; Davis - Knitting With Beads; W. Johnson - Toe-Up Socks for Everybody. **Hardanger:** Rose Marie - Sunshine; Pederson - Hardanger Tips, Tricks and Fix-Its; LoopyLou - Diamonds and Pearls; Nordic Needle - Creative Needle in Hardanger; J. Designs - Hardanger Sampler; Satin Stitches - Be Mine. **Tatting:** R. Jones - Complete Book of Tatting; Handy Hands - Tatting ABC's & 123's; K. Judt - A Little O' This, A Little O' Tat. **Punchneedle:** T. Kogut - Pumpkins/Sunflowers. **Beading:** A. Korach - Beading w/Cubes and Triangles 1 & 2; 4 books on netted beadwork; B. Gilbert - Beaded Colorways.

Sorry that's all the room I have for new titles since I am late getting this edition out. You'll just have to come in and see for yourself!

Happy Stitching!

*Karol Rachel + Jeanne*





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**Class Schedule:** If there is a technique you would like to learn, call me at 319-352-5464 or come in to pick a project and schedule a time when you can come. I would like at least two people in a class, three or four would be more fun, so invite a friend or two to come with you. Costs will be set depending on the project materials and instructional book or pattern plus a small teaching fee.

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.

If you already know how to do a technique but would like to pick a harder project or make a conscience effort to work on a specific one – new or already started, let me know and we can have a dedicated stitch-in with help available as needed. We offer a place to stitch without interruption from children, spouse, phone (if you turn your cell off) and have the expertise to assist you. Learn something new this year and finish at least one started piece!



Thursday July 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00 - 8:30 or Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 - 12:00 - Cubed Herringbone Beaded Bracelet. Using a combination of size 8 and 11 seed beads, 4mm cube beads and 3mm fire polished beads you will make a lovely bracelet using ladder stitch and herringbone stitch techniques. Let me know your color preference at registration. Pattern and teaching fee = \$13.25. Supplies will be a maximum of \$17.25 depending on color chosen.



Thursday July 29<sup>th</sup> 5:30 - 8:30 or Saturday, July 31<sup>st</sup> 9:00 - 12:00 - Hardanger Bookmark. You may choose from six variations of fillings/satin stitch designs when you make this bookmark design from Donna Olson of Satin Stitches. Ground fabric will be 22 count Ariosa in white with your choice of color in #5 and #8 pearl cotton for thread. You will learn how to do klostors, buttonhole stitch, cutting and weaving and filling stitches. Class fee = \$25.00 including all materials. Bring small sharp embroidery scissors.



Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup> 5:30 - 8:30 or Saturday August 14<sup>th</sup> 9:00-12:00 - Crocheted Fabric Rug - Do you have leftover fabric scraps? This is a great way to use them up. We will crochet the beginnings of four different shape rugs, then you can take your know-how home to make your rugs. There is some preparation before you come to class in cutting strips and putting them together - more specifics at registration. Pattern and crochet hook included in class fee - you provide fabric. Class fee = \$22.75.



Thursday, August 19<sup>th</sup> 10:00 - 4:00 or Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup> 9:00-3:00 pm - Walk About Quilt from Grizzly Gulch Gallery. This is an easy pieced top that highlights your favorite large print and can use only 4 or 5 fabrics. You can choose your own fabrics or use the same as the model done in Nuance from Benartex (approx \$35 for a lap top front) 10% off of fabrics purchased here for the class. Fee includes pattern = \$22.00. Bring rotary cutter, mat, ruler and sewing machine.



Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8:30 or Saturday, August 28<sup>th</sup> 9:00-12:00 - Porcelain Egg canvaswork design by Joan Lohr uses long-armed cross stitches around a Rhodes stitch to accent the middle of this egg shaped design complete top and bottom with a bargello satin stitch. It will be worked on 18 count mono canvas with a variety of Rainbow Gallery threads. A great piece to experiment with these different threads. The size is suitable for an ornament. You may choose your colors before class. Class Fee = \$31.00. You will need stretcher bars to make a 6" x 8" frame if you don't have them.

Dishcloth of the Month - Come in on Thursday nights once a month from 6-8 and knit or crochet a different dish cloth each time. The only requirement is that you use Lion Brand cotton yarn since they are the ones providing the patterns for the cost of a color copy - 15 cents/page. Let me know you are coming so I can have your copy ready. Lion Brand has about twice as much yarn per ball than Sugar and Cream so you can do more than one cloth. First session is August 19<sup>th</sup> Let me know your color preferences, too. These make great gifts for friends or hostesses.

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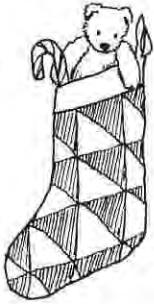
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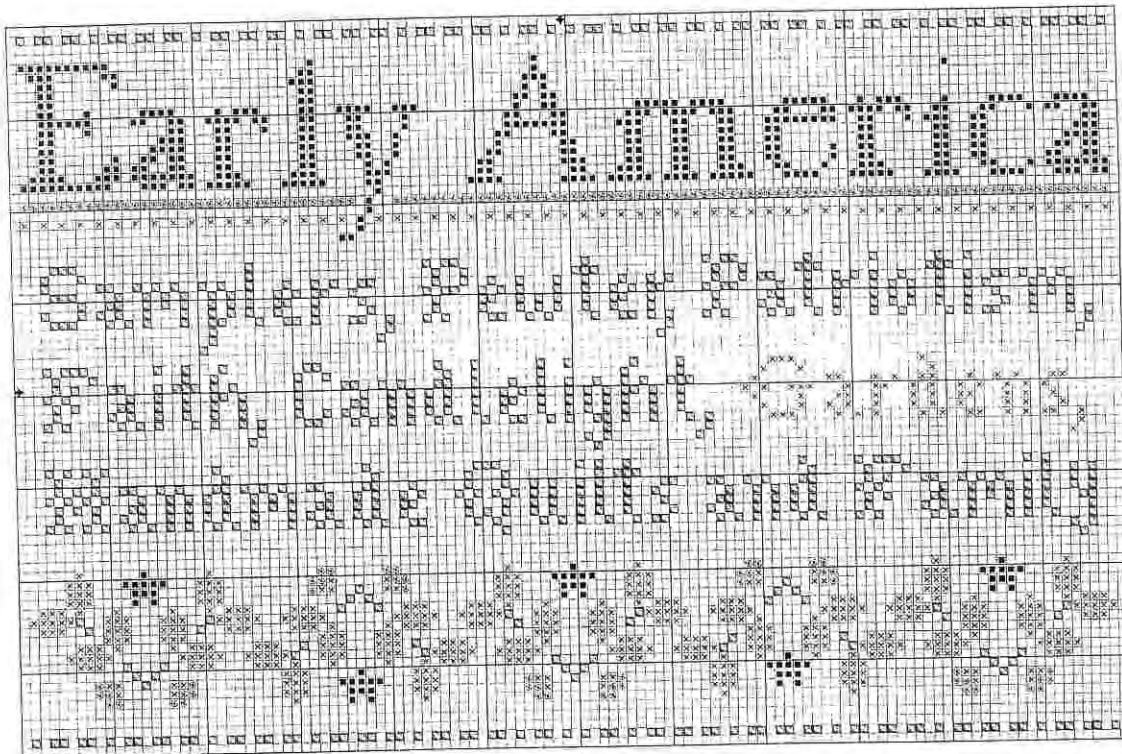
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**Ridiculous Day July 10<sup>th</sup> 8-5**



**Early America**

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|--------|--------------------|
| Symbol | Crescent Colours   |
|        | Manor Red          |
|        | Desert Mesquite    |
|        | Wavy Navy          |
|        | Little House Brown |

Fabric: 16 count Lambswool Heatherfield from Wichelt Imports  
 Use two strands of floss to stitch the design. Finished size: 117 stitches wide x 77 high.

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