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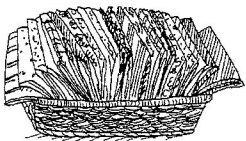


Love to Shop Hop Trail. Dates are April 19 – 22 with hop hours from 10-5 each day. Pick up a passport at any of the six locations (Fiberworks and Moose Patch in Waverly, Prairie Rose in Clarksville, LuliJunes and Crazy to Quilt in Cedar Falls and Jen's in Aplington). Get this stamped at each shop (with purchase) and turn it in at the last place you visit. All participants who get their passport filled will receive **SIX** yards of fabric. We have a lovely floral with accompanying co-ordinates for you – no luck of the draw necessary. All finishers **WIN**.

Update on Jeanne:

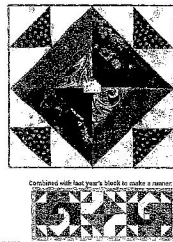
Many of you have asked how Jeanne is getting along in her retirement. After living in Cedar Falls for about six weeks, Bartels had an opening in their assisted living unit here, so we moved her back to Waverly. I stop in daily, usually to walk her down to lunch. Unfortunately her memory continues to get worse and her physical strength diminishes as well. She would love company or cards any time but remember to tell her who you are. 1802 5th Ave NW, Apt 304, Waverly, IA 50677

I am sorry that I seem to have skipped a newsletter in all this transition. Finishing up our inventory and getting Jeanne's condo cleaned up and emptied out ready to put on the market has taken a lot of my time. Also our toll free 800 number was not working for a couple of weeks while we were changing our phone and internet provider to our city utilities, but I think we're back on track now.

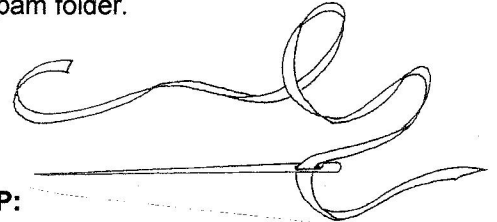


Fat Quarter Fridays: I was going to do this promotion in May, but decided to start early and continue it through-out the year – buy one fat quarter and get one fat quarter of equal or less price ½ off. This makes Fridays a great day to stock up.

Block Stock Hop: If you haven't gotten our pattern for our block for this hop, be sure to ask for one with your next purchase. The theme this year is Welcome Home and ours is called All Arrows Point To Home with a house button in the middle. We have some fabric kits and buttons you can buy if you want one like the model. We have coordinated it with last year's block in style and color so they would make a nice runner as pictured on the pattern. Also put your name in the drawing for \$75.00 of fat quarters at the end of April.



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TECHNIQUE TIP:

Have you ever looked at something in your stash and wonder "Why did I ever buy this?" Or "Oops, I must have really liked this pattern since I bought it twice!" It is good to reevaluate your tastes – they do change as we mature. What to do with these items that are no longer on your stitching list? There are some possibilities for sale or donation. A couple of options for selling on your own:

1. Ebay – go to www.ebay.com and click on the sell something link. Items may be auctioned to the highest bidder at the end of a specified length of time or listed as buy it now for a set price. You may have up to 12 free pictures of item, Choose new or used and write a detailed description. Figure what the shipping cost will be. You can have this separate or offer free shipping which is often added into the price to cover it. You can allow local pickup and international sales. You should have a Paypal email address set up through which to receive your payment. There is a page to tell you what insertion fee and final value fee will be. You can also donate 10% - 100% of your sale to a nonprofit charity. Don't want to do all these things? You can also use Ebay valet – send them your items and let them put the things on for you. Fees apply.
2. Facebook has at least two pages that you can list cross stitch or needlepoint items – Stash Unload and Needlepoint Nation Stash Exchange. Use the search field to find these and read the group rules on the pinned post. There are some vendors who will sell stash for you: Fireside Stitchery in Pennsylvania will do anything stitching related. Canvases Be Gone in Arizona, Stashing Destashing blogspot, Homestead Needle Arts web page, Beth's Needlepoint Nook and M's Canvashouse both in Kentucky and The Finishing Touch and Cash Your Stash in Georgia all do needlepoint related things.
3. Have your own or group garage sale.
4. Give to a friend.

If you would like to donate your items, check in your local area with charities such as Goodwill, Salvation Army, domestic violence shelters, elderly living units, women's reformatory or prison, reservation schools, and churches. American Needlepoint Guild does accept needlepoint

WHAT'S NEW!

Kits: Sweetheart Tree – Tiny Shamrocks Pin Cushion, Lavender Carnation Sampler; Mill Hill – Debbie Mumm – All polar bears - Peek, Surprise, Skate, Peace, Slide, Play; Laurel Burch – from cats and dogs to horses - Mediterranean and Moroccan Mares, Wild, Embracing and Riviera Horses; Ornaments Blue Pansy Butterfly, Trellis and Lotus Eggs; Button 7 Beaded Goldfinch; Lizzie Kate – Boxer Be the Rainbow. **Other Stuff:** Weeks Dye Works – new floss colors Garrison Green, Cinnamon Twist, Shepard's Blue, Paris Green; Double Cone holder for thread; Omnigrid – mesh table top organizer and on the go carry bag; Clover mini beading loom. **Fabric:** Henry Glass – Doodle Days Calendar, Alpha Bears, Hippity Hop (Easter), Shop Hop; Quilting Treasures – Full Steam Ahead (train), Animal Farm, Encore (musical), Ink & Arrow - Pixie.

QUILTING: **Cut Loose Press:** License to Sew, License Plat Car Litter Basket; **Marti Mitchell:** Log Cabin ABC's; **Miss Rosie's Quilt Co.:** Raise the Roof; **Royal Quilt Designs:** License to Play, License to Travel; **Sue O Very Designs:** License Plate Messenger Bag.

CROSS STITCH: **Just Nan:** Tiny Bunny Biscornu, LE Rosebud Tweet, LE Spring Mouse in a House; **Needle Work Press:** Spring Time; **Shepherd's Bush:** Easter Trifles, Love Notes, Lucky Notes; **Blackbird Designs:** Lady Liberty, It's Spring Fever, Winter is Past, Hats Off to Uncle Sam, My Dear Hearts, Feliz Navidad, Sewing Bird – Scissor Pocket; **Little House Needlework:** Needlework ABC's (with threads); **Imaginating:** Let's Hug a Teacher, Let's Appreciate Firemen, Liberty For All; **Blackberry Lane:** Naughty or Nice; **The Bee Company:** Snowman, Stockings, Purple or Orange Eggs (these have buttons and some have frames included); **Chessie & Me:** Lady Liberty Needlebook and Fob, Wave Forever Stitch Book, Strawberry Alphabet Sampler, Home Safe To Me, Think of Me; **Summer House Stitches:** Fragments in Time 2017 #1 & 2; **Lizzie Kate:** Celebrate with Charm Basket, Luck and Love, She Believed She Could, Chick Party, If you Live to be 100, Home is the Nicest Word There Is; **Sweetheart Tree:** Blackwork Heart, Itty Bitty Kitty & the Honeybees, Parisian Persuasion; **Sue Hillis:** Christmas Friends, Christmas in Red, Broderie a Paris, It's All About Dad; **The Drawn Thread:** Snow Day, Welcome Winter; **Abby Rose Designs:** Our Family Rules; **Hands On Designs:** Block Party – S is for Snow, Block - Party M is for Mend and pins that go with them.

OTHER: **Canvas:** From Nancy's Needle – A Winter's Night.

These are just a few of the new books in the shop now – more to arrive as they are released after the recent cross stitch market in Nashville.

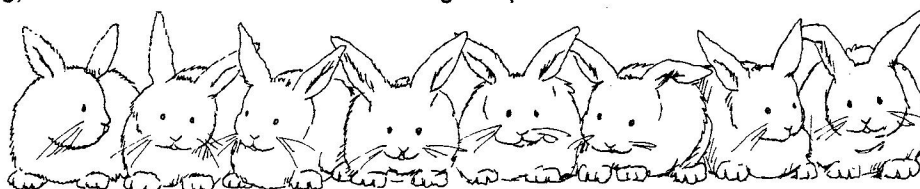
Happy Stitching!

Karol

Upcoming Events:

May 9 – 13 anything with flowers 25% off in honor of Mother's Day on May 14th.

Heads up for June - All Iowa Shop Hop (quilting) starts June 1-30 and we will be open on Mondays from 10-5 only during June. Collective Stitch (cross stitch) runs June 1 – Aug 31. Row by Row On the Go (quilting) starts June 21 and continues through Sept 5 – more details in the next newsletter.



SIT AND STITCH – COME AND JOIN US!

"Sit and Stitch" will "officially" be on March 30th, April 27th, May 25th. During this time you can come to the shop and work on whatever project needs the most attention. If you need any assistance or have questions how to do things, 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.

Thank you to Trail Creek Farm and Handblessings for their free "springy" patterns.

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.

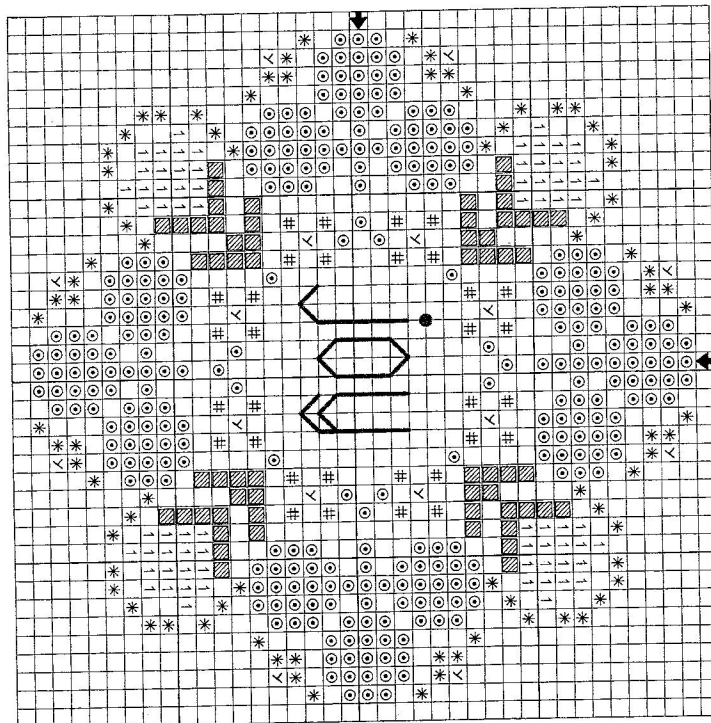
Handblessings
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"Joy of Spring Wreath"

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Eileen Gurak Needlework Design

Stitch size 37 x 37



Fabric: 28 count Lavender Bliss Lugana

Floss: Weeks Dye Works two strands over two threads.

- Emerald, 2171
- Meadow, 2176
- 1 Lilac, 2334
- ✓ Squash, 2224
- # Blue Topaz, 2118
- * Emma's Pink, 2280

Backstitch the word Joy with two strands of Emerald.

*I hope you enjoy working on this delightful free pattern as we await the arrival of Spring.
The Joy of Spring stitches up quickly. Happy Stitching, Eileen*
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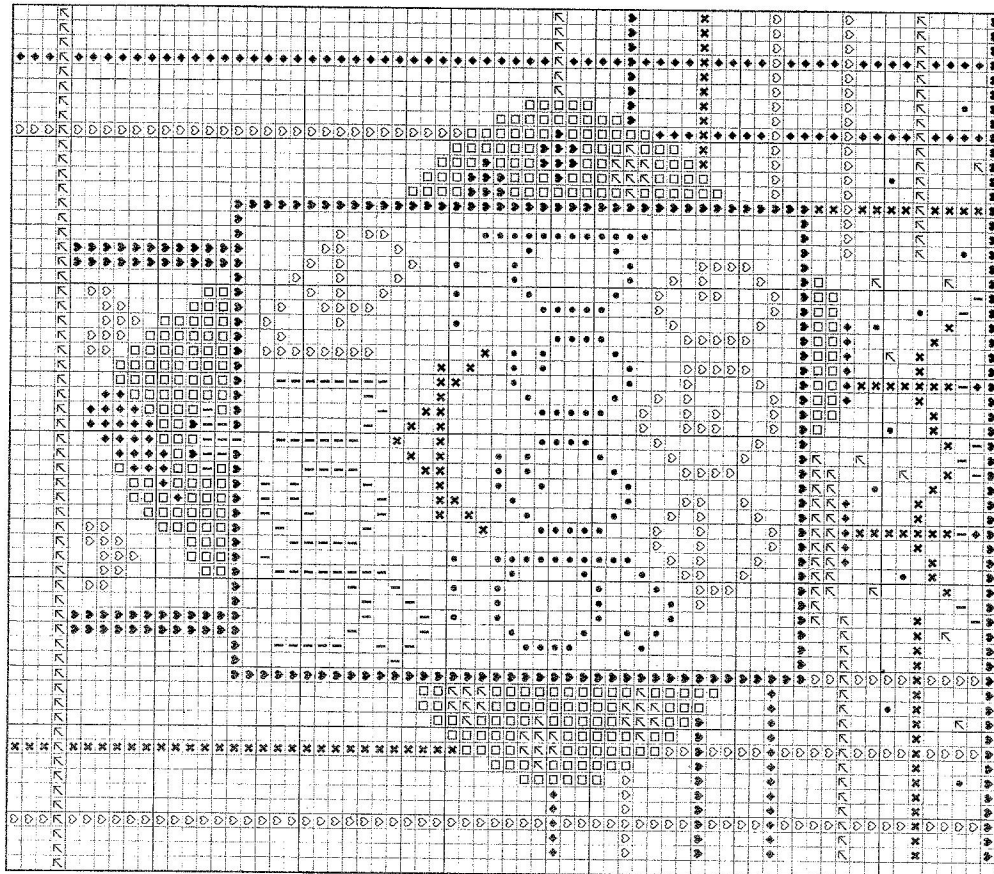
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Use on "You're A Good Egg" pillow, item #TCF-078



- Crescent Colours**
- ♡ Carrie Berry-open heart
 - ┆ Cupid-vertical line
 - Deep Blue Sea-square
 - ♥ Golden Star-filled heart
 - ◆ Jelly Roll-diamond
 - ↗ Key Largo-arrow
 - Really Teally-dot
 - ✕ Tangerine-x

Trail Creek Farm
 "You're A Good Egg"
 P11-use on same egg as Spring Chickin Stitchin
 Fabric 28 count
 Stitch Count 59 w x 68 h
 Completed design size 4.21" w x 4.86" h
 Stitch two strands of floss over two threads.