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Row By Row Sew Musical: Has begun and runs through Sept 4th. Our row is called Quilting Makes My Heart Sing and has lots of cute buttons to adorn it. We have kits ready for you to purchase to go along with the complimentary pattern when you stop in the shop. The first person back to a shop with a finished quilt using at least 8 different rows will get a prize of 25 fat quarters and maybe an extra surprise.



AISH: This is over but we do still have a couple of kits of the model designed by Three Jars Full made with the shop hop fabrics available for purchase or just the pattern if you want to use your own fabrics. You can get the cut out of the corn fabric shaped like the state of lowa for the middle if you only want that piece, too. We also have a small

amount of hop fabric with the postcards and the quilt shop names on green and grey.

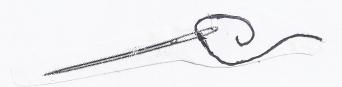


2018 Collective Stitch:

For cross stitchers, we have not left you out of the event cycle. Winter is the theme for this year. Our pattern says Let It Snow with three sparkly

snowflakes underneath and adorned with Just Another Button Co. snowflakes and a little red cardinal. This one runs from June 1st till August 31st and new are sponsors Just Cross Stitch Magazine and Sulky Threads that will be giving out prizes. Be sure to leave your name and contact information when you get your pattern.

Passing: For those who do not follow us on Facebook, I wanted to let you know that Jeanne has joined the heavenly stitcher's guild. (I hope there is one! I sent her needle with her.) We thank God for her quick and painless passing and not having to watch dementia continue to take its toll. Mom's gentle and helpful nature was an asset at the shop, but now she is with her long missed husband once again. Thank you for all the expressions of sympathy.



TECHNIQUE TIP: Blackwork

After attending a needlework exhibition this spring and seeing a lovely piece done in this technique, I decided to share it in the "tip" column. Blackwork is a form of counted thread work that probably developed in North Africa and was introduced to Spain by the Moors around AD 711. Islamic religion did not allow natural forms so geometric motifs were used instead. When Catherine of Aragon, a notable needlewoman, married King Henry VIII in the early 1500's and came to Britain, she influenced the popularity for blackwork designs. Another name is the Holbein stitch which most likely comes from court portraits done by the artists of the same name that show this technique on collars and cuffs of the time. The double running stitch was used when both sides of the pieces would show as designs appear the same on the front and the back of the fabric. A back stitch was used for the outline if only one side would be seen as this was faster to stitch. During the Elizabethan period, motifs of flowers and plants were added as the English developed a passion for gardens. While much of this was done with black thread on a white ground, by the end of the 17th century, experimentation with shading in tones was seen. Blackwork is stitched from a chart like other counted thread work. Usually there are areas outlined with the double running stitch or back stitch that are filled in with a pattern stitch. A design can use several different patterns to make it very interesting to work and to look at when finished. I would recommend The New Anchor Book of Blackwork Embroidery Stitches (they have done several books on different techniques) to help get you started with how tos and diagrams of motifs to use, as well as possible designs. If you'd like a real challenge, the one I saw at the exhibit is called "Save the Stitches" by Elizabeth Almond from the UK. This design is worked on a 25 count evenweave fabric 20" by 37" with 131 different filling which uses black floss, #12 pearl cotton and 3 colors of metallic threads. You can download it here: http://www.blackworkjourney.co.uk/freebies3.html. You will see other designs in the freebies section if you prefer a smaller piece. If you like counted techniques, give this one a trv.

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WHAT'S NEW!

Kits: Mill Hill — 8 new glass treasures; Buttons & Beads Merry Little Christmas, Playful Penguins, Brightly Shining, Christmas Cabin, Ornament Elegance, Christmas Village Cobbler, To All a Goodnight, A Jolly Old Elf, The Children Were Nestled, The Stockings Were Hung; Mitten Trilogy Snowman, Snowflake and Star; National Park Santas Yellowstone, Grand Canyon, Yosemite; Winter Holiday ornament/pins Little Chickadee, Holli Elf, Sunday Night, Christmas Bells, Jim Shore Chicks Yellow, Blue, Pink, Aqua, Purple, White (great for the Easter tree); Other stuff: Klasse — Copper scissors and thread cutter; Gentle Art Samper threads Storm Clouds, Coral Reef, Putty, Driftwood; Weeks Dye Works floss — Roasted Figs, Santa Cruz, Bee's Knees, Oyster; Heart in Hand — Heartware bowls for finishing. Fabric: Quilting Treasures — 5 Alarm; Blank — 5 Alarm Fire with a juvenile book panel; Kanvas (Benartex) — Love American Style, Let's Party; Henry Glass — Circle Play backing fabric; Studio E — School Zone; RJR: Sewing 101. Ruler: Super Sidekick. Ever Sewn: newest model sewing machine Sparrow #310.

QUILTING: Martingale: Sweet & Simple several new designs.

CROSS STITCH: Just Nan: Summer Mouse Scissor Roll; Bobby G Designs: Halloween Sampler, Noel Tags, Barnyard Fun; Blackbird Designs: Here the Crickets Sing (Loose Feathers); Little House Needlework: Summer ABC's, Farmhouse Christmas next 4 of series Dairy Darlin', Grandma's Quilt, Pinewood Farm, Cock a Doodle Do; Abby Rose Designs: Sweet Summer, Long May She Wave 2, 3, 4; Ink Circles: Reflections of New Orleans and Norway, Well Suited; Heartstring Samplery: Festive Little Fobs Americana; Homespun Elegance: Sampler Flag, Patriotic Peace; Heart in Hand: Bird in the Hand Summer, Today Forever, Ye Old Crow, Just Cross Stitch: 2018 Halloween magazine issue – 2018 Christmas Ornament issue (reserve your copy now); Tiny Modernist: One Stitch at a Time; Mirabilia Designs: Lady Mirabilia 25th Anniversary design; Plum Street Samplers: Noah's Christmas Ark III ornament, Sheep Heap, Goat Load, Snort Stack, Samper Lesson Three; Needle Bling: Bee Happy, Bee Scary; With Thy Needle & Thread: Basket Full of Summer Time, Welcome Spring, Brick House Sampler, Summer in Baltimore, Indigo Lane; Waxing Moon Designs: Patriotic House Trio; Erica Michaels: Victory and Peace, Peace; Hands on Designs: Laundry Company series 3 - Never Ending Cycle, Loads of Fun, Irony, Oh Say Can You Sea, Where Liberty Dwells, Knee High; Jeannette Douglas Designs: Letters From Mom 1-4; Prairie Schooler: 2018 Schooler Santa; Praiseworthy Stitches: Mr. Bones Starlight Ballroom: Rosewood Manor: Dreaming of Sunflowers; The Scarlett House: Patriotic Shaker Box, Spring Fling Stitching Bag: JBW Designs: Sweet Land of Liberty; Tralala: Printemp/Ete, Automne/Noel.

Embroidery: Rivendale Collection: From Australia several nice patterns combining embroidery and quilting – Button Collector, Friendship, Holly & Jolly to name a few. **Counted Canvas:** From Nancy's Needle – Enchanted Garden, Dreaming of Spring, Jeweled Medallions; Needle Delights Originals – Colorblocks, Holiday Delights 4th of July.

Happy Stitching!

We are taking reservations for the next block of the month project. It will be done with batiks in colors similar to the picture on the pattern. It will be a 12 month series. We will start as soon as all the fabric arrives this fall. Cost will be \$19.50 per month for pattern and all fabric for the front. The pattern is called Tonga Nature designed by Wing and a Prayer. There will be a limited number of kits.

Karol



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SIT AND STITCH - COME AND JOIN US!

Upcoming "Sit and Stitch" will "officially "be on July 26th August 30th September 27th. 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.

Thank you to Pam Miller through Rainbow Gallery for the complimentary pattern.

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.

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Price increase in cross stitch fabrics: Just a note that the square inch price may be going up on many of the fabrics we carry – especially the hand-dyed ones – so just wanted to prepare you for the sticker shock.

Construction update: The projected finish date for the east section of Bremer Ave has been moved back to Labor Day. You will always be able to get in the front doors as a four foot section of sidewalk was left intact all along the businesses. There will be one lane open in both directions. You are welcome to park in spot #13, marked on the fence, in the lot behind the store and use the back entrance. Turn on First Street NE or SE to get behind the stores. I can't tell you how glad everyone will be when this project is done you can park in front on the street once again. Additional parking is a block over behind Cobblestone Inn or past the State Bank on 1st St SE.

New Web Site Launched: This is supposed to be a new improved phone/ipad friendly site. Because we want to charge you only actual shipping by weight for your orders, the method will show as COD. When we have your order compiled we will send you a paypal invoice with the total amount due. You then have the option to use a credit card or bank account to pay the bill. It is not necessary to have a paypal account set up to pay through them. You may pay as a guest. This will also be more secure for card numbers as they are not stored on our site at any time. If you don't want to go through paypal, after you place your order, give us a call and we can take your card number over the phone and run it manually as we do now.

There are a few pictures we need to get in place but Rachel will be working on that this summer. We will be changing the quilting fabric orders to $\frac{1}{4}$ yard increments as the program does just whole numbers. So if you want a yard you will be ordering $4 - \frac{1}{4}$ yards, $2 - \frac{1}{4}$ yards for a $\frac{1}{2}$ yard, etc. We are working to change the fabrics currently on the site to this method – all new ones will be entered in this way. Some of the items did not convert correctly so we are trying to find them and get the correct information in place. When in doubt give us a call or email us.

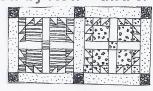
Christmas in August: I know I am late getting this newsletter out so I will move Christmas in July to August. **20% off** all Christmas patterns and fabric from August 14-18. That should still give you time to get your projects completed before the big day in December.

NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIPTION REMINDER:

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Fiberworks 108 E Bremer Ave Waverly, IA 50677 August 14-18 = Christmas in **August Sale**

Row by Row - thru 9/4



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" USA" Tin Box Topper

Each square on graph=2 threads * PB08 Royal Blue o PB10-White Pearl

5½ x 6½ Cut Piece of 28 ct Linen/Silk Natural from Wichelt

Materials:

1 card each *Freasture Araid Grain*1 PB02-Arctic Gold * PB07-Red o P

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Cross Stitch according to chart. Long stitch stars in PB02. Finish as a tin box topper or in a frame. See many more of our designs and learn more about our products at www.rainbowgallery.com

Stitch Count: 48 x 30

Photocopying of this design is invited

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