



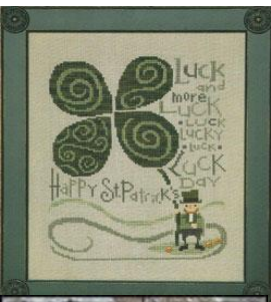
March 2010 Newsletter

I feel it. I really think Spring is almost here. The sun has been shining brightly and is making the snow go away. Our spring market was in Nashville just a week ago. I did a quick hit as my husband and I were coming back from a week in Florida (Brrrrh). We had driven overnight from Tampa Bay and arrived about 8. I was very groggy but managed to be the first one in line at Shepherds Bush. Yeah!! Then Blackbird Designs, Lizzie Kate, Chessie & Me, Carriage House Samplings and Shakespeare's Peddler.

Bent Creek came out with an Easter bunny row, a shamrock row, an uber shamrock and a really cute bunny in the photo booth. Blackbird has come out with a new multi-project book called Honeysuckle Manor. Beautiful samplers and fun smaller projects. I think we will do a class or two based off of this book.

Carriage House Samplings has come up with one more from Hawk Run Hollow. 12 squares set up in two long rows. It is fantastic. I may just have to break down and start this one. Chessie & Me came out with the Botanical Sewing Pocket and Fob. Pretty spring colors on a gingham linen. There is a cute biscornu called Rabbit Run and a Strawberry Banke.

Lizzie Kate came out with two limited edition kits. Spring fob which comes with a cute pair of scissors. The other is Chicks Rule! – a fun little Easter piece. There new kit is the ABC's of Aging Artfully. Laugh at yourself, Mend fences, No Whining. I love pieces that say something, they make you think. La d da has 4 new ones. Sarah Lowell, Your Gentleness, Lazy alphabet, and ABCD. Prairie Schooler showed up before market. It was so fun to see them early. They have the Tortoise and the Hare, February, June and



Signs of Spring, Primitive Needle has more great Halloween pieces. Her Wicked Best, Black's Skie, Wicked Alphabet, Moon Sicke, and Cape Cod Boys who have no sleds they slide down hills on Codfish heads. She has been doing such great primitive Halloween fun pieces. Little House Needleworks came up with a special design called Needle and Thread which comes with the thread and a special scissor bed. The scissor bed is a limited quantity. Blue Ribbon Designs has three new pieces, Sweet songs of Spring, In My Heart and Schoolgirl Samplings. As usual we all have one picked out to do. These break apart into so many great small pieces. Shepherd's Bush has a new patriotic large kit called My Land. 2 new charts Winter Snows, Spring Blooms, A Blue Snowman Kit to go with the Red and Green Snowmen. There is also a Liberty Scissor Fob Kit and Liberty Pincushion. As you can see there is just a plethora of goodies to look at.

Blackbird Designs Anniversaries of the Heart NEW monthly series



Blackbird Designs released the first two patterns for a new monthly series at the TNNA Nashville market. Each pattern contains 1 monthly house (5"x5.6") or 75x85 stitches when stitched on 30ct linen. Each pattern is designated by a specific month as well as a theme for each month. The designs are scheduled to come out monthly with the exception of the first two that have been released this month at the show. There will be individual patterns for January-September, with a book coming out in fall that will include the houses for October-December. This book will have the last 3 months in it as well as other treasures to go along with the theme. Each one of these charts will be using 30ct hand dyed linen. Each monthly pattern will also provide instructions if you would like to stitch all of the houses on one piece of fabric. On the inside of each monthly design is a placement diagram if you would like to stitch them all on one piece of fabric. Each monthly design is scheduled to be released at the end of the month. We don't want you to miss out on any of the houses, or the gorgeous linens, so be sure to sign up for the automatic now.



Deb Wold won our 2009 Regatta. She was the first one to get to St. Louis with her finished projects. For her diligent work she received a Freight House Gift Certificate.



We Need Your Birthdays!!
Just Month and Date .
You never know what you might get.

Thank you Lynn, Kathy, and Cindy for coming to the Thursday Stitch-in. Don't forget next month April 1st !! Come in and join in the fun.
10-6

Ornament Club Get-Together

We are planning to have time set aside to discuss any questions about the ornaments and finishing. We will be here from 4-6:30 on Thursday June 10th and Friday June 11th. Bring your unfinished pieces with your questions.

Spring Class List

Thursdays April 8th, 15th, and 29th.

5:30-7:30

Knotting- Come in and learn to use Colonial Knots and French Knots to make a beautiful Chickadee Scissor Fob.
\$35.00

Saturday April 17th

1:30-3:30

Biscornu Finishing Class- Pick your own simple Biscornu to stitch and we will teach you how to assemble it. Stitching must be finished before class.
\$15.00

Tuesday April 20th

5:30-7:30

Punch needle Class- We will punch a old-fashioned flag to go into a wide tin metal frame. Be ready for the holidays. Frame included.
\$35.00 if you don't need needle
\$55.00 if you need a punch needle

Tuesdays May 11th, 18th and 25th

5:30-7:30

Honeysuckle Manor Companion Finishing Class- Over the course of 3 weeks we will finish the Stitcher's Companion, The Honeysuckle Pin Box, and The Vintage Pin Ball . The three pieces will need to be stitched and then we will assemble them in class.
\$40.00 if you have the book
\$65.00 if you need the book