



# THE STITCHING POST

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**MONDAY SHOP HOURS**—Beginning **January 6<sup>th</sup>** the shop will be closed on Mondays. After much analyzing and many discussions we needed to make a change that would be beneficial to the longevity of the shop. Everyone needs more time in this busy age we live in and this change will allow for that. We can focus more on shop orders and the internet but give ourselves a little personal time as well. So many have gone to internet only and we want to continue to serve you as a brick and mortar shop where you can see the fabrics and touch the fibers you want to buy. Colors are just not the same over the internet! However we want that to be an available option for those who cannot get what they need in their area so this will allow us more time to work on that. We look forward to continuing to see you in the shop, helping you with all of your stitching needs including framing and finishing as well as continuing to build friendships as we have done with so many of you throughout the years.

**OPEN HOUSE**—Our annual Holiday Open House will be held on **Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**. Your shopping and hectic days have probably already started by this time so this is a wonderful opportunity to share a few moments with friends or family. Send a spouse in with your wish list, shop for a stitching friend, or treat yourself to something special and have Santa leave it under your tree! If you're not sure what to purchase for the needleworkers in your life, we offer gift certificates. They are always a wonderful item to give or receive and we offer them in any denomination you request. We'll have a special gift for you when you make a purchase that day as a thank you for your support and patronage throughout the past year. We wish everyone a great Holiday season with your families and friends and look forward to the New Year in 2020.

**INVENTORY CLEARANCE**—As stitchers we all love to count but this is definitely not the 'fun' part of counting! It is that time of the year again

when we need to count all of the items in the shop and make sure they match the number the **computer says** we have in stock. This will be very interesting this year and even more of a challenge than usual since we had a new computer system installed in the spring. New Year's Eve will go faster if we have less merchandise in the shop to count and fewer items for us to count will add up to more savings for you! Stop in to shop this great clearance event and take advantage of the following discounts:

**DEC 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> – 20% off** regularly priced items; **50% off** sale items

**DEC 28<sup>th</sup> – 25% off** regularly priced items; **60% off** sale items



- χ *Sale prices are **ONLY** on **IN STOCK** merchandise*
- χ *Discounts **do not** apply to special orders, Lone Elm wood products or hardback books*
- χ *Super Saver cards can be punched, but may **not** be redeemed during this sale*

**WINTER STITCH NIGHT**—Come in out of the winter cold on **Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup>** and warm up with friends. You can enjoy some light refreshments, do a bit of shopping and then spend the rest of your evening wrapped up in your stitching! It will now be post-Holiday time so hopefully you can choose something to work on that makes you feel warm and fuzzy. Call to reserve a spot since space will be limited; \$15 is due at the time you sign up.

**SNOW CRAZY**—Do you have cabin fever? Are you going snow crazy? Come in out of the cold during the week of **January 20<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>**. Stop in and purchase any winter charts for **20% off**, which for all you snowman lovers includes anything with the wintry man made of white! If the weather outside is so frightful you can't make it in, you can call the shop or use our on-line



ordering system to purchase any wintry designs and take advantage of the discount.



**SUPER BOWL SUNDAY**—It is that time of year when I get to do my annual assessment of our Ravens team and comment on how things are playing out for them by this time in the season. I am happy to report that they are doing fantastic! The rebuilding over the last few years seems to have paid off and we have had some awesome winning games. Come in on **Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>** and put points on the scoreboard with your own winning game! We are open from **1-5 PM** on the day of the game and during that afternoon you will receive **20% off** your purchases. Stock up on all the supplies you need for your upcoming projects and enjoy the time with fellow stitchers. We'll all be dressed in purple, no matter who goes to the big game! (No Super Saver Cards or Custom Framing)

**WINTER LUAU WEEKEND**—Yes, you read that right! After a long winter this is a great time to chase away the winter blues and stitch some fun summer pieces that will put you in a happy frame of mind. During the celebration, **February 20<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup>**, escape the doldrums by drawing a luau-themed discount that will apply to all summer stitching designs in cross stitch and needlepoint canvases.

**NASHVILLE MARKET**—This show is our favorite and most wonderful time of the year and it continues to be in March. Since the timing of the show means we are close to spring (we hope!) the designers will have lots of new pieces to

reflect the coming season and chase away the winter blues! Maybe it also means there will be fewer worries of snow and inclement weather for traveling. This cash and carry show has always been one of the most exciting for the cross stitch designers as well as the shops. We will have a **Market Day** after we return on **Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**. Our suitcases will be stuffed full and lots of boxes shipped back home so we have all of the new merchandise on our show floor for you to purchase. Mark your calendars and we'll look forward to all the wonderful new treasures Nashville has to offer!

**SAMPLER DAY**—Cindy Steinhoff, a local librarian and historian, has spent several years working on research for a book of Delaware samplers. The culmination of this work is an amazing tome called "Delaware Discoveries: Girlhood Embroidery, 1750-1850". We will be having a fun day full of samplers with Cindy as well as pieces from two of our local designers, Barb Hutson of Queenstown Sampler Designs and Patty Yergey of Samplers Revisited. Watch the next newsletter for further details on Sampler Day but be sure to save the date of **Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**!

**SPRING STITCHING DAY**—We are in the early stages of planning a spring stitching event! As soon as we have all the logistics in place and a firm date we will send an e-newsletter and begin taking sign-ups.



## NEW RIGHT NOW

**COUNTRY COTTAGE—Snow Village** is the latest series from Country Cottage. Featuring a winter theme with snowmen, houses and lot of flakes it is not too late to join in this monthly venture. The Snow Village banner is the center and there are ten designs that can be stitched around that or they can all be done individually. Sign up today so you don't miss any part of this wintry town! **Away We Go** is a Christmas night scene

**HEART IN HAND—Patchwork Deer; Elfin' Around** features three little mischievous elves having a fun time!



**WITH THY NEEDLE**—These will be the last releases from Brenda for this year and there are some very cute things here! The **Hoopla** series continues with **Christmas** which features a sweet little snowman wearing a Santa hat with holly branch arms juggling snowflakes! **Thanksgiving Hoopla** was released recently and features a colorful turkey. **Merry Old Soul** and **Peppermint Pals** are companion friends to the pumpkin gal **Boo to You**. Other releases include **Santa's Tree Farm**, **Candy Cane Lane**, a small Christmas band sampler using Holiday motifs and a new series called **Souvenirs of the Heart**. These are mini designs and when stitched over 1 on a 28 count

Lugana they are just 3" high but they would be cute stitched over 2 as well if you want them to be a little bit bigger! The first two are **Autumn in Amana** and **Home for Christmas**.

**JEANNETTE DOUGLAS DESIGNS**—**Joyful** is the third in the Blooming Bouquets series; **Fall Posey**; **Christmas Box**

**HANDS ON DESIGNS**—Two wonderful stitches for the Holidays, **Cranberry Christmas** and **Chalk Full: Merry**

**MY BIG TOE**—New pieces include **He Will Sustain You**, **Forgive Quickly**, **My Light and Salvation** and **Pins & Needles**, which if you know the saying is not true as many of us don't need to finish one work before another begins!

**HOMESPUN ELEGANCE**—Sandra is still doing yearly Santa (**Dapper Santa**), Snowman (**Never Enough Snowmen**) and Sampler (**Sing We Noel**) ornament designs and these have arrived for 2019.

**ERICA MICHAELS**—**ChrisMoose Berry** is available in the silk or linen pattern; **Chuck-Ful Christmas** was inspired by an old Christmas card. The design is presented in two ways, one of which is a traditional sampler, worked in soft, warm reds and greens and the other a stocking stitched in a more traditional Holiday color palette.

**PLUM STREET**—The latest new are **Clementine**, **Autumn Hill**, **Bless Our Land** and **Goody Grimwood**

## CLASSES

### *General class conditions:*

- Call or come in to reserve your class. Please do not just show up & assume a spot is available!
- Payment is due within one week from the time you sign up for the class.
- If a class does not have enough registrants and is cancelled, the money will be refunded, can be applied for shop credit, or applied to that class at a later time. If you are unable to attend and there is a substitute available, money will be refunded minus a \$5 processing fee.



**BEGINNING CROSS STITCH** – If you are interested in learning how to cross stitch, anyone in the shop will be glad to offer you guidance. We'll give you a swatch of fabric, show you the basic stitch and how it is done and you can try it out. We have a set of beginning instructions that will help you get started too. Do you have questions after already giving it a try? We'll be happy to answer those and give you some helpful hints or tips. You may want to follow-up by trying the **Stitching Over 2** class. Stop by the shop anytime so we can assist you in beginning or continuing on your needlework journey!



**STITCHING OVER 2** – This class is a great opportunity to try working on a higher count of fabric, stitching over two threads. Dianna will share her knowledge about linen and evenweave fabrics, as well as the variety of

threads that are available and some helpful tips, as you stitch on a small project.

Teacher: Dianna Heiger Cost: \$12

**SAT., JAN. 25<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM – 12 PM**



**BEGINNING NEEDLEPOINT** – During this class, you'll learn two of the basic needlepoint stitches (continental and basketweave) allowing you to work on any canvas. After learning those stitches, we will look at canvases and help you to select one along with the fibers for it to begin your first piece using these techniques.

Teacher: Melinda Zachary Cost: \$28

**SAT., FEB. 15<sup>th</sup>, 10 AM – 12 PM**



**PUNCHNEEDLE** – Have you heard people raving about this embroidery technique called punchneedle? This fun and easy needlework technique is worked from the back of the fabric using a special needle. It is quick to learn and you'll become addicted very easily, so come try your hand at it, expand your needlework repertoire and let us know what you think!

Teacher: Melinda Zachary Cost: \$20

**SAT., FEB. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10AM – 12 PM**





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## SNIPPETS

### HOLIDAY HOURS

- ❖ **12/24 & 25 – TUES & WEDS**  
Closed for Christmas
- ❖ **12/26 - 12/28 – THURS – SAT**  
Regular hours for Inventory Clearance Sale!
- ❖ **12/30 - 1/1 – MON - WEDS**  
Closed for Inventory and New Year's Day
- ❖ **1/2 - THURS**  
Re-open with regular hours for 2019

**WOODLAWN**—Due to a significant decrease in the number of entries over the last few years, we will not be taking needlework pieces to Woodlawn this coming February. You can find forms to submit your needlework entries on their web site, [www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org/home](http://www.woodlawnpopeleighey.org/home). See the web site for the specific times they have

set aside for walk-ins to drop off their work. As always, the exhibit runs for the month of March.

**WEATHER REMINDER**—The prediction for the East Coast this winter is to be frigid and snowy, colder than last year with more possible snow falls, especially during January and February. Be sure to call the shop on any inclement days to make sure that we will have normal shop hours or to check for the possibility of a late opening or an early closing. We don't want anyone to make a trip and then be disappointed.

### NEW SHOP HOURS

Tuesday – Saturday      10 - 4  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month   1 - 4  
CLOSED on Mondays

