

This Weekend at The Attic ~



Beginning Linen

Instructor: Linda

One 2-Hr. Class

Saturday, June 2, 10:30-12:30

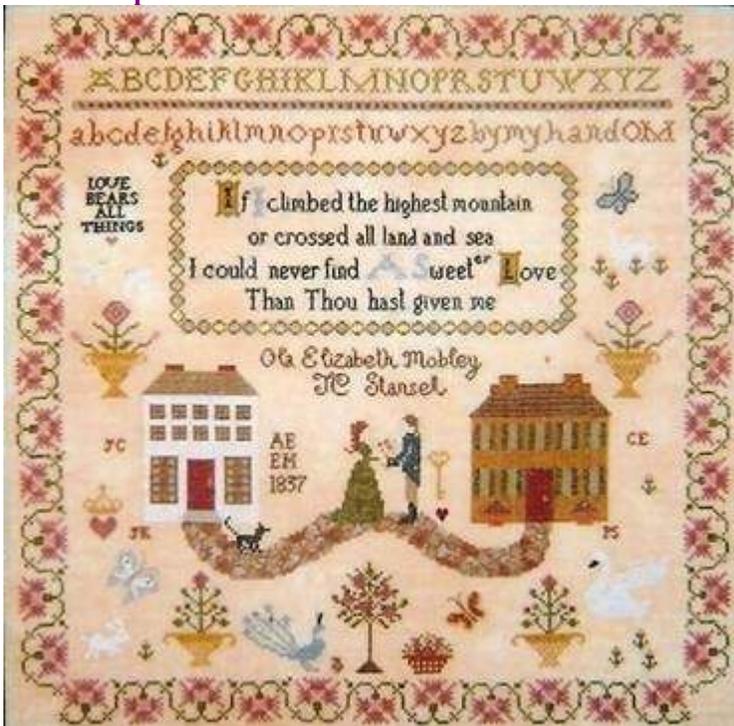
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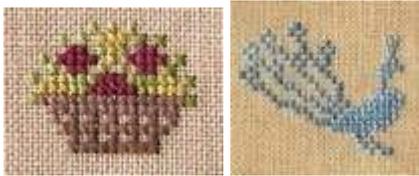
Here's the beautiful geranium bookmark that is the class project for Linda's Beginning Linen class that Linda uses to teach you important techniques, with the classic book "Linen Stitches" as the class text. You will learn basic techniques and a wonderful edge finishing stitch, the nun's stitch, as well as stitching with overdyed threads. Join Linda for a fun-filled 2 hours with lots of tips!

Coming in June

- Trunk Show from *JBW Designs* ~ You'll want to come see the toile aprons and the French Country Collection in person!
- Flat-Fold Finishing with Christy
- Beading a Fob in Peyote Stitch with Debra
- Punch Needle with Christy
- Sampler Sunday with Jean (June's date, because of Father's Day, will be the fourth Sunday, June 24)
- A Beautiful Biscornu ~ it's not a delicacy or a French pastry but a French adjective meaning complicated and bizarre ~ come see how fun and easy this is!
- *The Waterfield Band Sampler* Study Group ~ let's get started while we still have the designer's beautiful model here. Thank you, Page Dorsey!

June's Sampler of the Month





"A Sweeter Love." There are few more beautiful samplers to commemorate a wedding or special anniversary than this design from *Paulette Stewart* of *Plum Street Samplers*. The verse says it so beautifully: "If I climbed the highest mountain or crossed all land and sea I could never find A Sweeter Love Than Thou hast given me." Paulette's model is stitched on *Lakeside's* 36c Vintage Light Exemplar with *Needlepoint, Inc.* silk.



Our model is being stitched on 40c Vintage Sand Dune with *Crescent Colour's* Belle Soie. While I love NPI silk, I wanted to enjoy the color changes of overdyes, especially while stitching the border, so I've used Attic Tea for the green there and have been selecting the Belle Soie colors as I go.

During June save 15% on the chart (\$12), a cut of *Lakeside Linen* (\$17 - \$20, depending on the count/size of the cut), *Crescent Colour's* Belle Soie (\$5.50/skein), or *NPI* silk (\$4/skein). The design uses 27 NPI colors; our model is using somewhat less in the Belle Soie. We'll show you another scan of the progress of our model next time.

June's PSC Items

During June as a PSC member save 15% on the following items:

- Designs from *Plum Street Samplers*
- *Lakeside Linens*
- *Crescent Colours'* Belle Soie or *NPI* silks

A Special September Sunday Afternoon

Mark your calendars now because you will want to be at **The Attic** on **Sunday afternoon, September 9** (time to be announced) when we will be privileged to host a "Live Trunk Show" featuring three of the most talented women in our industry: *Country Cottage Needleworks'* Nikki Leeman, *Crescent Colours'* Sharon Crescent, and *Little House Needleworks'* Diane Williams. These three ladies add such a great deal of pleasure to our pastime with their charming designs and wonderful products, and you ain't seen nothin' yet! They have some very special and exciting new things in the works that will be available for you in September, so don't miss it! Be here! We'll start taking reservations now.

What's New in the Shop

I forgot to show you another new sampler from *Long Dog Samplers*, "Wachet Auf" (\$12) ~ also the title of a noted cantata written in 1731 by Johann Sebastian Bach. What fun it would be to play that beautiful music while stitching this sampler! And then you see the "Seasonal Biscornu," both its Spring Face and its Summer Face ~ the chart is \$14, and the accessory pack (\$25) includes 8 skeins of hand-dyed cotton from *Olde Willow Stitchery* and the center buttons as well as the adorable pins that adorn the corners. Both the chart and accessory pack are imported from Italy and are in very limited supply here. We have more coming from across the pond.



Speaking of *Country Cottage Needleworks/Nikki Leeman*, we have two brand-new charts in from Nikki: "Ice Cream Sundae" (\$7) is very aptly named. The sundae that decorates the top looks good enough to eat. And the "Daisy Sampler" (\$5) features a favorite flower of many of us, including my sister-in-law. I think I need to stitch this for her.



A new series commemorating the 12 Days of Christmas begins with these charming four from "our own" *Sandie/The Sweetheart Tree* ~ and I say "our own" because we are fortunate to have Sandie and Dave living "in our backyard" ~ well, almost ~ in Paradise Valley, a suburb of Phoenix, as is Mesa, and we are privileged to do all of Sandie's framing for her. These designs can be finished in the hanging pendant ornament that is pictured below or framed in the "Small Cupboard" frame from *East Side Mouldings*. Each leaflet (\$9) includes the beaded flowers. And two more in Sandie's alphabet series, here's "G is For Grapes" and "H Is For Hearts," each kit \$19 ~ and, lastly, the beautiful "Pirouette In Purple," a complete kit for \$19.



Off to the Columbus Needlework Tradeshaw ~

~ in a few short hours from now, where I look forward to shopping for you to find wonderful new designs and gadgets and goodies that enhance our enjoyment of our needlework. Two of the many new things that will be exhibited there are from **Paula/Kelmscott Designs** ~ talk about the beautiful things Paula has designed for our needlework baskets! Well, here are two more have-to-haves: a new scissors she calls "Hillier" and "Boo," another of her wonderful Needleinders. Just simply great stuff! And we all need great stuff! I'm sorry, I don't have prices yet on these items, but in keeping with Paula's tradition, not only are her things wonderful, but they're always very affordable ~ great for gift-giving, for your friends or to "gift yourself"!!!!



We have some very clever and talented ladies that we meet and are privileged to call our customers. Andrea has just stitched **Little House Needleworks'** "Sampler Lady" on a Moda handbag ~ and written and stitched a verse about needlework! Very, very clever, Andrea, and a great accessory! Thank you for sharing it. Her verse reads: "I'm covered in Thread, My fingers are sore, My eyes are so red, But I will stitch more! Whoever said being on Pins and Needles is a bad thing?"

And another customer (whose name I've forgotten, I'm very sorry to say) had a great idea: Putting **Kelmscott's** adorable heart thread rings on a **Charland** charm holder and wearing it, with your thread always handy ~ and decorating your outfit

to boot!



Okay, now I really have to go to bed and get a few hours' sleep before the morning flight. I'll be back in touch in a week or so with LOTS of new things! And soon it will be June! Where did the first five months of 2007 go?

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