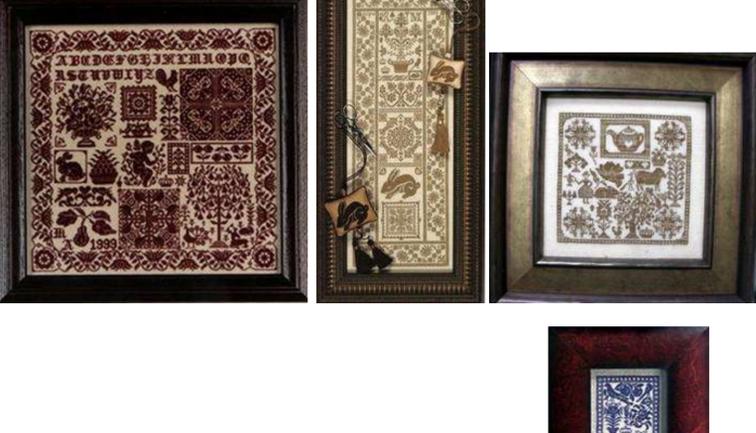


SEPTEMBER SAMPLER(S) OF THE MONTH

September will be a special month for several reasons, and one of them most especially is because we will be celebrating our dear friend Cindy Winn and her needlework at a special time at The Attic when Maureen Appleton can be with us to share many Cindy stories ~ and a small portion of Cindy's exquisite needlework with all of us. Therefore, for this special month, our **Samplers of the Month** are all of the **Splendor** kits from **The Heart's Content**. Cindy stitched these for Maureen, and sometimes more than once, in varying counts and colors, all over one, on linens ranging from 29c up to 40c.

During September save 15% on any of these most beautiful pieces that began with **Splendor I** in 1999 in what Maureen called her Colonial Coverlet Series, long before motifs combined by a monochromatic theme into one design became popular around the world. And during this special "September of Splendors" we will also work with you in substituting the linens if you wish to change to a linen count/cut to do the design over 2 threads. It is my lifetime goal to have all of these gorgeous Splendors on my wall, and if you share that goal, I hope this will help you achieve it. It seems a doable task, to stitch each of them, knowing that dear Cindy stitched several of them several times, along with "And They Sinned" over 1 on 40c and the five samplers in the *With Humble Heart* series by Jan Stephens, all of them several times.



SEPTEMBER PSC SPECIALS

During the month of September as a PSC Club member save 15% off your purchase of the following items:

- All kits/designs from *The Heart's Content*
- All Glenshee linens in all counts and colors, including the hand-dyed 29 counts
- All silks, including A'Ver A'Soie, Needlepoint, Inc., Gloriana, Gumnuts, Dinky Dyes, and Thread Gatherer

STITCH & PITCH

On **Saturday, September 9th**, the Arizona Diamondbacks, along with several other Major League baseball teams, are participating in a special event sponsored by our trade association, TNNA, called "Stitch & Pitch." We will be going to the game with needles in hand, stitching needles, that is, including embroidery needles, pliers, or knitting needles, whatever you wish. We'll begin with a tailgate party at The Attic at 4 p.m. ~ with "tailgate food and refreshments" as well as door prizes from Sharon Crescent of *Crescent Colours* and others, and one lucky participant who will receive a free ticket ~ and, in case you need a "game project," something on B*1*G count linen, we'll have several to choose from as well.

There are a limited number of tickets available for \$15 each. Please call to reserve your ticket. Payment can be made with a credit card, check, or cash. The game begins at 6:40 p.m. at Chase Field in downtown Phoenix.

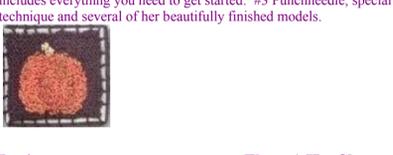
SEPTEMBER CLASSES

There's not time this morning for a complete publication of our September classes ~ I'm due at the shop in an hour, so of necessity I will limit this to classes in the next week

Beginning Linen **One 2-Hr. Class**
Instructor: Linda **Fee: \$30**
Saturday, September 2, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Using the timeless classic, *Linen Stitches*, as the text for this class, you will stitch a bookmark with a lovely red geranium and learn the basics of this wonderfully relaxing artform known as cross-stitch. The fee includes everything you will need except your scissors and, if necessary, magnification.

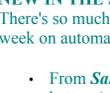
Elizabethan Stitching Accessories **Two 2-Hr. Classes**
Instructor: Linda **Fee: \$20**
Saturday, September 9 & 23, 10:00-12:00 Noon



In this class featuring this lovely pinkeep (and fob) you will learn several wonderful techniques: double running (Holbein), satin, and queen stitches, twisted cord, and most importantly, how to finish a fob and pin keep. Please tell us your color preference ~ reds or blues ~ when registering for this class. The kit from Tristan Brooks (\$18) includes the linen and silk floss. (Other finishing supplies not included.)

Punchneedle **One 2-Hr. Class**
Instructor: Christy **Fee: \$50 (includes all materials)**
Saturday, September 9, 2 - 4 p.m.

Another class and opportunity to learn this fun, easy, centuries-old technique. In the 2-hour class you should be able to complete your pumpkin pin. Your fee includes everything you need to get started: #3 Punchneedle, special locking hoop, design printed on weaver's cloth, and a threadkit. Christy will show you this very easy technique and several of her beautifully finished models.



Lacis **Three 1-Hr. Classes**
Instructor: Jean **Fee: \$20**
Saturday, September 9/23, Oct 7, 2:00-3:00 p.m.



Select one of these charming Lacis ornaments from *Page Dorsey/The Sampler Workes* to learn this centuries-old technique in a small format that you will find incorporated in a number of beautiful samplers, whitework pieces, and other designs. Please indicate your ornament choice when registering. Also, please note: Finishing is NOT included in this class (anyone who knows me knows that I leave that part of it to Christy or Linda to teach.)

More classes to follow in September: Flat-Fold Finishing, Ornament Finishing and ???

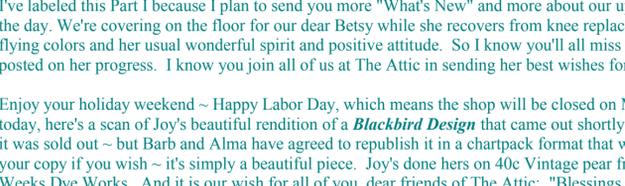
NEW IN THE SHOP

There's so much new that I haven't been able to include in a newsletter, much of it still from the Charlotte Market. Here's what came in this week on automatic shipments:

- From *Sandra Sullivan/Homespun Elegance*: "Oh, Splendid Acorn" (\$9, incl. charm); "Delivering Plenty" (\$13.60, incl. charms + buttons); and "Cinnamon Stocking III - Merry Christmas" (\$29.75 incl. charms) ~ Lakeside's Renaissance Red or Autumn Red would be perfect for this design!



- From *Belinda Karls-Nace/Blue Ribbon Designs*: "Indian Summer Sampler" (\$10), commemorating one of my fondest seasonal memories from my time in the Midwest, shown on 40c Exampilar from Lakeside, and "Halloween Wishes" (\$10), a set of six holiday ornaments with finishing instructions that would look great on Lakeside's Vintage Copper!



Here it is, September 1, and it's soon time to welcome Autumn ~ here's a not-so-good photo of Janet's charming "Welcome Autumn" kit from *Pam Reed/Olde Colonial* ~ done over 1 on 32c (?) linen ~ kit includes everything, the frame as well. I'll take a better photo and include it next time.

I've labeled this Part I because I plan to send you more "What's New" and more about our upcoming classes, but now I must get to the shop for the day. We're covering on the floor for our dear Betsy while she recovers from knee replacement surgery, which she's come through with flying colors and her usual wonderful spirit and positive attitude. So I know you'll all miss her in the shop for September, but I'll keep you posted on her progress. I wonder you join all of us at The Attic in sending her best wishes for a speedy recovery and return!

Enjoy your holiday weekend ~ Happy Labor Day, which means the shop will be closed on Monday because we won't labor. In closing for today, here's a scan of Joy's beautiful rendition of a *Blackbird Design* that came out shortly before the Holiday Season last year and last month it was sold out ~ but Barb and Alma have agreed to republish it in a chartpack format that will be available sometime again soon. Reserve your copy if you wish ~ it's simply a beautiful piece. Joy's done hers on 40c Vintage pear from Lakeside Linens with Gloriana, Gumnuts, and Weeks Dye Works. And it is our wish for all of you, dear friends of The Attic: "Blessings Be Thine."



And as long as we're sending you blessings, for a most beautiful, uplifting and moving presentation, with lovely music, gorgeous scenes of our very beautiful America, and heartwarming sentiments that bring me to tears, go to this Web site ~ May you be blessed! <http://www.mayyoubeblessemovie.com/>

In friendship,
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