

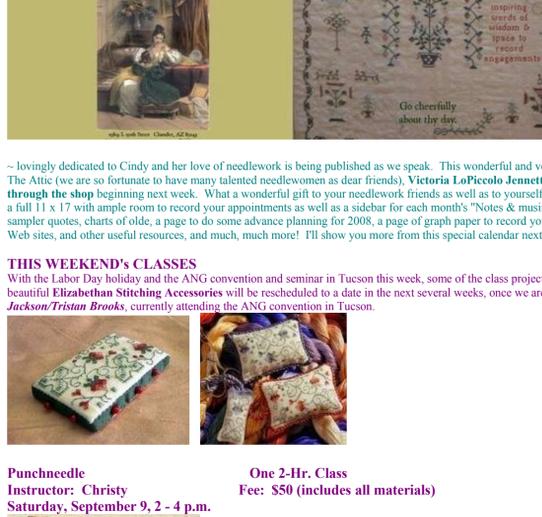
**CELEBRATING CINDY AND HER BEAUTIFUL NEEDLEWORK**



I am pleased to announce that on **Sunday afternoon, September 17, 1:00-5:00 p.m.** *The Attic* will host a very special Sampler Sunday where we will celebrate the needlework and the needlewoman that we all loved, and we will have on display a very small portion of Cindy's samplers. Her home and her friends' homes have walls and walls of her masterpieces ~ we are fortunate to have close to 20 models from Cindy's needle. The last one she did for us is shown above, "Angel Train" by *Prairie Moods Designs*, on 40c Vintage Tundra from *Lakeside Linens*. Look for the purple ribbons throughout the shop that adorn the shop's models that Cindy stitched; others will be on display in the classroom ~ Maureen is packing several suitcases/boxes to bring/ship. Our guest of honor, of course, will be with us in spirit as she has left us with a wonderful legacy of her needlework. Special guests for the afternoon will be some members of Cindy's family as well as designer Maureen Appleton of *The Heart's Content* and another of Cindy's dear friends, Esther, a quilter, needlework and Attic friend. Please bring your needlework with you to sit and stitch for the afternoon as you would on any other Sampler Sunday, as we know that this would be the way Cindy would want us to spend this special Sunday sampler celebration.

There will be no registration for this special event, but we will serve refreshments and enjoy this very special time together as we receive inspiration from the needlework of our dear friend and share stories and laughter and tears as we remember Cindy. We look forward to seeing you then.

**A CALENDAR OF DAYS ~**



~ lovingly dedicated to Cindy and her love of needlework is being published as we speak. This wonderful and very useful 2007 calendar, published by another friend of The Attic (we are so fortunate to have many talented needlewomen as dear friends), *Victoria LoPiccolo Jennett* and her *Needle Work Press*, will be available **exclusively through the shop** beginning next week. What a wonderful gift to your needlework friends as well as yourself! (\$15!) Printed in an 8.5 x 11 format, each month opens to a full 11 x 17 with ample room to record your appointments as well as a sidebar for each month's "Notes & musings." The pages are filled with wonderful literary and sampler quotes, charts of olde, a page to do some advance planning for 2008, a page of graph paper to record your own inspirations, a page to note contacts, addresses, Web sites, and other useful resources, and much, much more! I'll show you more from this special calendar next week. Reserve your copy now.

**THIS WEEKEND'S CLASSES**

With the Labor Day holiday and the ANG convention and seminar in Tucson this week, some of the class projects' shipping has been delayed. Linda's class featuring these beautiful *Elizabethan Stitching Accessories* will be rescheduled to a date in the next several weeks, once we are able to make contact with the designer, *Barbara Jackson/Tristan Brooks*, currently attending the ANG convention in Tucson.



**Punchneedle**  
**Instructor: Christy**  
**Saturday, September 9, 2 - 4 p.m.**

**One 2-Hr. Class**  
**Fee: \$50 (includes all materials)**



Here's another class setting and opportunity to learn this fun, easy, centuries-old technique. The class project for this week has been changed to the pin shown here. In the 2 hours you may be able to complete your 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 a number of her beautifully finished models featuring a variety of finishing techniques. You will also receive a 10% discount on all supplies ~ patterns, thread, etc. ~ for your next punchneedle project(s).

**Lacis**  
**Instructor: Jean**  
**Saturday, September 9/23, and ??, 2:00-3:00 p.m.**



Three 1-Hr. Classes  
 Fee: \$20

Select one of these charming Lacis ornaments from *Page Dorsey/The Sampler Workes* to learn this centuries-old technique in a small format, a technique 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: Ornament finishing will be taught in a future class with Christy.) The third and last class time will be selected by the students, with a date that the majority of students can fit into their schedules.

**SATURDAY NIGHT'S STITCH & PITCH**

We still have a few tickets (\$15 each) remaining for this very unique event initiated by our trade association to showcase needlework. Our Arizona Diamondbacks, along with several other Major League baseball teams, have invited us to bring our needles and needlework to the ballpark and show the world what we needleworkers have! Saturday night's game at Chase Field (formerly known as BOB/BankOne Ballpark) in downtown Phoenix with the St. Louis Cardinals starts at 6:40 p.m. But the tailgate party begins at the shop at 4 p.m. where we will have food, refreshments, and door prizes ~ and one lucky participant will win a free ticket to the game! Call to register.

**WHAT'S NEW**



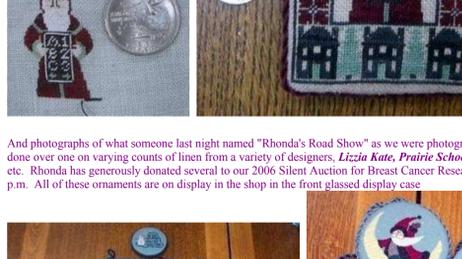
Several new designs from this very talented family. First, from *Nikki/Country Cottage Needleworks*, "Give Thanks," in beautiful fall colors ~ and from her mother, *Diane/Little House Needleworks*, "Season of Rest" shown on a lovely autumn-laid pillow from *Susan/Trail Creek Farms* and combining her talents with *Sharon/Crescent Colors*, the next in the fruit series of what they're calling threadpacks, "Apples" (\$12), 5 full colors of Sharon's wonderful overdyed cotton thread along with Diane's design.



And coming very soon, more wonderful threadpacks: the next in the fruit series, "Berries" to be followed by "Peaches" and THEN the new Proverbs series ~ I can't wait for these, six in all. Shown above are the first two, "Wisdom" and "Love and Faithfulness." Charming and sweet renditions of maxims, words to live by, things to teach our children and grandchildren, things our grandparents taught us. This will be available beginning in October.

**AROUND THE SHOP**

Two from Debra's needle, one has been stitched for some time but it's just fresh from Sandy's framing studio and one Debra stitched and finished last weekend: a *Scarlet Letter* reproduction, "American Quaker Band Sampler," and from *Indigo Rose*, "Pretty in Pink," a kit for an eight-cornered pin pillow on a pedestal, with a portion of the proceeds from the kit sales going to breast cancer research "until there's a cure!" The framed model really is hanging straight ~ it's just that the photographer was standing crooked trying to control the camera above her head (<!!) ~ and the pin cushion was taken through the display-case glass as I was walking out the door last night.



Two more shots taken through display-case glass/plexiglass. Janet's "Welcome Autumn" and Rhonda's version of this year's *Prairie Schooler Limited Edition Santa Kit* (\$26) ~ Rhonda, of course, did it over one on the 28c linen in the kit with the *Crescent Colors* ~ isn't he adorable?! And in our DOVO and other accessories display case, beautiful fabulous fobs (\$50) for your cherished scissors in a variety of gorgeous beads and colors, some with acorn beads and leaf beads!



Two more that are about to emerge from Sandy's framing studio: Carolyn Clifford's very beautiful "Softly Walk" from *Lori/La-Da-Da* ~ this is one of my all-time favorites because I love the colors, the roses, and most of all the verse ~ and Rhonda Moon's "The President's House" from *Nancy/Threads Through Time* stitched on 40c silk gauze with some Luminescence ~ notice the lovely sky!



And here's Christy's *Prairie Schooler Ltd. Ed. Santa* on 40c next to Rhonda's on 28c, both photographed with quarters to show the scale!



And photographs of what someone last night named "Rhonda's Road Show" as we were photographing this incredible collection, a collage of Rhonda Moon's ornaments all done over one on varying counts of linen from a variety of designers, *Lizcia Kate, Prairie Schooler, BrightNeedle, 4 My Boys, Knotted Tree Designs, Milady's Needle*, etc. Rhonda has generously donated several to our 2006 Silent Auction for Breast Cancer Research, this year taking place on Saturday evening, November 18, from 6 - 8 p.m. All of these ornaments are on display in the shop in the front glassed display case.



The three-day weekend that just passed provided some very special memories: a trip to Surprise, Arizona to spend an evening stitching with granddaughter Hannah before dinner with her "New York Princess" hat on, stopping to enjoy the wonderful grilled salmon and tilapia dinner with Tyler and Hannah obediently eating some of everything that was served, and stitching again after dinner ~ it was a great thrill to see her enjoy hours with her needle! She proudly shows off her completed snowman! The weekend was capped off with a gorgeous evening sky at the end of the Labor Day, with rainbows and clouds and a beautiful sunset! We hope this last holiday of summer provided you some time with your needle and some very special memories as well.



On Monday the world will acknowledge the 5th anniversary of America's blackest day. Remember to fly your flag and wear red as a tribute to our country and those who have died in the name of freedom for all of us. Below, photographs taken of a September 11th flag tribute in Tempe in 2004, with a flag for each of the victims who died on 9.11, and yellow-ribboned flags to honor our soldiers who have died in this War on Terror. And, lastly, a *Blackbird Designs*' design, "Home of the Brave," that we've modified some to pay tribute to this day, kitted (\$22) with special Attic Legacy linen from *Lakeside Linens* and *Needlepoint, Inc.* silk along with the chart and our adaptations.



Enjoy your weekend ~ and we hope to see or hear from you soon.

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