



The Stitches' Voice



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Happy New Year!!

Welcome 2019! My apologies - the 2018 holiday activity did not run smoothly. I attempted to speed things up with the loading of the site and it went terribly wrong - resulting in a site crash. I believe that everyone survived, but it was an interesting few days for me. The number one thing I found was that I should trust my instincts. Do not implement coding change right before an event!! Another thing that has stuck in my mind was an email from a member who suggested "I think you should try having a Blog its free and you get more exposure ". I put this out to you, readers of the monthly newsletter, for comment. Feedback is extremely important. The Stitches' Village does try to be so much more than a blog. The community is an online resource where you can interact with other needlework enthusiasts, post photos of your stitching, make friends, and participate or start a stitch along, exchange, etc. I realize that there are much more visited social media sites on the internet. However, none of your information is ever shared on The Stitches' Village and the majority of the information is needlework related. So, when you visit the home page of the TSV community, you will, most likely, see images of needlework or comments related to stitching. I truly would like your feedback on community vs blog!

Happy Stitching! Patty

Questions or comments may be directed to: pattysv@gmail.com

Shops of TSV

Please shop these needlework stores for your stitching supplies. Click on the logo to visit any of the shops.





Activities

There are 3 groups launching this month. I invite you to join either or both of the current challenges in the community groups. You may also wish to join the discussion in the Sampler Motif Discussion group.

2019 One Small Stitch Challenge

This is a challenge to complete one small stitching project a month during 2019!

2019 One Big Finish Challenge

This is a challenge to complete one big project during 2019 - it can be one you have set aside or a new one that you start.

Sampler Motif Discussion

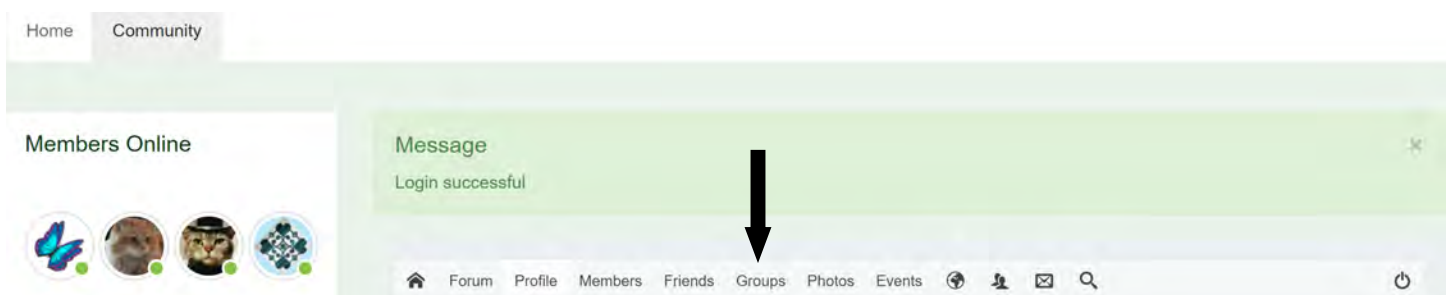
There is also a study/discussion group beginning on the topic "Sampler Motifs", which will give some meanings of motifs and include a chart to create a small sampler.

Quick Tips for the Community

If you have not signed in to The Stitches' Village community in the past year, you will need to re-register. The site change was a complete re-write and the majority of the active members voted to start fresh. It is a return to the original social area format that I implemented when I took over the site. We still have a forum, but there is a lot more going on. Members have a profile with photo album capability. There is also a chat and message function.

The new activities this month all take place in the Groups. Once you sign in and are on the Community home page with a media feed "Stream" of the activity on the site, you will see a menu that contains "Groups" (shown below). For more explanation of "Groups", see the December newsletter: <http://stitchersvillage.com/library/images/newsletter/Vol 10 Iss 12 Dec 2018.pdf>

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Drawings and Contests

The December drawing winner: Tina K., WA

Prize: "Oaken" from Stitches' Village Designs w/fabric, thread, & embellishments

The January drawing will be for the needlework reference book "The Proper Stitch"

Entries must be received by 1/31/19 - the winner will be chosen at random from entries

Use the code "proper" when you submit the form

Enter by filling out the drawing form [HERE](#)

<http://stitchersvillage.com/library/drawing-form>

Stitch This



The "Stitch This" feature this month is a yellow rose which symbolizes friendship, our theme for 2019 on

The Stitches' Village!!

The chart for this is on the following page. Please bear in mind that I have not stitched this chart, but attempted to reduce the number of floss colors used.

Stitch count 98 x 86

Friendship Rose

Symbol	Strands	Type	Number	Color
)	2	DMC	0	Snow White
X	2	DMC	15	Light Apple Green
△	2	DMC	471	Avocado Green-VY LT
♡	2	DMC	704	Chartreuse-BRT
⌘	2	DMC	728	Topaz
●	2	DMC	744	Yellow-Pale
=	2	DMC	745	Yellow-LT Pale
*	2	DMC	904	Parrot Green-VY DK
/	2	DMC	905	Parrot Green-DK
§	2	DMC	906	Parrot Green-MD
○	2	DMC	907	Parrot Green-LT
4	2	DMC	3078	Golden Yellow-VY LT
:	2	DMC	3348	Yellow Green-LT
★	2	DMC	3820	Straw-DK
-	2	DMC	3822	Straw-LT
3	2	DMC	3823	Yellow-UL Pale
#	2	DMC	3852	Straw-VY DK
▼	2	DMC	3855	Autumn Gold-LT
6	2	DMC	3865	Winter White



Stitch This - continued

