

The Digital Newsletter of The Stitchers' Village

# The Stitchers' Voice

VOL 7 ISSUE 8 – August 2015

I hope you enjoyed the Summer Faire activity page. I am working on a version for Halloween and hope to have some spooky surprises for you. If anyone has suggestions, I am happy to work on incorporating them into the activities. I am a one-man-band here and really appreciate any brain storming and suggestions you might offer. Many thanks to The Frosted Pumpkin Stitchery for their TSV exclusive "Summer" chart and to April Koenig for supplying the Summer Faire chart.

We are back from our cruise to Alaska. It was a wonderful trip. I discovered the "Row by Row" quilt project. This is an amazing undertaking and I am impressed by the number of shops who are participating. The idea is that shops have a unique chart/kit that can only be obtained from them. You gather these as you travel and sew them into a personal travel quilt. I learned of it from some ladies in the needlepoint and coffee chat on the ship just prior to stopping in Skagway. I went to the Rushin' Tailor Quilt Alaska shop in Skagway, AK for their "Ridin' the Waves" kit which includes 2 laser cut whales, a moon and whale tail, along with the fabric. I also went into Abby's Reflection Apparel and Quiltworks in Sitka, AK and got their chart "Sitka Sound Sea Dance". Of course I plan to get my local quilt shop, Stitching Traditions and Shari's who now has The Quilter's Yard in Junction City, KS. Shari was formerly an owner of Picture This Plus (hand-dyed fabric and TSV Shop). When Shari has her web site ready, she will be a shop of TSV with quilting supplies!

Patty Hurwitz The Stitchers' Village Email: patty@stitchersvillage.com

Site: stitchersvillage.com

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











#### **Summer Faire Results**

The Summer Faire Event was well attended and I would like to thank those who purchased the "Summer" chart from The Frosted Pumpkin Stitchery. The designers who help to support TSV are very much appreciated and I hope that you will look for other designs from The Frosted Pumpkin Stitchery. Their charts are now being sold in printed form through needlework shops and they continue to have the mysteries on their site.

http://www.thefrostedpumpkinstitchery.com.

There were six entries in the Summer Faire ATC contest and exchange. Twig received 5000 Village Voucher Points and since there were so few entries, all the rest received 2500 VVP. The drawing winner was Pat R., who received 5000 VVP. There was one new Sampler Project section received and all who sent in a section since the beginning of the project were entered into a drawing with Rosie H. being the recipient of 5000 VVP, Linda H. (Joli) and Debbie C. (Busydebbie) both receiving 2500 VVP.

#### **ATC Exchanges**

If you have not yet done so, I would encourage you to participate in one of the ATC exchanges that are being held in the social area of the site. These are 2 1/2" x 3 1/2" cards that, for these, have some stitching incorporated into them. The monthly exchanges generally have a theme and dates are posted for mailing. Then, when the ATC is received, the recipient posts a photo in the forum topic of the card received. It is a great way to make new stitching friends and start a collection of these adorable little cards. It also allows you to put some small stitching to use in a creative way.

#### **July Drawing**

There were only 13 entries to the July drawing and I gave everyone who entered 2000 VVP.

#### **Your Village**

I would like to remind everyone that the new community of The Stitchers' Village is a welcoming, friendly place. It is also YOUR village, so you may start a stitch along, exchange, challenge, etc., if you have an idea or would like to engage or challenge the members of TSV, start a group or forum discussion. On the "old" social area, links were prohibited, but that has been changed and needlework related links are encouraged. Also, I realize we primarily discuss cross stitch, but the site is intended for all forms of stitching to be incorporated. If you do needlepoint, quilting, or whatever other type of stitching, please get involved and "kick start" the discussions for your interest.

#### Needlework Galleria

I will be attending the <u>Needlework Galleria</u> retail show September 24-26, 2015 in St. Charles, MO. as The Stitchers' Village featuring Picture This Plus fabric. If any members plan to attend, please let me know so that we can plan a get-together there. There will be at least 90 fabric orphans there for those of you who love the OOAK pieces! I am teaching a class "Let's Color" that will review some thread techniques and discuss fabric choices. Class attendees will receive an eighth of a 2016 new color release from Picture This Plus that will have a limited early release at the show and will not be available again until March 2016. There will also be a TSV exclusive Glendon Place mandala design that will be part of the class materials. We should have a great time!



## The Stitchers' Village Calendar July 2015

### Support the shops of TSV Homestead Needlearts, Picture This Plus, Rainbow Stitchery, Salty Yarns, Stitchers Workshop

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 BINGO	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22 BINGO
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Check the site's main Menu under "Activities" for contests

Bingo games are in the community chat at 7 p.m. Central Time see TSV Calendar in the main menu for details to play