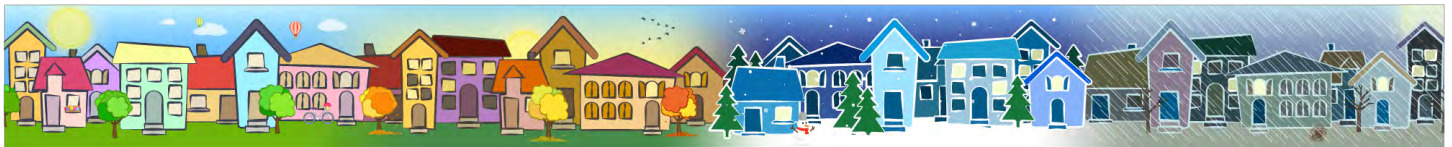




The Stitches' Voice

***The monthly newsletter for the website:
stitchersvillage.com***

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This newsletter is a reset moment for The Stitches' Village. There have been a few changes. The changes that have occurred to the hosting over the past 13 years have had a major impact on our membership. Please read the article on page 2 for more details.

The Stitches' Village community is designed to be member driven. TSV offers activities, but the social area is designed to be just that. I am reaching out to previous, current, and past members to let me know if you have suggestions for what you would like to see. I would also ask previous members to let me know what caused them to wander away from the Village.

Personally, feel as if I have been in a fog for quite some time and am finally emerging to resume normal life. I would love for this to include creating activities for the members of TSV. I realize that this is the 13th year for our site. What is more appropriate that a fun Halloween activity page. Watch for that in October! I anticipate that I will be able to create one of the "old style" clickable pages with prizes and fun!!

Be well!

Happy Stitching! Patty

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



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There is a selection of fabric "orphans" from Picture This Plus in the TSV Shop which is now hosted on Etsy. Those who registered for the orphanage buyer mail list were sent notice and there are still plenty of "orphans" to choose from!!

Visit: shoptsv.com for current selections

Now 1/2 yards, too!!

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The Stitchers' Village Community Changes

The changes to the hosting and platform used for the community on the TSV web site has been addressed in past newsletters, so let's only speak to the current situation. The platform chosen so that no outside web design was required is similar to the Facebook formula with an activity feed, profile, photo albums, pages, groups, etc. The difference is that this is dedicated to needlework. "Off topic", is welcome, of course, but the primary content is related to stitching. The content is intended to be member driven and is not intended to be the "Patty Show". Members are encouraged to create a fan group for a designer, start a group for a Stitch Along or challenge, share a link if they have a blog, set up a page if they have items that they make and/or sell, etc. If there are shop or designer members, they, too are encouraged to promote their information - new designs, or shop specials by creation of a page or profile and by posting in the activity feed. I am working to build back the membership and hopefully we will see more activity soon.

The forum, which is an add-on module to the platform, was kept because some active members strongly requested this to be. The Forum postings were included in the activity feed of the home page. Ideally, the transition would be made from posting in the forum to posting directly in the activity feed, but this was not the case for the members who solely used the forum. There have been coding conflicts since the change to the current platform and the forum has now been moved to a separate site: stitchersvillage.com/forum This allows the members who wanted to ONLY use the forum to sign in there and continue. The entire site was cloned to /forum, a lot of inactive members were removed from that site, and notification was sent so that the active forum members can continue. The profiles are still there. No photos were removed from active members. The chat box still shows at the bottom of the forum page. Hopefully, this will be a good solution and allow the [/village](http://village) site to stay up-to-date without the conflicts that were happening as a result of forum module updates. Please know that the personal updates are welcome in the activity feed of the [/village](http://village) community. Many friendships have been formed on TSV over the years. It is great to hear from friends old and new! While it is impossible to predict the impact that updates have to individual members because of hardware/software combinations of their systems, TSV does as much as possible to keep things working for everyone. Thank you for your patience and participation!!

Drawings and Contests

July Birthday Drawing prize goes to: Jennifer L., PA - prize is Mill Hill "Seahorse" kit

The winner is chosen from registered members of the Community of The Stitches' Village and based on the birthdays for the month. A random selection will be made from all of those with birthdays in the current month.

Stitch This

2021 Twelve Part Series - Section 7 July

This is the current section in a twelve part series for this year. The sections will incorporate the name of the month, a specialty stitch and a different motif each month. Each piece will be the same size and shown with a boxed line border. The complete size with all 12 sections stitched into one project (with three across and four down) is 160w x 293h. Each individual box will be 54w x 74h—the line of the border will be shared by connecting sections. You may wish to leave the border off but use it for layout guide of the project. Fabric size and color as well as thread choice is completely up to your personal preference! Enjoy!

Please share your stitching in the social area of the Village.
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