



The Stitchers' Voice

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It is “hearts and flowers” month and this month the color challenge design is based on the heart you see above. This is the graphic for the heart container in the video game “Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild”. I have been a long time video game player. If you are, also, you might remember the original games that were text only, like “Zork”. Most of my game play in recent years has been Mario games. I was determined not to purchase the new game console just to play the new Mario game, so I went in search of something else to play. Thanks to the local Gamestop employee who directed me to BOTW, I discovered the latest game play experience. I did not like the games where you had to follow the story line and path, for the most part, through the game. This game is open world and you can run around to your heart’s content! There are shrine puzzles to solve and enemies to either outsmart or fight (which is not my favorite thing to do). I know that is way off topic, but it is one of my relaxation activities.

One month closer to Spring!! Winter certainly can give me the blues and now that the days are getting longer, I have renewed energy!! There is always a lineup of things I would like to stitch or finish stitching. I received fabric yesterday that I am hoping will work for one of my new designs. I am, now, looking at thread options, which is one of my favorite/least favorite things. It is one of my favorite things because there are so many beautiful threads to consider. It is one of my least favorite things because there are so many beautiful threads to consider that I have a hard time making a decision. I am working on several new designs along with getting the 2020 Collective Stitch shops finalized. If you have a LNS who has not participated, please request them to be a 2020 Collective Stitch shop. They have until April 1 to recruit a designer and have the designer create a design based on the current theme and design size requirements and submit the design to me. I have received three of the 2020 designs already and have seen a mock-up of a fourth. Summer is the 2020 theme!!

Happy Stitching! Patty

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

Community Happenings

The Stitches Villagers

There is always excitement in the Village when members return after being away for a while. We all have happenings that take our attention - such as moving, travel, and major life events. It is a joy to see a "familiar face" and see the greetings posted. I welcome you to stop in to the community and catch us up on your stitching. For those of you who have not joined, each member has a profile in which to share pictures of projects, WIP updates, etc. and even ask questions. TSV is a wonderful, online community dedicated to needlework of all kinds!!

The Stitches' Village Community Group - 2020 Color Challenges

Beginning with the first in January, a color challenge chart will be on the "Stitch This" page. There is a Group in the Community created for you to add a photo of your creation. Join in the stitching fun! Note that I have corrected the title of this - it should be "challenges" not "contest" as was posted last month.

2020 Collective Stitch

The theme for the 2020 Collective Stitch is "Summer". This event was created to promote brick and mortar cross stitch shops and generate some cross stitch fun and excitement! Each participating shop will have a different design that will be distributed during the event. Visit participating shops, collect the designs, and stitch any or all of them in one unique Summer themed project! Your LNS still has time to join in the fun - encourage them to participate!! The corporate sponsors for the event are Just Cross Stitch Magazine and Sulky of America who will provide prizes for the event. Whether you stop in the shops during your Summer travels or round up a group of friends for a shop hop, be sure to visit the participating shops June 1 through August 31. The participating shop list will be posted when finalized.

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each participating shop*

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Stash Finds



***“Chalk Full: Hip Hop”
 and
 “Came the Spring”
 From
 Hands on Designs***



***New Very Velvet and
 Frosty Rays Colors
 From
 Rainbow Gallery***

Meet Our New Threads For Very Velvet!
 For the first time in five years, we are introducing new threads for Very Velvet!
 These additions to the Very Velvet collection will make your canvases come to
 life with a plush feel! Also available in petite.

- 688- Blue Oasis
- V689- Blue Bell
- V690- Castlerock
- V691- Hawaiian Ocean
- V692- Paprika
- V693- Passion Flower



Feeling Frosty!

These new Frosty Rays color waves launched at our 2020 Open House!
 Transform any canvas with these funky and colorful threads! Add sparkle to any
 canvas for a pop of fun.

- PY418 - Persian Violet
- PY419 - Deep Dark Peri
- PY420 - Razzberry
- PY421- Limoncello
- PY422- Kiwi Kissed
- PY423- Caribbean Sea

- PY424 - Azure
- PY425 - Lily Pad
- PY426 - High Tide
- PY427 - Melon
- PY428 - Tinsel
- PY429 - Phantom

Drawings and Contests

The January drawing winner: Clare P., MD
Prize: “Black and White Summer Sampler” kit from Heart in Hand

The January Birthday drawing winner: Rachele C., UK,
who will receive “Oaken” from Stitches' Village Designs

Birthday drawing winners are chosen, randomly, from registered community members each month

The February drawing will be for a Michael Powell “Woodland Hearts” chart

Use the code 2/20 when you submit the form

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

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

Visit the community here: stitchersvillage.com/village

Stitch This

#2 in the 2020 "Stitch This" is a heart design. I invite you to stitch this in your color choice and share with us by posting a picture in the community Group "2020 Color Challenges". That way, we will have a place to look back at the end of the year to see our stitching of these special charts.

Note: This is inspired by the heart containers from the video game Legend of Zelda: Breath of the Wild.

