



The Stitchers' Voice

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Coffee? Check. Computer on? Check. Concentration? THERE is the problem! I have sat down to complete the newsletter ten times, at least. My household was thoroughly upset on Sunday, July 26, at 5 a.m. DH had complained of indigestion before bed. He woke at 2 or so coughing. At 5 a.m. he had shaking chills and could not get out of bed to get to the car to go to the ER. He was taken by ambulance to the hospital. As you may know, only the patient can go to the hospital emergency room. Fortunately, he tested negative for Covid but had pneumonia. He is feeling much better, but not back to normal. It was terrifying when he was wheeled out of the house to think it could possibly be the last time I saw him. Apparently, this could be the cause of anxiety and interference with my concentration. So, short and sweet for the August newsletter!

During the Needle Games last month, we held a Zoom get together each evening. I really enjoyed our visits and even had a special guest one evening, Karen of Rosewood Manor! So, I will schedule these monthly, at least, and if the group chooses, we can have them weekly. Join me on Thursday, August 13, 2020 at 7 p.m. Central Time. The meeting information is on page 2 of the newsletter.

The “Stitch This” on page 3 is a design used in a birthstone kit I offered many years ago. The idea to use this chart was inspired by August being my birth month. Also inspired by this is the date of the first “Thread Tale” talk. Hope to see many of you for that event.

Here is a picture of the Biscornu I made from the Needle Games chart. It is the first time I have attempted to make one and The Tiny Modernist’s tutorial was the inspiration that made me feel I could make sense of it! <https://www.tinymodernist.com/pages/biscornu>

Be well!

Happy Stitching! Patty

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



Village Happenings

The 2020 Summer Needle Games were held last month. [Here](#) is the link to the page with results

<http://stitchersvillage.com/library/index.php/happenings/seasonal-fun>

Thread Tale Talks

Village members met every night of the Needle Games event on Zoom and I would like to start a regular get-together. Thursday, August 13, 2020 will be the first "Thread Tale Talk". Join me for discussion of our stitching projects. For this event, I will show an "oops" in a stitching project to give one example of what we might discuss in these get-togethers. We all have tales to tell of stitching projects. Sometimes, they are happy and sometimes annoying. Feel free to have a project on hand to give us a thread tale of your own! The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Central Time and the meeting link is:

Time: Aug 13, 2020 07:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81294717356>

Meeting ID: 812 9471 7356

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcg7TD01mC>

If you have questions: pattytsv@gmail.com

Drawings and Contests

**The July drawing winner: Sherri B., TX
Prize: a surprise mini stash bomb package**

The July Birthday drawing winner: Vonna P., IN, will receive the same.
Birthday drawing winners are chosen, randomly, from registered community members each month

August drawing will be for an eighth of fabric

Use code 8-20 in the field on the drawing form here:

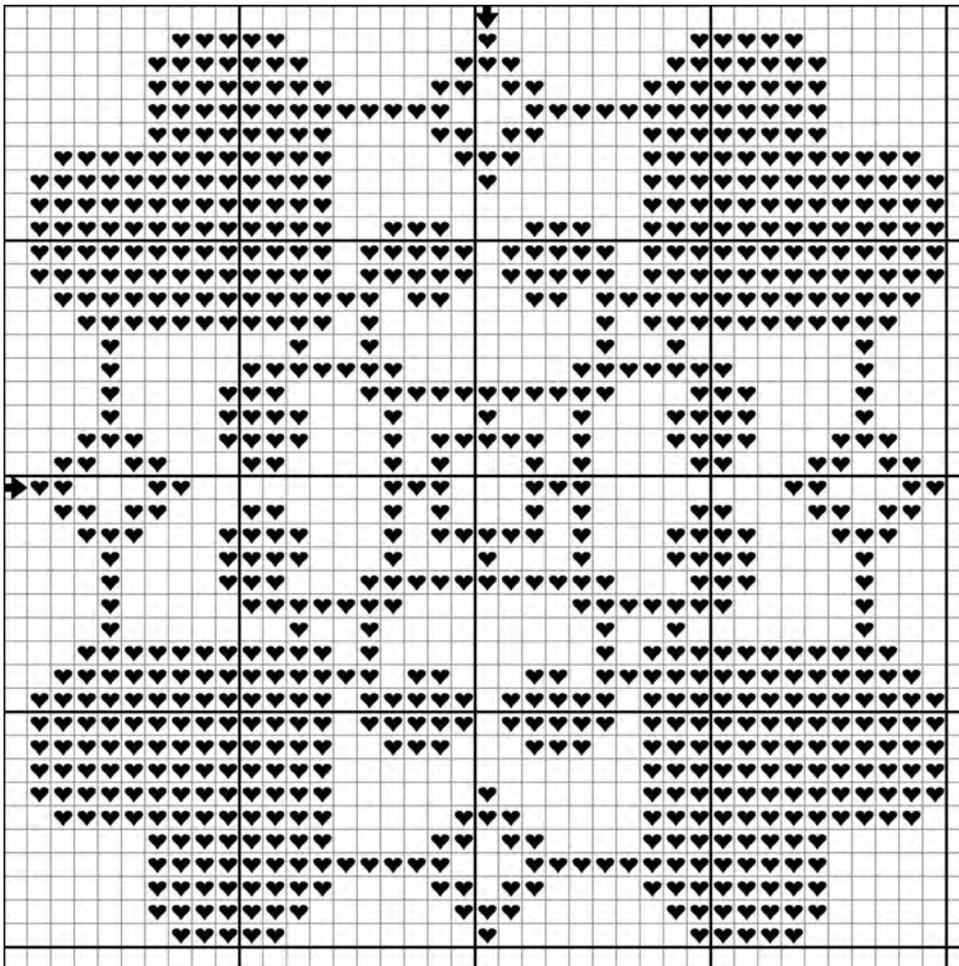
<http://stitchersvillage.com/library/index.php/contact/drawing-form>

Stitch This

#8 in the 2020 "Stitch This" is a small design called "Gem Hearts" I used years ago in a small kit. The kits were based on birthstones and included fabric and Swarovski crystals. I invite you to stitch this in your color choice - one symbol is used, but feel free to use different colors. I have listed the colors that were used in the kits. 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. Stitch count is 38w x 38h.

The four diamond shapes are where the Swarovski bicone crystals may be placed and the center is for a cube crystal. In the original kits, "Legacy" colored fabric from Picture This Plus was included.

Gem Heart



The color numbers given refer to DMC threads

January—902

Swarovski color: Garnet

February—3834

Swarovski color: Amethyst

March—3766

Swarovski color: Aquamarine

April—B5200

Swarovski color: Crystal

May—3818

Swarovski color: Emerald

June—3774

Swarovski color: White

July—304

Swarovski color: Siam

September—798

Swarovski color: Sapphire

October—153

Swarovski color: Pacific Opal

November—3853

Swarovski color: Topaz

December—3846

Swarovski color: Turquoise