

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER
NEWS
April 2003

Annual Spring Meeting
Saturday, April 12

Join in the fun! We will be offering the fabulous [Crewel Embroidery workshop](http://www.crvc-ega.org) with Gerry Barbeau. It's a floral design to stimulate your "spring" fever. Check out the class description at www.crvc-ega.org.

Bring projects finished or in the works for "Show & Tell". We would also like to invite you to bring something that you need help with or may be having "stitcher's" block. We want to inspire you!

The basket that will be our donation to the seminar is being prepared by Joanne Kobelski and Sheila Elliot. Please bring an appropriate donation with you to this meeting. The theme of the basket is "Busy Bee Basket", so samplers with bee themes, beeswax candles and garden seeds in designer envelopes are some ideas for appealing additions.

The Annual Meeting will be held at High Street School in South Glastonbury from 9 am till 4 pm. We look forward to seeing you all there....

June program: Terry Gifford's XOctagons with Judie Solomon

Saturday, June 14

9:00 am - 3:00 pm

High Street School, South Glastonbury, CT

Join us for our meeting on June 14th as we stitch one of Terry Gifford's **Kick Back & Stitch** designs. Because of health problems, Terry will not be able to teach the class, but Judie Solomon has offered to teach one of her pieces. Judie has been given permission to teach from the **Kick Back & Stitch XOctagon #21** pattern. She will be teaching this design as a scissors fob during the morning, and during the afternoon she will get us started on stitching a laying tool case and a needlebook.

The project will be offered in the teal-on-green scheme shown below and in five alternate colorways shown at www.crvc-ega.org. The kit includes the XOctagon #21 chartpack, a 10" square of 18-mesh canvas, one skein each of Watercolours, Wildflowers, perle 5, floss, Tiara and two of Flair and/or Frosty Rays, #22 tapestry needle and a length of ribbon for use in making the needlebook.

Students will need to bring stretcher bars for 10" square canvas, scissors, and "usual stitching supplies" including magnification, if needed.

Class fee: \$28.00

Kit Cost included

Program Schedule for Saturday, June 14, 2003:

9:00 - 9:30 Coffee and social time
9:30 - 12:00 XOctagons Class (part 1)
12:00 - 1:15 Lunch, Business Meeting, Show and Tell
1:15 - 3:00 XOctagons Class (part 2)

Lunch: You may bring your own lunch or we will be ordering sandwiches from the deli at the grocery store across the street. **If you would like to order a sandwich, please arrive promptly to select your sandwich from the menu.**

To Register: Contact [Virginia McCarthy](mailto:Virginia.McCarthy@crvc-ega.org) at 860-521-5064 or [Lisa Green](mailto:Lisa.Green@crvc-ega.org) at 860-658-6082 or fill in the coupon below. Specify your desired color choice when registering for this class.

Program Registration

CRVC-EGA Program

Saturday, June 14, 2003

Terry Gifford's XOctagons with Judie Solomon

Order a sandwich or bring
your own lunch (brown bag)

Amt. Pd. _____

Check # _____

Date Pd. _____

CRVC Program Registration Form - Terry Gifford's XOctagons with Judie Solomon

Mail completed form to: Virginia McCarthy, CRVC Education and Programs, 99 Sylvan Ave, West Hartford, CT 06107.

Make check payable to **CRVC-EGA**.

__ "Terry Gifford's XOctagons" Workshop with Judie Solomon \$28.00 (includes class fee and kit cost)

Color choice: __teal-on-green __green-on-green __purple-on-lavender __blue-on-blue __red-on-red __red-on-white

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Chapter: _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____

Questions? Contact Virginia at 860-521-5064 or E-mail vmcyber@hotmail.com



News from the New England Region

The Merrimack Valley Chapter is hosting **Jane Nicholas** for a two-day workshop on Saturday and Sunday, **Nov. 1st and 2nd**. Jane is a wonderful teacher from Australia. She teaches beautiful stumpwork, and examples of her pieces can be seen in the [National Seminar](#) brochure for Rye Brook, NY. One of her books was a recent addition to our library. Those of you attending the NER Seminar in Farmington will be given specific information about the price and location of the workshop. If your schedule allows you to attend, I'm sure you won't be disappointed.

Plans for Region Day have been completed. The date is **September 20th** and the location is the Sheraton Tara Hotel in Framingham, MA. **Pat Houghton** will present a full day of designing information as only she can. This will be a non-stitching day.....just sit back and enjoy her ideas and suggestions as she discusses the designing of a box top including a building and landscape. A notebook of her information can be purchased for \$20. At the NER Seminar a flyer advertising this day will be in your welcome packet, and you will be able to sign up with Lisa Green at that time.

Exciting news from the Region is its sponsorship of two group correspondence courses for its members. Check "**What's New**" at www.crv-ega.org for class information and registration forms. The deadline for registering for these courses is April 30th.

See you on April 12th and on May 2 - 4 at the New England Region Seminar!