

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER

NEWS

March 2014

WEBSITE ADDRESS: WWW.CRVC-EGA.ORG

The Nominating Committee is preparing a slate of officers for election at the April 5, 2014, annual meeting. We especially need a candidate for SECRETARY, which has been vacant since April, 2013. The Secretary need only attend the Board meetings (listed below), take notes, and compile and distribute the minutes of each meeting. It is an excellent (and relatively easy) way to serve CRVC. Anyone interested should contact Kathryn Lord at hglord@cox.net before March 15.

Saturday, April 5th

“The Flowers That Bloom In The Spring, Tra La.....”

Begin with a three and a half inch circle surrounding a design painted on a 5" square of 18-mesh sage green canvas. Dip into a stash of threads of all colors and fiber contents that cover the table in front of you. Thread a needle and let your creativity take over – voila~!~ Not “into” canvaswork? That’s all right – decorative surface stitches will work just as well. Or you can turn the canvas over and use the blank side of the canvas. If you need more inspiration, the chapter library will be right there for you to reference.

We will stitch our hearts out in the morning and participants will be encouraged to share stitching ideas and lots of stitching stories – do come with one or more show-and-tells to share with the group.....

In the afternoon, after lunch and a brief business meeting – our official annual meeting and election of officers – we will talk about finishing ideas for the pieces begun in the morning. Members will go home with a partially stitched piece (some more completely stitched than others - that’s OK) and some ideas for how to use them.

Finally, there will be an incentive to finish your piece begun this day – a variety of valuable (really!) prizes will be awarded to the ones voted the most creative, most colorful, best use of stitches, and the best use of threads, by the members voting online from all the photos we will post on the CRVC web site.

There will be a kit fee of \$10 for the materials for this program, and lunch will be at a local restaurant (buy your own).

The most recently received book donations for our Foley/Cornelius Fund Stash Sale will be available for purchase at this meeting.

Location: **Thistle Needleworks** in Glastonbury, CT

Schedule for Saturday:

10 AM to 12:15 pm	Program
12:15 to 1 PM	Lunch and brief meeting
1 PM to 3:30 PM	Program

Slate of Officers:

President - Kathryn Lord
VP Education - Lisa Green
VP Membership - Suzanne Newton

**Secretary - You, perhaps?
Treasurer - Linda Berry**

A [coupon for registration](#) is at the end of this newsletter.

Friday & Saturday, June 6th & 7th

"My Thoughts of Spring Band Sampler" – Catherine Theron

(A Foley/Cornelius Teacher)



Create a 17th century inspired counted thread band sampler using silk flosses in rich shades of red, green, gold, blue and brown. This sampler measures 5" x 30" and is worked on 35-count cream linen.

Stitches used include Double Running, Long-Arm Cross, Montenegrin, Diagonal Cross, Satin, Queen, Diagonal Queen, Upright Cross, Algerian Eye, Double Straight Cross, Gobelin, Smyrna Cross, Cross-Stitch Over One, Four-Sided, Chain, Diamond Eyelet, Padded Satin, Buttonhole Bar, Detached Buttonhole, Spiral Trellis, Palestrina Knots and Bullion Knots.

The top section of this rich, textured piece features polychromatic bands with strawberries and flowers. The saying "How blest is she among the fair by gentlest stars inclined, who cherishes with love sincere the virtues of the mind" is interspersed between the bands.

The bottom section of this sampler is monochromatic and is worked using two weights of cream silk to enhance the texture and design.

This piece is recommended for the intermediate to advanced counted thread student. There is no pre-work or prerequisites required.

Location: **Duncaster Senior Residence** in Bloomfield, CT
Time: Class will take place from 9 am to 4 pm on both days.

The deadline for signing up for this class is May 1st. A [coupon for registration](#) is at the end of this newsletter.

Saturday, October 4th

Trip to the Florence Griswold Museum

An exhibit of fairy houses on the grounds of the museum will be open from Oct. 3rd to Nov. 2nd. We will meet at the museum at 11am on this Saturday to see the display and continue on for lunch at a restaurant nearby.

Saturday, December 6th

"Miniature Knotwork" – Teresa Layman (A Foley/Cornelius Teacher)

Teresa will present a program about her amazing knotwork designs. This will be a chance to hear the story of how her work has progressed, especially interesting because of her gingerbread houses that were chosen for Christmas stamps this year. She will bring models to show as well.

FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS (All members are welcome)

Location: [Thistle Needleworks](#) at 10 am

Tuesday, Mar. 11th Tuesday, May 13th Tuesday, Sept. 9th Tuesday, Nov. 11th

CRVC Program Registration Form -- **Annual Meeting on April 5, 2014** at Thistle Needleworks

Mail completed form to: Linda Berry, 343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002 or reply by email to Linda dlberry1@aol.com or Lisa klisagreen@yahoo.com. Make check payable to **CRVC-EGA**.

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_____ Yes, I plan to attend.

_____ I am enclosing \$10 kit fee.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone#: _____

CRVC Program Registration Form -- **Class on June 6 & 7, 2014** at Duncaster

Mail completed form to: Linda Berry, 343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002.

Make check payable to **CRVC-EGA**. **The deadline for signing up for this class is May 1, 2014.**

"My Thoughts of Spring" with Catherine Theron

_____ Members' kit fee \$120 plus class fee \$10 = **\$130**

_____ Non-members kit fee \$120 plus class cost \$20 = **\$140**

_____ Lunch Friday (\$12)

_____ Lunch Saturday (\$12)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Phone#: _____

CRVC-EGA Membership

\$57. Primary Membership
\$15. Plural Membership (NER)
\$18. Plural Membership (not NER)

For a membership card, please enclose a SASE.

Amt. Pd. _____

Check # _____

Date Pd. _____
(keep as your receipt)

CRVC-EGA Membership and Address Change Form

The membership year runs from June 1 to May 31. If you are joining after September 1, please contact the membership chairman for prorated dues.

Mail your completed form to: Suzanne Newton, CRVC-EGA Membership, 14 Madison Lane, West Simsbury, CT 06092.

Make check payable to **CRVC-EGA**. Enclose SASE for membership card.

- ___ Address Change
- ___ CRVC Primary Membership (\$57)
- ___ Plural Membership, Primary Chapter in New England Region (\$15)
- ___ Plural Membership, Primary Chapter *not* in New England Region (\$18)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, ST, ZIP _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Primary Chapter: _____

Membership No. _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____