

CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER NEWS

February/March 2021

WEBSITE ADDRESS: www.crvc-ega.org

Our meetings for the foreseeable future will be online, but when in-person meetings are possible again, they will be at Thistle Needleworks, 506 Silas Deane Highway in Wethersfield, CT. The dates for meetings will be the first Saturdays of the even months, except August. [Directions to the store](#) are on the Thistle Needleworks website.

Remember that dues are now paid annually by May 1st as the membership year runs from June 1 to May 31. Please use the coupon below to renew your membership as soon as possible.

Saturday, April 10th, 2021 Annual Meeting via Zoom An Early Sign of Spring - Jane Ellen Balzuweit

This pattern will be purchased for you by the chapter and will be sent to you before the class. All you need to do is register by February 15th and collect your linen and thread. We will be working on this piece as a group as we learn these techniques.

>>> DESIGNER ACROSS AMERICA PROJECT

An Early Sign of Spring by Jane Ellen Balzuweit

Look forward to spring by stitching two pulled-thread tulips against a background of darning stitch. The 8" by 6" piece is worked with white #12 pearl cotton on 28-count linen.

To receive a copy of the instructions, send a check for \$7 payable to EGA, to Designers Across America EGA, 1205 Washington Street, #104, Louisville, KY 40206. Provide the address where the instructions should be sent. To order online, go to egausa.org, and click on Shop in the top navigation bar. This pattern is available until March 1, 2021. Orders received thereafter will be returned. Previous designs from the Designers Across America and the Designers Around the World series are no longer available. A yearly subscription to the project series (four projects per year) is available by sending name, address, and payment of \$25 (a 10% savings) to the above address.

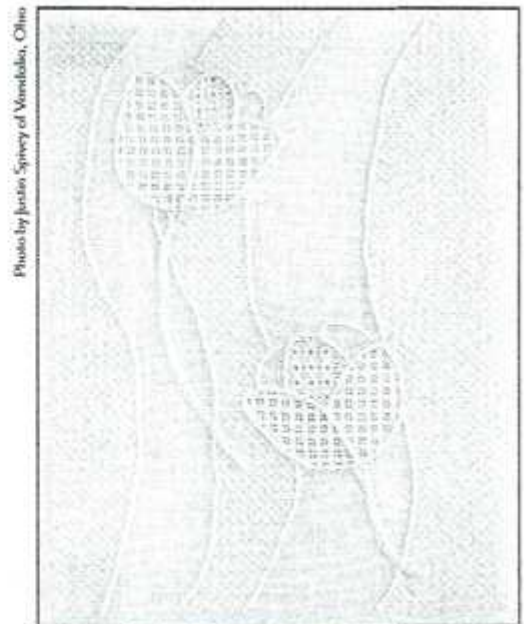


Photo by Justin Sprucey of Vandakia, Ohio

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A [coupon](#) is provided for this meeting. Deadline for signup for the pattern is February 15th.

Saturday, June 5th, 2021

Zoom class with Susan Hoekstra - "Thread for All Seasons"

"Thread For All Seasons" offers a chance to work with the design color of your choice. There are three color options from which to choose: Seasons, Jewel and Spring! After this exercise, you will better understand how colors work together and how colors work off each other. This exercise will be a real eye opener!

"Thread For All Seasons" is stitched on 18-count canvas measuring 9" x 9". The finished size of this delightfully colorful piece is 6" x 6".

Class Objectives:

Learning how canvas color and threads work together is important for anyone doing needlepoint. In the piece "Thread For All Seasons" the stitcher has the opportunity to delve deeper into this relationship. The stitcher will pick out which painted canvas they like (from three color choices). A stitch guide is provided. Come play with this design, challenge your sense of color and work outside your box! Join the color revolution!

Proficiency Level: Intermediate

Kit fee: \$80

Students To Provide The Following:

Laying Tool

Scissors

Graphite Drawing Pencil 2H

Plastic Eraser

Light & Magnifier (if required)

Tacks or Stapler

Frame and/or Frameweight

Stretcher bars – 2 9" pairs



Your color choices are (you select one):



Color choice: Seasons



Color choice: Spring



Color choice: Jewel

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UPDATE ON NER SEMINAR 2022
"The Stitches That Bind Us"
April 30 – May 1, 2022

With vaccinations rolling out and continued observation of prevention protocols, it's looking good for our hoped-for NER Seminar!

Here is where we stand: National approved our logo design and theme, and an agreement was reached with the Sheraton Hartford in Rocky Hill, so we can now solicit teachers and start publicizing the event. A budget will be developed soon.

We're aiming for a no-frills seminar, since the EGA National Seminar in Boston is on track for 2023 and many in the region will be involved with that. We plan on 6 teachers and Studio Time, a familiar format.

This seminar will be co-hosted by PVC and CRVC, so as we get closer to the date, we'll be asking for any helping hands who'd like to volunteer for little jobs. So far from our chapter: Linda Berry will be the registrar; Deb Milvae will handle finance until November, when the next NER treasurer will take over, and then she'll coordinate class angels; Lisa Green will make food arrangements; Linda Berry and Kathryn Lord will put together welcome packets for teachers and attendees.

So, fingers crossed, folks, and we hope to see you in person in 2022!

CRVC Program Registration Form
Zoom class on April 10th at 10:45am

Either email Linda at lindaberry343@gmail.com or mail completed form to:
Linda Berry, 343 Seabury Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002

Deadling for signup for pattern is February 15th (we may have extras if you are registering after this date)

"An Early Sign of Spring"

_____ I would like a pattern

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone#: _____

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"Thread for All Seasons"

_____ \$80 Kit fee

My color choice is: _____ Seasons _____ Spring _____ Jewel

Name: _____

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: Linda Berry, CRVC-EGA Membership, 343 Seabury
Drive, Bloomfield, CT 06002

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

Address/Email 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 \$** _____