



CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER NEWS

May 2026

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Here are the 2026 (and 2027) activities -- Please mark these dates on your calendar

Saturday, June 6, 2026 -- CRVC Meeting & Stitch-In & Stash Exchange

"Zelda the Zebra" Recap -- in person at [Thistle Needleworks](#) and on Zoom

Friday, June 19 and Sunday, June 28, 2026 -- NER PHD Stitch-Ins on Zoom

Friday, July 17 and Sunday, July 26, 2026 -- NER PHD Stitch-Ins on Zoom

Friday, August 21 and Sunday, August 23, 2026 -- NER PHD Stitch-Ins on Zoom

Tuesday, September 15, 2026 -- CRVC Board Meeting at 10 am
on Zoom -- contact [Judie](#) for Zoom link (open to all members)

Friday, September 18 and Sunday, September 27, 2026 -- NER PHD Stitch-Ins on Zoom

Saturday, September 19, 2026 -- [NER Virtual Region Day](#)

An online event at 10 AM with guest speakers, stitching and more!
Information for this event to follow later in the NER newsletters.

**Saturday, October 3, 2026 -- CRVC Meeting & Stitch-In
Intro to NER Challenge -- America 250 Stitch-a-long**

Friday, October 16 and Sunday, October 25, 2026 -- NER PHD Stitch-Ins on Zoom

Tuesday, November 3, 2026 -- CRVC Board Meeting at 10 am
on Zoom -- contact [Judie](#) for Zoom link (open to all members)

Friday, November 20 and Sunday, November 22, 2026 -- NER PHD Stitch-Ins on Zoom

**Saturday, December 5, 2026 -- CRVC Meeting & Stitch-In
Don't wrap your stitched holiday gifts until you show them to us today!**

Friday, December 18 and Sunday, December 27, 2026 -- NER PHD Stitch-Ins on Zoom

Thursday-Sunday, May 13-16, 2027 -- NER Seminar
Registration begins in Mid-October. Look for it!

CRVC Meetings and Stitch-Ins --

CRVC Meeting

Saturday, June 6th, 2026 "Zelda the Zebra" Recap, Stitch-In, and Stash Exchange

This meeting will be in person at [Thistle Needleworks](#) and on Zoom**.

This gathering will take four forms, so there will be something for everyone -- be there ~!~

- a -- Zelda the Zebra reunion - bring your piece to share, whether it is finished or not. Maybe you are stuck on one area? If so, there will be others here to help you over the hump (OK - bad pun, since it is not a camel).
- b -- Bring the embellish-the-surface project you began at our meeting in April. We would all like to see what you have created.
- c -- Bring any project in the works and join us for the comradery of stitching together.
- d -- Bring some items to share - kits, fabrics, threads, patterns, etc. that you had great hopes for but have decided are just not in your future. They just might be in someone else's future and could come to life with another's nimble fingers.

Schedule for the day to include:

10 am to 12 pm	"Zelda the Zebra" Recap and April project review
12 pm to 1 pm	Lunch
1 pm to 3 pm	Show & Tell, Stitch-In, and Stash Exchange

** If you would like to attend virtually, please contact [Judie](#) at least 3 days in advance for the Zoom link.

CRVC Meeting

Saturday, October 3rd, 2026 Intro to NER Challenge -- America 250 Stitch-a-long

All EGA members in the New England Region are invited to participate in a recognition of our nation's semiquincentennial. More information to follow later.

Have you seen any free designs online that our chapter could use in honor of America's 250th? If so, please send them in a response to this email and we will share with all members.

CRVC Meeting

Saturday, December 5th, 2026 Stitch-In

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NER PHD (Projects Half-Done) Stitch-Ins

Could you use some encouragement to finish a few of your projects? Would you like to get to know other EGA members in the New England Region (NER) and see what they are stitching? Do you have questions about your current work-in-progress (WIP), materials or tools needed for a new project, or how to stitch the perfect French knot? And would you like to do all of this from the comfort of your favorite stitching chair?

The NER Education Committee has the answer – virtual PHD Stitch-Ins! These Zoom sessions are designed to motivate stitchers to celebrate their progress and complete their projects.

Connect -- Meet other embroiderers, be inspired by their projects, and maybe add a few new items to your "I want to stitch that" list!

Learn -- Get answers to your questions and receive advice from the PHD Help Desk, the collective knowledge of other stitchers!

Support -- Use the time to focus on your WIPs and receive a virtual "high five" for every finish!

To join a PHD Stitch-In, first ensure you have Zoom installed and updated. Log in, then click the appropriate button to join the call.

FRIDAY AM

Dates: Every third Friday
Time: 10:00 AM until 12:00 PM

Click the button below to connect!

[Click here](#)

SUNDAY PM

Dates: Every fourth Sunday
Time: 1:30 PM until 3:30 PM

Click the button below to connect!

[Click here](#)

All members are welcome to attend the **Pequot Colony Stitchers** meetings.

These meetings are held irregularly via Zoom at 10am on the third Wednesday of each month. Contact Stephanie at least 3 days in advance at StephThorp@sbcglobal.net for links to these Zoom meetings.

All members are welcome to attend CRVC Board meetings.

These meetings are held via Zoom.

Contact Judie at least 24 hours in advance at JudieStichr@aol.com for the links to these Zoom meetings and other CRVC Zoom meetings.

Members -- send pictures of your finished pieces to [Judie](#) to be included in the next newsletter

CRVC Fund-Raising

The remaining books from the dissolved CRVC library, as well as other books and needlepoint canvases that have been donated to the chapter, are now available for purchase. [Click here](#) to view/order the available items.

Recent stitching projects done by some of our members.... (click on an image for an enlarged view)



"Blackwork" stitched by Linda Berry



"Freddie Fish" stitched by Tere Foley



"Whale In The Sky"
stitched by Rachael Palmberg



"Whale In The Sky" (detail)
stitched by Rachael Palmberg
