



CONNECTICUT RIVER VALLEY CHAPTER NEWS

January 2025

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We have a very full agenda ahead -- Mark these dates on your calendar

Saturday, February 8, 2025 -- "Water Spiral (Part 1)" with Terri Bay via Zoom

Tuesday, March 4, 2025 -- CRVC Board Meeting at 10 am
on Zoom -- contact [Judie](#) for Zoom link

Saturday, March 8, 2025 -- "Water Spiral (Part 2)" with Terri Bay via Zoom

Tuesday, April 1, 2025 -- CRVC Outreach Event
"Introduction to Ribbon Embroidery" workshop at Granby Public Library

Saturday, April 5, 2025 -- CRVC Meeting & Program
"Butterflies" by Susan Jones including an interview with the designer
in person at [Thistle Needleworks](#) and on Zoom

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 -- CRVC Board Meeting at 10 am
on Zoom -- contact [Judie](#) for Zoom link

Saturday, June 7, 2025 -- CRVC Meeting & Program
"Garden Day" Projects -- in person at [Thistle Needleworks](#) and on Zoom

Tuesday, September 9, 2025 -- CRVC Board Meeting at 10 am
on Zoom -- contact [Judie](#) for Zoom link

Saturday & Sunday, October 4 & 5, 2025 -- CRVC Meeting & Workshop
"Blue Hills" workshop with Dawn Donnelly

November 1-30, 2025 -- CRVC Display at Granby Public Library
Theme for 2025 is "Favorite Techniques"

Tuesday, November 4, 2025 -- CRVC Board Meeting at 10 am
on Zoom -- contact [Judie](#) for Zoom link

CRVC Meetings and Stitch-Ins --

CRVC Meeting

Saturdays, February 8th & March 8th, 2025 "Water Spiral" with Terri Bay on Zoom

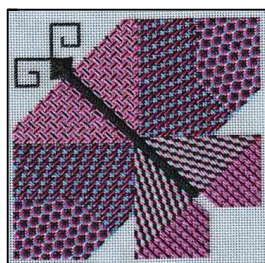
Registration for this class has closed. About one-third of our members will be participating and will receive their kits shortly. Zoom info will be sent to these students shortly before each session.



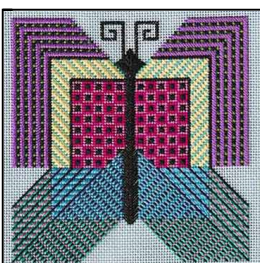
CRVC Meeting

Saturday, April 5th, 2025 "Butterflies" by Susan Jones

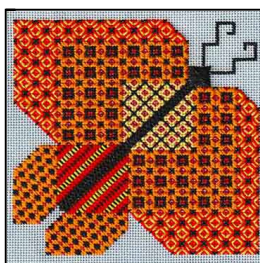
Program will include an interview with the designer.



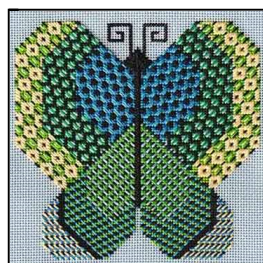
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You have a choice of four different designs, all worked on 18-mesh canvas. Each design is 5" square. CRVC will be providing the charted patterns/instructions. Early registration is recommended so you have time to gather the supplies you will need for the pattern you choose. Note that two of the designs -- the straight-up butterflies -- may be stitched as half and made into an eyeglass case like the model shown.

A registration form is provided at the end of this newsletter. The supplies list for the design you choose will be sent to you upon receipt of your registration.

CRVC Meeting

Saturday, June 7th, 2025 "Garden Day" Projects

Stitching together a choice of several designs in different techniques. Details to follow in the next newsletter.

CRVC Meeting

**Saturday & Sunday, October 4th & 5th, 2025 "Blue Hills" workshop
with Dawn Donnelly**

Location to be announced. Note that this class is being underwritten with the funds CRVC received from the profits of the 2024 national seminar sponsored by NER. More details to follow.

CRVC Outreach Event

CRVC members will teach an "Introduction to Ribbon Embroidery" workshop at the Cossitt Branch of the Granby Public Library on Tuesday April 1, 2025, from 1:30 to 3:30 PM. The Cossitt Branch is at 388 North Granby Road (Route 189) in Granby. We will demonstrate several simple stitches that can be combined into flowers to adorn projects such as bookmarks, eyeglass cases, or small bags. We need 4-5 volunteers to help with this. Contact Kathryn Lord at hglord@cox.net if you are able to do so.

CRVC Display

It's never too early to start thinking about which of your pieces you'd like to see in our next display, which will be November 2025 in the main branch of the Granby (CT) Public Library.

The theme this time around is **Favorite Techniques**. Sure, we enjoy learning new things, but we all have a favorite (or two) that we return to again and again, be it canvas work, blackwork, Japanese, surface embroidery, ribbon, beading, or cross stitch. At our first display in Granby 14 years ago, we had examples of 26 techniques!

We'll be collecting pieces in October and returning them in early December. Drop-off and pick-up options will be publicized in September.

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.

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

These meetings are held via Zoom.

Contact Stephanie at least 24 hours in advance at StephThorp@sbcglobal.net for links to these Zoom meetings.

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

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



This pulled thread piece was stitched by Deb Milvae. Deb acquired the supplies and instructions for this piece at the "swap meet" we held earlier in the year. Do you have a project that you will never finish? Bring it to one of the in-person meetings to find it a new home.

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.



Stitched by Kathryn Lord in a different colorway than Laurie Sulger's shown in the November newsletter.



Examples of the silk ribbon flowers to be taught at the outreach class in April.



These pieces were stitched by Judie Solomon. Each was a canvas she purchased from the canvases donated to the chapter. They were stitched using the stitch guides that accompanied them.

CRVC Program Registration Form
"Butterflies" by Susan Jones -- April 5th, 2025
In person at **Thistle Needleworks** and on Zoom

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

Deadline: March 20th, 2025

"Butterflies" by Susan Jones

Choose your desired design:

- ☐ #1 Butterfly
- ☐ #2 Butterfly
- ☐ #3 Butterfly
- ☐ #4 Butterfly

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone#: _____