



## Notes from Notthemama

I took a picture of a sunset the other day. It was all pinks, and blues and purples - streaking across the sky. It was gorgeous. However it was not Facebook worthy because it also had poles and wires and a less than gorgeous foreground. I still think the photo is gorgeous. Every time I look at it, I still get the same warm and fuzzy emotions. I choose to look at the beautiful sunset....not the ugliness of the foreground. It pleases me; someone else looking at it would probably say "oh, that's nice" and wonder at my enthusiasm.

And that is the point - we should always do things for ourselves. Most of us do lots of things for others....while cutting ourselves short. Or we don't do something because there is risk involved.

This occurs in our stitching also. How many of your projects are destined for someone else? How many times do you put so much thought into pattern, fabric and fiber selections - thinking about the person who will receive it? How often do you do something just for you - giving that project the same amount of time and careful thought as you do for others. How many of you have taken the risk to attempt linen? or hardanger (cutting those threads, horrors!) or 40 count silk gauze...over one? (Well, don't get carried away!) Chances are that the first linen piece won't be spectacular and you might clip a 'wrong' thread, but keep on persevering. It will be pretty to you because you have attempted something new.

Yeah, so remember the centerpieces that were beautifully crafted vegetable bouquets? I made one to take to a dinner with friends. (Note: they are still my friends.) The 'bouquet' was a classic Pinterest fail; soooo did not look like the picture and this was in the era before Pinterest fails. While it looked horrible, it created a shared memory that creates hysterical laughter every time someone says "Hey, remember that dinner where....."

Create memories and things to treasure in your heart. Take pictures of beautiful sunsets! Merry Christmas!

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## Dear Stitchers,

We had a great time at Camp Gottastitch 2018, Stitchers of the Caribbean this past weekend up in Berlin, Ohio. Stitching with 60 of our closest stitching friends was a blast!



We've been especially busy this fall with tours, trade shows and more and we thank you for being a big part of our success. As we go into the holiday season, we are hoping that you can take advantage of some of our Wednesday night Night Light Stitching Group, our Holiday Stitch-In, our Tuesday Stitch Group or our Small Business Saturday Stitch-In. You can read more about all our stitching groups on our website. We will also have opportunities to learn some new things, win a frog, and help our friends at the Mid Ohio Food Bank.

We know that you have many options when it comes to your stitching supplies and we are grateful that you choose to shop with us. Thank you for your support!

Jennie, Carol & Cross My Heart Associates



## Holiday Hours

Closing at 3 pm, Wednesday, November 21  
 Closed Thursday, November 22  
 Closing at 3 pm, Monday, December 24  
 Closed Tuesday, December 25  
 Closing at 3 pm, Monday, December 31  
 Ort Ball Drop 6 pm to midnight December 31  
 Closed Tuesday, January 1

Come stitch with us!

Every Tuesday from 10:30 am to 4 pm; every Wednesday from 6 pm to 9 pm.

Learn more about our stitching groups at

[crossmyheartltd.com](http://crossmyheartltd.com)

## It's Sweetheart Club Membership Time!

Sweetheart Club is once again open for membership! This club offers you a great opportunity to connect more with the shop and get in on some great deals. First—every month you get to pick an in stock regular priced item and take 20% off! Then, within one week of your birthday, go on a shopping spree and take 15% your entire purchase of in stock items (no special orders, please). We also will mail newsletters to you, have special events throughout the year, have bonus days and more. Sweetheart Club is \$10 for the year—current members can renew for \$7.50. Club membership materials are available now for 2019. Don't let this opportunity pass you by!

visit [www.crossmyheartltd.com](http://www.crossmyheartltd.com) for more

## Holiday Stitch-In

It's a PARTY! December 15, noon—4 pm, bring your stitching and prepare to have some fun. We'll have some finishing ideas, gift wrap and bags available for you as well to wrap up your stitch gifts for your friends and family. \$10



## Ort Ball Drop

If you are in Columbus at the turning of the year, be sure to come to our Ort Ball Drop stitching party! We will begin at 6:30 pm and stitch until midnight when we will drop the giant Ort Ball! (We live stream on facebook the Ort Ball Drop, too!)



## Little House Needleworks Club

Jack Frost's Tree Farm is a new 7 part series that will be released starting in February! One of our own customers was the model stitcher for this delightful series and we are anxious to have it in. You may select to stitch as one piece or as individuals. Pricing will be available sometime in December—but you can put your name on the auto list now.



## Carol's Snowflake

Ever wanted to try your hand at peyote stitching with beads? Already know but want to bead with friends? This class is for you! Class cost is \$48 and includes all supplies to make this beautiful scissor fob.

December 6; 6—9 pm

## PSSST!

Guess what? There's a needle case to go with your fob! Stitch this delightful needle case and add your favorite pair of scissors (not included). Class kit (\$48) includes everything but the scissors

January 19; 10:30—1:30



### Beginning Punchneedle

### Beginning Cross Stitch

Private Lessons  
scheduled upon request

\$25 each lesson

## Stitching on Linen

It's not that hard! Both our beginning and advanced classes are on 18 count so you can get a feel for working over two threads. Our beginning class teaching you the basic X and our advanced class teaches you a few advanced stitches.

Beginning—December 13; 6 pm; \$25  
Advanced—December 20; 6 pm; \$25

## Win a Frog!

Cross My Heart is giving away a frog! Graciously crafted and donated by one of our faithful Tuesday group stitchers, Patty Spencer and named by our 2018 Camp Gottastitch group, Roger Rip-It is packed and ready to go to your home! Raffle tickets are \$1 each, 6 tickets for \$5 and 15 tickets for \$12 and can be purchased either over the phone or through our store until the end of the year. Our new frog's owner will be announced just before the Ort Ball drops on December 31. All proceeds will go to support the Mid-Ohio food bank; we'll be making one donation just before Thanksgiving and a second donation at the end of the raffle.

