

July 23, 2016

So...I just love a good challenge...and I'm getting older and crabbier at learning new programs – I keep tripping over the hoops that I'm being asked to jump thru and generally falling flat on my face...it was good to know that when the website went missing for a couple of days it wasn't me – I thought perhaps I had managed to kill my pink & white website when in fact I hadn't. Now all I have to do is try to figure out how to edit the stupid thing and I'm not really good at editing it into a "saved" file on my computer – I prefer to do it directly on-line and I DO NOT speak html...so...you can see the issues here...but I shall prevail...it's moved, it's working right now except for a few editing issues and I know those can be taken care of.

In the interim – while I had nothing else to do ;) I managed to get most all the gifties ready for our September classes; I managed to get the entire BC 2016 piece kitted and it's ready to go (more down below); we have vet appointments scheduled for Fiona and Tasha Lu Lu this morning (they need "well checks" with the vet just to make sure everything is good); Nicky went and had a very expensive toofer cleaning on Monday and 3 extractions and so I've been shoveling metcam and clavamox down his throat twice a day since Tuesday morning; our other project is doing really well – we need to order in the threads but the boxes are here, the linen has all been cut and the last "re-stitch" piece is going off to the designer on Monday.

I have honestly realized that I need a week out of here to get all the stuff done that I need to get done at home...and it's just not working and I think overwhelmed would be a good word...but...this feeling too shall pass...if I just put my head down – I'll get it done...maybe ;)

Flowers for Lois – it's kitted – it's beautiful – we have a few more kits left and then it's sold out and the donations are being made to Team Twinkle Toes



\$35.00 complete kit that includes linen, silk threads, silk lining, all finishing supplies and tiny stork scissors as shown. Postage will be a flat \$3.00 here in the states and a little bit more for those overseas based strictly on weight.

**Kelmscott Designs:**

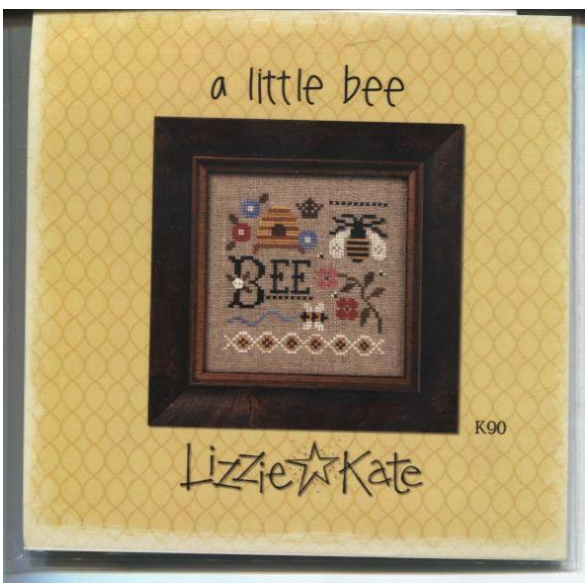


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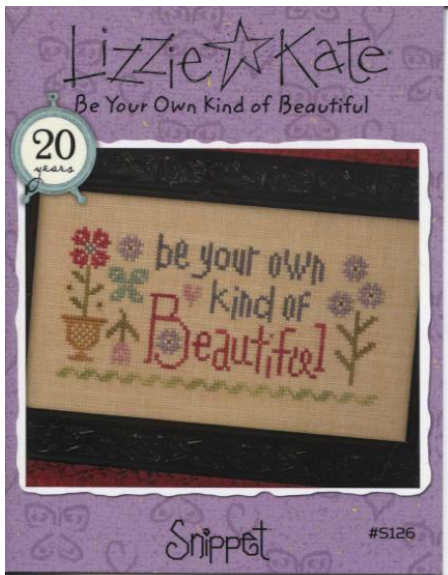


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**Lizzie Kate:**



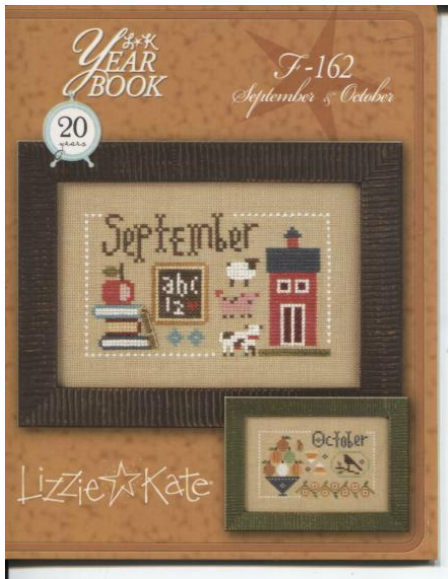
**a little bee (comes with linen & button) \$14.00**



be your own kind of beautiful \$5.00



yearbook july & august (w/charms) \$9.00



yearbook september & october (w/charms) \$9.00

Just Cross Stitch Christmas Ornament Edition:



we are taking reservations – these will ship from publisher on 08/30/2016 to us and then we will get them right out.

So...there it is...Hoffman Distributing had a total meltdown most of last week and the website decided that I really didn't need most of the items that I had so carefully placed in my cart – so when my order arrived in the mail on Monday – there were things missing – we are going to try this exercise again today...and hopefully between Hoffman and ES we'll get this under control once again.

The last and other “happiness” in my life is loading and installing a new computer – this desktop is actually running on XP and it just terrifies me (although I back up) that it will crash and burn and yes, my laptop at home is very current with an operating system...I now have a new desktop residing on the packing room table that needs to be loaded with all the stuff off of this one – but first I need to delete quite a lot of garbage that always manages to accumulate on computers – things that you KNOW you will need some day and when you finally take a really good look at them – “what was I thinking” comes zipping right out of your mouth.

If I told you I was sick of computers – I think I would have a pretty reasonable complaint but the website is moved and that was my biggest, ugliest beastie that was tormenting me...and now I'm just going to spend the rest of the time shoveling and cleaning up and getting the world back in some sort of organized fashion.

I shall prevail...if I can walk 20 miles a day for 3 days for the 5<sup>th</sup> straight year in a row then I can do anything...of that I am convinced.

Thanks for visiting...peace is slowly arriving in happy valley – over 100 degrees all days from tomorrow thru next Saturday – once you hit 100 it doesn't matter how much over that century mark it gets – it's just too bloody hot...

Dogs are good, shop is good, ebay is good, website is good (almost) and my hair isn't on fire quite as badly this week and by this time next week – I should be able to breathe again!!! Thanks for visiting...talk to you all next week!!