



## ACCENTS' TIPS AND TIDBITS 12-12-07

The end of the year is approaching along with the hustle and bustle of trying to complete all of our holiday preparations. My personal schedule includes the additional burden of preparing for another New Years' cruise followed immediately by a needlework market. I know, it shouldn't be a burden but getting everything done in order to take a week off, much less two weeks, is difficult. I leave two days later for the January tradeshow after returning from the cruise, just enough time to wash clothes. Angela will be running the shop while Fred & I relax our aging bodies. *Peace and serenity... gayle*

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**Accents Aweigh Stitches Cruise – sails Thurs. afternoon Oct. 23 – returns Mon. morning Oct 27**  
New Orleans – to Cozumel – back to New Orleans



The 2008 Accents Aweigh Stitches Cruise is planned and now taking reservations. We had such a great experience during the 2007 cruise weekend that we are returning in 2008. We'll be leaving on Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> and returning on Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. The cost has not increased except for a \$5 per day/per passenger fuel surcharge. You can get all of the information from the registration form on the Accents website <http://www.accentsinc.com> or call our travel agent, Cathy Gaffney at 1 (866) 618-0102, (504) 378-8104, or [cgaffney@cruisedealsforless.com](mailto:cgaffney@cruisedealsforless.com). Just tell her you are cruising with Accents. If you need a cabin mate, no problem... we've never paired two persons who didn't become fast friends. So make a decision to take the first step to taking care of yourself and pick up the phone and call Cathy.



### A COMMITMENT TO LITERACY - Needle and Thread BOOKMARK CHALLENGE

Our bookmark challenge was hugely successful. The ladies at the East Bank Regional Library were amazed at the variety and the beauty of the bookmarks when I delivered them in November. We announced that we would randomly draw a winner from bookmark donors and are very pleased to announce that **BETTY OVERTON** has a \$50 gift certificate waiting for her at the shop. Betty stitched twenty bookmarks for the challenge and we are delighted that she has proven the adage, "give and it shall be given unto you".

I am putting together a program to teach cross stitch at the library in 2008 and will be seeking stitchers willing to volunteer their time to assist with the classes. Let me know if you would be willing. Or if you want to teach a class in your community, possibly Accents can help with the materials.

**CAMP STITCH-AWAY 2008 - 13<sup>th</sup> annual STITCHING GET-AWAY FOR WOMEN**  
Thursday, June 19 thru Sunday, June 22, 2008  
Dominican Conference Center, New Orleans LA



I have been reviewing the e-mail newsletters for this year and I noticed that I have never mentioned Camp Stitch-Away. Camp is always a rejuvenating weekend for me, coming in the middle of year just when I need to relax and be waited on. It's so wonderful to go off and stitch until someone calls you for lunch and then stitch some more until you're told supper is ready. And my friend Kevin comes and offers therapeutic, holistic massage to those who want to indulge. What a joy! If you are interested in attending you can find a registration form on the Accents website



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