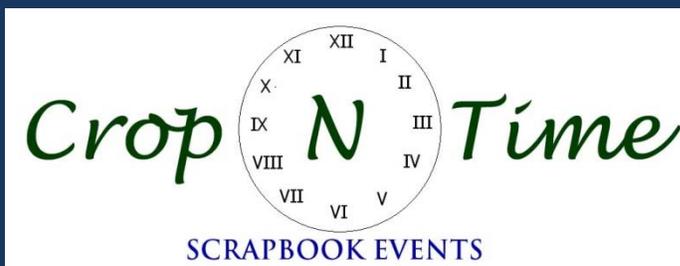


Come Spend Time with us...

April 2016 ~ Volume 83



Almost Crop day!

We love it when it's a Crop month as that means we get to spend time with some of our favorite crafters. There are only a few spots left for Saturday, so let us know if you would like to join us. Some details are below, or you can go right to our website (listed below).

Upcoming Crop Event

We will be cropping the day away on **Saturday, April 9, 2016** from 9am to 9pm. As always we are planning to have another fabulous day, of smiles, laughs, singing along to the music, attending make n take classes, completing the one hour challenge and of course documenting memories in our albums. We enjoy visiting with all of you and can't wait see what you will be working on at this crop. Our amazing group of vendors from Close to My Heart, Stampin' Up!, as well as Kara our wonderful Masseuse. They will have some supplies for cash and carry, but you can always place an order with them ahead of time and they can have it waiting at your seat when you arrive. There will be a sign up sheet for the massages (remember there is an extra fee for massages) so please plan accordingly. We will be at our usual spot, Luther Memorial Lutheran Church. It's located at 435 South Main Street in North Syracuse, NY. Registration will be \$40 and includes table space, dinner, beverages, tool center, raffles, shopping and Make & Takes with Vendors, along with smiles, laughs and pampering from Karen and Rene. Head over to www.cropntime.net to get yourself registered for our next event. Directions are also posted on the website to help you find your way to our events. We look forward to making more memories with you!

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

<i>Announcements</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Owners Notes</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Tips & Techniques</i>	<i>3</i>
<i>Connie's Challenge</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Layout Idea/Sketch</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Vendor Notes</i>	<i>6</i>
<i>Tealightful</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>Wrapped with a Kiss</i>	<i>8</i>

!!!!GIFT CARDS!!!!

If you are looking for the perfect gift for a scrapbooker / papercrafter, we do offer gift cards. You can purchase one by contacting us at info@cropntime.net. We will send you a card that you can address to whomever you like. It's a great way to have a friend join you for a future crop event. Any questions, stop by the website www.cropntime.net, leave us a message on our facebook page or send us an email.

Message from the Owner:



Is it Spring?...

...or is it still winter? With this latest storm that came through over the weekend, I'm really not sure, LOL. My daffodils were starting to bloom and all the spring flowers were showing signs of getting ready to bring color to the surrounding area. Now they are struggling with the cold temperatures and all the white stuff that landed on them to even stay upright. Soon though, they will be picture perfect again and welcoming the spring-like weather.

Pictures are great story tellers though. And the story they told from this latest storm the first weekend in April, was that I was one of those crazy runners who battled the storm head on while running in a Half Marathon! I knew it was supposed to be cold and a bit snowy, but nothing like what we received. While out on the course, you just dealt with what came your way in the forms of snow, pea-sized hail (sometimes coming sideways), 20mph winds, and roads covered in ice and slush. It didn't seem *that* horrible since I was dressed for the weather, but once I saw the pictures after the race, I couldn't believe what it looked like to all the non-runners. It was no wonder people thought we were all crazy for being out there, willingly!! But that is what happens when you set your mind to a goal and you'll do whatever it takes to achieve it. With all the training that gets done, throwing it away due to some snow wasn't an option for most of us. And, there was a shiny new medal waiting for all that crossed the finish line (while covered in snow and ice) to show off their accomplishment that day. Who doesn't love shiny things!! I even remembered to grab a newspaper the day after, so I could cut out the article about the conditions to add to my race scrapbook, not that the pictures aren't proof enough of our craziness ☺. I'm looking forward to documenting this race, especially since my son joined me (proving that crazy runs in our family) and completed his first Half Marathon.

So enjoy your accomplishments, both crazy and no-so-crazy, and don't forget to take pictures to document them!!

Karen

Co-Owner
Crop N Time Scrapbooking Events

Tips & Techniques ~Scrapbook Paper Pocket Envelopes

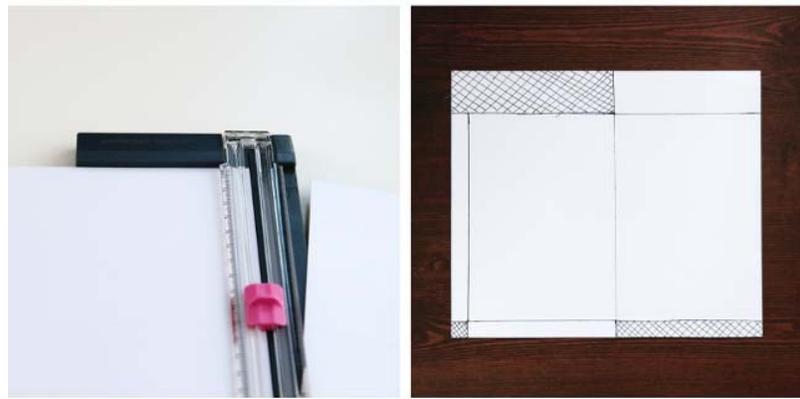
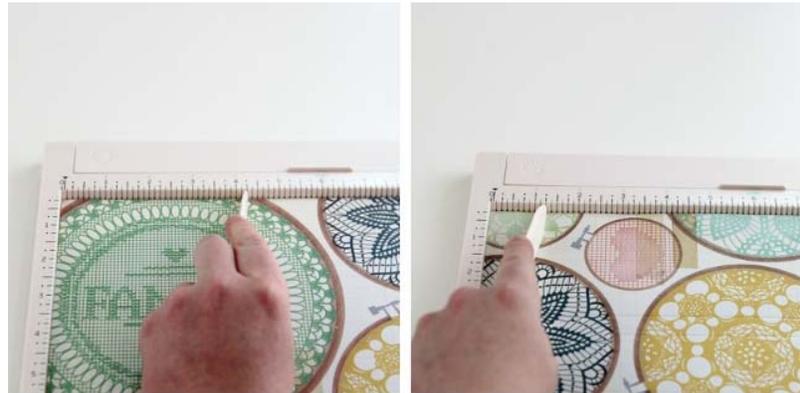
Courtesy of www.gatheringbeauty.com



These pocket envelopes measure 4.25 inches x 6 inches. They are sized to hold a standard postcard or 4x6 photograph. You can use them as envelopes or pockets. Add them to a scrapbook page or journal and store loose notes or photos in them by gluing a couple to your album pages or the inside of your journal.

Things you'll need to make your own DIY Scrapbook Paper Pocket Envelopes:

- *Scrapbook paper
- *Score board
- *Bone folder
- *Paper trimmer
- *Scissors
- *Double-sided tape



1. Using either a score board or an embossing tool and a steel ruler score your paper at 4 and 2/8 inches (10.8 cm), 8 and 4/8 inches (21.6 cm) and 9 inches (22.8 cm).

2. Rotate your paper 90 degrees counter-clockwise and score at 1-2/8" (3.2 cm), 7-2/8" (18.4 cm) and 7-6/8" (19.7 cm).

3. Trim your paper on the 9" and 7-6/8" score lines.

4. Your paper should now look like the second square down on the right. You need to cut away the shaded areas to form the tabs.

5. Cut notches into the end of each tab. The deeper tab at the top will form the opening flap of your envelope. If you want you can round the edges using either a corner punch or just by tracing around something. I used some washi tape and cut it by hand.

6. Fold and along your score lines. If you want you can use a bone folder to get a crisper edge.

7. Stick some double-sided tape to the 2 smaller tabs, fold your paper and stick down to form your pocket envelope.



Connie's Challenge Corner

Challenge: Lots of Letters

Letter stamps and stickers can be fun for titles and journaling. But what about the leftover letters? I don't know about you, but I haven't yet found a set with enough t's, e's, or r's. This means I have leftover letters. In the spirit of cleaning out, use them on a layout!



Challenge:

Use letters – lots of them – as an embellishment! In addition, add in squares and purple or blue.

Go for it, use a page map from this newsletter and double up! I can't wait to see what you create!

Connie

<http://scrapstories.blogspot.com/>

Layout/Sketch ideas

Do you ever find yourself in a design slump? It's so easy to use the same layouts over and over as they seem to fit your pictures. Why not make your pictures fit a new layout? Here are some ideas for new layout ideas that can help bring some life back into your albums!!

If you complete these layouts before or during our next crop event and show us, you will earn raffle tickets for each new layout to do! Isn't that just fabulous? Don't forget to bring those layouts you complete before the crop with you to get the credit for them as well. They could just win you a fantastic prize from one of our preferred vendors or even that Grand prize basket at the next crop!



Even if you don't use this size album, you can always scraplift ideas that will work for your own project!

We love seeing how each one of you interprets these sketch ideas into your own pages!
Happy Creating ☺

Vendor Notes: This month we feature our Stampin' Up Rep *Debbie!*

Hello crafters,

Well it's April and there is snow on the ground (insert sad face here). The only advantage to cold and snow is the really good excuse to stay inside and craft or scrapbook or sew. I find myself doing more of those things in the cold weather – but only for a little while longer until my garden starts to call to me.

Stampin Up has just finished up Sale-A-Bration – the time of year where every \$50 spent earns you a free gift. I know many of you were able to get one or two of these great exclusive products and I hope you are enjoying them.

As Sale-A-Bration ends, it's important to remember that the Spring Occasions catalog is still in full force until the end of May. I have been featuring different product suites at my classes at McDonald's and have enjoyed working with the products that are already bundled and color coordinated – taking the guesswork out of project planning. Stampin Up products are coordinated perfectly together. From our designer series paper, to cardstock, to inks and markers.

So far we have highlighted the product suites "Have a Cuppa" with the most adorable tea cups and tea pots. We used the Botanical Gardens Suite at my last class and had lots of fun with those very intricate and delicate framelits. Now we know all about the Big Shot Die Brush and how useful it is with the framelits.

This month I will feature the "It's My Party" product suite, and show some really cute party favor ideas.



We will wrap up the Occasions catalog time with the "Going Places" suite in May, just in time for graduation party planning.

This month at Crop N Time you will meet another member of the Gladheart Stampers, Elaine Kolts. She is fantastic and you will love her. Please welcome her into the CropNTime family as you have welcomed me and I will see you next time. Remember the third Tuesday of each month at McDonald's in Central Square, we Stamp & Chat at 6:30 PM. Hope to see some of you there on the 19th.



Debbie Billelo, Independent Demonstrator

315.380.8280

[Find Debbie online!](#)

debbie.billelo@gmail.com

Tealightful Notes: Dessert without gaining an ounce!

dessert blends

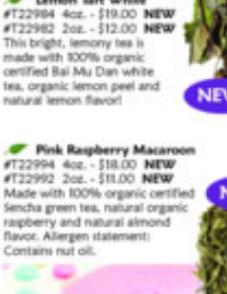
Now you can enjoy your favorite desserts without gaining an ounce! Natural and organic, these teas are hand blended in small batches. Created by our founder & CEO, Charlene Phillips.



Lemon Tart White
#T22984 4oz. - \$19.00 **NEW**
#T22982 2oz. - \$12.00 **NEW**
This bright, lemony tea is made with 100% organic certified Bai Mu Dan white tea, organic lemon peel and natural lemon flavor!



Caramel Vanilla Cupcake
#T23004 4oz. - \$19.00 **NEW**
#T23002 2oz. - \$12.00 **NEW**
Made with 100% organic certified black tea, natural organic caramel flavor and natural vanilla flavor.



Pink Raspberry Macaroon
#T22994 4oz. - \$18.00 **NEW**
#T22992 2oz. - \$11.00 **NEW**
Made with 100% organic certified Sencha green tea, natural organic raspberry and natural almond flavor. Allergen statement: Contains nut oil.



Chocolate Eclair
#T23014 4oz. - \$19.00 **NEW**
#T23012 2oz. - \$12.00 **NEW**
Made with 100% organic certified black tea, natural organic chocolate flavor and white cocoa butter drops. Allergen note: Contains non-fat milk powder.



Sweet treats

Denotes original blends created and blended by Tealightful.

Customer Special save 12%! For the New Organic Dessert Tea Sampler
#T2302 - \$45.00 **NEW**
Includes:
2oz. Chocolate Eclair Black Tea
2oz. Caramel Vanilla Cupcake Black Tea
2oz. Pink Raspberry Macaron Green Tea
2oz. Lemon Tart White Tea
50 All natural paper tea filters.



©2016 Tealightful

Prices effective March 1 through May 31, 2016



If you would like to host a tea party of your own, please contact Rene Schulz at:
www.tealightfultreasures.net/reneschulz
partea.rene@gmail.com
 315.278.7799

Wrapped with a Kiss

Do you love those handmade blankets, hats, scarfs and more, but not much of a hook and yarn person yourself? Wrapped with a Kiss makes custom handmade items just for you! Stop by my shop on facebook to see samples of items that can be made to order. Some of the items you can choose from are hats, scarves, blankets, snuggle buddies and baby bouquets. There are lots of styles and colors to customize to your liking.

Karen will have some samples and items for sale at the next crop event. Stop by and check them out! You may just find that perfect item to give as a gift or even treat yourself ☺

I would love to create something just for you!

Karen

What can I create for you?



Little Bear Beanie

Sizes: Newborn

To place an order, stop by my facebook page or send me an email.

www.facebook.com/wrappedwithakiss

wrappedwithakiss@gmail.com

