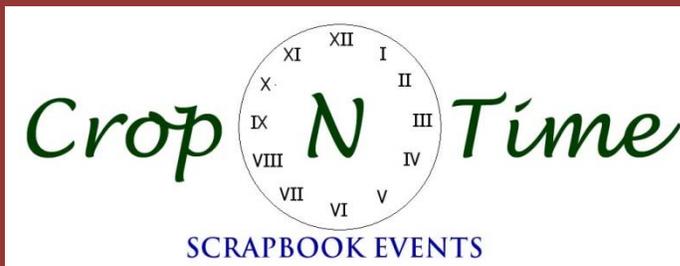


Come Spend Time with us...

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Happy Crop Month!

We love when it's crop month. That means we get to hang out for an entire day with lots of you!! Hopefully you are set and ready for the crop this weekend. If not, you have a few days left to prepare. If you haven't signed up yet, we do have two seats left.....perfect for you and a friend. Let us know if you are interested and we will get you registered. The weather is supposed to be cold, so planning an indoor activity for the day sounds like great plan ☺. We are looking forward to seeing you on Saturday.

Upcoming Crop Event

This **Saturday, February 13, 2016** from 9am to 9pm we will have our first crop event of 2016. 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 creating memories in our albums with the photos/paper that are brought. We enjoy visiting with all of you and can't wait to start our first crop of the year out with a wonderful day. Our amazing group of vendors from Close to My Heart, Stampin' Up!, Tastefully Simple and Kara our wonderful Masseuse will be with us again. 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!

!!!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.

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Message from the Owner:



As I was listening to the radio...

on my way to work and they were discussing a photo challenge that is going on this month. You have to submit a photo with something that is heart shaped. It could be man-made or something that you came across in nature. So you could make a heart shape with your hands and have someone take a picture, or you could go get a heart shaped donut from Dunkin Donuts and take a picture, or you could take a picture of something you come across while out and about that was in the shape of a heart. I wish I had heard of this about a week ago as my oldest son made chocolate chip cookies and when I grabbed one, I found that it ended up being shaped like a heart! Of course I ate it without taking a picture, LOL. That would have made an awesome picture to send in though.

I've also had a heart pop up when I was making tea. I poured the water over my "Happy Heart" Tealightful tea blend and one of the hearts in the mix came to the surface. It was unexpected and a much needed surprise as I needed a smile that day. I did however take a picture of that one, but of course I am unable to locate it at the moment...It's a digital picture somewhere....no longer on my phone...but I will find it at some point and it will make me smile all over again!

If I do happen to come across it I will send it in, but in the meantime, if I see anything in nature or while out and about that resembles any type of shape, I will be taking a picture for sure! It could make a great scrapbook page with the story of how you came across it, or it can even come in handy to win a contest! You just never know.

Have a happy February. Hope something makes you smile when you aren't expecting it!

Karen

Co-Owner
Crop N Time Scrapbooking Events

Tips & Techniques ~Make your own Glue Dots

Courtesy of Becki at <http://www.happycardfactory.com>



Supplies:

- *Aleene's Tack It Over and Over (also good for re-sticking mats and the back of unmounted rubber stamps)
- *Two 4X6 pieces of wax paper or acetone sheets (transparency paper).



Step 1:

Take one sheet of your waxed paper shiny side up. Start squeezing out glue globs to the size you want your dots to be. You can make a few rows of small, medium, large dots and a few lines for ribbons and such. Whatever size you will use is best.



Step 2:

Let dry till they are clear. That will depend on the moisture conditions of your home. If your craft room is in the basement it may take a little longer, about a day/day and a half. Sometimes before they are completely dry, you may add another glob on top of existing ones to add more dimension to the dot. You can get a real good lift that way if needed.



Step 3:

When dry, add the second piece of waxed paper shiny side down and enjoy! A bottle of Aleene's is about \$5.99 at Michaels and if you have a coupon, that brings it down to \$3.59. You can make a whole heck of a lot of glue dots for that price!



Step 4:

Here they are almost dry. As you can see the bigger ones take a little longer, obviously. One thing not recommend is using your heat tool, they will bubble up. It's best to make them a few days before you really need them. Hope this helps all you crafters save some money.

Have fun making your own glue dots! If you show us some homemade dots at the next crop, you will earn some extra raffle tickets.

Connie's Challenge Corner

Challenge: White Challenge

Although it is winter, it hasn't been a very white winter so far. I certainly don't miss the shoveling or the snowy driving, but I do miss the look of the front yard early in the morning when the snow is an unbroken blanket of white. It is this image that inspired this challenge and my page.

A stretch of white on a layout draws attention on the other elements on the page. White space gives your eye a place to rest. White space can be classic, elegant and rich. White space doesn't have to be blank (technically, white space doesn't even have to be 'white'.) On my layout I used white die cut cardstock backed with more white cardstock.



Challenge: To use white space (literally white) on a layout. Use mostly white papers and embellishments to draw attention to one color or set of photos.

Go for it, use a page map from this newsletter and double up!

I can't wait to see what you create!

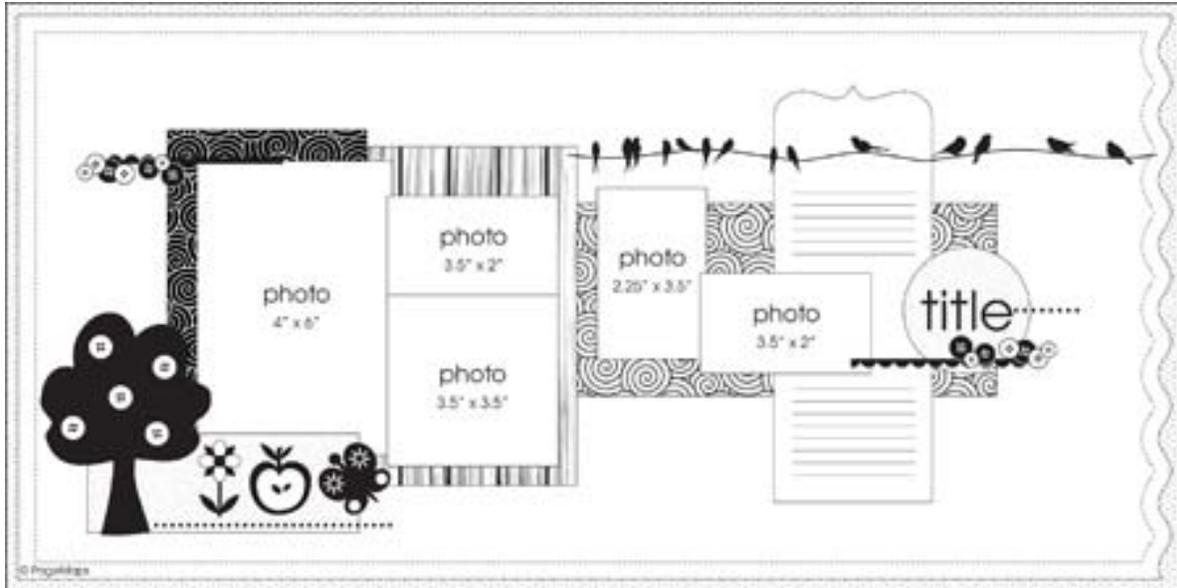
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<http://scrapsstories.blogspot.com/>

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 Close to my Heart Rep **Connie!**

February is a month to share the love!



1. Share the love with a stamp set!
Share the love this February with the exclusive Share the Love stamp set for \$17.95 (CC1060). With your purchase, Close To My Heart will also donate \$7 of the proceeds from this stamp set to Operation Smile™, an amazing organization that provides surgeries to repair cleft lips and palates for children all over the world!

2. Share more love with Operation Smile!
During the month of February, each order you round up and each Share the Love stamp set you purchase earns you one entry toward **\$20 in hostess rewards!**

And if you donate an additional \$1, I'll give you **free shipping!**

3. Share the love with a class!

Sunday, 2/21 - 2-4 PM - Springtime card class - \$15

Join us to create six whimsical cards. All tools available to use. Bring your own scissors and glue if you prefer.

Thursday, 2/18 - 6:30-8:30 PM - Layout Club - \$25 order (or \$10 fee)

Join us to create a two page layout with Charlotte paper! Bring your basic toolkit.

4. Share the love with your friends!

Book a party this month or next month and you and your guests will get to take advantage of all of these Share the Love deals! Choose your date now!

- Monday, 2/8
- Monday, 2/15
- Friday, 2/19
- Monday, 2/21
- Saturday, 2/27

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Tealightful Notes:



Red Hot Host Exclusives

Sweet Scarlet Bundle - 60% off for hosts!

Includes:

1 - 4oz. Chocolate Eclair Tea - Organic!

1 - 24 oz. Sweet Scarlet Teapot

Retail Cost - \$58.50 - TP5250

Host Only - \$25.00 with \$500 tasting.



TP5233 - Sweet Scarlet Teapot

Retail Cost - \$39.50 - TP5233

Host Only - \$15.00 with \$300 tasting.



Free Chocolate Tea

Free For Hosts! - T21402

Hosts receive 1 Free - 2oz. bag of Chocolate Eclair Tea - Made with organic black tea and natural organic flavor!

Customer Bonus!

Product Number - FREECHOCTEA

Free .4oz. sample with a \$25 purchase (Not including tax or shipping)

Chocolate Eclair Tea - Organic!

Available in 2oz. and 4oz.

T23012 - \$12.00 - T23014 - \$19.00



Available February 8, 2016 through February 29, 2016 @ 11:59 PST. Customer Bonus is limited to one per qualifying purchase. Free Host Tea is available with a qualifying \$200 tasting party.



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?



Red Heart Beanie

Sizes: Newborn to Adult

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

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