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Calendar of Events

Hostess Club:

June 1 - D'Arcy

July 1 - Kim

Technique Class:

June 16 - 6:30pm

July 14 - 6:30pm

Private Workshop:

June 29 - 1:00 pm

Bunco Stampin' Up! Style:

July 6 - 5:00 pm

Stampin' Up!'s 20th Anniversary Convention through August 2nd - Yep - I'm going!!

Dates to Remember:

June 15 - Retired Stamp Sets announcement

June 30 - Mini Collection expires

July 21 - Retired Accessories announcement

Visit my website for class & event descriptions and reserve your spot!

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June 2008 Newsletter



fresh
making the cut!

Customers:

When you purchase this die-cut, sneak peek Fresh Cut stamp set during the month of June, you can add the coordinating Fresh Cut Notes* for just \$5!!!

Hostesses:

When you host a \$400 workshop during June, you will receive the Fresh Cut stamp set and coordinating Fresh Cut Notes FREE*! This is in addition to all of your regular hostess benefits – an over \$30 value!!!

* Fresh Cut Notes include 15 4"x4" laser-cut note cards with envelopes. Fresh Cut stamp set is item # 111634. Fresh Cut Notes is item #111882.

The Corkboard:

Utilize these tips:

Use a piece of dental floss to lift a piece of cardstock that adhered incorrectly with the tape runner. Just slide the floss underneath and move the floss back and forth until it's loose. Use Stampin' Up!'s adhesive remover to "erase" any leftover adhesive.

After mounting stamp sets, wipe off sticky residue from your scissors with a used dryer sheet. Please be careful of the sharp blades!

I'm looking for Marker Club participants!

This is a fantastic way to get all 48 marker colors, plus a whole lot more, over a 4 month period of time!

For details, please visit www.mycreativecorner.com "Stampin' Up!" page

Remember, Stampin' Up changed the last day to order from the 2008 Occasions Mini Collection. The new date is now June 30th.

Also, the Spring-Summer Collection is extended to August 10th. Orders from the new Fall-Winter catalog will begin on August 11th.

The 2007-2008 In Colors will retire on August 10th. Start stocking up on your favorites!

Stampin' Up! listened to our suggestions! They moved up the **announcement date for retiring stamp sets to June 15th!** The retiring accessories list will be revealed July 21st. This gives us plenty of time to finalize our Spring-Summer Collection wishlists & order those must-have items before August 10th!

Technique Spotlight

Sponging is one of my favorite techniques. It adds such depth and dimension, and can make an ordinary project extraordinary. The key to developing a good sponge technique is learning to apply it with a light hand. The key to having a great sponged card overall is blend, blend, blend! Make the color move from one color to the next without an obvious change. A few other tips:

- Wash the sponges first in mild soap and rinse well with water to remove any manufacturer's residue from the sponges.
- Sometimes it's hard to get enough good ink coverage on your sponge. Try slightly dampening your sponge first – wet with water, squeeze the water out and roll the sponge in a paper towel. You want your sponge just slightly damp.
- Start at the edge of cardstock and swipe or tap toward the center. This way, it's darker on the edges and gradually becomes lighter as the ink is used up.
- ~~With multiple inks, always start with the lightest color and end with the darkest.~~
- Practice, practice, practice!

Here's some samples -

Stamps – Infinite Goodness, Canvas background

Paper – white, Barely Banana, Mellow Moss

Inks – Black, Pretty in Pink, Mellow Moss, Barely Banana

Accessories – aquapainter, sponge daubers, word window punch, popdots, ribbon, sewing machine, computer/printer generated sentiment

The cardbase edges were sponged, and the pears were water-colored with Mellow Moss and Barely Banana ink, then sponged with pink highlights.



Stamps – Lovely as a Tree, Sincere Salutations

Paper – So Saffron, More Mustard, white black

Inks – So Saffron, More Mustard, Really Rust, black

Accessories – white gel pen, post-it notes, sponges, cutter kit, photo corner punch

The background above the snow was sponged with the inks mentioned above (without the black, of course!). Don't forget the tip - start with the lightest color and end with the darkest color.

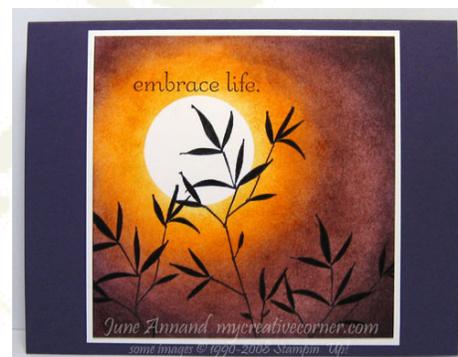
Stamps – Embrace Life

Paper – white, Elegant Eggplant

Inks – So Saffron, Pumpkin Pie, Bravo Burgundy, Elegant Eggplant, black

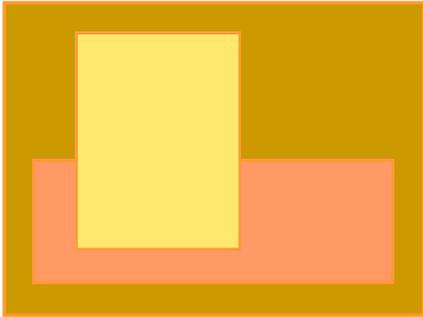
Accessories – 1 3/8 inch circle punch, sponges, black pen, post-it notes

The sun was punched from a post-it note and used as a mask while the sponged sky was applied. The leaf images were colored in with a black pen after stamping.



Monthly Challenge

This month's challenge is a sketch challenge. Here's a layout that can be used over and over. Try rotating it so it's vertical, or flip it so it's upside down or backwards – I think you can have a lot of fun with this one!



Stamps - True Friend, Paisley & Canvas backgrounds

Paper - white, black

Inks - black

Accessories - brads, brayer, ribbon, crystal rhinestone for flower center

THE LIGHTER SIDE:

Have manufacturer's carried consumer warnings to the extreme?

Tesco's Tiramisu Dessert:	Do not turn upside down (printed on bottom of box)
Nytol (sleep aid):	Warning: may cause drowsiness
Sainsbury's Peanuts:	Warning: contains nuts
Chainsaw:	Do not attempt to stop chain with your hands
Sunmaid Raisins:	Why not try tossing over your breakfast cereal?
American Airlines nuts:	Open packet, eat nuts
Christmas lights:	For indoor and outdoor use only
Kitchen knife manufacturer:	Keep out of children

Some final thoughts:

It has been a great pleasure getting to know each of you over the last couple of months. I had no idea when I signed up in February that I would be granted this opportunity to meet such wonderful people! Thank you for helping me build my business and making it a very rewarding experience. Please feel free to contact me anytime. Also, if you wish, you can forward this newsletter to your friends and family. If any of them book a workshop with me, you will receive a FREE classic inkpad in your choice of color when their workshop closes as a thank-you gift. I encourage you to schedule your own workshop and take advantage of ALL the hostess benefits for yourself!!

With kind regards,

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