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celebrating milestones

Scrapbook & Cards Today is celebrating its 50th issue, and we're excited to reach this big milestone! If you think about it, our scrapbooking, card making, and papercrafting is often centered around big life events. In this issue, we're sharing awesome ideas to make those important moments extra special.

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What are some different ideas for celebrating significant life milestones?



celebrate engagements

The design inspiration for Virginia's layout comes from the random thoughts of happiness and joy surrounding this special occasion. She was inspired to string hearts across the page to tuck and place embellishment clusters and photos in a youthful and carefree pattern. The muted, yet sophisticated background adds an air of class to this important event. **DESIGN TIP: Create a tone-on-tone** background so that the photos and embellishment clusters can shine.

incredibly happy

BY VIRGINIA NEBEL

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER, EPHEMERA, STICKERS, TAGS, TASSELS, WOOD BUTTONS: Pinkfresh Studio; ELECTRONIC CUT FILE: Silhouette America; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

DESIGN TIP: Choose short words in large letters for

your title, and you might find a clever spot for another photo. Anya used the o in love as the perfect photo frame.



celebrate weddings

Weddings are such a joy to scrapbook! Everyone looks their very best, and the bride and groom radiate happiness. Perhaps you started scrapbooking after you returned from your honeymoon? Create a double-page spread like Anya did to capture the magic.

love

BY ANYA LUNCHENKO

supplies CARDSTOCK: Carta Bella; PATTERNED PAPER: DCWV, My Mind's Eye; STICKERS: My Mind's Eye; BRADS: Echo Park Paper; ENAMEL DOTS: Doodlebug Design; DIES: Echo Park Paper, Spellbinders; ADHESIVE: GlueDots, Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L



celebrate babies

Melissa's soft card is layered up in all kinds of pastel sweetness for baby. The flowers and intricate frame give a delicacy to her card, perfect for welcoming a new little one into the world. So much beautiful texture!

DESIGN TIP: When layering on a card,

remember to have some patterned layers and some plain layers so that the details can be seen. While there are lots of beautiful elements on Melissa's card, the yellow portion allows the eye to rest and take it all in.

sweet pea

BY MELISSA PHILLIPS

supplies CARDSTOCK, PATTERNED PAPER, STICKERS: Creative Memories; TRIM: Martha Stewart Crafts; DIES: Spellbinders; CORNER ROUNDER PUNCH: EK Success; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L



celebrate anniversaries

Ten years together is a pretty big deal,

so create an amazing rolled-paper heart and add your favourite photo of you and your significant other. Paige's handwritten journaling adds a sweetness to this beautiful masterpiece!

DESIGN TIP: Let your title curve with large shapes in your layouts! The title somehow has an extra punch of va-vavoom as it curves upward along the edge of the commanding and impressive heart. And the flowers below the title seem to say, "Look how pretty I am!"

10th anniversary

BY PAIGE EVANS

supplies PATTERNED PAPER, CHIPBOARD, DIE CUT SHAPES, JOURNALING CARD, LETTER STICKERS, STICKERS: Pink Paislee; ELECTRONIC CUT FILE: Silhouette America; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

celebrate school

That first day of kindergarten is an important and life-changing moment...

for mom! Take time to remember those important steps in your child's life as they head off to kindergarten, to middle school, to college, to their very first job. As Stacy says in her journaling, "Know this: no matter how old you get..., you will always be my little girl."

DESIGN TIP: The right side of Stacy's layout is a clever play on her daughter's

backpack. Get too matchy, and the photo and journaling will be lost. Stacy pulls it off with the neutral grass and sidewalk that dominate twothirds of her adorable layout.

know this

BY STACY COHEN

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER, DIE CUT SHAPES, LETTER STICKERS: American Crafts; FLOWERS: Prima Marketing; GEMS: Queen & Co, Swarovski; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Therm O Web; OTHER: Embroidery floss, jeweled button, lace



DESIGN TIP: Incorporate shapes that further the theme of your layout. Meghann used enamel shapes and a fun paper clip that further the star theme.



celebrate citizenship

It was a big day in the Andrew household when Meghann's British husband was sworn in as a citizen of the United States! Meghann brings a ton of energy to her celebratory doublepage spread with colourful patterned papers that mirror the excitement of this big day in her husband's life.



american dream

BY MEGHANN ANDREW

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER: American Crafts, Elle's Studio; ENAMEL SHAPES, LETTER STICKERS, PAPER CLIP, STICKERS: American Crafts; ELECTRONIC CUT FILES: Elle's Studio; FONT: Rough Typewriter; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

celebrate career changes

When Sheri's daughter started kindergarten, Sheri realized that time was going too quickly,

and she wanted to savour every second of her children's growing up years. While her new lifestyle included lots of changes and sacrifices, what she got in return was more valuable than money. Stories like this are an important part of who we are, so don't let the opportunity pass you by!

DESIGN TIP: The sweet photos feature Sheri and her cute "colleagues." Allow the smiles to be the focus in the pictures by changing photos to black and white and arranging them in a simple collage.

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BY SHERI REGULY

supplies CARDSTOCK: Bazzill Basics; PATTERNED PAPER: Pinkfresh Studio, Pink Paislee; LETTER STICKERS, STICKERS, WOOD VENEER: Pinkfresh Studio; ENAMEL DOTS: Simple Stories; DIES: My Favorite Things, Sizzix; ELECTRONIC DIE CUT MACHINE: Silhouette America; FONT: Print Clearly; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L, Xyron; OTHER: Punch, cork





celebrate birthdays

A 21st birthday is something to celebrate, and a cute new adult deserves a fun party! Latisha went all out with colourful gift boxes, treats, and a handmade card. Hints of gold and lots of lush silk ribbons give this party tons of panache.

DESIGN TIP: Make creating boxes and bags easy with the right tools! Latisha used punch boards and dies that take the guesswork out of creating 3D papercraft projects.



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BY LATISHA YOAST

supplies CARDSTOCK, TRIM: Lawn Fawn; PATTERNED PAPER, CHIPBOARD, DIE CUT SHAPES, EPHEMERA, ENAMEL DOTS, STICKERS: Echo Park Paper; RIBBON: Papertrey Ink; DIES: Lawn Fawn, Spellbinders; BAG PUNCH BOARD, BOX PUNCH BOARD: We R Memory Keepers; ELECTRONIC DIE CUT MACHINE: Silhouette America; FONT: Typewriter; ADHESIVE: Scrapbook Adhesives by 3L

