Happy April Everyone!

We rocked it in March everyone!! Just as fast as Sale-a-Bration flew by, March passes us by and we roll right into April. We're just cruising along stamping and 'bee'ing happy! Thank you again to all of you for your support this last month! Because of you I met two goals last month and reached some crazy milestones personally and with the team. I appreciate the in person and online support! The past quarter has truly been phenomenal. We definitely crafted and created a lot here in the Hive and online. We hope that you continue to enjoy the weekly tips and techniques that Kelly and I love sharing with you.

Congratulations to Tammy Steckling for winning the March Monthly Creative Challenge, to Pam Newhauser for winning the Card Class Challenge for March (I have prizes from my stash for both of you), to Kristi Warren for winning the March Newsletter drawing (she won a \$10 gift certificate to use in April and her favorite retiring color is Pretty Peacock), and to many others who have won the cards I make during my online classes!

The Mystery Card Night drawing was held on April 1st – congrats to Carolyn Dennstedt, Laura Johnson, and Genevieve Duchesne. The Top Fan drawing was also held, and the winners were Cathy Cornia and Jean Maxwell. Don't forget....if you're in the VIP club, I'm doing a give-away for those that share the video showcasing the April classes. The give-away is for a half off bundle called Hydrangea Haven. The winner will be announced during the FB Live on the 16th. Please reach out to me if you're on my team or placed an order with me in the last 6 months and you're not in the VIP group. I would love to add vou.

Upcoming Classes – I'd love for you to join in for some stamping fun! Stamping with ME = FUN

Please RSVP to me as soon as you know you're going to attend class, so I can plan the number of kits to prepare for class and ensure there is space and a set of kits for vou.

I have Facebook Live Online classes on Thursday nights....and some Monday nights...and some Friday nights for those not ready to venture out yet and if you aren't local....I'd love for you to join me live or catch the replay. Please RSVP for online classes if you want to make the cards along with me.

Email chrismbertram@msn.com, call / text to 920-960-4390 or pop me a FB message. You can see my whole schedule online at cardsbychrisb.com in the newsletters link. Please note that the amounts shown below for class fees are if paid with cash or check at class. There's a lot coming up this month.

MONTHLY CLASSES – 3 Cards

In Person Cost - \$12 or FREE w/\$20 min order at class Online - FREE; Want kits? Porch Pickup \$12 or FREE with a \$20 min order **OR** Mailed \$17 or FREE with a \$35 min order Monthly Card Making Class April

4/14 (W) - In Person - CBCS - 6 - 8:30 pm 4/17 (SA) - In Person - CBCS - 10 am - 12:30 pm

4/15 (TH) - Online - 6 pm cst - RSVP by 4/9 for To Go Kits

FEATURED SUITE/BUNDLE CLASSES – 4 Cards

In Person Cost - \$15 or FREE w/\$25 min order at class Online - FREE; Want Kits? Porch Pick Up \$15 or FREE with a \$25 min order OR Mailed \$20 or FREE with a \$40 min

Hydrangea Hill Card Class* - MC pages 18-20 4/17 (SA) - In Person - CBCS - 1:30 - 4 pm

4/21 (W) - In Person - CBCS - 6 - 8:30 pm

4/22 (TH) - Online - 6 pm cst - RSVP by 4/16 for To Go kits

FEATURED BUNDLE CLASSES PROMOTION

*Order the Hydrangea Haven Bundle by 4/12 (\$52 + S&T) and attend any of the 3 classes for FREE plus receive the Pastel Pearls (value \$6.50) for FREE - The Bundle cannot be purchased as part of another class' fee to receive the card class and Pearls for FREE.

INK, PAPER, STAMPS ONLINE CARD CLASSES

4 Cards - Online - FREE; Want Kits? Porch Pick Up \$25 or Mailed \$30 – includes goody bag valued at ~\$13-\$15 **Butterfly Brilliance Online Card Class** 4/9 (F) - Online - 5 pm cst - FULL

Lucky Hand - In Person - CBCS - Make 4 Cards & Play 5 Games 4/7 (W) - 6 - 8:30 pm - Cost: \$32 - In Person - FULL Stampin' Game Night and Card Workshop - Online - Make 4 Cards & Play 5 Games 4/8 (TH) - 6 - 8:30 pm cst - Cost: \$32 PP - FULL

GAMES AND PRIZES

CLUB CLASSES - In Person

4/12 (M) - 6:15 pm 6/14 (M) - 6:15 pm 5/10 (M) - 6:15 pm 7/12 (M) - 6:15 pm

8/9 (M) - 6:15 pm

MYSTERY CARD CLASSES

8/23 (M)

Let's get creative together!! I provide what materials you need ahead of time for you to make a cool card the night of class. Online - 6 pm cst - FREE!

4/26 (M) 6/21 (M)

5/20 (TH) 7/19 (M)

PAPER PUMPKIN CLASSES

FREE or subscribe by the 10th of the month to have your kit to make along with me. Paper pumpkin can be purchased as a prepaid code or via monthly subscription; Cost ~\$24 w/S&T Online - 6 pm cst - FREE!

4/29 (TH) – April Kit 5/27 (TH) - May Kit

6/28 (M) - June Kit 7/29 (TH) - July Kit

EXTRAS IN APRIL

Stampartus 101 Class - 4/5 (M) Online - FREE; Want kits? Porch Pickup \$12 or FREE with a \$20 min order OR Mailed \$17 or FREE with a \$35 min order - FULL

Spring Catty Last Chance Live - 4/16 (F) - Online - 5 pm cst MS Card Making Benefit - 4/24 (SA) - 5 Cards - Free with a minimum \$25 donation (\$30 if mailed) - RSVP by 4/14

In Color Retirement Bash & Card Class - 5 Cards

In Person Cost: \$15 or FREE w/\$25 minimum order at class 4/28 (W) - In Person - CBCS - 6 - 8:30 pm

4/30 (F) - Online - 5 pm cst - FREE; Want kits? Porch Pick Up \$15

or FREE with a \$25 min order OR Mailed \$20 or FREE with a \$40

min - RSVP by 4/23 for To Go kits

BEE HAPPY STAMPERS TEAM EVENTS

Silverbration Celebration - 4/18 (SU) - 4 - 6 pm cst - by invitation only for qualifying team members

New Annual Catalog, June-August Class Schedule, and Scavenger Hunts



The new Annual Catalog goes live Tuesday, May 4th and I hope that you will love it as much as I do after the first couple passes. I ordered catalogs for my current customers and plan to start mailing them out to non-local peeps around April 9th. They will be available for pickup to the local peeps around the 9th as well. I'll be reaching out to those local peeps once they are ready for pick up.

I have the June through August Class Schedule pretty much set....remember, it's not set in stone because things can come up. Use it as a quide to plan what you want to attend. I always send an email, a reminder, and usually a last call for each class. I also create a FB event for each class and the master of all truth for classes lies in the calendar of events on the cardsbychrisb.com website. Always RSVP with me in case a time/day/location happens to change so I can get in touch with you and you aren't left in the dark.

The Annual Catalog Scavenger Hunt is available and attached in this email. It is due to me by May 31st. Keep it handy until you receive your new catalog.

The Annual Catalog goes live a month earlier than normal, but the Catalog Launch parties are still slated for June because of the Incentive Trip to Hawaii which takes place the last half of May. The Catalog Launch Party will be in conjunction with a Fun Folds Card Class.

2019-2021 IN COLORS WILL BE RETIRING

It is sad to think that some of our favorite colors will be retiring on or before May 3rd. They are Pretty Peacock, Rococo Rose, Seaside Spray, Purple Posy, and Terracotta Tile...in no particular order, but by my favorite to least. You need to think about what you want to get before they are gone. I promise that every year the ink refills and the cardstock sell out before the Annual Catalog is done. Start adding these items to your next orders so you're not sad when you miss out. We'll be celebrating these colors at the In Color Retirement Classes set for April 28th and 30th.

Paper Pumpkin April 2021 - So Cool



So, what makes the April Paper Pumpkin kit So Cool? This vivid, summer-inspired kit includes two full sticker sheets and all supplies needed to make 12 fun-shaped cards with matching envelopes. But, even more cool: it's the first Paper Pumpkin kit designed with kids in mind!

Those with kiddos close at heart, such as children or grandchildren, will want to take advantage of this opportunity to subscribe now. Check out the <u>So Cool video</u>, so you can see for yourself—this kit offers the perfect way to engage little ones and spark their imagination while introducing them to the fun of papercrafting.

So Cool by Paper Pumpkin is the fresh, versatile, and fun taste of summer that stampers of all ages will want to savor. Keep reading to learn more!

Kit includes enough supplies to make 12 fresh, fun-shaped cards—6 popsicles and 6 blank semicircles to color—and coordinating envelopes. Kit includes card bases, 2 full sticker sheets, decorative die-cut pieces, embellishments, and more.

- Envelope size: 4-1/2" x 5-3/4"
- Coordinating colors: Blackberry Bliss, Bermuda Bay, Bumblebee, Cinnamon Cider, Old Olive, Terracotta Tile
- Coordinates with the Ice Cream Corner Suite from our January

 –June 2021 Mini Catalog.

Subscription Information -

Buy a 1, 3, 6, or 12 month prepaid subscription through me or subscribe at mypaperpumpkin.com/en/?demoid=2127905 and you will receive the April kit.

To Subscribe - Click above OR - you can get a 1 month, 3 month, 6 month, or 12 month prepaid subscription in my store HERE (save money on 3, 6, and 12 month subscriptions)

Join me live on Thursday, April 29th while we put some of the kit together and make alternative projects.

Note: Supplies may be limited toward the end of the subscription period.

In Color Club Starting in May

Want to get the new 2021-2023 In Colors on a budget? I have the perfect thing for you.... a 5-month club with 5 members at \$50 per month for Porch Pickup starting in May. Each month members receive all the following in one of each new In Colors:

- 1 Ink Pad value \$7.50
- 1 Ink Refill value \$3.75
- 1 Pack of Cardstock value \$8.75
- 8 Sheets of 6" x 6" Designer Series Paper \$2.30
- 2 Sheets Shimmer Vellum value \$2

- 1 Roll Ribbon value \$7
- 1 Stampin' Blend value \$9
- 1 Marker value \$3

Each month the **host will receive \$20 in FREE merchandise** of her choice. She'll receive additional host benefits if she adds to her order during her month (extra orders from herself or outside orders from family and friends).

Hostesses will also receive a FREE pack of 2021-2023 In Color Square Gems the month she is hostess!

Extra host orders and Stampin' Rewards item selections are due to me by the **1**st of each month. Orders will be placed within the first days of the month and will be available by the **10**th for pick up.

Not local to do porch pick up, but interested? Reach out and we'll see how we can make a mail option work.

2021-2022 Annual Catalog Product Shares – Ala Cart Options with Mail or Porch

Pickup



What a great way to get it ALL without having to buy it ALL. Whether you are a customer or a Stampin' Up! demonstrator/discount shopper, this share will help you with your crafting and creating. Get a sampling of almost everything (except the gold leafing and sequins for everything) when you sign up for the product share. I'm doing this product share a little different than the last one because there is so much in the new annual catalog.

There are 6 ala cart options including: papers, new ribbons, new embellishments, carryover ribbons, carryover embellishments, and packaging. Choose one or get all of them. Each option has its own price and you will be able to add them to your cart.

Once we have all the specifics finalized, I will send an email and share it on Facebook. Registration for the product share can be made via cardsbychrisb.com and paid via credit card or directly through me via email and payment can be made via PayPal F/F, Venmo, Zelle, Facebook Pay. There is a small cash discount for payments made other than via credit card.

MS Card Making Benefit

Make 5 all occasion cards for a minimum \$25 donation (contact Christine if you would like to make a bigger donation).

Register by April 14th with payment. RSVP to (920) 960-4390 to pay via cash or check RSVP to www.cardsbychrisb.com/events to pay via credit card.

Can't make it? You will still receive 5 made cards with your donation if you are unable to attend - choose the MAILED option for an extra \$5.

You can find all the details for the event at https://www.cardsbychrisb.com/events/ms-card-making-benefit-april-2021

Come out and support the cause | Raffles and Silent Auction

Customer Swap Group

The customer swap group is in full swing and they are loving it. There are about 15 swapping now. Since it is a month to month swap, anyone can join in the fun at any time. All you need to do is let me know you're interested, and I'll add you to the Facebook group for this group. They're already working on the cards for April, but you can always get in for the May cards.

Bow Makers

I just got 30 more bow makers in...yay! They are \$5 each plus shipping which is usually \$4 for 1 bow maker. Email me if you are interested in getting a bow maker. I can always add one to a package of card kits going out and save you a little on the shipping. To be entered into the Newsletter drawing for April, please let me know that you made it through reading to the end and tell me what you love most about the transition to Spring and warmer weather.

Personalized Stamps

I hope those that have ordered personalized stamps through Kelly are liking them. For those that are interested in ordering any type of personalized stamp, like for the backs of your cards or for your return address on envelopes it isn't too late to order. Kelly is continuously receiving orders for them and orders them once a sheet fills up. You can reach out to her directly via email at lamb101715@gmail.com if you would like to see what is available or if you would like something special designed. You don't need to include me in the correspondence....this is her baby now.

Kelly put together some standard options and she can send them to you via email. Just pop her an email asking her to send you what she has to get started. She'll let you know specific pricing, but most are around \$12.

Gift Certificates Are Always Available

Looking for the perfect gift for your crafty friend or family member?? Is someone looking for something to buy you for your birthday? Stampin' Up! makes the perfect gift. Let them know that I sell gift certificates and now they can be purchased directly from my online store (cardsbychrisb.com) or by contacting me directly. I can also coordinate the shopping part if they would prefer you open a gift. I'm here to help make it easy to give you the perfect gift! Gift certificates or class passes are always fun to get and use!

Facebook Notifications

If you like my page and are not seeing posts in your newsfeed, then you should check your settings to ensure notifications are turned **on** and that your setting is set to **standard** and **not** highlights. Some even set the default to **see first,** then you are guaranteed to see my stuff and that is amazing when the clearance rack is updated.

Visit My Blog at www.cardsbychrisb.com for more details and pictures of cards for upcoming classes.

You'll find all the current catalogs, events, and host code at cardsbychrisb.com.

I think that's it for now.....I hope you were as excited to read the news as I was to write it. Thank you so much for your continued support! You are what makes my job so great!

Happy Stamping!!

Christine