



The Scrapbook Sentinel

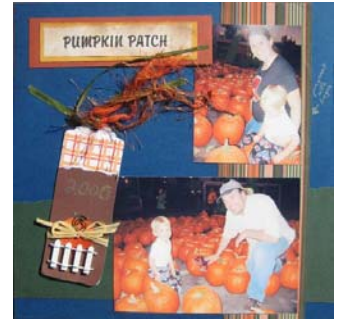
A Free Newsletter For The Friends of: **Imagine That! Scrapbooks & Gifts**

"There are three things I have learned never to discuss with people: religion, politics and the Great Pumpkin."
Linus, It's The Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown

Going Beyond Your Basic Bow: Fuzzy Fluffy Frilly Fun & Fabulous Fibers

Hey, Girls, GUESS WHAT?! Halloween is almost here! I LOVE Halloween! It's that amazing magical day when children of all ages transform themselves into something new, different, scary, silly, totally other. They flaunt themselves and their new identities throughout their neighborhoods and at parties, and are REWARDED with CANDY for doing so! How cool is that.

Remember? The feeling that you and your little kid life was completed eclipsed by who you had chosen to become. Not just me anymore, but for one whole afternoon, I got to BE a clown, or a bride or a ghost. (The best was always when the adults at the doors actually seemed to be scared at me and my white sheet.)



Halloween is also the perfect chance to transform your pages into a new creation that flaunt a whole new identity.

Yarns and ribbons are fabulous for scrapbooking! They are acid free, soft, easy to work with and they come in a wonderful variety of colors and styles. And they transform your page into something totally new.

You can easily customize scrapbooking fibers and ribbons to your layouts with minimal effort and without having to spend hours on your pages. Use scrapbooking fibers to easily take your pages to the next level.

Embellishing with fibers and ribbons can help add that little extra splash that gives your pages texture, pizzazz and appeal. These qualities will make your projects more fun to create and more interesting to look at when completed.

Fibers and ribbons can be used to make borders, to create lettering, to hang things, to connect things, to draw the eye around the page, to add abstract design elements or to add realism and whimsy to your pages. Just don't try to do it all on one page. Make sure that your use of fibers and ribbons help to tell your story and add pizzazz to your page, rather than clutter it up.

✦ Create a "Picture Frame" on your page, using ribbon or fiber as your "hanger," to hang a charm or each letter of your chipboard or die cut title.

✦ Group 2-3 coordinating colors in different textures together for even more interest. Loop them through the hole at the top of a tag (punch one if you need to), and let them dangle from the top. Next, for continuity, wrap more of those same fibers around the bottom edge of the tag as well.

✦ Punch opposing holes in adjacent pieces of cardstock, and string a fiber back and forth each side. Tie it up at the top like a shoelace.

✦ Small sections of ribbon can be stretched out to line a photo, journaling box or swatch of printed paper. Add even more dimension by taking an additional 2-3" section and tying a knot somewhere along the strip, to make a fabulous fake bow.

✦ With a small safety pin, fasten a bit of ribbon together with one or more embellishments to really punch up a page.



✧Fold several 2-3" sections of ribbon in half, and staple the loop ends to make a row of fringe along the edge of a page or card.



✧Both fibers and ribbons look great looped through button holes.

✧Punch holes in your paper, (or even the scrapbook page itself, and weave your fiber or ribbon down a margin or around a photo.

✧Make a tassel of several long strips tied together near the top. Accent with a small silk flower or other embellishment.

✧Use fibers as balloon strings on a birthday page, as a lion's mane on zoo pages, a lasso on western themed pages, or as spider legs on Halloween pages.

So many ideas! You're not overwhelmed, are you? I hope not, because once you get to know them, fibers and ribbons are just so much fun to use!

If you have never worked with embellishments by the strand before, give it a shot. Just pick ONE of the ideas I gave you, and use it. Either on your next scrapbook page, or even on a card. Have fun with it. Feel the texture of the fiber – silky or rough or knobby – and see how it pulls out the other elements of your page. Notice that wherever you have placed it is now the focal point of your page... Cool! Whatever you want people to look at, now they will! With just one simple embellishment, you have transformed your page into something completely new and different.

Storing your ribbons and fibers is easy when you keep them in one of our many storage solutions- Clear containers, Fiber Cards- Or what about our ribbon organizer by Simply Renee!

Helpful Halloween Costume Ideas for those of us who aren't so big on costumes anymore, but still have to dress up anyway:

Take a 12x12 piece of olive green cardstock and cut out a large letter "P." Zot it to your green colored shirt. Smear black eyeliner or dark eyeshadow around one eye. You are, of course, a Black-Eyed Pea.

Got two friends who don't know what to wear either? Cut out another "P" for each of them. Hook arms as you walk through the door. What are you now? Naturally – Three P's In A Pod.

Welcome New Scrappers!
Judy E, Adrina Z, Amy D, Olivia V, Aubrey R, Angela B, Crystal H, Debbie H, Amy R, Marcella P, Norma M, Cynthia C.

What Else Is Happening?

***New Inventory from CHA has arrived and is on the floor!**

***Our local teacher Sabrina Daniel will be having some great classes.**

***Don't forget we have Emily Smith coming to the store & The Glitz Girlz October 24th & 25th**

***Come check out the bargains with our surprise Grab Bags!**

***October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month**

"When witches go riding, and black cats are seen, the moon laughs and whispers, 'tis near Halloween."
19th century Halloween postcard

Did You Know?



A collection of Halloween Trivia

Halloween was originally called All Hallow`s Eve.

The name "Halloween" originated in Scotland, where the Celtic Feast of the Sun, which marked the end of summer was known as "Hallowe`en."

The ancient Celts thought that spirits and ghosts roamed the countryside on Halloween night, so they began wearing masks and costumes to avoid being recognized as human.

The Celtics would carry a lantern when they walked on the eve of October 31st. These first "jack-o-lanterns" were turnips carved with faces to scare evil spirits away.

Black cats were once thought to protect witches.

The tradition of bobbing for apples came from the Romans.

Orange and black are the colors of Halloween because orange is associated with the fall harvest and black is the color of darkness.

Samhainophobia refers to an abnormal and persistent fear of Halloween. This time of year may also stir up other phobias such as the fear of: cats (ailurophobia), witches (wiccaphobia), ghosts (phasmophobia), spiders (arachnophobia), the dark (nyctophobia), and cemeteries (coimetrophobia).

The world's record for biggest pumpkin is currently held by a gigantic gourd weighing a whopping 1,385 pounds!

Featured Product Of The Month:

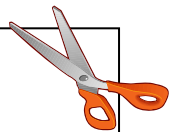
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