

## BettesMakes and Copious Crafts Weekly Newsletter June 24



**My Garden is thirsting for RAIN!** Here is the pacific northwest rain has been fleeting and my garden and others are in constant need of water! How has the weather been in your neck of the woods? I know many places have had challenges and even the lack of rain poses a particular challenge for garden cities such as mine. Don't get me wrong, I love the warm weather and the ability to walk a block and a half down to the beach for a swim and tan but let's face it this is very unusual when you live in a rain forest!

### Are you ready to take that needed vacation?

It is time to take a summer vacation to relax and really get into reading a favorite book or taking in a few movies. My issue has always been the need to see what crafts I can do while not at home. I often take my computer (a notebook), and a lot of paper with scissors and glue where ever I go. Just relaxing is so perfect but my kind of relax is usually exploring a new locale, enjoying local foods, and learning about the crafts of the area. I have picked up so many good ideas while on vacation! I have yet to try and make many of them but I am willing to try over the winter months.

### What am I working on for the remainder of this month?

I have pushed myself into using my Cricut Maker more and more. I started this week with taking my logo into Design Space and making a print then cut file for using iron-on transfer paper. I actually tried a couple of methods before settling in on one that will really work. Now you do not need a Cricut or Easy Press to use iron-n transfers, you can simply print out your design on an ink jet printer, then cut the shape with your scissors, and finally iron-on the transfer to your piece of clothing.



The one thing you must have is a very hot iron - NO STEAM! Generally, you should follow the directions on the package for how long to keep the iron on the transfer.

But, let me tell you a little secret, use parchment paper over the top of the image (after you have removed the backing) so the iron will not stick to your design. I actually created a video on how to do this which I will release next week.

As an add on to this project, I decided to add an iron-on design to a tennis visor. This was a little more difficult as the hat is curved. I had to stuff the visor before applying the decal and putting heat to the surface. A learning curve for sure.



## Have you joined my Facebook Group?

The [Facebook group](#) is a place where you can post all of your projects and enjoy the feedback! It is a place where you can ask questions and suggest new projects to make. I know summertime is often a difficult time to get some space to do any crafting, but if you love it as much as I do, there is always time to sneak some in. Even though I play tennis in the evenings, I could not resist making my own tennis visor!

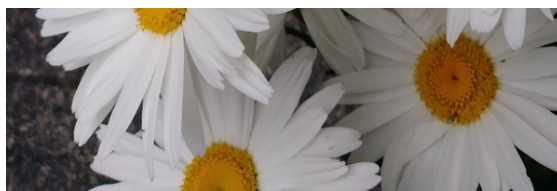
## BettesMakes YouTube Channel

**Could I ask you a favor?** I need to have 100 subscribers in order to rename my channel to [BettesMakes](#). I truly need that subscribe from everyone. I really appreciate the help!

## Color Palette of the Week

**This weeks color palette is the Daisy-** just [click here](#) to see more wonderful red combinations you can use all year long! Here is the image (from a local garden) I used to make this palette. I took this image from my own garden! Daisies are not perfect white but a combination of grays (greys) and mauvs, Who knew?





Any photographers in the group? If you have a photo you would like to have the color palette created for you, send me your image and I would be happy to help you. Simply email me at [bette@bettesmakes.com](mailto:bette@bettesmakes.com) - tell me the story about the image as I would love to share your work! **If you want to keep the image private, DO NOT SEND IT TO ME**

## This week's post

This week i did a video and post about making a cube card! This was a project I had hoped would be easy for everyone and it turned out to be so. All you need for this project is 3 sheets of 8.5 x 11 or 2 sheets of 12 x 12 paper plus washi sheets (or stick on shelf paper), glue, scissors, and some handwriting! Easy and fun for the whole family. The post is here: [Handmade Cards: Making A Cube Card with Ease](#)



## Reminder About the Facebook Group

We now have 76 member in our new group <http://Facebook.com/groups/BettesMakes!>

My blog posts and the links to them are always posted in the group in order for you to have easy access. It is a great place to also add your comments and join in the discussions. The group is also a great place for you to post your makes and ask for opinions. ***The group is a two-way street and in place to help everyone.***

More DIY Paper Flower projects are in the works along with some simple, yet challenging handmade cards. These will be a part of my summer makes for sure.

## Pinterest

**An update on Pinterest** - we now at 2.1 million monthly views (not sure why it went down and the followers went up) with over 1322 followers. If you have not yet

down and the followers went up, with over 1022 followers. If you have not yet followed [BettesMakes](#), [please click here](#) and follow me - many thanks in advance!

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## ***Don't forget to subscribe to my new YouTube Channel***

**<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzMHoceK1XiXi8lyk...>**

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**Do you know anyone who loves to craft** and would benefit from this newsletter and the resource library? Please pass this newsletter on and let us know. We have **a surprise ready for those who have 5 or more people signup in the month of June.**

**This eekend in June is a time to keep active.** Get out and enjoy the fresh air (I hope all of you are in a safe place). Tennis and baseball season is now upon us, time to get out there and stay active! Enjoy the fresh air and find some unique crafts you can share with me.

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**I do hope you are going to have a fantastic weekend! Happy Crafting!**



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Join my Facebook Group: <http://Facebook.com/groups/BettesMakes>

Don't forget to subscribe to my new channel on [YouTube](#) - new videos each week will be posted. Creating videos for my crafts is the best way to add to my step-by-step blog tutorials.

In case you forgot, the password for the resource library is **love**

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**For those of us who love to blog and do crafts**, check out the latest [Pinterest Launch Plan](#) from Jennifer Maker. it is something you do not want to miss. I have been following this religiously for the past two months and I am still in awe at how many monthly views I am getting. As of today we are over 1.8 million monthly views on Pinterest.



Jennifer also has a list building course called [List Love](#) - I am working my way through this program as we speak. As the first program was so successful, I am truly excited about diving into this one as well.

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