

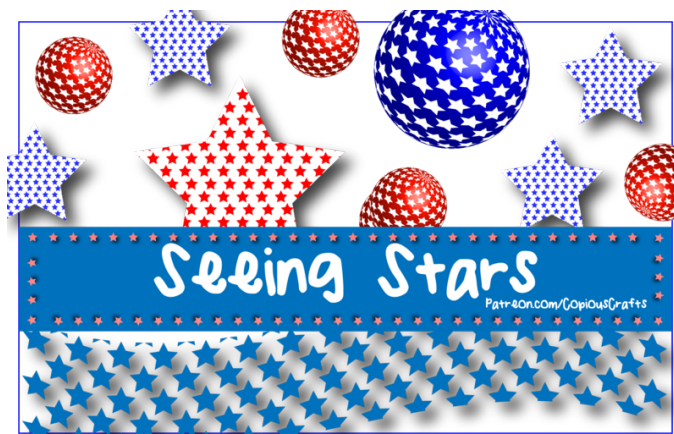
## BettesMakes and Copious Crafts Weekly Newsletter June 29

**Wow the end of June is here!** I hope your June has been filled with a lot of crafting fun! The big news is that Cricut has introduced infusible inks into the crafting world! This ink is going to make a huge change on how we do iron-on projects! Currently, the inks are offered exclusively at Michael's but you can also purchase it online at Cricut. The pricing is identical, however, if you belong to the monthly Cricut program, you can get a 10% discount if you spend over \$50. I also found that a person I follow in the crafting world also has a discount which can be added to the Cricut one. If you want the code just send me an email at [bette@bettesmakes.com](mailto:bette@bettesmakes.com)

### Time to make plans for The July 1st (Canada) and July 4th (USA) long weekend.

Most of us spend time with friends and have parties along with backyard BBQs. There are plenty of crafts you can do to decorate the yard and your house for this time of celebration. I have placed several FREE Stars and Stripes in my [resource library](#) that you can use for your decorating or craft makes. You will absolutely love these patterns.

Here is an example of what you will get:



### My Craft for this Past Week

This past week I have been experimenting with making sunflowers. I have made giant ones that attach to the wall, small ones that fit in a vase, and some decorative ones as well. I also tried different materials to find one that was easy to make and yet looked professional.. I am always striving for that professional look so that you can get those ooohs and aaahs when you create them for yourself.

So far I have found that the crepe-paper sunflower looks the best followed by the giant tissue paper model. The paper craft one was not bad and in fact, I am going to make a video on how to do all 3 so you can choose for yourself.

The biggest challenge for this project has been how to make the center portion of the flower. The tissue paper flower was the easiest with using tissue paper of another color, while the paper one is still a bit of a challenge as I want the flowers to

look somewhat realistic. I actually bought a small round pumice stone in black for the center of one flower (I bought this at a dollar store). I can live with it but the search is still on. If you have any ideas, please email me ([Bette@bettesmakes.com](mailto:Bette@bettesmakes.com))



Which one do you like? It will be fun to make all of these or just one in next week's blog post.

### Have you joined my Facebook Group?

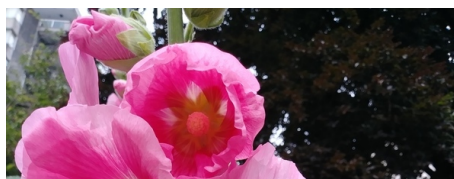
The [Facebook group](#) is a place where you can post all of your projects and enjoy the feedback! It is a place where you can ask questions and suggest new projects to make. I know summertime is often a difficult time to get some space to do any crafting, but if you love it as much as I do, there is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

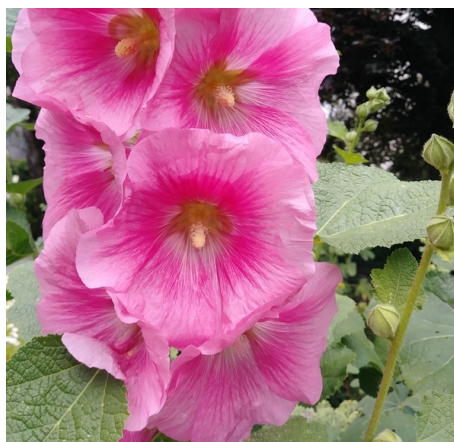
### BettesMakes YouTube Channel

**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 Hollyhock-** just [click here](#) to see these beautiful color palettes - all are from my own images taken over the past few weeks! Here is the image (from a garden across the street) I used to make this palette. The pinks are amazing and when you stare into this flower, you are transported to another world!





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

With my mother-in-law turning 90 this week, it was time to make a special birthday card. I decided that butterflies would be the theme and so I started with a pre-done design and eventually made it my own. There are FREE templates for this make as well. The post is here:



## 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 steady at 2.1 million monthly views with over 1390 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**. There are only a few days left!

**This weekend in June is the end of the month.** Get out and enjoy the fresh air with a backyard BBQ and don't forget to download the [Stars Group](#) files to use in your Canada Day or Independence Day celebrations!

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

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Follow me on Pinterest: <Http://Pinterest.ca/BettesMakes>

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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