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### Laurieann's Note

Hi Fellow Crafters,

Spring has come and Summer is almost over! The year has gone by so fast.

The Bluebonnet Crafters (<http://BluebonnetVillage.com>) have put together another great newsletter full of fun crafts that you can enjoy the rest of the summer.

Don't forget to checkout the Craft Tips below as well as the Classified Ads for great deals of craft items. And please visit our [contriubutors](#) web sites.

Sincerely,

*Laurieann*<sup>TM</sup>



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# Craft Tips

- 1. If you spill your beads on the floor, the easy way to pick them up is to pull a stocking over the end of the vacuum cleaner hose and beads can be sucked up onto it. Works for pins, too.**
- 2. For quiet Kid Craft Classes: Take a bag of lollipops to class with you. When the class gets "chatty" pass them out and tell them to open & stick them in their mouths. It works well for adults too.**
- 3. When working with a few beads dropping them on the sticky side of a lable helps corral them as you work.**



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## Learn To Count With Buttons Wallhanging

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fabric paint with small spout

## Materials:

**Suggested Button Styles**  
**1 Package Numbers 1-10**  
**#6511**

**Ball: #23134**

**Trains: #24883 #93239**

**Fish: #20045 #20046 #57043**

**Balloons: #22452 #22455**  
**#22459 #95209**

**Fruit: #90324 #90325 #92582**  
**#92824 #92842**

**Dogs: #20035 #20707 #23483**  
**#92964 #94738 #95005**

**Rabbits: #20590 #21076**  
**#21079 #21115 #22446**  
**#24793 #94970**

**Cats: #20306 #22626 #90628**  
**#94932 #94979 #95006**  
**#95067 #95070**

**Teddy Bears: #23071 #25113**  
**#23551 #90686 #22296**  
**#88004 #92968 #24680**  
**#25114**

**Hearts: #20150 #20151**  
**#20651 #20652 #22330**  
**#23330 #23331 #24501**  
**#24961 #24500**

**1/2 yd. (46 cm) Felt for**  
**background ( 10" x 24"**  
**piece)**

**1/4 yd. (23 cm) Felt in**  
**contrasting color (or 9" x**  
**12" Piece)**

**1 yd. (92 cm) Non woven**  
**interfacing**

**12" (30.5 cm) Wooden ruler**  
**or dowel**

**24" (61 cm) Leather lacing**  
**or cording**

**1 Bottle contrasting color**

**1 (4 Yard) Package of contrasting color rick rack**  
**1" (2.5 cm) Letter stencil**  
**All purpose glue**

**Instructions:**

- 1. Cut felt background and two layers of nonwoven interfacing (total dimension = 10" (25.5 cm) wide x 24" (61 cm) high) following pattern and tab cutout dimensions.**
- 2. Line up all three pieces (felt and interfacing) with felt on top. Pin all over to keep three pieces together. Fold tabs to back, making sure the ends will be caught into rick rack trim if stitching. Otherwise, glue ends of tabs to top of the back.**
- 3. With a pencil, mark grid for rick rack following pattern above. Sew or glue sections of rick rack on grid...start with middle sections and end with one long piece forming the border. Remove pins.**
- 4. Using the contrasting felt color and stencils, trace and cut out "Learn to Count" letters. Cut ten 1" (2.5 cm) x 1 1/4" (3 cm) rectangles. Glue letters and rectangles down as illustrated.**
- 5. Using fabric paint, draw the rest of lettering (refer to illustration). Let dry for recommended time on paint instructions.**
- 6. Sew on buttons in random placement for each category, catching all three layers.**
- 7. Drill a hole into each end of ruler 1/2" (1.5 cm) in from all edges. Slip ruler through tabs. Pull lacing through holes and tie...or slip dowel through tabs and tie cording onto each end.**

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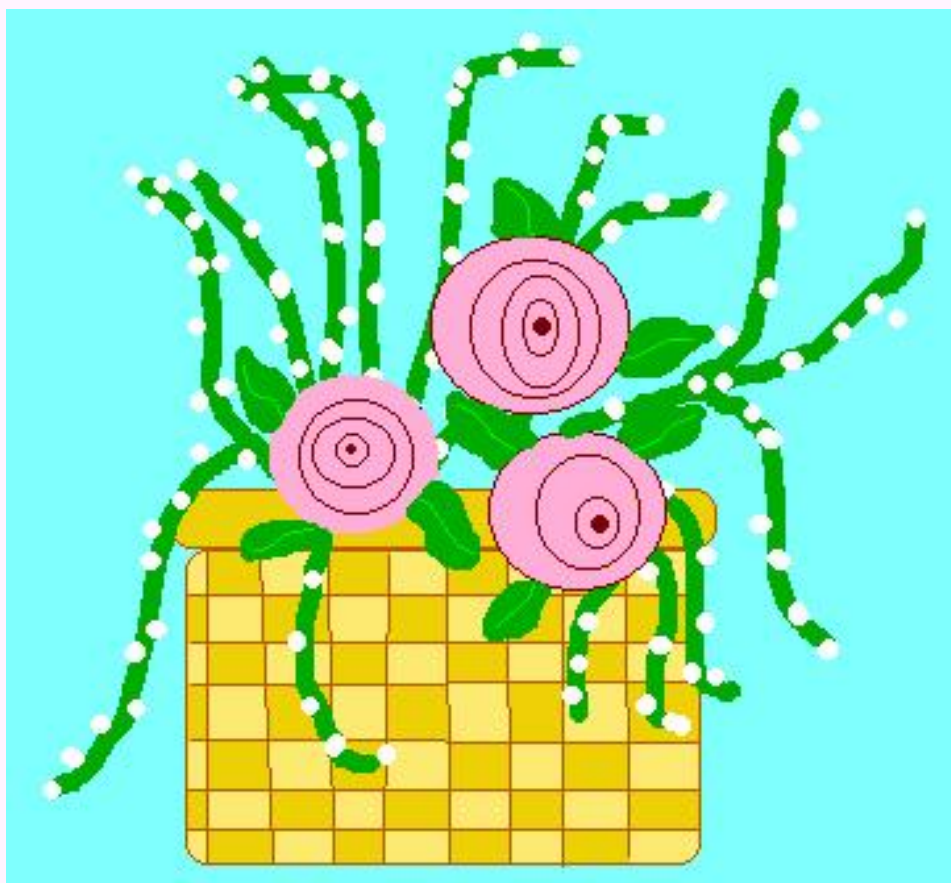
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## Spring into Summer Decoration



### Materials:

- 3 to 5 large silk flowers**
- 15 branches of baby's breath or berries**
- Small half basket**
- Piece of floral foam**
- White craft glue**
- Small amount of Spanish Moss**
- Wire cutter**

## **Instructions:**

**You may use any flowers and branches to make this design, depending on the size of your basket the large flowers could be roses, carnations, magnolias or hibiscus. As long as three flowers make your basket look full. Otherwise add two mor flowers. You want an uneven number and they can be different kinds of flowers for a spring into summer decoration.**

**Place the floral foam in the basket just below the edge of the container. Spread some glue on the foam and cover with Spanish Moss.**

**Looking at the picture arrange the 15 stems of berries or babys breath to follow the shapes shown.**

**Place the three large flowers as shown. Use a a decoration on any door.**

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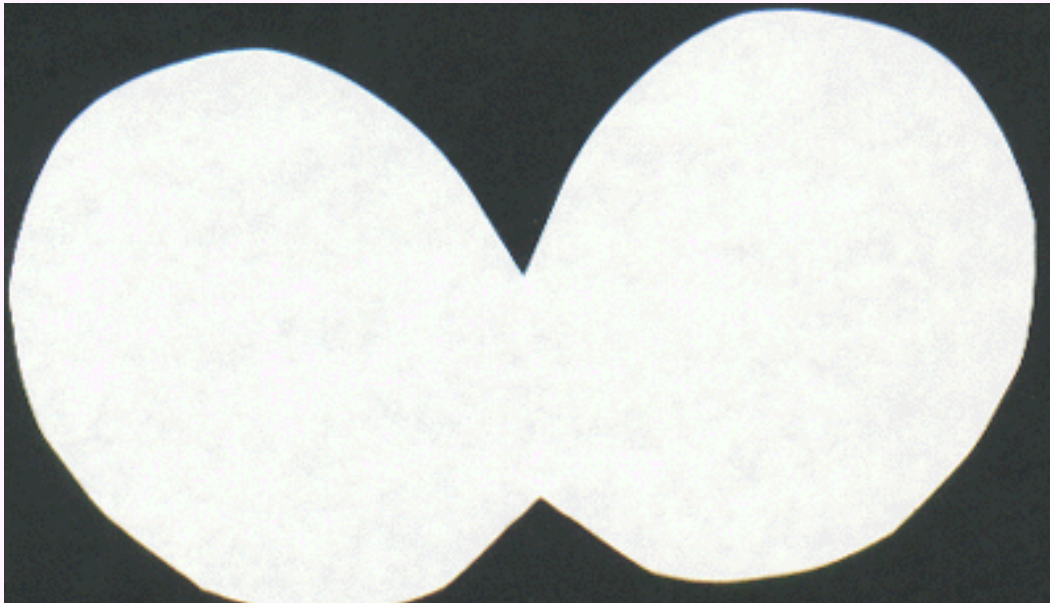
## FlutterBee Pin Doll



### Materials:

**3 1/2" black prestuffed doll**  
**12" yellow 9mm wireless chenille**

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**2 small wiggle eyes or white beads**  
**1 1/2" of black chenille stem**  
**2 black beads 3mm size**  
**Piece of white tulle 3" X 8"**  
**Small amount of fine glitter**  
**White craft glue**  
**Pinback**  
**Needle and thread in yellow and black and a small amount of red floss**



### **Instructions:**

**This would be good as a group project or if you need a number of small gifts or party favors.**

**Using a large needle poke two small holes in the doll head where the antennae belongs. Dip the end of the chenille stem in craft glue and insert it into the hole. Apply glue to the opposite end of each piece of chinells stem and add beads. Glue or stitch the wiggle eyes in place. Stem stitch the mouth with red floss.**

**Begin with the yellow chenille around the neck and wrap the body of the doll with alternating strips of the yellow and black. You can either glue them in place or couch the chenille with your needle and thread.**

**Trace the wing pattern on your tulle and cut out two layers. Stack the wings on top of each other and gather the center of the wings slightly and stitch to the back of your little bee. Add a pinback and it is ready to wear.**

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## Plant Poke



### Materials:

- 4" square or red Fun Foam**
- 5" square of black Fun Foam**
- 1 wooden plant poke or large craft stick**
- 1 black chenille stem**
- 2 black 1/4" pom poms**

**20 black 1/2" pom poms or half inch circles of Fun Foam**

**Scissors**

**White craft glue**

**Pencil and paper  
chalk**

**Instructions:**

**Trace the entire outline of the lady bug picture. This is a template to use as your pattern. Place the template on the black Fun Foam and trace around the outside with the chalk. Cut out along the chalk line**

**Trace the red wings of the ladybug on the red Fun Foam. Cut out the wings. Place them on the black body using the picture as your guide. Lift one wing and spread white craft glue on the under side of that wing. Repeat with the second wing.**

**Fold the chenille stem in half and glue it down the black side of the lady bug, the folded end toward her tail and the 2 straight ends are sticking up past her head about 3/4". Glue one 1/4" pom pom to each cut end and bend the chenille slightly to look like her antennae.**

**Glue the plant poke or craft stick to the back of the lady bug over the chenille stem. This will help to hold the stem to the lady bug and stiffen the foam so your lady bug does not droop. Glue the black 1/2" circles or pom poms on the red wings using the picture as your guide.**

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## Seed Card



### Materials:

- 1 sheet of paper (8 1/2" X 11")**
- Crayons, colored pencils or paints**
- 4 sheets of bathroom tissue**

**Some flower or herb seeds**  
**Planting instructions for the type of seeds used**  
**Water**

**Instructions:**

**Carefully fold the paper in half from top to bottom. Then fold in half again from left to right. You will have a sheet of paper folded in quarters that looks like a card. Draw a picture of the flowers or herbs that will grow from your seeds. Use the picture as your guide. You can write your own message or use the one on the sample.**

**Copy the instructions on your seed package or cut the instructions out and glue them to the back page of your card. Set the card aside for now.**

**Dampen the bathroom tissue and spread it out flat. Place one sheet on top of the other so you have 2 stacks with 2 sheets in each. Sprinkle the seeds sparsely over one stack and cover with the second stack of tissue. Allow to air dry then place in your card with the planting instructions. Place in an addressed, stamped envelope and mail to a friend.**

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## Spring Plate lunch

### Materials:

**Slices of ham, turkey and cheese**  
**Cut pieces of fresh fruit in season**  
**Slices of your favorite bread 2 varieties work well**  
**Carrot sticks, celery sticks, cauliflower pieces and broccoli trees**  
**Purchased or homemade potato salad**  
**Deviled eggs**  
**Cookie cutters in round, flower or other shape of your choice.**  
**Sandwich spread of choice**  
**Rainbow sherbet**

### Instructions:

**Butter one slice white bread with the spread of your choice and layer with sliced meat and or cheese, top with a slice of wheat bread. Using the cookie cutter cut the sandwiches into fancy shapes. A different shape for each filling.**

**Arrange on the individual plates with half a deviled egg, carrot and celery sticks, flowerets of cauliflower and broccoli trees. Add cut pieces of fresh fruit.**

**With a tall glass of iced lemonade or tea with mint sprigs this makes an easy, light and festive lunch.**

**Serve rainbow sherbet for desert.**

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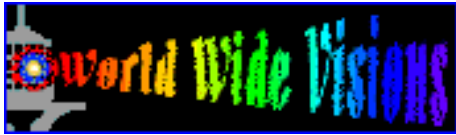
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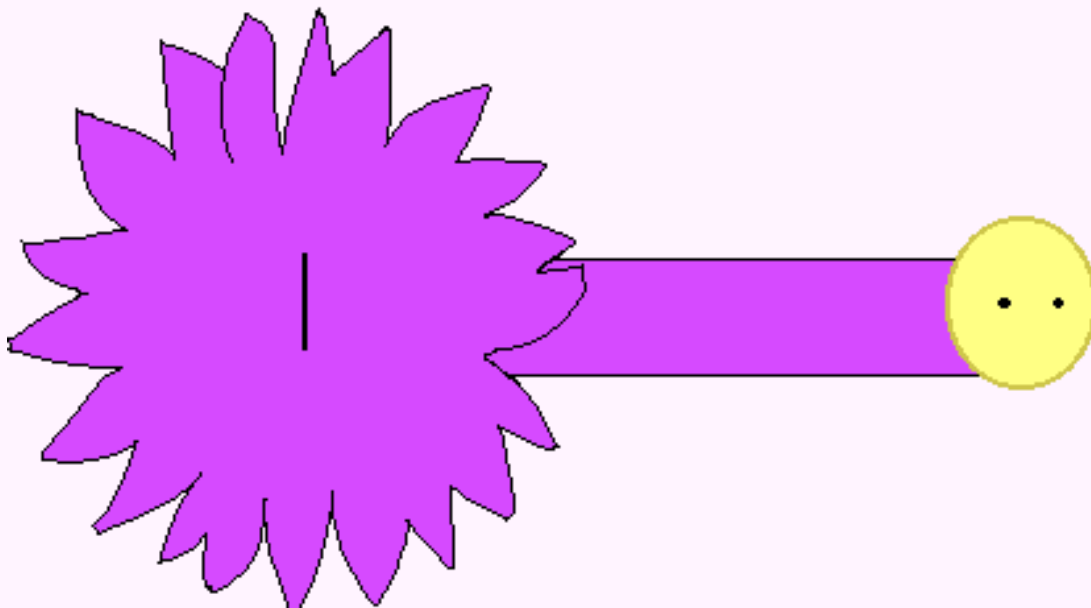
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## Buttoned Flower Napkin Ring



### Materials:

**Piece of felt or Fun Foam 6" X 12", Color of your choice We used purple.  
1 button about 1 1/2" in diameter. Color of your choice We used yellow.**

**Permanent Marker**

**Scissors**

**Needle and thread**

### Instructions:

**Trace the pattern on the felt or Fun Foam with the permanent marker. Cut the long band out up to the flower. Cut around the flower petals being careful to leave the two petals attached to the band.**

**Cut a slit in the center of the flower area the size of your button. .**

**With needle and thread stitch the button to the end of the band. Wrap the band around the folded napkin and button it in place.**

**Option: make the flowers from many colors of felt or foam or match the flowers in the centerpiece for a festive table.**

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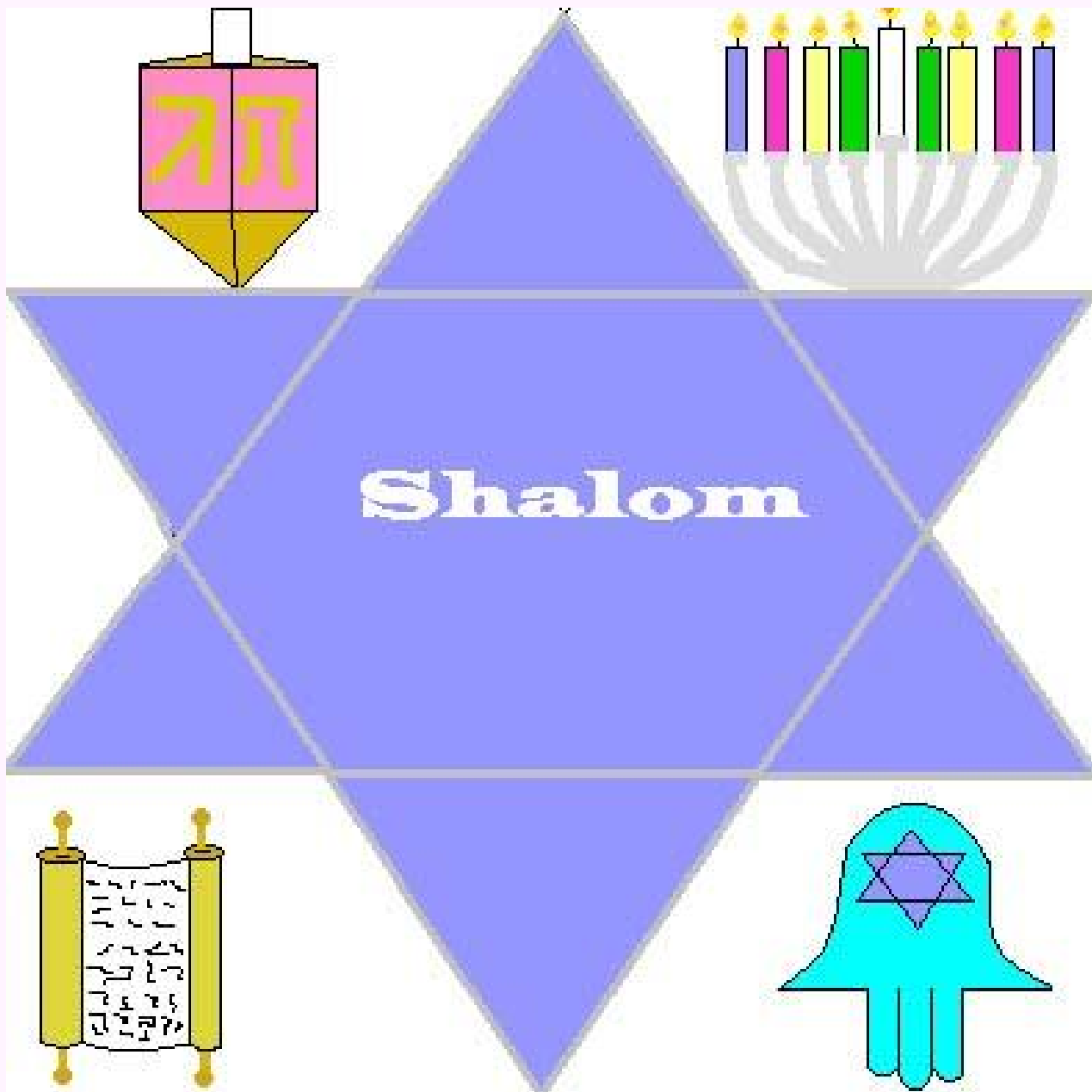
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## Star of David Ornament



## **Materials:**

**Crayons in light and dark blue, silver, gold, pink, red green, yellow and brown**

**2 Pieces of white cotton fabric 6" square**

**Piece of sandpaper 6" square or larger**

**#2 pencil**

**Iron**

**Brown kraft paper (paper bag)**

**Small amount of fiber fill**

**Needle and thread in white**

**Optional: Sewing machine Fabric paints instead of crayons, then omit the ironing and allow to dry completely before stitching. You will still use the sandpaper to grip the fabric as you paint.**

## **Instructions:**

**Trace the design in the picture onto one piece of your fabric with the pencil. Keep your lines light so you can cover them with your crayons.**

**Place the drawing face up on the sandpaper and color all of the design as smoothly as you can. At this time you might also sign and date the second piece of fabric.**

**Place the colored fabrics between two pieces of brown paper and iron on the cotton setting to remove the crayon wax. Check your design and add more crayon to those areas that need darker color. Repeat the ironing with new paper so not to smear your colors.**

**When you are happy with the colors, place the second piece of fabric right sides together and stitch around leaving an opening to turn. Clip the corners, turn and stuff lightly with fiber fill. Whip stitch the opening closed.**

**These ornaments can be used as small gifts or as decorations.**

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