

Bag Making is FUN!

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Hello & Welcome!

I've got some pretty exciting news for you today,
and
here... it... is!

Even as we speak, we are putting the finishing touches on our 1st new pattern of 2024, the **Tandem DayPack** (which you can see at left)! Right now it's on track to be published & released in February, which is completely unusual for us (in a good way).

As a matter of fact... I can't even remember the last time that's happened for us, so click **HERE** for more information & pictures! And do stay tuned for our next issue (on Jan 31st) for more definitive release info.

So... I hope you enjoy today's issue! Don't worry though! This announcement isn't the ONLY exciting thing we're including in this issue but I better get back to work if I wanna make this release happen!



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What Was I Writing About Back Then?



Have you ever visited our Newsletter Archive? We have a HUGE archive of writing on **our website** and sometimes I like to go back and see what I was writing about around this time during year's past. And guess what? Turns out, rereading these posts brought back some really GREAT memories for me. I hope you enjoy them too!

1 Year Ago: 1/19/23- [Working with Woven Zippers](#)
2 Years Ago: 1/13/22- [A HUGE Change for Road2Ca'22](#)
5 Years Ago: 1/29/19- [The Right Under Garments](#)
7 years Ago: 1/15/17- [Booth Matters](#)
14 years Ago: 1/8/10- [A Studio at Last!](#)

An Interesting Find!- [the Meanest Cats in Literature](#)



Unlike their permanently peppy canine counterparts, cats tend to run hot and cold. Unsurprisingly, representations of cats in literature tend to draw from the latter mood. With that in mind, here in chronological order of first appearance, are the nine most scurrilous (purrilous?) cats in literary history. {Click [HERE](#) to read more.}

A Video Clip



An Adorable cat put itself to bed at night
 {Click image or [HERE](#) to watch}

Quilt Planning for the New Year - [Seven Tips & Tricks](#)



It's that time of the year when we start thinking about quilt planning for the new year, and here's **7 tips and tricks** to help you get ready for your best quilting and sewing year ever. There's lots of tips in this post and also a video about these ideas. Happy planning (and sewing)!

Click [HERE](#) to read the article and see a short video.

Rest in Peace- Tommy Smothers



Thomas Smothers (February 2, 1937 – December 26, 2023) was an American comedian, actor, composer, musician, & yoyo genius, widely known as half of the musical comedy duo the **Smothers Brothers**. They were widely known for their popular network comedy & variety show, ***The Smothers Brothers Comedy Hour***.

This show was a bit controversial at the time, particularly since it was often critical of the war in Vietnam. Regardless, it was one of my favorites! Click [HERE](#) to see a brief clip of their show.

This month's Discount Offers- [the Elsie K Baglet](#)

Our discount offer for this month's issue of "Bag Making is Fun" is our [Elsie K Baglet](#) pattern!

The [Elsie K Baglet](#) is a versatile little bag that can be worn as a shoulder or cross-body bag. The roomy main compartment is capable of handling pretty much all of your daily supplies AND features SIXTEEN slots for credit, health & loyalty cards PLUS an exterior phone slot!

And check this out--- from now thru midnight on Sunday night, Oct. 15th you can use this code - **K6H7ELSE** - and get \$3.99 off the [Elsie K Baglet pattern](#) AND/OR the [Elsie K Baglet Supply Kit](#)!

This coupon code cannot be used for previous purchases, or in combination w/other discount offers & will expire at 11:59pm on Thursday night, 1/18/24.

The Elsie K BAGLET™

- Two Completely Separate & Zippered Storage Areas** – including a drop-down area with SIXTEEN slots for credit/loyalty cards.
- A Built-in Wallet** – leave your bulky wallet at home & free up space for other important stuff, like sunglasses, makeup, & MUCH more!
- Avoid TSA Hassles** – small enough to stow away in a backpack & brought out for usage at your destination!
- Sized Perfectly** – for safe storage of all smart phones.

Dimensions: 8.5" wide x 6" tall x 3.5"

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Here's Our Upcoming Show Schedule

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival 2024 - Feb 29-Mar 3, 2024 - Hampton, VA
AQS Quiltweek Paducah 2024 - April 24-27, 2024 - Paducah, KY
International Fall Quilt Market 2024- Oct 26-28, 2024 - Houston, TX
International Fall Quilt Festival 2024- Oct 31-Nov 3, 2024 - Houston, TX

In closing-

Thanks for reading this month's edition of **Bag Making is FUN**. I hope you enjoyed it and that brightened your day if only for a short while! So that's it until later this month when we'll write to you again!



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