



PlaneScrappers Clips

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From the Prez:

I just got back from vacation and didn't take a single picture. This was a rest and relaxation vacation plus we had been there once before. I still want to scrapbook the vacation because we did complete the things we wanted to do. So I got on the web to find out how to scrapbook a page without pictures. About.com has an article about 5 tips for scrapbooking without pictures and even some sample pages to view.

Below is the article:

Five Tips for Scrapbooking without Photos

Great Scrapbook Page Layouts with No Pictures by Rebecca Lundens

Occasionally you will miss the shot - maybe you didn't have your camera, your batteries were dead, or the lighting made it impossible to get a good picture. Or perhaps, you want to record heritage events in your scrapbook and you simply do not have photos from that time period. These are all reasons why you might find yourself scrapbooking without photos. These five tips will help you pull together a scrapbook page layout without any pictures.

Tip 1: Focus on Journaling - When you don't have photos on a scrapbook page layout, the words definitely become the star of the page. This is a time when you have to tell the story completely through your journaling, so take the time to really tell about the events, the feelings of the people who were there, and why it was important to you.

Tip 2: Use Memorabilia - Not every scrapbook page has room for all the little bits of memorabilia that you may pick up at an event. For a scrapbook page without photos, however, memorabilia can play a very important role. Do you have ticket stubs, maps, or newspaper clippings? Now is the time to use them on your layout. If the items are too large or you aren't sure about how safe they are for storing in a scrapbook, you could take a photo of the items.

Tip 3: Add Quotes or Facts - Enhance the journaling on your layout with quotes or a little research. Are you doing a scrapbook page layout about a concert, play, or musical? Do a search for quotes or lyrics. Is your heritage layout about your grandfather's military service? Look for historical information about the time period. Print out these snippets of text and use them to accent your scrapbook page layout.

Tip 4: Create a CD/DVD Pocket - Many events (especially school concerts, shows, and recitals) offer you a chance to purchase a DVD of the show. Sometimes that video will be the only "photos" that you have. Include the DVD on your scrapbook page in a pocket made from cardstock so that it is safely stored with your memories but also readily available to be removed and popped into a DVD player for viewing.

Tip 5: Custom Embellishments - Once you have decided on the memorabilia and journaling that will be the stars of your scrapbook page without photos, it's time to add some embellishments. Selecting page decorations that enhance the theme of the layout will help you complete the story that is being told on the layout. You can find embellishments in your local craft store or you can create customized chipboard or paper pieced embellishments using free patterns.



**Nominations Requested!
We need to elect officers for 2012!**

**Please by October 20th submit your nominations
for:**

**President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer**

Club Events

Everett

Meet Every 3rd Saturday

**Everett Activity Center (40-201)
Classroom 2**

Cropping is always on the docket!!!

Oct - Calendars

Nov - Christmas Cards

Dec - 2nd Saturday: Annual Potluck

3rd Saturday: Crop

South Sound

Meet Every 2nd Saturday

Join us 10 a.m. - 7 p.m

7-129 "Zones" Building (Across from Super Mall in August)

Room 117 "Craft Lab" (across from laptop center).

Parking on the West Side of the Building (toward 167)

Make n Takes will be available!

2nd Saturday: Potluck in Everett

PlaneScrapers Website - <http://planescrapers.tripod.com/PlaneScrapers.htm>

Upcoming Events:

Mark Your Calendar!:

Creating Keepsakes/Bellevue
Washington November 11 & 12

<http://www.scrapandpapercorner.com/events/ckc/seattle/index.html>

Weekend Retreat - October 22nd & 23rd /
Issaquah Washington

http://www.scrapyardchicks.com/index_Workshop_Weekends.htm

Creative Escape on Whidbey Island

<http://www.whidbeyislandcreativeescape.com/index.html>

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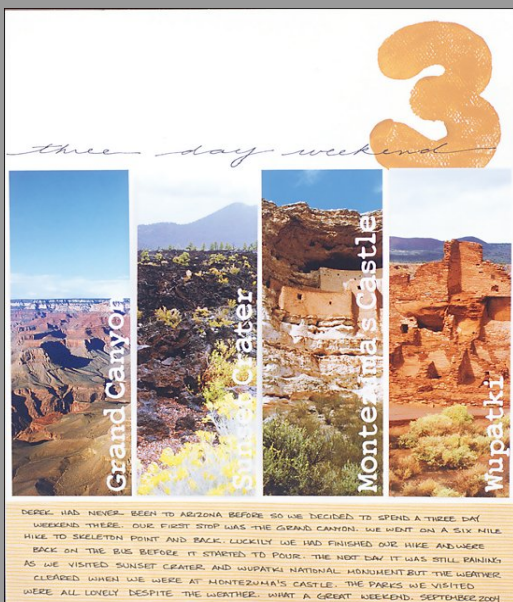
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A Simple Solution for Scrapbooking Summer Vacation:

You likely take more photos on a day of vacation than you do any other day of the year. So figuring out how to scrapbook all of those photos can be difficult. But there's an easy solution: cut your photos into strips to fit more pictures on a scrapbook page.



Here, trimming the sides allows four originally 4" x 6" prints to fit on a single 8.5" x 11" page. Add rub-ons across portions of the pictures to identify each photo subject or vacation destination. Journal or add a quote from the brochures...But, if your pictures are horizontal, here's another idea of how to trim the edges to just the focal points:



LayOut Ideas

Create a scrapbook page that showcases your favorite ways to relax in the summertime.

Create a scrapbook page telling how summer is a magical season that brings a bit of childhood to every life.

Create a scrapbook page about summer where your journaling describes the sounds you hear during the summer--in the morning, afternoon, and evening.

Create a scrapbook page that describes your perfect summer day and the joys your experienced on that one perfect day.

Create a scrapbook page that shows your favorite ways to spend a summer evening, or a page sharing your favorite aspects of a typical summer afternoon.



Don't Forget...Quotes

Quotes are a great way to take what has been said and create the theme for your page. On line you can find many sites that give you inspiration, or capture a great phrase you hear from your co-workers, children, family!

Summer:

"Deep summer is when laziness finds respectability." - Sam Keen

"Then followed that beautiful season. . . . Summer. . . .filled was the air with a dreamy and magical light; and the landscape, lay as if new created in all the freshness of childhood." - Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

"The steady buzzzzzzzz of the Katydid chorus, the bass solo of the croaking Frog, and the steady woof-woof-woof of a barking Dog--a summer night's serenade." - Michael P. Garofalo

"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken." - James Dent

"The summer night is like a perfection of thought." - Wallace Stevens

"It was a splendid summer morning and it seemed as if nothing could go wrong." - John Cheever

So many pictures, no time to scrap my ...What to do? Summarize

With work, caring for a home plus having fun I don't seem to be able to complete even 1 of the 4 ongoing albums I have in work (AND 3 are for birthday and Christmas)... I look for ways to be realistic in my approach to scrapbooking instead of throwing in the towel and giving up. Summarizing an entire summer or an entire vacation trip on one layout totally speaks my language. This approach keeps the hobby *manageable* for me, instead of overwhelming.

I'd like to share a layout that was created where an entire summer was created for birthday albums for a boy and a girl. The layout is about the same, many of the pictures are the same but the focus pictures are of the birthday recipient.

Think of all the pictures you could week through and put on a two page spread!

Boy:



Girl:



So many pictures, 4 albums in work, how can I save some time: Digitize:

You can save time when you are doing multiple albums and many pictures will be used in several albums::

1. Go totally digital like the BOY page. This page used Adobe Photoshop, and created a 12 x 12 canvas. Resize a dozen favorite pictures from that summer - all 4" x 3". Next, drag & drop, placing them all on the larger canvas. Then add captions (just click on the "T" icon to add text) and finally, a simple digital frame over a favorite picture that will become the focus of the page. Save this file as a jpg and print at [Costco](#), Sam's or Walgreens (etc) just as you would any other picture. Just bigger.
2. For the GIRL page use the very same file, but replace some of the pictures for the boy with pictures of the girl version. It took only a few minutes to make a second version, or rather, a second layout. Add different text, Save as a different file name. Then after printing, "hybridize."
3. Both pages are "hybridized" page...meaning, you take the digital print out and add your own paper embellishments and journaling. Add a couple of paper strips and add add a title. Type up the journaling and tweak the text between the two.

As you go about your summer, taking all those vacation and lazy-day pictures that you love to take, don't feel overwhelmed thinking that you really have to "scrapbook it all". Because you don't. You can summarize it in a layout and still accomplish a great deal.