



I cut pattern paper 2.5x3.5 inches, just slightly smaller than the chipboard, and then used the "Casual Hand Notes" set to stamp around the pattern paper using black ink.

Then stamp the "friends" Mini Rounder image on some scrap pattern paper. The paper I used had a pretty color on the reverse side that I used for this.



Then take the 1" lever circle punch, flip it over, center the stamped image and punch it out. It is the perfect size... don't you love that? It is like we planned it that way!

Now let's use a fun and interesting material from the hardware store!

We have added onto our house twice since we moved into it and I have seen some cool materials and tools in the process. One of them being this metal tape on a roll that is self-adhesive on one side. "Husband" tells me they use it for duct work in air-conditioning systems. I am posting a photo of the roll it comes on hoping you will be able to find in in your local hardware store as well. Husband was nice enough to donate this roll to my "worthy cause".... the crafting "cause" that is!

The roll is about 3" wide which would have overwhelmed my little clipboard so I cut it half using a craft knife.



Then I wondered how it would look embossed using my Cuttlebug, and it turned out wonderful!

Doesn't that look cool? Since it is metallic I am sure you could color this using alcohol inks... but that will have to wait for another project.

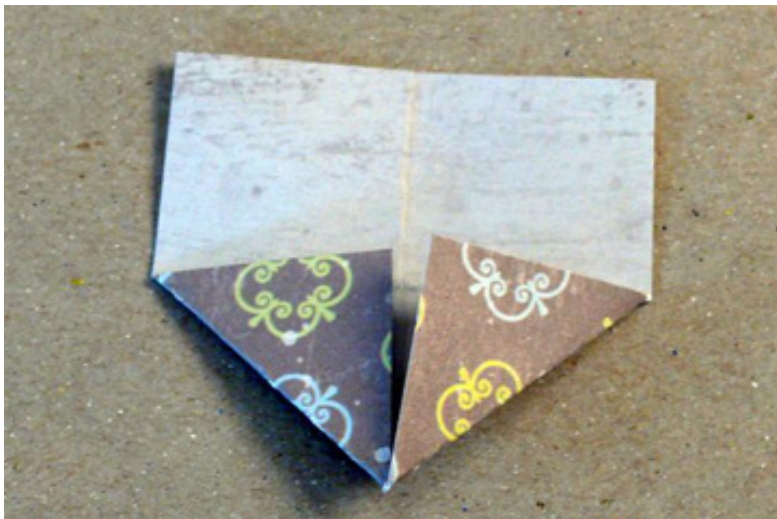
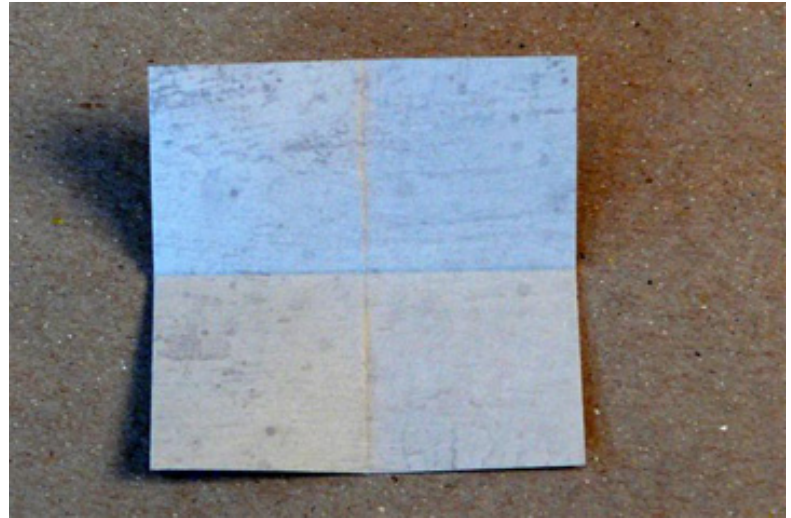




If you read my new blog the other day, you will already know how to make these quick corner embellishments; <http://thestampingstudioblog.blogspot.com>

If you did not here is how you make them... take a 2x2 inch square piece of pattern cardstock and fold it half.

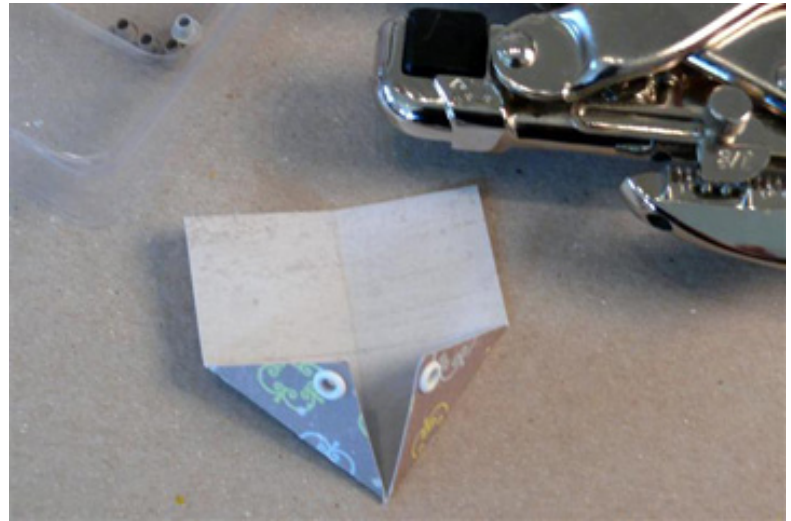
Then fold it half the other way.



The next step is to fold two of the points to the middle to form a point. That is your corner piece.

I told you it was easy!

I then added two eyelets to the two points using my Crop-a-dile.



OK let's put all these fun elements together now.

First glue the stamped pattern paper down, then apply the self-adhesive embossed metal tape just above the saying "just a little note".





Glue your corner piece on and then thread a length of waxed linen through the eyelets and knot.

Take a coordinating button, thread some more waxed linen through the holes and knot. Then take a skinny handled paintbrush and wind the ends of the waxed linen around the handle and press down to stay. I just love those curly ends.



Take a short length of ribbon and knot around a mini bulldog clip, then clip it to the top of the chipboard and you now have a mini clipboard!

To make this project not only cute but useful as well, you can adhere a strong magnet on the back to make it a refrigerator magnet. You can leave a note for a loved one... or how about clipping a fun photo to it? You can change it anytime you want.

After I had made this I also thought it would be easy create an easel for the back of this and make it into a free standing item to clip a photo to as well. Lot's of possibilities. I better make some more.....



Here is the finished clipboard. Too cute!

Thanks for sticking with me this long, and even I did not show you something new, then I hope I inspired you to go play and craft!

