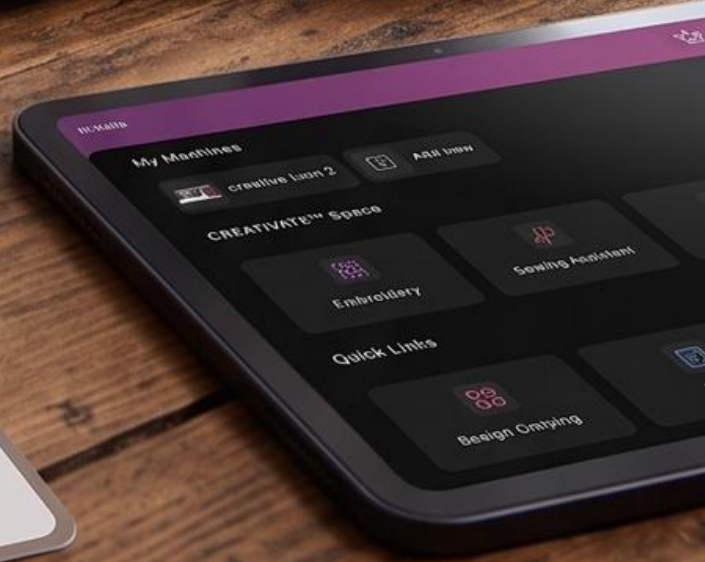


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Hello quilting friends,

Last month, I mentioned that I was heading to Minnesota for my biennial family reunion. We didn't have as many people attend this year as we usually do, and strangely enough, I think the smaller gathering gave me the opportunity to really think about why these reunions are so important to me. It also made me wonder if there was anything I could do differently to develop—or maintain—deeper relationships within my extended family.

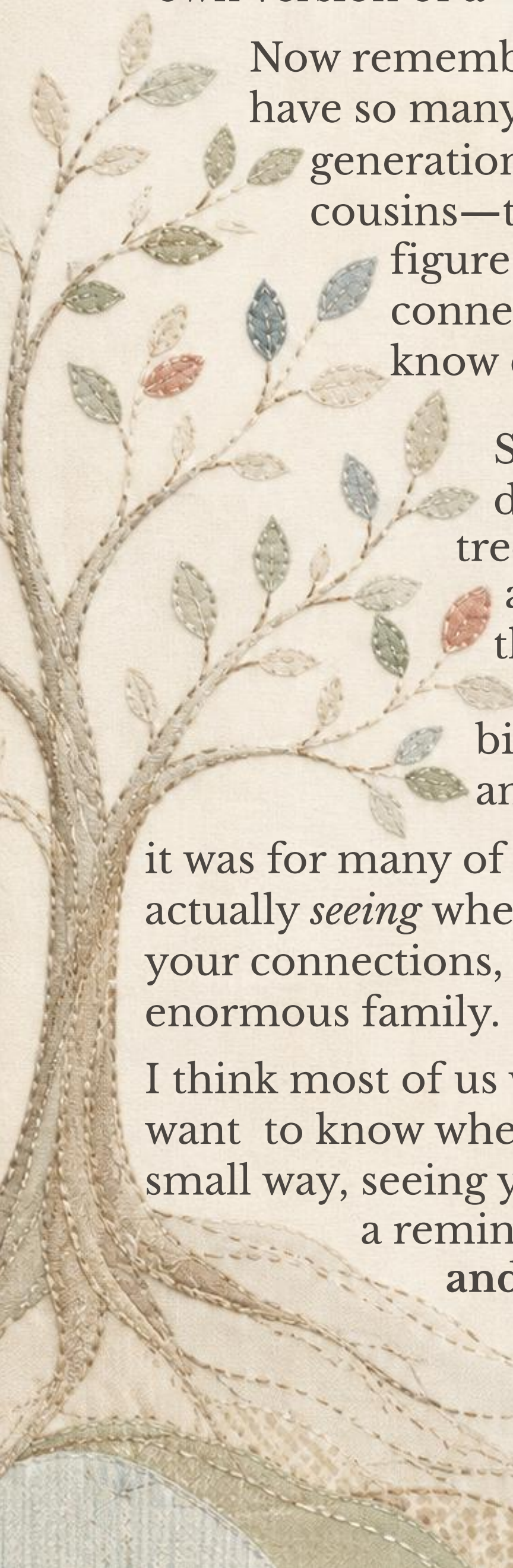
I came home with two ideas that I thought I would share with you. Maybe they'll even get you thinking about your own version of a “family reunion.”

Now remember, I have a **very** large family. I have so many cousins spanning multiple generations—second, third and even fourth cousins—that it can be overwhelming to figure out exactly how everyone is connected, never mind actually getting to know everyone!

So, for our next reunion, I've decided to create a massive family tree. It will start with my grandparents and work its way down through their 17 children and the next four generations. I sketched out a little bit of it while we were at the reunion, and I was surprised by how powerful it was for many of us. There is something about actually *seeing* where you came from—your roots, your connections, and your own special place in this enormous family.

I think most of us want to belong to something. We want to know where we fit. And maybe, in some small way, seeing your name on that big family tree is a reminder that **you are part of the story and you matter.**

The second idea came from a tradition I started several years ago.



Every summer after the reunion, I host a special dinner at the lake with my remaining aunts and uncles. I originally started doing it because I wanted my children and grandchildren to really know them—not just know who they were. What a game changer that has been! Some wonderful relationships have grown out of those dinners.

But this summer I realized something. While I had been very intentional about helping my kids and grandkids build relationships with my aunts and uncles, I hadn't given nearly as much thought to developing those same kinds of relationships with my cousins—or helping our children build relationships with their cousins. So this year, I changed things up.

I still invited my remaining aunts and uncles, but I also invited some of my cousins and their children, particularly those whose parents are no longer with us. What a difference it made! There was a whole new energy and excitement around the tables, and I loved watching everyone have the opportunity to talk, laugh, reminisce, and simply get to know each other better.

And it made me realize something else: **we are becoming the next generation responsible for carrying this cherished family tradition forward.** If we want these reunions—and more importantly, these relationships—to continue, we have to create the bonds that will hold us together when the generations before us are no longer here to do it for us.

Now, I know my gigantic Minnesota family may look nothing like yours. Maybe your family is much smaller. Maybe everyone lives close by, and you see each other all the time. Or maybe your “family” includes dear friends and people you've gathered into your life along the way. Either way, this summer was a good reminder for me that the relationships we treasure deserve some tending. Sometimes it means setting another place at the table, asking one more person to join us, or simply making the effort to know each other a little better.

Because at the heart of it, I think we all want the same things—to be included, to be loved, and to know that we matter to someone. And for me, that's where my heart lives—with my family.

Until next month,
Cyndi



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FROM CYNDI'S KITCHEN CUPBOARD

Ham & Potato Soup

By Cyndi Rich

Serves 8

A hearty, creamy soup with potatoes, ham, green beans, celery, onion, and milk.

Ingredients

- 3 1/2 cups peeled and diced potatoes
- 1 1/2 cups green beans, cut up (fresh, frozen, or canned)
- 1/3 cup diced celery
- 1/3 cup finely chopped onion
- 3/4 cup diced cooked ham
- 4 cups chicken broth
- 1/2 teaspoon salt, to taste
- 1 teaspoon ground white or black pepper, to taste
- 5 tablespoons butter
- 5 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 cups milk

Method

1. Simmer the potatoes, green beans, celery, onion, ham, and broth until the potatoes are tender. Season with salt and pepper.
2. In a separate pan, melt the butter. Whisk in the flour and cook briefly, then slowly whisk in the milk until smooth and thickened.
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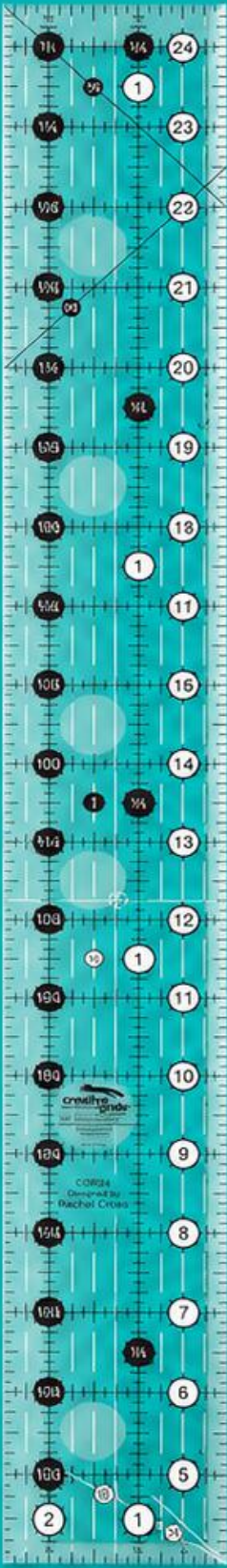
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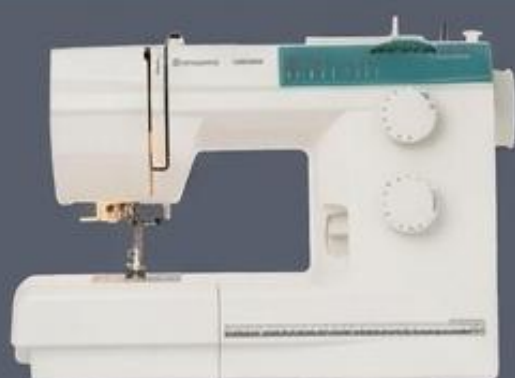
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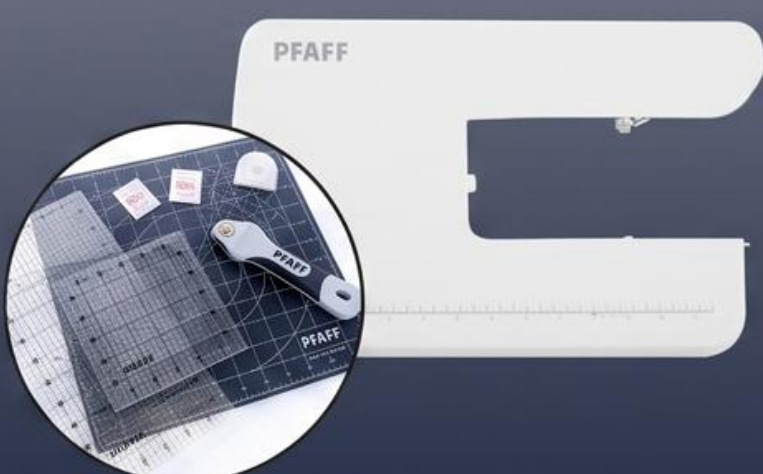
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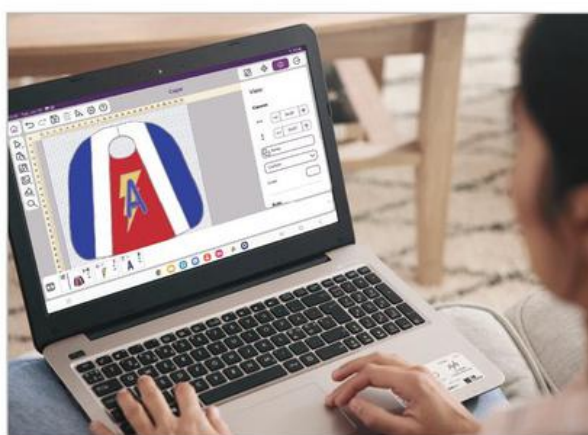
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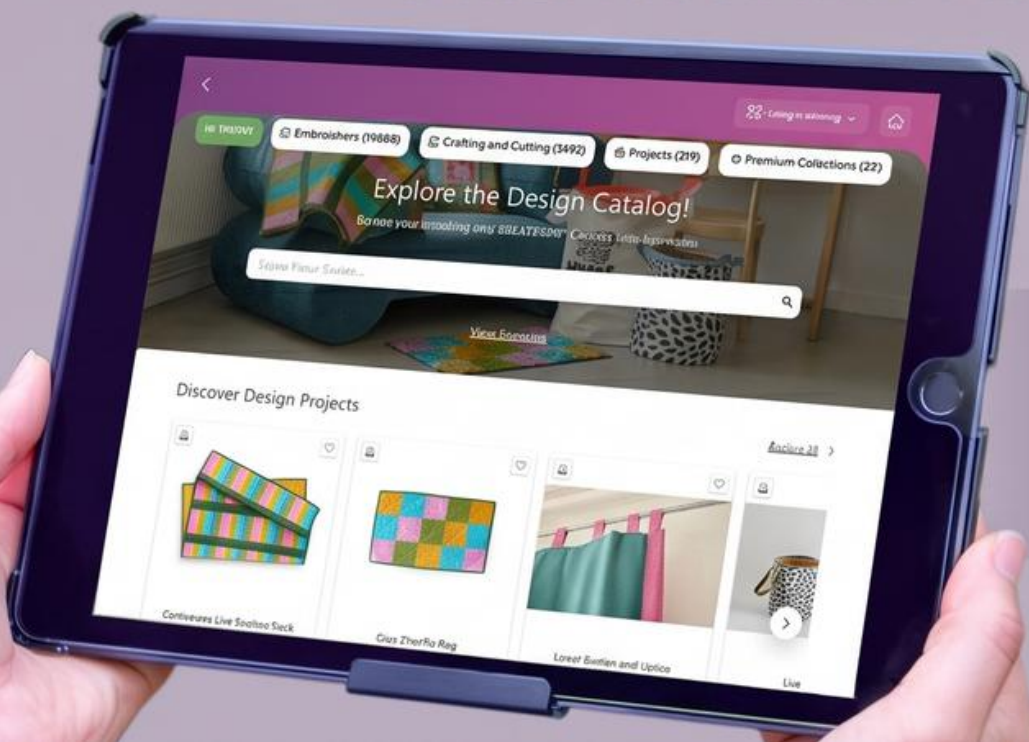
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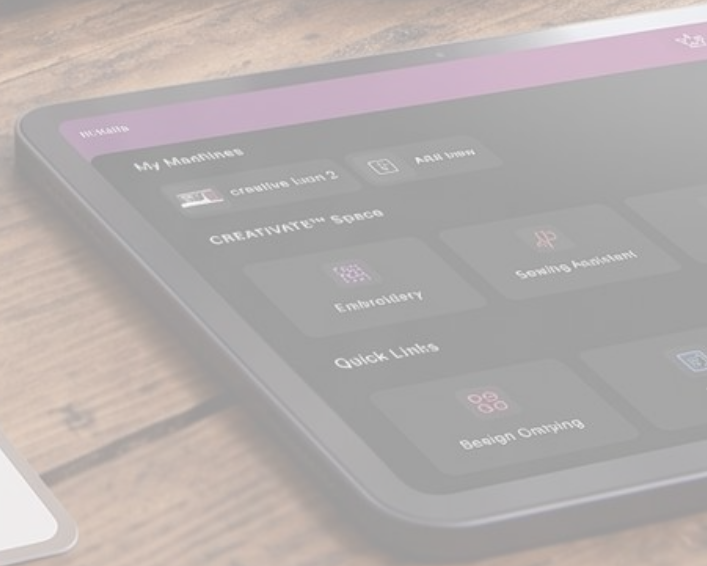
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