



**Rockwell Collins CRAFT
CLUB
July 2004**

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Next Meeting -- July 21 – 4:30 p.m., Main Plant Cafeteria

Our 20th anniversary celebration was a great success. Thanks to all that participated.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY: This month's craft will be a painted snowman brick – we need to plan ahead for Christmas! Bring any **small foam brushes** you may have and a **detail brush** for the facial features. The club will supply some brushes, but extras are always helpful. Also, if you have any **leftover fleece scraps**, bring those too for the hat and scarf for the snowman. **Scissors, needle & thread** may be needed to sew the hat seam.

Keep up the good work bringing in all those great Show & Tell items. It's a great motivator for others, and for those that aren't motivated, well they can just be impressed with your fine work !

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT: Last month we collected \$42 for the Red Cross Flood Disaster Relief. This month we're doing another project for our troops. We will be collecting money towards purchasing \$12 Avon care packages. Each package contains:

Skin So Soft Bug Guard lotion w/SPF30,
Moisture Therapy hand cream
2 in 1 Shampoo/Conditioner,
On Duty 24 hour deodorant.

Moisture Therapy lip balm,
Antibacterial hand gel
Footworks foot cream, and

This is a lot of items for \$12 and it also includes the shipping. We will also have the forms there if you want to do some of these on your own.

In August we will be collecting school supplies.

Remember to keep saving your empty prescription bottles with labels removed for the Free Clinic.

Thank you!

Gloria Waltke and Zona Davison
Community Service Projects 2003-2004

REPORTS: Please remember that minutes and the treasurer's reports are available upon request.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT: I trust you all had an enjoyable 4th of July and realized, as I did while watching the celebrations around the country on TV, and as I passed many flags hanging in front of homes or lining the streets, how truly blessed we are to live in a free nation. Don't you wonder at times why tears come to our eyes when we hear the National Anthem or the many other patriotic songs?

Our 20th celebration party was fun. It was a pleasure to see the guests who attended. Thanks to all who worked to put it together and thank you to the members who were there. Those in our membership who were unable to join us were missed.

Looking forward to another night of "socializing" July 21st. Remember to bring those Show & Tell items.

Norma Mikkola

RECIPE: There were a number of requests for the cake recipe that we used for our anniversary party last month. Here it is:

TROPICAL CAKE

1 box cake mix – white or yellow Duncan Hines without pudding works well
2/3 cup oil
4 eggs
1 15 oz mandarin oranges, juice also -- or 2 small cans
Mix well and bake in 9x13 pan 30 minutes @350.
Let cake cool before frosting.

Topping

1 8 oz cool whip- thawed
1 20 oz crushed pineapple, juice also
1 regular pkg vanilla instant pudding

Mix these 3 ingredients & beat well, frost cooled cake and refrigerate.

TRIPS: ESTHER MICELI 393-7200 OR THELMA GOETTSCHE 396-2700

No trips are scheduled at this time.

SPEAKERS: Our Speaker for the *September* meeting will be the “Hanky Lady”. It’s an interactive show, and you are invited to bring handkerchiefs you might have, especially those with a story behind them. If you have any ideas for future speakers, please let one of the board members know.

Upcoming Classes (all classes at Main Plant cafeteria start at 6:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted):

July 13 – Tuesday – Winter Mitten (wood) \$12

July 14 – Wednesday – Felted Wool Flag Pillow \$10

If you miss any of these classes, you can schedule them at the shop or call for a kit.

The Wooden Spool’s phone number is 286-8773. Their website is www.woodenspool.com.

MISCELLANEOUS:

ZIPPER: Vicki Lydon is looking for zippers for a craft project she’s working on – old or new and all colors.

SLIPPER PATTERN: Dee Roman is looking for a knit slipper pattern. The one she remembers had the two slippers joined together while knitting.

MITTENS: Any hats or mittens you have finished please bring to any of the meetings. These may be turned in to any officer.

BIRTHDAYS:

Darlene Edgington	07/03	Lynn Mitchell	08/11
Verna Riis	07/13	Zona Davison	08/17
Marie Webster	07/17	Lura Winterowd	08/18
		Jean Strait	08/24
Rita Urbanek	08/03	Dolores Roman	08/26
Mardell Trumblee	08/04		

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The 4th of July is not just a long weekend.....

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence?

Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died.

Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army; another had two sons captured.

Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War.

They signed and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

What kind of men were they?

Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners; men of means, well educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured.

Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags.

Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward.

Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton.

At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson Jr, noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt.

Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months.

John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart.

Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates.

Such were the stories and sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild-eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. They were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight, and unwavering, they pledged: "For the support of this declaration, with firm reliance on the protection of the divine providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor."

They gave you and me a free and independent America. The history books never told you a lot about what happened in the Revolutionary War. We didn't fight just the British. We were British subjects at that time and we fought our own government! Some of us take these liberties so much for granted, but we shouldn't. So, take a few minutes while enjoying your 4th of July holiday and silently thank these patriots. It's not much to ask for the price they paid. Remember: freedom is never free.