



*Rockwell Collins CRAFT  
CLUB  
January 2009*

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

**THIS MONTH'S CRAFT PROJECT:** We will be making Valentines for the VA hospital and also a few nursing homes. We have lots of supplies left from last time we did this. If you have anything additional that will work, feel free to bring it along.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT:** Last month we collected \$125 for the Henry Davidson Youth Center. This month we will be collecting cleaning supplies, hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves for Cedar House shelter. The clothing items can be for men, women, or children. You can also donate money if you'd like.

Future charities – If you have an idea for a group that could use our support, please mention it to Arlys or Joyce.

**CRAFT PROJECT IDEAS:** If you run across an idea that you think would be good for a craft project at our meeting, or a special class, please mention it to one of the board members. We are always looking for new ideas.

**FLEECE SCARVES:** The Club bought lots of fleece for making scarves, so you're invited to stay after this month's meeting to help cut up some fleece. If you have a rotary cutter and cutting mat, please bring them. If not, just bring scissors and you can cut the "fringes". We will make adult and children's sizes.

**NOTE ON Rx BOTTLES:** Remember to keep saving your empty prescription bottles with labels removed for the Free Clinic. They ask that the bottles also be washed. Please remember that they CANNOT take non-Rx bottles or even the pre-packaged bottles from the drug company—only the usual pharmacy ones that are usually green or brown.

TIP – DeSolv It, in a spray bottle cleans the goo from the labels off the bottles.

Thank you!

Arlys Huff and Joyce Smith -- Community Service Projects 2006-2007

**REPORTS:** Remember, reports are always available, official ones will be several times a year.

**MESSAGE FROM THE NEW PRESIDENT:** Happy New Year! I hope you are having a great New Year. I'm ready for the January thaw. It seems like as I get older – it gets colder !

See you at the meeting.

Esther Miceli

**TRIPS: ESTHER MICELI 393-7200 or 721-4171 OR THELMA GOETTSCH 396-2700**

Keep in mind that anyone can join us on our trips. They do NOT have to be a member of the club.

No trips planned for now.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

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

**BIRTHDAYS:**

January

Missy Mikkola 01/06  
Nancy Lacy 01/14  
Carolyn McCleary 01/16

February

No February birthdays

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# The History Of Cross Stitching *by Suzanne Wheatman*

Cross-stitching has a long history

The earliest piece of embroidered cloth includes cross-stitch and dates back to the sixth or seventh centuries AD.

In Eastern Europe at this time, folk art was prospering, and cross stitch was used to decorate household items using geometric and floral patterns still found in pattern books to this day.

Cross-stitching really came into its own with the working of samplers. These were a means of recording a verse, a prayer or a moral saying. In 1797 poor children from the orphans' school near Calcutta' in Bengal were given the task of stitching the longest chapter in the Bible, the 19<sup>th</sup> psalm.

As pattern books become more readable in Europe and America during the seventeenth century the function of samplers changed. They developed into educational tools, stitched by children to teach them the needlework skills essential to young girls who would be making household linen and clothing.

Stitches would cover the designs, often in half cross-stitch and cross-stitch, to produce many articles for the home; bell pulls, purses, cushions, fire screens, pincushions and cushion fronts.

Cross stitching as we recognize it today was re-discovered in the sixties, when increased leisure time was a factor in the revival of counted cross-stitch for pleasure.

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Here's a cross stitch idea I found in the Mary Maxim catalog.

**Stitch-A-Photo**  
**In Cross Stitch**

**Stitch-a-Photo.** Counted cross stitch graphs created from your favorite photos! Includes color chart listing symbols, corresponding DMC colors and number of skeins required. Charts are 112 x 140 sts; finished sizes vary. **You will receive a photo mailer in which to send your photo for processing. Allow 4 to 5 weeks for processing.**

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DMC Fine Color Ray  
100% Cotton Embroidery Thread  
112 x 140 STS

Color	DMC No.	Approx. No. of Skeins
Black	35	1
White	3	1
Red	610	1
Blue	36	1
Green	38	1
Yellow	3	1
Pink	310	1
Orange	31	1
Purple	25	1
Brown	138	1
Grey	35	1
Light Blue	36	1
Light Green	38	1
Light Yellow	3	1
Light Pink	310	1
Light Orange	31	1
Light Purple	25	1
Light Brown	138	1
Light Grey	35	1