



Rockwell Collins Craft Club

July 2012

Another first for me. Forgot to do the newsletter last month, so if you were thinking it got lost in the mail, nope, it was me. I was out of town on vacation and it totally left my mind. I know that this month we are all praying for rain. Our lawn has long since turned brown and crunchy and the garden is only alive because we water it a lot. Growing our own pumpkins and gourds this year and even some watermelons. The raspberries have turned into a donation to the raccoons. I have been working hard on crafts for the craft show and keeping my eyes open for new ideas for that and for club projects.

- ☀ This month's craft project is something I saw in a shop recently. A snowman made of toilet paper! Yes, it will be Christmas in July this week at our meeting. Bring fabric scissors if you have them. And bring an empty grocery bag to carry your snowman home in. It's a fun and easy project and we'll have some extra supplies if you want to buy extras for very inexpensive Christmas gifts.
- ☀ If you hear of any other craft show opportunities for our members to participate in or shop at, please let me know and I'll put them in the newsletter.
- ☀ Remember — Don't park in the Credit Union spots when you come for our meeting.
- ☀ Our charity project for this month again will be school supplies or money to buy school supplies.
- ☀ Sewing Expo coming up on Saturday, August 4th at Platteville. Class schedules are now available and we will have one at the meeting if you'd like to look it over.

This Month at a Glance

Next Meeting:
Wednesday
July 18
at 4:30 Main Plant
Cafeteria

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Craft ideas

A few crochet projects that I saw. Don't have any patterns, but they shouldn't be too hard to find. I love the hat with the built in beard.



What to do with a boring lampshade and your button jar.



Make sugar cookies look like buttons!





Here's a Martha Stewart project for you to experiment with.

Tools and Materials

Decorative paper

Ruler

Bone folder

Paper cutter

Scrap paper

Glue stick

Lining an Envelope How-To

1. To make an envelope liner, measure the width of your envelope, and subtract 1/4 inch. For the length, fold back the flap of the envelope, and measure from the bottom of envelope to tip of flap, just under the gummed strip. Using a paper cutter, cut a sheet of paper to these dimensions.
2. Slip the paper into the envelope, and fold the corners down just below the glue line, using a bone folder to create sharp creases. Remove the paper from the envelope, and cut off the corners along the folds.
3. Insert liner sheet into envelope, and fold down flap. Lift up the envelope flap, keeping the liner folded. Slip a piece of scrap paper under the liner flap to protect envelope from glue. Run the glue stick over the edges of the back of the liner.
4. Slip out scrap paper. Close down the outer flap over liner, and rub with fingertip to adhere glue to flap.



Happiness is a warm glue gun.



If you have an old entertainment center that you no longer need and can't seem to even give away, here's a cute idea to make a kids play kitchen out of it.



Happy Birthday!	
<i>July</i>	
3rd	— Darlene Edgington
30th	— Judy Kennedy
<i>August</i>	
3rd	— Rita Urbanek
11th	— Lynn Mitchell
17th	— Zona Davison
24th	— Jean Strait
26th	— Dee Roman

She who dies with the most fabric wins.

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