



**Rockwell Collins CRAFT  
CLUB  
April 2004**

<http://www.collinsclubs.com/craftclub/>

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

Our pot luck in March was a great success. Thanks to all who participated.

We will be making a Stamping project for our craft. Our speaker will be a “Stamping Up” representative and she will be in charge of the project. She will furnish everything you need.

Thanks to everyone who brought Show & Tell items last month. They were all wonderful and really help to motivate us all.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT:** This past month we collected for the Jane Boyd Community House and the Community Health Free Clinic. We collected \$24.00 and numerous paper products, which were delivered the next day.

This month we will be taking donations for the Girls and Boys club on Ellis Blvd. Some things they need are paper plates and cups, napkins, construction paper, crayons, washable markers, and round tip scissors. These items are for snack time and arts and crafts. Now that it is getting warm enough to go outside, anything like jump ropes, hula hoops, sidewalk chalk, or anything inexpensive for outdoor play.

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

If you have any furniture that's still in pretty good shape that you would like to donate to our Adopt-A-Family, please let Zona or Gloria know. Pickup can be arranged if needed.

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.

**UPCOMING EVENT:** We will celebrate the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Rockwell Craft Club at our June 16<sup>th</sup> meeting. Please bring any old pictures you might have and invite former members to come and celebrate with us.

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:** Greetings. As you read this, we will probably be in Albuquerque, New Mexico after leaving Cedar Rapids on March 18th. We have spent a week in Forth Worth, Texas. Did not enjoy a lot of warmth there, just a lot of wind. On to California, where we didn't see the sun much and the temps were probably a little warmer than what I have heard you have had. I would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter. The April meeting should be fun, and we may possibly be welcoming back some snowbirds. Hopefully spring has arrived there to stay. See you soon.

Norma Mikkola

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

Fennimore, Wisconsin – Sewing Exposition – June 5

The bus will be about \$25 per person and class tuition is about \$15 if you are 62 or older and about \$25 if you are under 62.

We hope to have the catalog of class choices by the date of our April meeting

**SPEAKERS:** We will have someone from Stamping Up at our April meeting. She will talk to us about the stamping products she sells and will have a craft project for us to do at the meeting.

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):**

April 6 –Tuesday - Woolly Rabbit Pillow \$12  
April 13 - Tuesday - Sunflower Message Board \$10  
April 14 – Wednesday - Double Quilt-July & August \$15  
April 20 – Tuesday - Four Simple Sayings \$10  
April 21 – Wednesday - Out of My Mind hanging 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](http://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.

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

**AVAILABLE FOR USE:** The craft club owns some sewing machines and sergers if anyone needs to borrow them. Speak to an officer for more information.

**BIRTHDAYS:**

Donna Gelski	04/08	Shari Burns	05/01
Esther Miceli	04/13	Julie Segal	05/05
Eileen Serbousek	04/17	Betty Johnston	05/15
Wilma Lynch	04/17	Marilyn Fett	05/21
Verla Manley	04/18	Mary Zoll	05/22
Barbara Pauley	04/21		
Carolyn Fredericksen	04/21		
Marj Pepin	04/23		
Dorothy O'Malley	04/23		

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## **Sun, moon, pope, scientist helped set Easter**

By Richard Stenger  
CNN

**(CNN) --The holiday wanders each year from March to April. Exactly how is the Easter date set? The short answer is it falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon that follows the first day of spring in the Northern Hemisphere. The long answer requires a trip back through time more than 1,700 years ago.**

In 325 A.D., Christian church leaders established the astronomical requirements that much of the Western world uses today to determine when to observe the holy day, which falls anytime between March 22 and April 25.

At the time, astronomers and clergy had a lot of trouble predicting when Easter would take place in the years ahead, in large part because of the absence of an adequate annual calendar.

The reason? Mathematicians at the time were working on the premise that the sun orbited the Earth, which gave them considerable headaches in plotting the future.

After many centuries of patchwork solutions, the Catholic Church in 1582 adopted the much improved Gregorian Calendar, named for then-Pope Gregory XIII, which eventually became the norm in Europe and most of the world.

In 1651, the scientist Giovanni Cassini installed a pinhole camera in the roof of the San Petronia Cathedral in Bologna, Italy, that helped monitor the effectiveness of the new calendar.

The observatory, which concentrated sunlight onto the floor, allowed Cassini to calculate future vernal equinoxes with considerable accuracy.

His observations helped solve the perplexing question of when future Easters would take place. Moreover, his measurements of variations in the sunbeam on the meticulously arranged tiles lead to one of the first accurate calculations of the distance between the Earth and sun.

Interestingly, Cassini's findings supported the controversial "theory" that the Earth revolved around the sun, contrary to the official Catholic cosmology that the Earth was the center of the solar system.