



# Rockwell Collins Craft Club June 2016 Newsletter

It's just past Memorial Day, Flag Day is coming up, and then the 4th of July, so we thought a Red, White & Blue Flag project would be appropriate. But this one will be made out of tulle netting fabric . . . The stuff that 'scrubbies' and wedding veils are made of. We will use a Styrofoam wreath form as our base.

☀ **Our meeting location & time is changing again, at least for this month.** The room at the Rec Center is already reserved for another group this month, so we will be meeting at **4:30** at Jean Strait's church. **Kenwood Park United Methodist Church, 175 34th Street NE.** Park in the parking lot that is on 34th Street and come in that door. (The section of 34th Street from 1st Avenue is under construction, so take the C Avenue route to get there.)

☀ I realize I am sending this newsletter to numerous people who are past members of our club and also some who have never been members. To all of you, please join us for some fun and crafts. We miss all of our former members. Anyone who has not attended before, you are welcome to try us out for free and see if you would like to join.

☀ For our wreath project, you can bring some fabric scissors with you to the meeting if you have them. Otherwise, all supplies will be provided.

☀ Last month's stained glass butterflies were a success. I liked mine so much I made another one when I got home.

☀ We still have LOTS of golf balls left from the previous month's project, so if anybody has any new ideas for them or just want some for your own use, let me know.

☀ Our charity this month will again be Honor Flight.

## This Month at a Glance

**Next Meeting:**  
**Wed June 15**  
**at 4:30 Kenwood Park**  
**Methodist Church**  
**175-34th St. NE**

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## Happy Birthday!

### June

1st — Trudy Albaugh

### July

3rd — Darlene Edgington

30th — Judy Kennedy

Here's a couple of recipes from a cookbook that shows you how to start with a cake mix and make something else out of it.

## Coconut Clouds

- 1 package (about 16 ounces) confetti angel food cake mix
- ½ cup water
- 1½ cups sweetened flaked coconut
- 1¼ cup slivered almonds, divided



1. Preheat oven to 325°F. Line cookie sheets with parchment paper; set aside.
2. Beat cake mix and water in large bowl with electric mixer at medium-high speed 3 minutes or until fluffy. Add coconut and 1 cup almonds; beat until combined. Drop tablespoonfuls dough 2 inches apart onto prepared cookie sheets. Sprinkle tops with remaining ¼ cup almonds.
3. Bake 18 to 20 minutes or until bottoms are golden brown. Cool 1 minute on cookie sheets. Remove to wire rack; cool completely.

*Makes about 4 dozen cookies*

## Moon Rocks

- 1 package (about 18 ounces) devil's food or German chocolate cake mix with pudding in the mix
- 3 eggs
- ½ cup (1 stick) butter, melted
- 2 cups slightly crushed (2½-inch) pretzel sticks
- 1½ cups uncooked old-fashioned oats
- 1 cup swirled chocolate and white chocolate chips or candy-coated semisweet chocolate baking pieces

1. Preheat oven to 350°F.
2. Combine cake mix, eggs and butter in large bowl; mix well. Stir in pretzels, oats and chocolate chips. (Dough will be stiff.) Drop dough by rounded tablespoonfuls 2 inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheets.
3. Bake 7 to 9 minutes or until set. Cool 1 minute on cookie sheets. Remove to wire racks; cool completely.

*Makes about 5 dozen cookies*



## Tips and Tricks and Money Saving Ideas:

### Clean or change out your car's air filter.

A clean air filter can improve your gas mileage by up to 7%, saving you more than \$100 for every 10,000 miles driven in an average vehicle. Cleaning your air filter is easy to do in just a few minutes – just follow the instructions in your vehicle's manual and you're good to go.

If yours is beyond help, also consider changing it out for a new one. At most stores, a new air filter goes for less than \$10.

### Give the gift of labor.

For new parents, give an evening of babysitting as a gift. If you know pet owners, offer to take care of their pets when they travel. Offer up some lawn care as a gift to a new homeowner.

### Pass on extended warranties.

A \$129 two year extension on a \$300 product is just not worth it. Warranties are insurance, and we rarely need to insure such a small amount.

## Modern Quilt Designs

When we think of quilting, all the standard patterns come to mind, but there's a new twist going on for something new and different. Here are some examples:



**Doctors' Law** If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor,  
by the time you get there, you'll feel better.  
But don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.

Quilters aren't greedy, they're just materialistic.

A Good Friend Is Like A Good Bra. Hard to Find, Supportive, Comfortable, And  
Always Close To Your Heart!

*Great minds think alike, especially when they are female!*

God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world and one dab of mean.

You know you're a crafter when . . .

- ◆ You search Pinterest more than Google
- ◆ Others constantly ask or volunteer you to make something
- ◆ Paint or glitter in your hair is part of your hairstyle
- ◆ You can't watch TV without doing something with your hands
- ◆ The ironing board is always set up but you rarely iron clothes
- ◆ The people at the craft or home improvement store know you by name

Life is short, smile while you still have teeth.



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