



Rockwell Collins Craft Club March Newsletter

It's that time of year again . . . Time to play Bingo and have a Potluck Dinner. So plan what you're going to make and bring your own drink. If you have anything good for bingo prizes that you want to donate, please wrap them and bring them along. I know we are all hoping for the ice and snow to go away. We had a very productive board meeting last month and have our projects planned for the next few months.

- ☀ Bingo & Potluck for this month's meeting, so no craft project. This year Easter is late, so for April we will have time to do an Easter project the week before Easter. I will give you a hint. It involves bunnies and marshmallows.
- ☀ Last month's sheep went quite well and were very cute. And our heart door hanger for Valentine's Day turned out nicely too.
- ☀ I have not heard anything more official on the coming of Hobby Lobby, but I do see that all the K-Mart strip mall stores are empty now.
- ☀ Our charity for the past 2 months was Crossroads Mission. We sent them \$65 and some miscellaneous items. This month's charity will be Mission of Hope. Please bring CANNED FRUIT or money for them to buy food.
- ☀ We have lost another past Club member. Obituary for Lura Winterowd was in the paper on March 8th. Lura was a member of our club for many years, but not for the last few, due to poor health.
- ☀ We have news on company funding on Page 2 of this newsletter.

This Month at a Glance
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Happy Birthday!
March
8th — Vi Brislawn
22nd — Rowena Aburto Morehead
28th — Donna Hepker
29th — Pam Hoffman
April
8th — Donna Gelski
13th — Esther Miceli
16th — Mary Lagerquist
23rd — Marj Pepin

We have been waiting to hear on company matching funds and extra funding. We have finally received some news on this. Here is an excerpt from the email from Micah Mogle, President of Clubs & Leagues.

I will be looking for comments and suggestions and reasons from all of you at our meeting so I can take some positive ideas back to Micah and the board.

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What does this mean?

1. There will be NO funding provided for FY'14
2. Future funding is questionable.

What do we do?

1. We will need to work together to build a business case and "sale" the need for financial support from Rockwell Collins.

It is important to understand that the company is willing and wants to continue to support us with access to facilities and the like but given that they no longer subsidize things like the Child Development Center and the Rec, the same question is asked to us. If employees will participate by choice with these others groups why should Rockwell subsidize Clubs and League activities? This is a valid question and now is our opportunity to come together as a community to tell our story.

What we need from you:

1. Over the next 2-3 weeks please meet w/ your members and deliver this message as well as collect answers for the following questions.
 - A. Given that Rockwell Collins no longer subsidizes many other groups, why should Rockwell Collins continue to subsidize Clubs and Leagues?
 - B. What value does Rockwell Collins subsidy provide your club or league?
 - C. Could you operate independently from a funding stand point?
 - D. What value does your organization bring to Rockwell Collins?
 - E. What would you be willing to do to grow your organization at your location as well as help grow similar activities in other locations?
 - F. General constructive comments
2. Bring your findings to a scheduled workshop for Clubs and Leagues Leadership. This meeting will be open to all members and highly encourage to participate.

A few months ago I was hungry for Pumpkin Bars. I had never made them and found this recipe in my collection. A friend had given it to me 12 years ago! It turned out so well that I've made it 4 times since I found it. I also tried freezing some and they thawed out really great too. I found that the double batch of frosting is a bit much, so I usually make half of what's shown in the frosting recipe below.

Pumpkin Bars

2 c pumpkin	2 c flour
2 c sugar	1 tsp soda
1 c oil	2 tsp baking powder
4 eggs	2 tsp cinnamon



Mix all ingredients together.

Bake in greased 10 x 15 cookie sheet.

Bake @350°C for 25 minutes.

Frosting (this is a double batch)

8 oz cream cheese, softened

4 c powdered sugar

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ c margarine, softened

2 tsp vanilla

Mix all ingredients together until creamy.

Spread on cooled bars.

If you're enough lucky to be Irish... You're lucky enough!



May neighbours respect you, trouble neglect you, the angels protect you,
and Heaven accept you.

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