

SNOW MEASURE STICKS

Makes 2 (one to stick outside-one to hang until it snows)

Materials:

- White paint (craft or latex what ever you have)
- A ruler (we used wooden ones)
- Paint stick
- Fun Foam
- Double-sided carpet tape (it is really sticky stuff)
- Assorted colors permanent markers
- Saw/razor/knife/a nice Dad to do for you

Directions:

1. Paint both sides of the paint stick and $\frac{1}{2}$ of front of the ruler or all of the back of the ruler. Let dry.
2. Measure up about 2-1/2 " from squared end of paint stick and draw a line across. This becomes the earth line. Cut a small v shape at end of this area to make easier to push into the ground.
3. Using the measurement area of the ruler mark 1 inch, 2", 3", 4", etc. up from the earth line with a permanent marker with a dash line and numeral.
4. Cut 2 oval shapes from the fun foam sheet and decorate with markers with winter themes.
5. Cut piece of carpet tape and stick a fun foam shape on each side of the stick at the top.
6. Make other fun shapes and stick with tape to 12" area of the ruler if you wish.
7. Using gel pens or markers decorate the plain sides or back of the 2 measure sticks you have.
8. Before the first snow place the snow stick with pointed end in ground in open. The other ruler stick can easily be used the measure the snow, wiped off and hung until the next snow.

Category: Craft

Age Level: Cadette, Senior

Group Size: 1-10

Time: 1½-2 hours

GARDEN FLOWER FAIRY

Materials:

- Artificial Silk Flowers
- Wooden beads (for heads)
- Chenille stems (pipe cleaners)
- Embroidery floss (hair)
- Scissors
- Tacky glue
- Assorted Sharpie Markers or Gel pens
- Clear fishing line or cord for hanging

Directions:

1. Paint wood bead if necessary. Let dry. Draw face on bead with sharpie marker or gel pen.
2. Select 2 chenille stems to go with the color of your flower. Fold 1 chenille stem in half. If you would like to hang your fairy, now is time to place a piece of nylon thread or cord on the fold
3. Wrap embroidery strands around your hand about 8-10 times. Carefully take off your hand and holding both sides pinch together and clip each end to make hair.
4. Place the hair where you have it pinched together in the middle into the fold of the chenille stem that you have folded in half.
5. Slide the wood bead onto the chenille stem (being sure the face is not upside down) make it snug to the hair.
6. Take the other chenille stem and cut in half. Take 1 piece of the chenille stem and twist around the other chenille stem below the wood bead (this forms arms).
7. Take your flower and pull apart the plastic center. If you have a flower that isn't very full with a lot of petals get 1 more and take it apart.
8. Take 1 flower segment and put a slit to the center and fashion a bodice forming shoulders and waist. Use a drop or so of glue to hold in place.
9. Take the rest of the flower upside down and slide it up the 2 chenille stems to the waist (forming the skirt of the fairy)
10. If the chenille stems are too long, fold them over to make little feet or trim them and then fold little feet.

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Group Size: 1-10

Time: 1½-2 hours

YES, A FLOWER PIN

Materials:

- Color computer paper
- Heart paper punch
- 1-1/4" bar pin (1" will also work)
- Tacky glue or hot glue & glue gun
- Index cards or card stock to match
- YES Glue (the magic ingredient)*

Directions:

1. Cut circles the size of quarters from the index cards or card stock.
2. Glue bar pin to one side of circle and let dry (hot Glue is quick and can be done by Adult)
3. Using the color paper cut or punch out the hearts. Gently fold hearts in half-length wise and put aside.
4. Put ¼ teaspoon of YES Glue on the top center of the card stock pin.
5. Starting at base of circle, place tip end of paper heart into the glue slightly overlapping petals as you go around the base it will take 5 or 6.
6. Next row use 1 less heart. 4-5 petals for this row.
7. Top row- position 3 heart petals around and let dry.

The YES glue will not flatten or level unless you form it that way

*YES glue was purchased at Davis Art Supply on S. Elm St. Greensboro (almost across from Blumenthals)

Category: Craft
Age Level: Junior, Cadette, Senior
Group Size: 1-20
Time: 1 hour

WIRE BUD VASE STAND & VASE

Materials needed:

Vinyl covered wire (we used Wal-marts clothesline wire)

Vase

Piece of dowel or broomstick (about 1-1+1/2" diameter)

Pliers (regular or needle nose)

Scissors or wire cutters

Optional: Small silk roses

To Do:

1. Cut a 12" piece of wire.
2. Wrap wire around the dowel 1-2 times.
3. Remove wire from the dowel. Be sure to put wire end into center of circle.
4. Wrap the remainder of wire around vase for snugness. At the end make a small curl and have end to center of curl.
5. Place on table and bend and adjust to stand upright. It is now ready to use.

Optional: Cut a small flower or rose bud and place in vase (silk flowers work best, unless you add water everyday for real flower).

Category: Crafts

Age Level: Juniors-Seniors

Group Size: Any

Time:30-45 minutes

DECORATIVE DOOR MAT

Materials Needed:

Door mat- natural woven fiber

Fabric – 1 yard cut to 1” strips the width of fabric
(felt strips also work great)

Half of chenille stem/pipe cleaner

Scissors

Markers or paint pen

Pattern or design cutout-simple

To Do:

1. Decide on a design you would like on mat.
2. Using marker or paint pen outline area to be filled in.
3. Tear or cut fabric strips to 1-inch widths.
4. Cut a small slit at one end.
5. Fold chenille stem in half
6. Put fabric end without slit between fold of chenille stem with about 6-8 inches sticking out.
7. Weave your design onto mat similar to cross-stitching.
8. As you use each strip use the slit to knot to join pieces.

Category: Crafts

Age Level: Cadette/Senior

Group Size: Any

Time: 1 hour

SAFARI ANIMAL PUPPETS

Material Needed:

Wooden Spoons

Wood shapes – $\frac{3}{4}$ " circles, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ovals, 2" ovals 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " ovals, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " teardrops, mini craft sticks, (a bag of assorted shape woodsies may work)

Wiggle Eyes

Craft paints: Grey, brown, yellow, white, black, pink, orange

Paintbrushes

Craft Glue

Fine tip black Marker

To Make:

Elephant:

Paint the following Grey – spoon, 2- large ovals 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ", 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " oval, mini craft stick. Let Dry.

With black marker draw ear swirls on 2 large ovals.

Draw smile for mouth and dot pink paint for cheeks (little finger is right size).

Glue ears, nose and wiggle eyes to spoon.

Giraffe:

Paint the following yellow- spoon, 2- 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " teardrops (ears) 2- $\frac{7}{8}$ " ovals (horns).

Draw swirls on the ear teardrops and draw nose swirl and mouth smile with marker.

Glue ears, horn and wiggle eyes to spoon.

Paint large body spots with the end of paintbrush handle. Use brown paint.

Monkey:

Paint the following brown: spoon, 1 – 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " oval (muzzle), 2- $\frac{3}{4}$ " circles (ears).

Draw swirls on ears, nose swirls & mouth on muzzle

Glue ears, muzzle and wiggle eyes to spoon

Zebra:

Paint the wood pieces as follows: Wooden spoon: White, Two 1 1/2" teardrops (ears): White. 7/8" oval (mane) Black Paint Pink cheeks on the spoon and draw a mouth and nostrils with the fine-tip black marker. Draw stripes with the medium-tip black marker.

Adhere the wood pieces and wiggle eyes to the spoon.

Tiger:

Paint the following: Wooden spoon: orange, Two 1 1/2" ovals (ears): orange, 3/4" circle (nose): Pink. Paint Pink cheeks on the spoon (and draw a mouth with the fine-tip black marker. Draw stripes with the medium-tip black marker. Adhere the wood pieces and wiggle eyes to the spoon.

Category: Craft

Age Level: Brownies-Seniors

Group Size: 10-15

Time: 2 Meetings

GIRL SCOUT BELLE**Materials Needed:****For Each Belle:**

Paint brushes or applicators

Paint: Colors appropriate to the level

Daisy blue for Daisies

Brown & blue for Brownies

Teal Green & white for Juniors

Khaki & Blues for Cadette & Seniors

Hair Colors – brown-black-red-yellow-?

Fun Foam – Colors to Match shirts of above levels

1 - 1 1/4" Ball knob – wood ball for head

1 - 2-2 1/4" Clay Flower Pot (Test fit)

A Large-Medium size Jingle bell

Cording or String (to hang jingle bell)

Glues for assembly (Tacky and hot glue or Goop/E6000)
Use Goop for head and jingle bell string and Tacky for arms)
Pencil & Sharpie – Black
Optional: Synthetic hair, embroidery floss, yarns. (For hair)

To Do:

1. Paint head with hair. Draw a face with sharpie or can be left off.
2. Paint flower pot to resemble level you want – Daisy-Brownie-Junior-Cad/Senior
3. Cut arms from Fun Foam and set aside for now.
4. String bell and tie into the flowerpot letting it dangle slightly.
5. Place center of Arms fun foam with hole over the knot for bell glue in place.
6. Glue head (wood knob) flat side to the top of arms piece. Forming Head & body.
7. Let all Dry.

Category: Craft

Age Level: Juniors-Seniors

Group Size: 10-15

Time: 2 Meetings

GLASS PAPERWEIGHT

Materials:

Precut beveled Glass
Floral Tape (we used green)
Wrapping Paper, Colored paper,
Old Calendars, Magazines*
Overhead Transparency sheets
Pens, Markers, etc.
Scissors

To Make:

1. Decide what you want under the glass.
2. Place Glass over image (poem, etc. that you want under the glass). Mark around the shape of glass.
3. If you want the item to be see through, just do what you want on clear plastic sheet and skip to part 5.
4. If underside of design has unsightly words or calendar info, cut a colored paper shape to fit under design.
5. Sandwich glass, Image, color bottom. (if clear, omit color paper).
6. While holding everything together, wrap floral tape around edge of the sandwich.
Wrap as evenly as you can. Continue 2-3x's around, lightly stretching as you go. The floral tape will stick to itself.
7. Cut floral tape after several times around. Smooth a little if necessary.
8. Enjoy!

Category: Crafts

Age Level: Junior-Senior

Group Size: 10

Time: 1 hour

CUPCAKES FOR FEBRUARY-NAME YOUR GROUNDHOG

Needed:

Plain Cupcakes (whatever variety you like)

Frosting – White

Cookies – Oreo's or chocolate chip type (you choose)

Almond Joy candy bars

Mini M & M's

Decorator Icing tubes – assorted colors

Plastic Knives

To Do:

1. Frost cupcakes with white icing. Set aside.
2. Decorate a face on the Almond Joy candy bar, use only the top half. Use the M&M's for eyes and use a little tube frosting to hold in place. Dot of frosting for nose, line of frosting for mouth, etc.
3. Make a cut in the top of the cupcake and put your groundhog in cake partway.
4. Add some cookie crumbs (made with Oreo's or whatever kind you like) to top of cupcake around your groundhog.
5. Does it look like he/she just popped up to check the weather???
6. Have fun eating!!

Category: Crafts
Age level: Daisy-Senior
Group Size: 10-15
Time: 45 minutes

GIRL SCOUT TRAVELING VAN

Needed:

2x4 dried stud – not treated. (We used a Cedar stud)
Small dowels 3/8" diameter
Wood Wheels about 1 inch or 1-1/4" diameter
(If hole is drilled in wheels be sure the dowel is same size)
Drill bits (drill bits same size as dowel and slightly larger)
Drill
1" wide Chisel
Hammer
Saw-Circular, saber, hand saw,
A willing Dad if necessary
Tacky or Wood glues (either works)
Pencils, crayons, markers, etc.
Light Grade sandpaper
Scissors or clippers

To Do:

1. Cut the 2 x 4 into 1-1/4" pieces. (can be a little wider-depends on type of saw you use...we used band saw.
2. Keeping the crown of the wood to the top, drill a hole on each lower side of the block for the wheel axles.
3. With a chisel, knock one edge of the block off to form a van shape.
4. Lightly sand your block.
5. Cut 2 pieces of dowel to fit through the wheels and block.
6. Dry fit the wheels after the axle is in place. Be sure that wheels roll easily without too much wobble side to side. Trim any excess if necessary.
7. Decorate the van with colored pencils, markers, crayons, etc.
8. Use a drop of glue to hold wheels in place. Let dry.

Who has the fastest van????

Note: You may want to take wheels off to decorate and then put back and glue.

Suggestion: As a service project, give the vans to a shelter, children's center.

Category: Crafts
Age Level: Seniors
Group Size: 10
Time: 1 hour

ERASER HEAD-PENCIL BUDDY

Needed:

Kneadable Eraser

Pencil

Felt

Scissors

To Do:

1. Remove covering on eraser and start molding it into a shape or face that you like. You don't have to use all of it if you have too much.
2. Stick your eraser figure into the eraser end of pencil.
3. Cut clothes shape from felt and add a couple of horizontal slits to fit pencil and slide onto pencil.
4. Sharpen pencil and use.
5. The eraser head does work and you can always reshape it if it's dropped or smashed.
6. Yes, it really is an eraser.

Category: Crafts

Age Level: Daisy-Brownie

Group Size: Any

Time:30 minutes