



## GECC Membership Medley February Crafts



### Peppermint Patty Box w/ Handle

- 1) Cut cardstock 5" x 5".
- 2) Score all four sides at 1.5"
- 3) Cut DSP 2" x 1.5"
- 4) Cut handle 3/4" x 4"
- 5) Using the bone folder, crease the box along score lines.
- 6) Using scissors, cut along score lines 1.5" at right and left sides till it intersects with 90 degree score line.
- 7) Adhere DSP on four sides.
- 8) Apply adhesive on corners you cut with scissors to form the box.
- 9) Stamp your handle as desired.
- 10) Punch 1/16" hole in handle and in box side/center. Insert brad to hold handle to box.
- 11) Stamp image and punch with 1 3/8" circle punch 3 times.
- 12) Punch cardstock using circle scallop punch 3 times.
- 13) Adhere stamped image to scallop punch, then onto peppermint patty.
- 14) Fill your box with candies.



### KOOL-AID PLAYDOUGH

- 1 cup flour
- 1/2 cup salt
- 1 pkg. unsweetened Kool-aid
- 2 Tbls. veg. oil
- 1 cup boiling water

Mix dry ingredients together.  
Add oil and boiling water and knead!



### "I Love You"

Trace hand with fingers in the Sign Language shape of "I love you." Cut it out and place in small boxes with pink, red, and white paint and marbles for a different painting effect.



We do "Skinnamarinky dink" in Sign Language with the children.



### COOL WHIP FINGERPAINT

We finger paint in Cool-Whip tinted pink with red food coloring.



### Puffy Hearts

Mix together Elmer's glue, shaving cream and red tempera paint and let children finger paint. Cut out heart shapes and you have pretty puffy hearts.



### "Friendship Painting"

Give one child a cup full of white paint, and another child a cup of red. Encourage them to both paint together, mixing and blending the colors. Preschoolers will love to see their own "color pink" appear, depending on how much red or how much white each child contributes. Don't forget to have each group of friends do two paintings, one for each of them to take home.



### Marble Rolling

Using an empty heart-shaped candy box, cut white construction paper hearts the same size as the inside of the box. Students place one of the paper hearts in the box along with marbles dipped in red and pink paint. Close the box and roll the marbles around for a pretty Valentine.



### VALENTINE BAGS

Sponge shapes dipped in paint to decorate Valentine bags for exchanges on our Valentine Celebration Day.



[http://www.freekidscrafts.com/handprint\\_valentine's\\_day\\_card-e197.html](http://www.freekidscrafts.com/handprint_valentine's_day_card-e197.html)

### Handprint Valentine's Day Card



Fold a piece of skin colored construction paper in half. Place your hand on the folded paper with edge of your palm (near the pinky) lining up with the fold. Trace around your hand except for edge on the fold. Remove your hand and cut out. Open up. Cut hearts out of construction paper. Paste on palm. Write message "A Handful of Love" on the card and sign.





### VALENTINE'S DAY FUN

#### Materials:

1. Red/Pink/White Construction paper
2. Glue/Tape
3. Scissors
4. Digital Camera (optional) with capability to print out the pictures

#### Arts and Craft Part

1. Have your children take pictures of any "places" in the house. Tell them to be specific, such as a picture of a pillow on a bed as opposed to the entire room or the cabinet under the sink in the bathroom. Afterwards you can pick and choose the pictures to use, so don't be too strict about what they take.

2. Choose the pictures where you could hide a piece of paper in or around.

3. Print these pictures out.

4. Cut out hearts using the construction paper.

5. Glue the printed out pictures onto the cut out hearts.

#### Game:

This is a game where the child finds his way through the house using pictures until he gets a prize.

Start with any picture and consider this the "Starting Point". You will not hide this picture, but will hand this "Starting Point" picture to your child once you play the game. Hide another picture at the physical location in your house of which the first ("Starting Point") picture was taken. Then go to the physical location in the house of which the picture you just hid is and hide another picture. Continue this until you hide the last picture. Then, go to the physical location of the last picture you hid and put a prize in this spot. When your child gets to this spot, he found his way through the pictures he took to the prize.



### Hershey Kiss Flower

- Wire stem
- Green floral ribbon
- 2 wrapped Hershey Kisses
- Clear colored cellophane or tissue paper. 4
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Place Hershey Kisses one on top of the other with flat bottoms together. Place tissue or cellophane over kisses and twist the ends of the paper or cellophane at the top of one of the kisses to make a colored blossom. Wrap bottom of the paper or cellophane with a piece of floral tape. Tape kiss flower to floral stem with floral tape-put floral leaf in last wrap of the tape. Put ribbon bow on the stem. Voila! A SWEET flower for your favorite person.



### VALENTINE SNOWMAN

Make a snowman and put a small red heart on his chest with this poem:

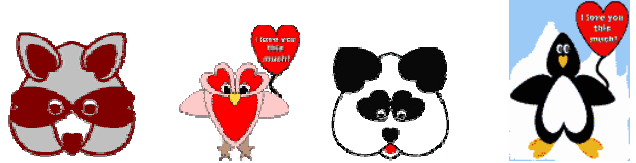
#### Valentine Snowman



I made a snowman yesterday,  
So jolly, fat, and fine.  
I pinned a red heart on his chest  
And named him Valentine!



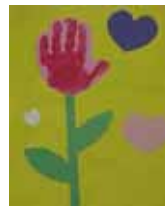
### Heart Shaped Animals



<http://www.first-school.ws/theme/animals/crafts/heart-shape.htm>



### Handprint Flower-



Cut long green stems and 2 leaves from colored paper. Paint the child's hand with red or pink paint. Stamp the handprint onto paper and include the following poem:

#### RECIPIENT NAME

can you guess  
Who it is that loves you best?  
I'll give you three guesses,  
One, two, three.  
I knew you would guess,  
YES, it is me.

This flower is quite special  
As you can plainly see.  
I made it from my handprint  
Just for you, from me.  
I made it with paper,  
paint and glue.  
Just to show you how much  
I love you!



### Candy Hearts



- Materials: 2 wrapped Candy canes  
2 Conversation Heart Candies  
Ribbon  
Low Temp Glue Gun (\*adults only)

Glue the two bent portions of the candy canes together to form a heart. Put a dab of glue to form the point. Before the glue hardens have the child select two conversation hearts and place over glue dots. Let them dry and hang with a ribbon.



### FAMILY OR UNITY HAND FLOWER



Trace hands of family members. Cut out. Position hand prints with the largest first and smallest to the front. Position hand thumbs facing right and another facing left to form the flower.

### Stained Glass Heart

- Materials: Wax paper  
Permanent marker  
Tissue paper (red, pink, purple, white, etc.)  
Liquid starch  
Paint brush

On a sheet of wax paper, draw a large heart with permanent marker. Have children tear or cut tissue paper into small pieces. Paint the wax paper heart with liquid starch and place tissue pieces on top. (covering the permanent marker) Allow to dry overnight, then cut out heart and hang with a string. Beautiful with the sun shining through!

### Stained Glass Spring Valentines

For each child: Hollowed out construction paper heart in pink, purple, or red (I cut mine out with decorative edged scissors), sheet of wax paper to go underneath it, white glue, and many 1" squares of pink, white, red, fuchsia, and LIME GREEN tissue paper. (Or let children tear small pieces of tissue)

**Procedure:** With the heart on the waxed paper, squiggle glue all over the center, make sure the glue also touches the inside border of your hollowed out heart. Cover all the glue with the tissue paper squares! Let dry overnight. In the a.m., carefully peel away from the waxed paper and hang in your window :) Beautiful! The green adds something springy to the look :)

### Heart Shape Laced Pocket

Fold two paper plates in half. With the folded edge to the outside lay one plate inside the other with tips touching. Staple heart pocket together where the plates form the point of a heart, and again in the center where the plates meet. Using a hole punch create holes along the top side of the heart. Use red yarn to lace the edge of the heart. Add a handle.



### Birdseed Heart

Take a slice of bread toast it, cut a small hole in the center, then cut it with a large heart shape. Cover it with peanut butter, just don't eat the stuff. You can also use Crisco shortening or soft margarine. Coat the heart with bird seed and place a string through the hole to hang outside for the birds. They deserve a little love too.

### Heart Shape Card or Candy Holder



Using red paper (white, pink, etc. or a combination of two different colors) fold in half lengthwise creating a long rectangle. On the fold, cut out two identical half heart shapes. With the folded edge to the outside, lay the two hearts with the points touching. Glue together creating a pocket to hold cards, candy, etc. Glue a handle on for carrying.

### Making a Heart Shape

Start with putting palms together, thumbs towards you (as if you are praying). As you say the following poem, keep the tips of your fingers together as you curve them around. The children will love to see the Heart Shape they can make!!!

*I put my hands together,  
This is how I start;  
I curve my fingers right around  
And I can make a heart.*

### The Love Bug

It begins with a grin.  
It turns to a giggle.  
You start to laugh,  
Your legs start to wiggle.  
You look around  
For someone to hug.  
You've caught the love bug!

**Aaaaaachhhhhhhooooo**