



BUTTON FRAME CRAFT MEMBERSHIP NIGHT

Start collecting different size, style and color of button

Have a button collection contact among chapter members to promote membership night and get your button supply

- .The members who bring in the most button
- .The member who bring in the smallest button
- .The member who bring in the biggest button
- .The member who bring in the cuteness button
- .The member who bring in the oldest button

<u>Materials need:</u>	Buttons	Hot glue guns
	Bowls/plates (to separate button in)	Glue sticks
	Tablecloth	Tape
	Frames (bigger the frame the more button needed)	
	Scissors	Work space/table
	Extension cords	Power strips
	Sand paper (fine course)	

Step to planning:

1. Pick your date, time and place to have the button frame craft M-night
2. Invite everyone that is on your prospective list
 - . Each chapter member should invite a guest or two
 - . Can use evite, Facebook, email
3. Send out written invitation at least 3 weeks out
4. Make sure to call the guest two to three days after the invitation are sent out to make sure the guests got invitation (personal contact is the best way to market your Membership night)

5. Call your guest 2-3 days prior to membership night to see if they need a ride, be positive and encouraging about your craft membership night
6. Decide on decoration for the night of you m-night
7. Select on the foods/beverages bring served the night of m-night

Night of the M-night:

1. Prep food/beverages
2. Set up work station for each guest
3. Think of an icebreaker to ask at the beginning of the night

Instruction to make frame:

1. Take sand paper and lightly sand frame
2. Take a cloth and wrap down frame
3. Decide on what types of buttons to use (by one color, all one shape, multi-color, by size etc.)
4. Put a spot of glue on button and put another spot on frame
5. Press the button on the spot of glue on the frame
6. Continue this step till outer part of frame is cover with bottoms. You might want to stagger the button or overlap so the outer part of frame is all cover

Use buttons facts throughout the night to assistance with conversation.



Facts about buttons:

1. The **oldest button** ever found was in the Indus Valley Civilization which is now Pakistan. The button is made of a curved shell and dates back 5,000 years!
2. In 2600-1500BCE buttons were used as **ornamentation instead of as fasteners**.
3. **Buttons with buttonholes** used to keep clothing closed first appeared in 13th century Germany.

4. By the 13th and 14th century, buttons were widespread throughout Europe.
5. Ornamental buttons dating back between 2600-1500BCE have been found in the Indus Valley Civilization, Rome and China
6. During the World Wars, the British and U.S. military used **button lockets** which were buttons constructed like lockets to store compasses
7. Buttons are made in all shapes and sizes.
8. **Flat buttons** lie flat and have holes through them. The thread is sewn through the holes to attach the buttons to the fabric. Most new sewing machines can sew on a button.
9. **Shank buttons** have a protrusion on the back with a hole in it. The thread is wrapped around and through the hole to attach the button.
10. **Stud buttons** are the metal buttons you find on jeans and jean jackets. These buttons are riveted through the fabric with a button on one side and a disc on the other. This type of button is very secure because the fabric is sandwiched between the two metal pieces
11. **Covered buttons** are buttons that are covered with a small piece of fabric. The smooth metal button has teeth to grab the fabric around the edges and a shank that is pressed onto the back to hold all the fabric edges in the hollow metal button back.
12. **Frogs** are knotted strings in an intricate pattern which have a large string knob that is held within the knotted strings like a button and buttonhole
13. Buttons are made of natural and manmade materials.

Activity for the night:

1. Have the word BUTTON written out on a sheet of paper. Then ask guest to write down how many words they can come up with using the letter in the word buttons
2. **Button toss game:** Have three bowls or plates. Tape a sheet or paper on them that represent a point value. (Ex. 5-10-15 or 1-2-3.) Mark off a district with a line...That will be the throwing line. Decide on how many button to use for each player. Each player toss the button into the bowl/plate. Button need to stay into contain to earn point. Before playing decide on the length of time to play.

INVITAION

The (name of your chapter) Women of Today invites you to a button frame craft membership night. Fine out how this great organization will benefit all area of your life. Plus make a craft to go home with.

Date:

Time:

Location:

Women of Today is a dynamic women's organization. That provide opportunity for leadership training, Personal development and community service. We are women from various backgrounds and communities. We are women who want to make our communities a better place for all us to live. Please join us to find out more.

Button, Button who has buttons

For a fun Membership Night

