

Christmas Angel - with Trumpet

This project requires considerable shop work, but the results are outstanding. This is a very nice project to take to the elderly in the community. This project is good for older boys.

Materials needed:

1. One 1" x 6" spruce/fir (nice soft wood).
2. 4" of 1" x 2" spruce/fir.
3. 1 golf tee (get at local craft store or from cherrytree toys.com, gold braid or Christmas tinsel (12"), semi-gloss white latex paint, foam brushes, gold paint, two - 2" sheetrock screws, electric screwdriver, sandpaper (120 - 150 grit).

Before the meeting:

1. Trace outline of angel onto 1 x 6 wood from 1X diagram.
2. Cut out angel using a band saw with a 1/8" blade.
3. Cut base 4" from a 1 x 2.
4. Drill hole in arm and continue about 1/4" into head using the appropriate bit to fit your golf tee.
5. Drill 2 holes in base and countersink for 2" sheetrock screw.
6. Cut gold braid to 12" lengths.
7. Sand all wood on a belt sander.
8. (Optional) Paint golf tee gold color (or you can leave this for the boys to do).



Assembly at the meeting:

Week 1: Make five extra projects per class to give away!

1. (Optional) Paint golf tee gold color (this is a little difficult, so you may want to do this before the meeting.)
2. Sand all wood parts with sandpaper.
3. Attach base to angel using two 2" sheetrock screws and an electric screwdriver.
4. Paint the angel and base using white semi-gloss latex paint and foam brushes (have several wet paper towels for cleanup and a coffee can to put the brushes in until you can clean them after the meeting.)

Hint: Check the project the next day, you will probably need to touch-up the angels or (likely) a second coat may be needed.

Week 2:

1. Have the boys tie the gold braid as illustrated.
2. Insert and glue the trumpet. Add a label: **Merry Christmas! club name, date**

Deliver the 5 extra projects to elderly in the community. Be sure to call the elderly on the day of the visit so they will stay up and have the porch light on. You may want to take the boys for an ice cream treat after the visits!

