## **Heritage Craft – Spoon Photo Decoration**

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## **Supplies for project:**

Spoon

Copy of photo or digital scanned photo Heavy(ish) paper to print photo Small bit of scrap wire ~ 20-22 gauge Ribbon, pearls, other embellishments White glue E6000 glue

## **Tools for Project:**

Computer with software to manipulate scans (eg Microsoft Publisher)

Printer

**Scissors** 

Tweezers

Pliers and wire cutters

Ruler

## **General Instructions:**

Make a hanging loop of wire. It doesn't have to be fancy – wrap around pliers and twist ends together – should be about ¾ to 1 inch long.



Glue twisted wire to back of spoon near the top using E6000 glue, leaving loop free to use for a hanger. Let dry, at least to the



touch.

Measure the bowl of the spoon. In Microsoft Publisher or other software create an oval of that

dimension. (Most spoons are approximate ovals. This shape will get you started, and you may need to trim more later.) Import picture

into document and crop and scale until image it's the right size to fit into oval. Drag oval shape onto picture and position where you like it. On Format Tab in Publisher click BringForward so oval will be on top of photo and give you a cutting line. At this stage I do a test print on cheap



paper just to make sure the cut size of the photo is right for the spoon. When you are satisfied, print final copy on thicker paper or cardstock. (If you are using a photo (and please use copies, not originals!) cut your picture into an oval to fit the spoon).

Before printing, create a small "name tag" as desired. You will be using about a 6 or 7 pt font. I created a text box in the same Publisher document and wrote the subject's name in a pretty font. That way I could print the photo and the name tag on the same piece of cardstock. Cut out the oval photo and the name tag.

Run a bead of white glue around the outside of the back of the picture. Set picture into bowl of spoon. Weight with a few coins and let dry. (Due to the convex nature of spoons, the photo will only be glued around the edges. It won't be glued fully into the whole bowl of the spoon.) Once picture is dry, glue the name tag onto the photo. (It may extend beyond the edges, but that's OK).

Embellish with a pearl or other bead or small charm. Tie a pretty ribbon around the stem of the spoon for decoration. After the E6000 glue for the hanging loop has dried for at least 24 hours, thread a ribbon through the loop for hanging.

