

# **Crop Connection 2012**

## **Event Information**

### **January 26th, 27th, & 28th**

#### **Location**

Our 2012 Crop Connection is being held at:

**The Wahabi Shriner's Headquarters**  
**4123 I-55 South (Frontage Road)**  
**Jackson, MS 39212**

#### **Directions**

If you are traveling North on I-55 take Exit 88 (Elton Road). Turn left, crossover the interstate. Turn right on the frontage road. Turn left into the gated driveway at the Wahabi Shriner's Headquarters.

If you are traveling South on I-55 take Exit 88 (Elton Road). Turn right, then turn right again onto the frontage road. Turn left into the gated driveway at the Wahabi Shriner's Headquarters.

#### **Cropping Hours**

Thursday - 5:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. (no meal provided)\*

Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 p.m. (Lunch & supper provided for Pkg. 1 croppers)

Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. (Lunch & supper provided for Pkg. 1 croppers)

#### **Check-In**

The doors will open at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 26th. Come to the check-in area and you will be given your table assignment. After you have received your table assignment, you may unload your scrapbooking supplies at the front entrance.

#### **Table Assignments**

Each table has been prepared for each registered cropper and seats have been assigned. Please do not rearrange the table or seating assignments.

#### **\*Charity Hamburger Supper**

The Shriner's will be grilling hamburgers on Thursday night. The cost for a hamburger, chips, and a drink is **\$5.00**. They will be cooking and serving from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. The proceeds are for the transportation (life flight) of burn victims to the hospital for immediate treatment.

#### **Meal Packages**

If you purchased a meal package, you will receive a meal ticket upon check-in.

#### **Open to the Public**

We are open to the public on Saturday, January 28th from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. If you are not registered for Crop Connection, you may come and shop with our vendors. There is a \$5.00 admission fee for non-registered croppers.

#### **Contests\***

##### **\*NEW CONTEST! Ugliest Tie Contest!**

We have a new contest this January. Dig through your husband's, father's, brother's, or your son's neckties and bring the **ugliest tie** with you to Crop Connection. Believe it or not, there will be a prize for the ugliest tie!

##### **Layout and Project Contest**

We will have a contest featuring a one or two page layout of your choice. Bring a completed layout with you or create one while attending our crop. There will also be a contest for three dimensional projects, such as chipboard books, frames, etc. All entries must be turned into the check-in area. (Time to be announced at the event)

## Decorate Your Space

Decorate your 6 foot space to show off your personal style. Decorate by using balloons and streamers or decorate with a theme. Be creative! To enter our contest, please ask for an entry form to register your individual or group space at the check-in area.

## Opportunities to Give & Win

### "What's in the Box?" Silent Auction

We have selected The Children's Burn Hospital to be the beneficiary of our signature charity event. Instead of hosting a regular silent auction, we are hosting "What's in the Box?" Auction. We are asking all participants to purchase a retail scrapbook item retailing \$8-10\*. Example – paper packs, totes, scissors, embellishments, etc. Each participant will place their item in a gift box and wrap it attractively to be presented at the silent auction. **No gift bags please.** The bidding will be set up as a regular auction with sign-up sheets. The only difference is that the bidder will not be able to view the actual item up for bid. This in itself will create a new level of excitement and participation. *We have set a bold goal of raising \$2,000.00 for The Children's Burn Hospital.*

**\*Helpful hint:** Take this opportunity to visit your local scrapbook stores for in-store specials and closeouts. You may also watch for discount coupons to be used at your local craft and hobby stores. We ask you to spend \$8 - \$10 and with a little bargain shopping you may find a \$20 item on sale for \$10. Happy shopping and remember, it is for a worthy cause.

## Crop Connection Policies

### Cancellation Policy/Refunds

Our goal is to offer a great cropping event at the lowest possible rates. To do this, we must book our crop to capacity and we count on our registered attendees to be there. Therefore a \$30.00 cancellation fee will apply. We understand that there are unexpected situations that could arise, and the staff at Crop Connection will do their best to try and resolve any issues. If there is a waiting list and we are able to place someone in your place, we may, at our discretion, waive the cancellation fee. There will be no refunds given for any reason, including but not limited to weather or natural disaster if cancellations occur within thirty days of the event. There will be no refunds for no-shows. Policies and prices are subject to change. There is NO EXCEPTION to the cancellation policy. Registrations are non-transferable.

### Children

We love children and they are the primary reason most of us scrapbook. Crop Connection was created to give you an opportunity to escape from the demands of everyday life. In order for us to provide an atmosphere where your creativity thrives, children under 10 will not be permitted at Crop Connection. Children 10 and older must be registered for the crop. You may not bring your child to crop with you and share your table.

### Non-Smoking Facility

The Shriner's Facility is smoke free. Smoking is not permitted inside or within 50 feet of the building entrance.

### Alcoholic Beverages

Absolutely **NO** alcoholic beverages allowed at Crop Connection, neither inside nor on the premises. If you are observed consuming alcohol or have it in your possession, you will be asked to leave the premises.

### AC/Heat

The air/heat at the facility is set at a certain temperature and locked - we cannot adjust the temperature on-site. Bring a jacket or lap blanket for your personal comfort.

### Music

Crop Connection is intended to be a quiet, quaint scrapbooking weekend. If you would like to listen to music, please bring your personal player with headphones. We appreciate each person's consideration for the next person.

## Spray Adhesives

Do not use spray adhesive inside the crop room. You may use the parking lot to spray adhesive.

## Cricut Machines

Due to the limited number of outlets, we will have a designated area for all cricut machines. Please label your machine with your name and table number.

## Laptops

If you are a digital scrapbooker, we will do our best to accommodate you. Please bring a power strip, extension cord and **painter's tape**. NO DUCT TAPE ALLOWED.

## Door Prizes/Giveaways/Raffle

You must be present to win the items for our raffle. Door prizes and giveaways will not be mailed or given to friends for delivery.

## Available for Purchase

### T-Shirts

We will have Crop Connection T-shirts for sale. If you would like to reserve a special size, let us know by calling 601-936-6722 or 601-319-0225.

### Raffle

You may purchase raffle tickets to enter for a chance to win five fantastic prizes. Tickets may be purchased for \$1.00 each or six for \$5.00. Purchase your tickets at the check-in table. Drawing time to be announced. You must be present to win.

### Beverages/ Souvenir Cups

We will have ice cold Coke products: Coke, Diet Coke, Dr. Pepper, Diet Dr. Pepper, Sprite and Water. Coke products and water are sold for \$1.00 each. You may purchase a souvenir cup with unlimited refills during the event for \$10.00. *(Refills do not include coffee.)*

### Coffee

We will have gourmet coffee on sale for \$2.00 a cup. Hot Chocolate will be available for \$1.00 a cup. Each 12 oz. cup will be brewed when you place your order.

### Last Minute Tips

- \* Wear casual clothes or P.J.'s (if you prefer)
- \* Wear comfortable shoes
- \* Bring a jacket or a lap blanket in case you get chilly (we cannot adjust the temperature on-site)
- \* Bring a pillow or cushion for your chair, if you prefer. (the chairs are padded)
- \* Don't forget your camera, batteries, & film (unless you've gone digital)
- \* Money (for the Silent Auction, shopping, massage therapist (if available), raffle tickets, tips for the baggage boys & extra drinks)
- \* Bring power strips and extension cords, for plugging up Cricut machines in a designated area and **painter's tape**.  
NO Duct tape allowed! (Outlets are limited)