

2nd scrapbooking event to raise funds for soldiers' phone cards

An event at the end of this month gives scrapbookers a chance to indulge in their hobby for a good cause.

Another Scrapping for Soldiers crop will be held Jan. 26 at L-3 Communications (formerly Titan) in Lexington Park.

The first Scrapping for Soldiers crop in St. Mary's was held in September and raised approximately \$2,000 for Soldiers Angels, a group that used the funds to purchase 200 phone cards for servicemen and women stationed overseas.

"Soldiers Angels sent the phone cards to the deployed soldiers inside the handmade greeting cards made by participants at the crop," wrote Kristie Lippert, organizer of the event, in an e-mail.

Lippert said the first event did more than raise money. "It was a heartfelt crop, and we started out with honoring those active-duty ladies in attendance and those that are married to a military member as well as those that have children in the military. The ladies shed a few tears, and then we got down to having some fun and scrapping."

The January event will run from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.. Cost is \$40 per scrapping space. This will be a pot luck crop, so participants are asked to also bring a dish to share. There will be goodie bags, door prizes and a silent auction, as well as free make-and-takes. In addition, vendors will be on site for shopping.

"January's crop is going to be a lot of fun and full of some surprises as well," Lippert said.

For more information or to register for the crop, contact Lippert at kristie@lippert.com or can 301-290-0117. Information is also available at www.scrappingforsoldiers.com.

Organizers are accepting donations of food, prizes and money from businesses or individuals that would like to contribute.



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