

**American Girl Tea Party
Celebrating the 23rd Anniversary of the Pleasant Company**

Description of Program:

It's a tea party! You are invited this special event as we celebrate the 23rd anniversary of the American Girl (Pleasant Company). Bring along your favorite doll or stuffed animal for crafts, games, fun activities and a tasty treat!

Program Plans:

Icebreaker:

Participants sit in a circle and each person introduces themselves and their doll or stuffed animal.

Games:

Hot Potato - Participants pass around a small stuffed animal or doll while music plays. When the music stops, the person holding the object is out of the game. Continue playing until all there is a winner. (The prize can be the object used for the game.)

Who Am I? - Without revealing the name, select an American Girl (AG) and give descriptive clues to the participants. Players must correctly guess to which AG the clues relate. The first participant to raise their hand and answer correctly wins.

Activities/Crafts:

Craft Stations - Set-up several craft stations based on the AG series

Kristen's Wooden Spoon - Decorate wooden spoons with markers, paint and glitter.

Josephina's Paper Decorations - Create paper picados using colorful sheets of craft tissue paper. (Examples of the art form can be found at: http://www.dltkids.com/world/mexico/mpapel_picado.htm)

Addy's Cowrie Shell Necklace - Create a beautiful necklace by attaching a cowrie shell to a piece of leather cord.

Food:

**Lemonade
Cookies
Pretzels
Chips**

More information or questions?

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