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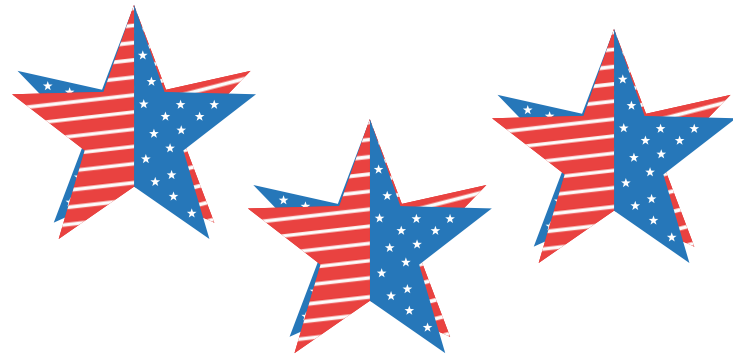
DIY MEMORIAL DAY STAR STAND ALONE DECORATION

Supplies Needed:

- Stiff paper (like card stock or thin cardboard)
- Scissors
- Crayons or markers
- Optional – Printer

Instructions:

1. Two paper stars are needed to make one three-dimensional star. Either draw two identical stars on a piece of stiff paper or print out a star template.
2. Decorate the two stars on both sides, then cut them out.
3. Make one slit in each star. On star #1, the slit goes from an inner corner to the center point of the star. On star #2, the slit goes from an outer corner to the center point.
4. Slip the two stars together through the slits you just cut. For stability, you may have to tape the stars a bit where they meet at the slits.
5. You now have a three-dimensional star decoration!



See examples at www.enchantedlearning.com/crafts/stars/3dstar2/

Plus, don't forget to go to the Friendly's Club page on our website, at the beginning of each month, to view the new monthly trivia question. Answer the question at any Waukesha State Bank office, and get a token that you can save and redeem for cool prizes.

FRIENDLY POST

A special note from Friendly the Eagle

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CAREERS IN BANKING

The banking industry needs talent of all shapes and sizes. Are you a creative problem solver? Great with numbers? Regardless of your skills and interests—a banking career would be for you!

JOB VARIETY

It's not only about working with money or helping people with their finances. With more than 2 million individuals working in the industry, banking jobs are as varied as those who hold them. Interested in marketing? Cybersecurity? Web Development? You'll find all these opportunities—and more—in the banking industry.

WHERE AND WHEN TO START

Depending on your interests, a great entry point is as a bank teller. There you'll learn the ins and outs of many bank products and services that are offered. From there, you can move up the ranks—becoming a supervisor or opening new accounts or loans, or even a bank manager. Or, you can move to a different area of the bank, from mortgage or commercial lending to behind-the-scenes areas, like operations, information systems, finance, human resources or marketing.



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TOP 3 JOB INTERVIEW TIPS



No matter where you apply for a job, from banking to fast food, a retail store, manufacturing plant or more, there are a few interviewing tips that can help you get a job offer.

Show up prepared.

Take a few minutes to learn about the company—what they do, what they sell, and the role you applied for. Be ready to answer simple questions like, “Why do you want to work here?” and “What are your strengths?” Even without much work experience, you can talk about school, sports, volunteering, or group projects.

Make a strong first impression.

Dress neat and appropriate (a step above everyday casual), arrive 5–10 minutes early, and greet your interviewer with a smile. Make eye contact, speak clearly, and show enthusiasm. Employers often hire teens based on attitude just as much as experience.

Be your “best” self.

You don’t need perfect answers. Be honest, positive, and willing to learn. If you’re nervous, that’s okay—it’s expected. What matters is showing responsibility, a good work ethic, and a willingness to try.

With these tips you’re sure to get noticed and help beat out the competition.

As for when, at Waukesha State Bank, we generally start hiring bank tellers and entry-level support staff around age 17 or during your senior year of high school, especially if you’re in a co-op program with early release to work. So, if working at a bank is something you’re interested in, start thinking about that as you head into your senior year. Ask your teachers our counselors if you have a co-op program. And, when you’re ready, check out the open positions listed on our website at www.waukeshabank.com/about-us/employment-opportunities.

WORK - SCHOOL - LIFE BALANCE

Last, a bank is a great place to work while you’re in school. Not only do you get some experience you can put on your resume, but the latest Waukesha State Bank is open is 5:30 pm throughout the week and noon on Saturdays, so you still have time to study and spend time with friends.

So, if you want a job that offers a competitive salary, excellent benefits and a chance to make a difference in your community—it could be time to explore a banking career!

Source: “5 Ws to Becoming a Banker”
<https://www.aba.com/advocacy/community-programs/consumer-resources/kids-money>



MEMORIAL DAY: MORE THAN A LONG WEEKEND

When you think of Memorial Day, what comes to mind? A three-day weekend? The start of summer? Backyard BBQs and pool openings? You’re not wrong—but there’s a much deeper meaning behind it.

HOW DID IT START AND WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

In the 1800s, after the Civil War, people started decorating the graves of fallen soldiers with flowers as a way to honor their sacrifice. Since then, men and women continue to serve in the military—and sacrifice—for our country. Memorial Day is a day to honor and remember those brave soldiers who gave their lives. It’s a day that reminds us that freedom isn’t free, and encourages us to recognize the sacrifices made to protect the freedoms we enjoy every day.

MEMORIAL DAY PATRIOTIC DRINK RECIPE

INGREDIENTS:

- Lots of Ice
- Red Soda with high sugar content – Red Mountain Dew or Faygo work best
- Clear Soda, such as 7up or Sprite
- Zero Sugar Blue Gatorade or Powerade

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Fill a tall glass all the way to the top with ice.
2. Slowly pour the red soda as close to the side of the glass as you can until the glass is 1/3 full.
3. Rotate the glass and slowly pour the clear soda over a large ice cube until the glass is 2/3 full.
4. Finally, slowly pour the blue sports drink into the glass until the glass is full.



Pro Tips:

- The drink with the highest sugar content will drop to the bottom, so plan accordingly.
- When you add the red soda, tilt the glass a little to prevent staining the ice cubes.
- The more ice, the better it helps to keep the colored layers separate.

Source: <https://3boysandadog.com/festive-and-fun-patriotic-mocktail-recipe/#recipe>

WAYS YOU CAN HONOR MEMORIAL DAY

You don’t have to attend a big ceremony to show respect. Here are a few meaningful (and simple) ideas:

- Take a moment of silence at 3:00 PM (a national tradition)
- Put a flag out in your yard or window
- Thank a veteran or active service member
- Visit a local memorial or cemetery
- Learn about a soldier’s story—there are tons of powerful ones online
- Put your phone down for a bit and reflect on what freedom means to you

ENJOY THE DAY—BUT REMEMBER WHY IT EXISTS

It’s totally okay to enjoy the long weekend, hang out with friends, or soak up the sunshine. But between the burgers and beach time, take a moment to reflect and remember what Memorial Day is all about.