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December 2014

Can't Wait to See You: Events

~Tuesday, 12/9/14, 6:30 pm. Entertaining Angels: Organizing Before, During & After the Holidays. **The Saturday Club**. Visitors welcome.

~Saturday, 12/13/14, 2:30-4pm. Come to this DIY workshop and make your own Jewelry Frame to take home. Thanks to Ryobi Power Tools for providing door prizes. Takes place at the ReStore Montco and benefits the Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County. **Register here**.

~Save the dates: Our next Filing Freedom class is slated for Thursdays evenings in March 2015. Details to come.

~ **Email to request** a presentation closer to you. ~

Winning the Holidays

Have you heard the phrase "winning the holidays" this year? It's tongue in cheek, but it's a little disturbing, nonetheless. It might surprise you to hear that our Christmas tree is not yet up, we've banned candy canes because of a sugar intolerance, and I haven't mailed Christmas cards for the last

decade or so.



On the other hand, I did order my family photo yearbooks, the kiddos enjoyed hand-making ornaments this week (aren't they cute?), and we're looking forward to our first-ever HeartWork Organizing Christmas Office Party this month.

My point is, there is no checklist to declare who is "winning the holidays." Whether your celebrations are big or small, with friends, family, or just yourself, activity-packed or slower-paced, hand-made or store-bought, you "win" the holidays each and every year by the peace of the season you choose to celebrate. For many of us, the most important element of the season is the small baby in the manger, who gives us peace to face each (snowy) day and each new season. We "won the holidays" about two thousand years ago.

So preparing for the holidays really is about hospitality. I'm grateful that tomorrow night, 12/9, I'll be sharing holiday and New Year organizing tips with the members of The Saturday Club. Non-members are invited to attend and consider joining this awesome women's organization with a history and a mission of service. We'll be discussing organizing, holiday hospitality, and *Entertaining Angels*. After all, we don't just organize for the sake of it. We organize so that we can be prepared to be hospitable when those angel moments arrive. I hope you'll join us.

If you can squeeze in one more fun event this season, come hang



out with me at Habitat for Humanity this Saturday afternoon. The date is **12/13/14**, the last sequential date that we'll see in our lifetimes, so you might as well come party with us. At this DIY event, you'll make your



own Jewelry Frame like the one shown here. Keep it for yourself or give as a gift. 100% of your \$25 registration goes to Habitat for Humanity and the families served by this awesome organization. You'll even have a chance to win door prizes (also suitable for gift giving) donated by my friends at Ryobi Power Tools. Limited seating, so register [here](#).

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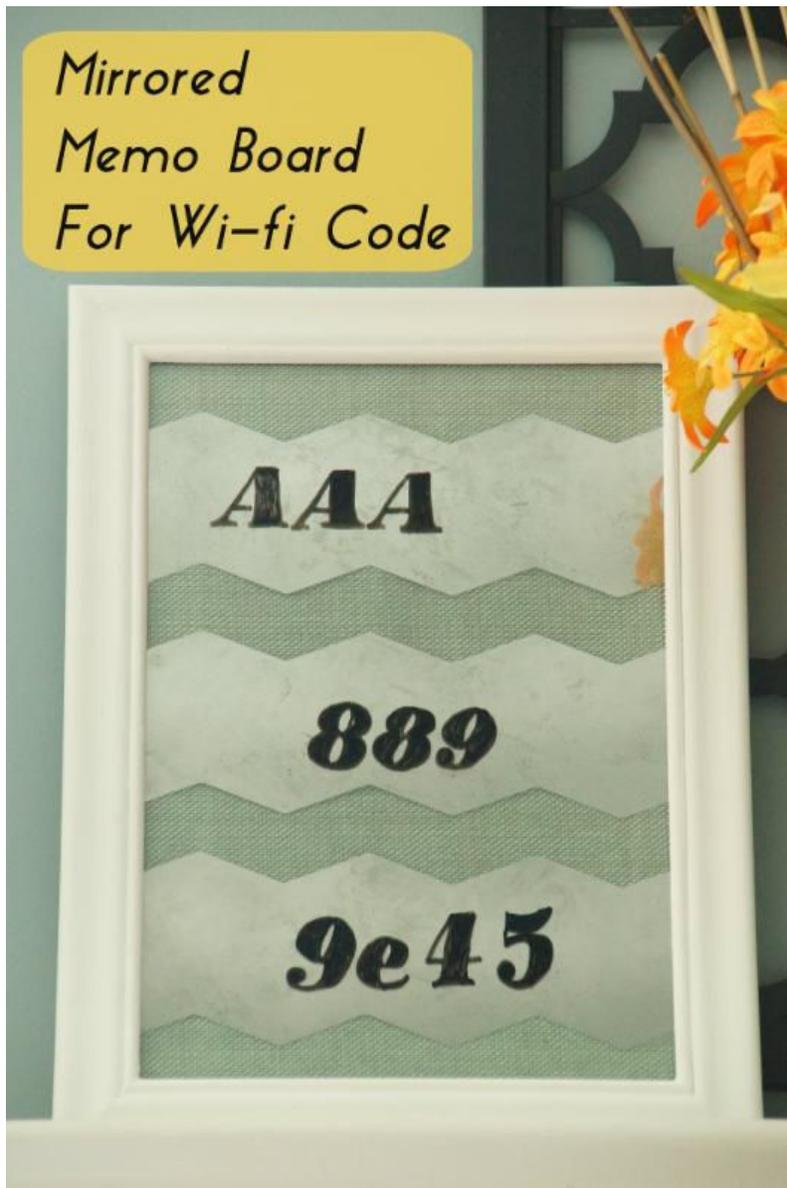


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