

Country Home December 2007 Issue Preview

-Editors Available for Interview-

Happiest Holidays!

65 Pages of Wreaths, Trees, Decorations, Gifts to Buy, Cookies to Bake & Great Ideas

SCATTER CHEER WITH SIMPLE DECORATIONS – Page 26

Matthew Mead shares his fresh, seasonal ideas for simple ways to add bits of holiday spirit to every room in your house. From pomander balls (citrus fruit studded with cloves) and banister ornaments to a classic way to showcase your holiday cards, you are sure to find a new idea to liven up your home decorations this season.

COUNTRY HOME ULTIMATE GIFT GUIDE – Page 38

'Tis the season for giving. Wrap up your holiday shopping with gift ideas – most well under \$100 – from *Country Home's* favorite Style Makers. **Leslie Segrete, Danny Seo, Mary Emmerling, Katherine Whiteside, Matthew Mead** and Editors **Jennifer Kopf** and **Beth Eslinger** share their picks including eco-friendly gifts and presents for the cooks, gardeners and kids on your list.

WHAT'S HOT NOW: ANTIQUE HOLIDAY CARDS – Page 61

Reminisce with images of holidays past. It's impossible to resist the jolly images adorning vintage and antique holiday greeting cards. *Country Home* shares where to find these hot collectibles items, what to pay and how to incorporate them into your festive holiday displays.

TRANSFORM YOUR WINTER SPORTING JUNK – Page 70

Sue Whitney and **Ki Nassauer** of **JunkMarket** transform winter sporting junk – snowshoes, skates, shovels, and skis, – into fun, rustic projects. Follow their simple directions to turn webbed snowshoes into a memo board for photographs and holiday cards, make hockey skates into sporty shelf brackets, create a welcome sign from snow shovel and craft a coat rack from wood skis and poles.

HAVE A BALL EMBELLISHING ORNAMENTS – Page 88

With the help of *Country Home*, turn delicate store-bought glass ornaments into one-of-a-kinds. Using ribbon, paint pens, glitter and some arranging tips, you can take your decorations from simple to spectacular.

A DREAMY WINTER HOLIDAY MENU – Page 102

Straight from a New England ski village and charming historic inn known for its cooking, *Country Home* shares the perfect ingredients to create a comforting, yet inventive, holiday meal. On the menu: Baked Brie with Clover Honey, Maine Crab-Stuffed Mushrooms, Vermont Cheddar-Herb Bread, Winter Greens Salad, Chicken Soup with Roasted Vegetables and Wild Rice, New England Corn Chowder, Maple Baked Apples and Maple Crème Brûlée.

FIVE COOKIES, ONE DOUGH – Page 108

Think you are too busy for a holiday baking spree? Think again. Our make-ahead dough recipe makes these gorgeous cookies a snap. Invite over friends and family and get rolling.

WHAT TO MAKE ON CHRISTMAS MORNING – Page 118

If bulging stockings don't get everyone out of bed Christmas morning, this yummy make-ahead Cheddar-Bacon Wake-Up Casserole will certainly do the trick.

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