

GNOME ANNE & GNOME ORE'S CREATIVE CRAFTS

Valley of Plenty – September 2025 Edition

Hello, crafty gnomes! This month, Gnome Anne and Gnome Ore have chosen three magical activities for you. Gather your supplies, find a cozy spot, and let's get creating!

1. Leaf Lanterns (by Gnome Anne)

You'll need:

- A clean glass jar
- Pressed leaves or flower petals
- Glue or Mod Podge
- A tea-light (real or battery)

Steps:

1. Brush glue on the outside of the jar.
2. Place leaves/petals carefully all around.
3. Add another thin layer of glue to seal.
4. Let it dry and place a tea-light inside.

Result: A glowing lantern to light up autumn nights!

2. Story Stones (by Gnome Ore)

You'll need:

- Smooth pebbles
- Paint or markers
- A little imagination

Steps:

1. Paint a simple picture on each stone (sun, tree, gnome hat, bird, star...).
2. When dry, put the stones in a bag.
3. Pull out 3–4 stones and use them to tell a story.

Result: Endless tales to share with friends and family!

3. Nature Bookmarks (by Anne & Ore together)

You'll need:

- Card strips (cut from old boxes or sturdy paper)
- Small pressed leaves or flowers
- Tape or clear sticky paper
- String or ribbon

Steps:

1. Place pressed leaves/flowers onto the card.
2. Cover with tape or sticky paper to protect.
3. Punch a hole at the top and add a ribbon.

Result: A bookmark as unique as your favorite story!

Bonus Tip: Craft Swap

Bring your finished crafts to the **Harvest Swap** on September 14th in Genesee's town square. Share one and take home someone else's handmade wonder!

 "Every craft is a story you can hold in your hands." — Gnome Ore