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1 Holiday Greetings

Franz Porcelain Collection ornaments come in clean, soft tones of white, gray, and brown. \$22.50-\$32.50; franzcollection.com.

2 Happy Holidays

The bright colors and removable tiles will brighten your holidays. Change the tree to another tile after the holiday season. \$59, board; \$19.95, each tile; cottoncolorspottery.com or 877-801-1292.

3 Personalize It

Write on the blank label or on the ornament itself to personalize this delightful sledding snowman ornament. \$12.59; hallmark.com or 800-425-5627.

4 Classic Looks

This needlepoint pillow is a stylish copy of the classic postcard Santa, in traditional red and white shades. \$80; pkhc.com or 800-872-6888.

5 Jolly Old St. Nick

This set of assorted mugs is handmade of white clay in Tuscany and is perfect for hot chocolate or cider on a cold winter night. \$31; vietri.com or 919-245-4180.



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6 On Dasher

There's Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, and Blitzen, too! These pewter reindeer ornaments are a wonderful holiday tradition. \$15 each; tinwoodsman.com or 888-683-1196.

7 Treats for the Tree

These blown-glass apple ornaments will make you want to take a sticky bite. All profits are donated to The Learning Community, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to help parents. \$40; ornaments2remember.com or 800-330-3382.

8 Hope for All

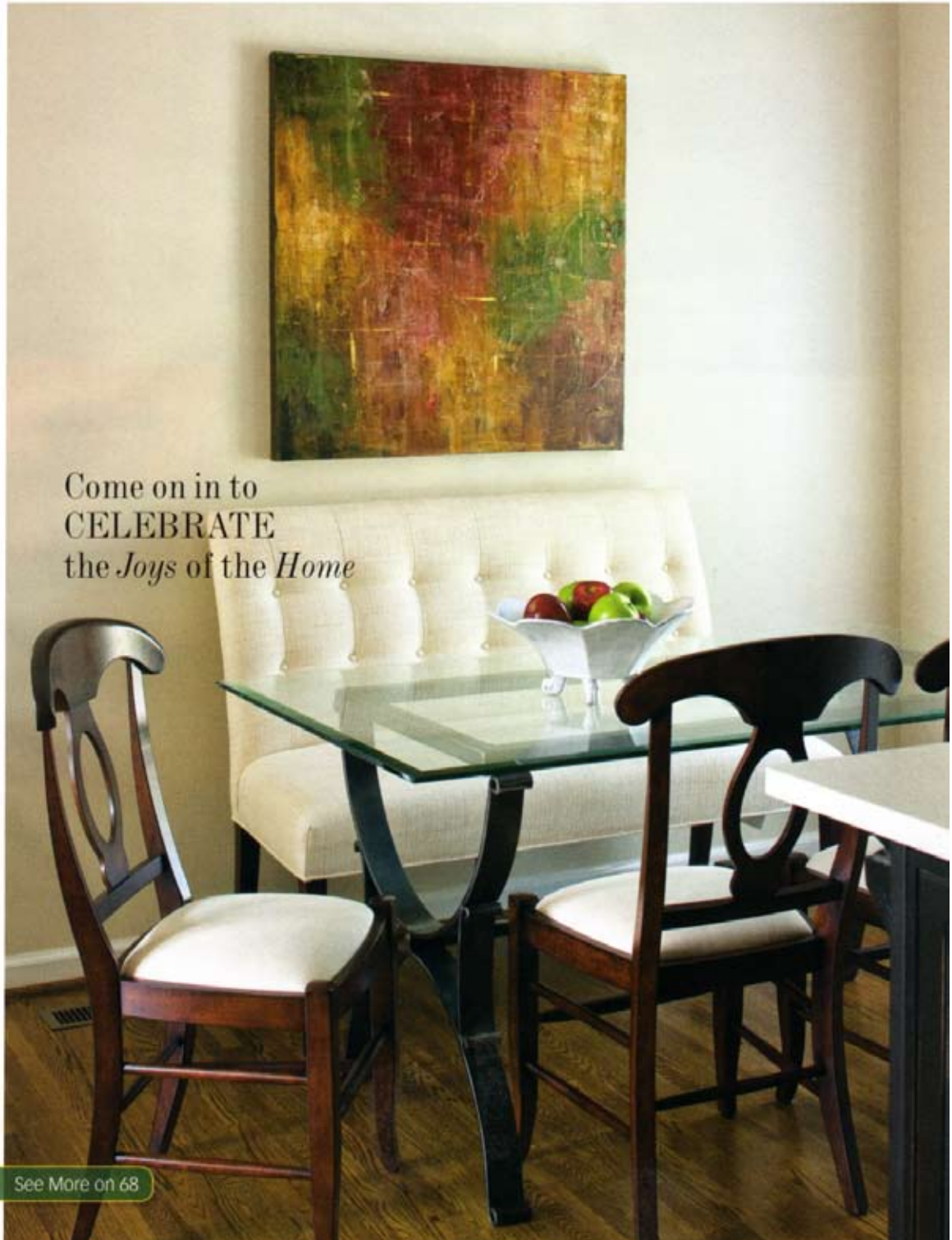
Ten percent of the purchase price of this special figurine and ornament goes to support the work of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, where children from around the world are treated for aggressive diseases. \$45; preciousmoments.com or 800-445-2220.

9 Go Team!

Add some team spirit to the tree this Christmas. These unique glass ornaments were created incorporating team colors, mascots, and logos in an exciting new way. \$19.95; cotton-colors.com or 850-383-1111.

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The picturesque cottage was as inviting inside as it was outside, cozy and cute, the perfect home for newlyweds, except for the kitchen. The kitchen was better described as cramped rather than cozy. But with the help of designer Jenny Kirby and a little tweaking—well, OK, a little wall moving—all that changed. The wall was only about 2 feet wide, but it narrowed the entrance into the room. Removing it opened up the area visually . . . and that was the beginning of the makeover.

Jenny also suggested installing the new Electrolux appliances in different areas than in the old kitchen. The dishwasher was placed to the left of the new sink and InSinkErator, making it easier to load and unload. The microwave was built into the new cabinets to give more counter space. Rather than next to the refrigerator, the oven was installed in the countertop in the center of the kitchen. Only the refrigerator remained in the same place. And the new cabinets, by Diamond, were hung close to the ceiling

