



Creative Caring Hearts

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OUR NEXT MEETING IS

Saturday, March 13

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Park Vista Retirement Community,
Hwy. QQ**

Directions? Call 715-258-2524

Upcoming meeting: April 10

What a fun workgroup meeting we had on February 13! We were able to make up lots of boobos (injury packs) in quite a team effort. Special thanks to **Laurie Leonard** for making 90 green pompoms and to **Shary Cerne** for putting 90 green pompoms on white hats for the March hats. Oh, they are sooo cute! The April bunny hats have their ribbons in place. We were a very busy bunch!

THANK YOU FROM HEALTHY BEGINNINGS

“Dear Creative Caring Hearts Participants,

Wow! We were delighted again to be the recipients of such wonderful clothing, blankets, mittens, etc. This is a partnership that we love! Thank you!

Joann Rasmussen and the Healthy Beginnings Staff”

A QUOTE INCLUDED WITH THE HEALTHY BEGINNINGS NOTE:

“We are so often caught up in our destination that we forget to appreciate the journey, especially the goodness of the people we meet on the way. Appreciation is a wonderful feeling, don’t overlook it.”

THANK YOU TO MARGE NELSON

Marge heard about us when I presented to the Lionesses last year. Since then, she has been on an endless search for remnants and, boy, does she find them at thrift shops and Good Will! Whenever a bag with fabric appears on my front porch, I always know she has been here. Thanks, Marge!

MARCH MEETING PROJECTS

At our March meeting we will be:

- Cutting out sleepers, onesies, gowns as needed
- Cutting out June strawberry hats
- Stuffing boppees and bears
- Filling the warming bags for Riverside moms in labor
- Other projects as needed

THANK YOU FROM AMY LaSTOFKA

“I would like to say a great big thank you to all who contributed in the arranging of the great big baby bags! We recently had twin boys at Waupaca Hospital and, when the staff brought out the bags, we were overjoyed. The amount of items and time put into them are amazing (and very useful!). Thank you so much!”

Amy LaStofka

A BABY SIGHTING

One day this month I was delivering bibs to the Waupaca Hospital, when I met one of the nurses, **Patti Peterson**, accompanying a couple with their newborn to the waiting car for the trip home. Patti told them that I was one of the volunteers who helped put together the layette they had received. What fun! They were so excited about all the items and, best of all; I got to see their precious little son dressed up in a red print sleeper and blue hat we had made for him. He was taking his first trip home and wearing an outfit we had made! I assured them that I would share their thanks with all of you! Sometimes life is just so wonderful!!

KING LEGION AUXILIARY

For any of you who have dark colored worsted weight yarn and want to make soldiers’ hats, here is the pattern: Using size 10 needles, cast on 76 stitches, K2P2 for 6 inches. Row 1: K2 tog. for a row; Row 2: K next row; repeat last 2 rows until 5 stitches are left, run yarn through to close circle. Sew up back seam.

February 2010 TOTALS

Donations given to:
 Healthy Beginnings..... 176
 Private Request..... 4
 Riverside Hospital..... 132
 St. Michael’s Hospital..... 236
TOTAL 848

Donations In..... 917
 Volunteer Hours..... 887

Other donations: ... fabric
 Cash donations: \$60.00
 Can money.....\$21.20
 Bags given out: 10 boys, 7 girls

2010 Budget Update

Purchased in February 2010:
 Fabric.....\$552.53
 Cash donations.....\$60.00
 Balance on hand -----\$855.45

We bought more material this month than we usually do, but there were fantastic sales at both JoAnn’s and Hancock Fabrics. We were able to get polar fleece, flannel, and knits along with some cotton for bags. Now if we can just find a great supply of yarn!

Special Needs of the Month

- infant hygiene products (shampoo and lotion)
- baby or toddler books
- worsted weight yarn for baby sweaters and afghans (primary or pastel colors preferred)

Upcoming Events You Might Want to Attend

9th Annual Sewing & Quilting Expo
 Friday & Saturday, March 19 & 20
 Fox Valley Technical College
 Riverside Campus,
 150 North Campbell Rd, Oshkosh, WI
 Information and Registration:
www.fvtc.edu/continuinged