



Creative Caring Hearts

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OUR NEXT MEETING IS:

January 8, 2011

9:30 a.m.

**Park Vista Retirement
Community,**

**950 County Road QQ, Waupaca
Call 715-258-2524 for directions**

Upcoming Meetings scheduled to be held at Park Vista at 9:30 a.m.:

Saturday, February 12

Saturday, March 12

Saturday, April 9

WE HOPE YOU CAN JOIN US!

**HUGE THANK YOU TO
KARI KUROWSKI**

Kari donated not only a car seat for the baby I wrote about last month, but she also donated a bunch of little baby boy clothes. These clothes were split up between several families, and the car seat found a home! Thank you, Kari and family!

**NEEDS OF THE MONTH: QUILTS
AND SWEATERS**

Quilts: These don't need to be fancy, but we are in need of quilts. One layer of polar fleece with a pretty edging works great, too!

Sweaters: These, too, don't have to be fancy. We do, however, need ones that are not real little. We don't have an outlet anymore for premie items. I do keep the premie things and, upon occasion, have a request for a layette for a tiny newborn. If you need yarn, please let me know. I try to keep a supply on hand for all of you!

NOTE ABOUT AFGHANS

It has come to our attention that afghans that are somewhere around 30" x 30" work best for the babies. If it is not too difficult to make that change in your knitting or crocheting, that would be great. Somewhere between 28" x 28" and 34" x 34", I hear, works best.

THANKS!

WORK GROUP ACTIVITIES

On January 8, we will be working on cutting out the April hats, which are our bunny hats. Our seniors will be stuffing baseballs and footballs. We will also be working on cutting as needed. Hope to see you there!

LOOKING AHEAD AT HATS

It seems we are always working on hats for the future, which is very true. Helen Tullie is working on the March hats right now. We will be cutting out the April bunny hats at our meeting. We already have May hats ready, thanks to Helen Tullie. Let's keep our eyes open for red t-shirt-type knit for our June strawberries, and then red/white/or blue t-shirt-type knit for our July hats. And then... good grief, we'll almost be back to Packers, Halloween, etc. hats! What fun!

**CONGRATULATIONS TO
GRANDMA ARLENE UNERTL**

Grandma Arlene and her family excitedly welcomed Adelaide (Addy) Marie to their family on December 21. Mommy Ann and Daddy Mark are doing well, too!

LOOKING BACK AT 2010

As I look back at 2010, I want to thank each of you individually, but, in fear of missing someone, I will just say "thank you so much". You know all the wonderful ways you have used your talents to help Creative Caring Hearts. Thanks, too, to you, we survived a potential financial problem, so we go into 2011 in a better financial position than we were a year ago. Again, I don't want to miss thanking anyone, so I will just say thanks for telling others about us so that they could spread the word. Amazing how a personal contact with someone makes such a difference in their understanding of what Creative Caring Hearts does month after month, year after year! Thanks to all of you, we are really something special!

December 2010 TOTALS

Donations given to:	
Miracle Tree.....	60
Private requests.....	30
Riverside Hospital.....	191
St. Michael's Hospital.....	240
TOTAL	521

Donations In.....	818
Volunteer Hours.....	555

Bags given out: **3 boys, 7 girls**
Running total of layettes this year:
79 boys, 80 girls

Other donations: books, yarn, diapers

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2010 End-of-Year Totals

Donations IN	7,629
Donations OUT	6,793
Volunteer Hours	9,041

We gave out:

80 girl layettes (approx. 2,240 items)
79 boy layettes (approx. 2,212 items)
1,075 hat-of-the-month hats

Recipients:

Healthy Beginnings.....	893
Personal Requests.....	212
Riverside Medical.....	2,772
St. Michaels.....	2,473
Special-Haiti.....	350
Special-Military.....	33
Special-Miracle Tree.....	60

**GREAT YEAR, EVERYONE!
THANKS FOR YOUR
GENEROSITY AND TALENTS!**