



Creative Caring Hearts

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OUR NEXT MEETING IS:

**Saturday, October 8
9:30 a.m.
Park Vista Retirement Community
950 County Road QQ, Waupaca
For directions, call 715-258-2524**

UPCOMING MEETINGS

**Saturday, November 12; 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, January 14; 9:30 a.m.

MARY JO'S GREAT ADVENTURE

Mary Jo Feldmann went on a shopping trip to JoAnn Fabrics in Appleton one day in September. Actually she goes quite often, but, on this particular trip, she was "armed" with a series of 40% and 50% off coupons, more than usual. She also had a Senior Citizen Coupon for an additional 20% off. In the end, she got knit fabric, polar fleece, flannel, and books for a grand total of \$560.00. Wonder how much she ended up saving? She saved \$590.90! Mary Jo, you are our shopper extraordinaire! Thanks so much!

THANK YOU

The write-up on Mary Jo's shopping adventure reminds me to let you know how very much we appreciate **JoAnn Fabrics of Appleton**. The ladies who work there now know Mary Jo well and help her find extra deals that we might not otherwise know about. They come up with ideas for saving money and remain cheerful while measuring out bolt after bolt of fabric. We thank them and encourage all of you to do your own shopping at JoAnn's! They are great supporters of CCH! *NOTE: If you every find yourself at JoAnn's, armed with a 40% coupon you aren't sure how to use, we can always use: Pound of Love yarn or a spool of thread or a cone of serger thread (SergeWell reg. \$6.99)*

Answers to Questions I've Received

- **How many hats does CCH give out each month in their Hat-of-the-Month?**
 - 20 to Riverside
 - 60 to St. Michael's
- **Is CCH part of Hansen's Christmas Tree Event again this year?**
 - YES!!!
 - We will discuss at our October meeting how we want to decorate our tree.
 - Set up/decorate is on the weekend of November 12th.
 - Voting is Thursday, November 17th, to Saturday, December 24th. We vote with money: 1 cent: 1 vote!
 - Take down is the week of January 2nd.
- **How long should the neck ribbing be on our clothing?**
 - Gown 11 inches
 - Sleeper 10 inches
 - Onesies 11 inches
 - Sleeves are 5 ½ inches except the short-sleeved onesies, which are 6 inches.
 - Sewers, please make sure the lengths are right before trying to make ribbing fit while sewing. Thanks!
- **Does CCH give to Miracle Tree in Waupaca?**
 - Yes, we give hats, lap quilts and afghans. These items are ones donated but that are too big or not newborn appropriate for our layettes.
 - We are thrilled to work with Miracle Tree yearly!

September 2011 TOTALS

Donations given to:	
Casa de Los Angeles.....	78
Healthy Beginnings.....	67
Private requests.....	32
Riverside Hospital.....	233
St. Michael's Hospital.....	318
TOTAL	728

Donations In.....	616
Volunteer Hours.....	649

Bags given out: **7 boys, 7 girls**

**Running total of layettes this year:
61 boys, 54 girls**
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NEED OF THE MONTH

We could really use *cotton fabric* that can be used for the back of quilts. We are often given completed quilt tops and printed quilt panels, all of which need backing. While we try to stay with baby and kid-cute prints, we can also use all colors of:

- Small prints
- Plaids
- Gingham
- Solid colors

Cotton fabric can also be used for the layette bags, so, if you see any extras in your fabric stash that you are willing to share, we'll make good use of the fabric!

Thanks!

KNOW ANYONE WHO WANTS TO HAVE A BOOK DRIVE FOR CCH?

Baby/toddler books are becoming more expensive. If you know a Scout group, school group, or anyone who would like to have a baby/toddler book drive, we would be thrilled to include a label of recognition on each book given out by Creative Caring Hearts.

The same would hold true for *newborn toys* such as rattles, links, etc. It could be a really fun project for some group!