



Creative Caring Hearts

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<p align="center"><u>NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p align="center"><i>Saturday, March 11, 2017</i> Park Vista Retirement Community For directions, call 715-258-2524 9:30 a.m.</p> <p align="center">Next meetings: Saturday, April 8, 2017 Saturday, May 13, 2017 Saturday, June 10, 2017</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p><u>SIZABOTWANA HAT COUNT</u> We are doing well in our quest to provide around 300 hats to the SizaBotswana mission by May 2017. As of today, we have: Hats: 172 Scarves: 4 Mitten sets: 15</p> <p>All hats, etc., will be given to Jen Schrab, the teacher who is going to Africa, at our May 13 workgroup meeting, so please have them submitted to me before May 6. We encourage you to come to the meeting on May 13, as Jen will be at the meeting at around 10 a.m, again showing that powerful video she took of the children in SizaBotswana. <u>If you know anyone who does not get this newsletter but who is making hats, etc., for this project, please let that person know about this opportunity to hear where their gifts of talent are going!</u></p>	<p><u>THANK YOU TO BARB EISENHAUER</u> A big thank-you goes out to Barb, who donated her working-great sewing machine to CCH when she moved away from Waupaca. Carole Hansen is already using it for the quilts, receiving blankets, and clothing that she sews for us. We wish Barb well in her new home, close to family!</p> <p align="center"><u>MAJOR QUILT SORTING</u></p> <p>A huge thank-you goes out to Char Heger, Claudette Fritz, and Lulu Bootz (age 5). We all worked together to sort the many beautiful quilts that have come in—and which now have designated homes. Some went to Head Start, a few to SouthWest Hospice, and the majority stayed here in anticipation of being in a layette bag. Head Start was thrilled to receive slightly larger, non-babyish quilts for their preschoolers to nap and play upon. We also have a goodie bag ready to go to a Pine Tree Needler Quilt Guild meeting and then on to the Waushara County Domestic Abuse Shelter. Just think of all the people who are touched by your talents!</p> <p align="center"><u>HEAD START</u></p> <p>We also donated taggies and play blocks to Head Start. These two items were made of polar fleece, so they are soft toys. Our Head Start contact had said these are two items they could really use. When Char Heger delivered out donation, the staff estimated the donation was worth \$1110! So glad we could help out and save them precious funding! Working together to help our community!</p> <p align="center"><u>MARCH WORK GROUP MEETING</u></p> <p>We will cut out more SizaBotswana hats. Please bring any polar fleece you are not going to use, a scissors, and a cutting mat. If you want to bring a sewing machine, great, but if you would rather not bring your machine out, we can sew these hats at home.</p>	<p align="center"><u>February 2017 TOTALS</u></p> <p>Donations given to: Head Start.....113 Healthy Beginnings.....220 Riverside Hospital.....20 SouthWest Hospice.....7 <u>St. Michael's.....260</u> TOTAL 620</p> <p>Donations In.....658 Volunteer Hours.....663</p> <p>Layette bags given out in February: 12 boys + 10 girls</p> <p>Running total of layettes in 2017: 13 boys + 15 girls= 28 layettes</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p align="center"><u>RENI'S HAT CORNER</u></p> <p>We had a very creative CCH meeting last month when we started working on the Africa mission project hats! We had donated fleece in dark colors, which would not have made very nice hats by itself, so a few of the ladies came up with the idea of cutting the regular pattern into four pieces and making the caps with alternating colorful print and plain fleece. They look great, and we can use up the brown and black fleece!! Our bunny hats for the April babies are hopping along nicely. We received a number of last year's batch back from Riverside hospital, so we will use those and need to make less for this year, Then it's on to May hats made with light weight cotton knit. Summer can't be far behind after that!</p> <p align="center">HAPPY MARCH!</p>

