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<p style="text-align: center;"><u>NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Saturday, April 8, 2017</i> Park Vista Retirement Community For directions, call 715-258-2524 9:30 a.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next meetings: Saturday, May 13, 2017 Saturday, June 10, 2017 July: No meeting </p> <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: 258 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 style="text-align: center;"><u>THANK YOU, VAL & MARY</u> Thank you to Val DuChateau for cutting us new patterns and to Mary Hammond for all the clothing cutting she does. Your talents are greatly appreciated!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>APRIL WORK GROUP MEETING</u> We will be cutting out bibs and burps at the next meeting. Please bring cutting boards, scissors, etc. If you want to bring a sewing machine, great, but otherwise we can work on sewing these at home. If the hat ladies need us to help on hats, we are more than willing to help them, too! THANKS IN ADVANCE!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>PIGGLY WIGGLY</u> Thank you so much, Shary Cerne, for your work in collecting and submitting Piggly Wiggly receipts! Thank you to all of you who shop at Piggly Wiggly and share your receipts with us! This week we received a check for \$269.28! Woot! Woot! That's one of our biggest checks from them! Thank you! Thank you!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>WARM WEATHER ON THE WAY</u> We're anticipating warm weather any day now and are thrilled by the idea of sunshine and no coats! Warm weather also gets us very busy outside, so it is harder to get knitting, crocheting, quilting projects done. We are happily well supplied with quilts, but we are going into the summer with fairly low afghan and very low blanket supplies, so perhaps while the weather is still on the yucky side, we can keep making extras of those. A favorite to include in the layette bag is the polar fleece blanket with crocheted edging. We'll get you polar fleece if you would like to make some of these as we seem to run out of them almost immediately. The next question I'll get is what size to make. Lately we've been doing afghans, blankets, and quilts at around 28x28 or 30x30 or in that general size. Young moms are using them mainly for car seat coverage and tummy time activities on the floor. No blankets, etc., are allowed in cribs anymore for safety reasons. THANKS!</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>March 2017 TOTALS</u></p> <p>Donations given to: Riverside Hospital.....299 St. Michael's.....106 Waushara County.....26 TOTAL 431</p> <p>Donations In.....419 Volunteer Hours.....524</p> <p>Layette bags given out in March: 5 boys + 5 girls</p> <p>Running total of layettes in 2017: 18 boys + 20 girls= 38 layettes </p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>RENI'S HAT CORNER</u> The bunny hats have been delivered and are waiting for all the April babies. Now we are working on light weight knit fabric hats for May. Hopefully by that time there will be warm weather to greet the May babies! The SizaBantwana project hats are being worked on by many of our ladies, and it looks like we will meet our goal of 300 bright colorful and warm hats. Come to our May meeting and see them all before they are taken to Africa this summer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</u> It has come to my attention that most of you probably are unaware that we are sponsored for non-profit status by the United Methodist Church of Waupaca. Their church secretary Dawn handles our finances, taking in checks we receive and writing our bills. We deeply appreciate having UMC as our sponsor and what Dawn does for us! Please thank UMC and/or Dawn if you get the chance.</p>