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<p style="text-align: center;"><a href="http://www.creativecaringhearts.com">www.creativecaringhearts.com</a></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>NEXT MEETING</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Saturday, May 13, 2017</i> Park Vista Retirement Community For directions, call 715-258-2524 <b>9:30 a.m.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next meetings: Saturday, June 10, 2017 July: No meeting August 12, 2017</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>SIZABOTWANA HATS</u></b></p> <p>This is the exciting meeting where we will present our hats to Jen Schrab, the teacher who is going to Africa, at our May 13 workgroup meeting, so please plan 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 SizaBotwana. 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!</p> <p>I will have a final count total for you next month, but I know some people plan to add theirs at the meeting. You should all be very proud of the great work you have done on this project. Wish we could all be there to see the hats find the heads they were meant for all along!</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>MAY WORK GROUP MEETING</u></b></p> <p>We will be giving away our hats/scarves/mittens. Jen is coming at 10, so we will spend the first part being very busy in setting up our presentation. Anyone who wants to help, please plan to come a bit early if you can.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>THANK YOU, MARIAN!</u></b></p> <p>We are also donating some of the wonderful bags that Marian Graney makes for CCH. She often makes ones that are not in baby print, so these go to missions. Marian's talents have sent bags to Mexico, Africa, and other places where missionaries have gone, in addition to places right here in the USA. Thank you so much, Marian, for all your years of creating for CCH! Marian lives in Chilton, so her handwork gets to us via her daughter, Ann Schwalenberg! Thanks, Ann!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>THOUGHTS ON NEEDS</u></b></p> <p>I just did a quick check of supplies downstairs. Here are some thoughts to help you as you make items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We need boy-colored sweaters; we have LOTS of pinks and yellows, which I tend to put in the bags for girls.</li> <li>• We have LOTS of girl-print/colored quilts, but very few boy print/colors.</li> <li>• We are low on baby-sized mittens, which, thankfully, we won't need for quite a few months yet!</li> <li>• We are low on polar-fleece jackets, and, again, the most need is in boy-print/colors.</li> </ul> <p>What are boy colors? Well, my granddaughters tell me all colors are good for all kids, but we tend to put green/blue/white in boy bags and pink/purple/yellow in girl bags. Same for the variegated blends.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>April 2017 TOTALS</u></b></p> <p><b>Donations given to:</b> Personal Request.....26 Riverside Hospital.....125 St. Michael's.....198 <b>TOTAL 349</b></p> <p><b>Donations In.....708</b> <b>Volunteer Hours.....957</b></p> <p>Layette bags given out in April: 7 boys + 4 girls</p> <p>Running total of layettes in 2017: 25 boys + 24 girls= <b>49 layettes</b></p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>RENI'S HAT CORNER</u></b></p> <p>Very exciting news! Carole Hansen applied for and received a grant from Thrivent to purchase fabric for the hats-of-the-month. Carole will be working with Reni and her hat team in getting the fabrics they need.</p> <p>Meanwhile, the May hats went to the hospitals. Nurses at both places were excited with the pretty stripes of the new hats, which also sported little bows on top. I think the nurses have a lot of fun giving these hats out to the newborns!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>REFLECTIONS ON THE HAT PROJECT</u></b></p> <p>I cannot thank you each individually for the work you did to warm the heads of the children in South Africa, because I am afraid I would miss someone. I do know that there are going to be cozy kids as their heads stay warm and colorful, blessed by your talents. Hats have arrived on my doorstep in big and little bags, boxes sent from California, and from people I don't even know. Sometimes it "takes a world to raise a child"!</p>