



Creative Caring Hearts

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<p align="center"><u>NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p align="center"><i>Saturday, September 10, 2017</i> Park Vista Retirement Community For directions, call 715-258-2524 9:30 a.m.</p> <p align="center">Next meetings: October 14, 2017 November 11, 2017 December: no meeting</p> <hr/> <p align="center"><u>WORKGROUP</u></p> <p>We will be working on cutting out diaper bags. Carole Hanson and Becky Purchatzke shopped for diaper bag fabric, using money from the latest Thrivent grant, so we will help cut out bags. Thank you to Carole and Becky for also getting fabric for our other bag maker, Marion Graney.</p> <p align="center">THANK YOU FROM WAUPACA PUBLIC LIBRARY-CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT</p> <p>Dear Friends at Caring Hearts, Thank you so much for the sturdy and beautiful cloth bags made for our Babygarten children. It's wonderful to know you are in our corner to build life long learners in the very youngest book lovers. The cute and colorful bags presented to the children each week contain a board book and manipulative toy. Thank you again! Sue and the Staff of Waupaca Public Library</p> <p align="center">HAPPY AUTUMN!</p>	<p><u>FOLLOW-UP TO SIZABOTSWANA</u></p> <p>Note from Jen Schrab, teacher who went to SizaBotswana and took the hats, scarves, mittens, and bags we made: "Thank you for all the items from Creative Caring Hearts. The kids loved the hats, scarves, and mittens. As you can see by all the smiles on this card, your donation had a big impact on the children served by SizaBotswana. We were able to purchase 23 complete school uniforms, 60 food parcels, 4 sewing machines and 6 months clean water. Also 700 kids received socks, underwear, soap, toothpaste, etc. Thank you again for your kindness. Jen"</p> <p>Thank you to Mary Jo Feldmann for chairing the August workgroup while I was out of town, welcoming my new grandson!</p> <p><u>CITY ON A HILL BENEFITS FROM OUR TOYS</u></p> <p>City on a Hill is a faith-based nonprofit organization located in the heart of Milwaukee, and working as a catalyst to bring transformation to individuals, families and neighborhoods in the central city. We were so very happy to share some wonderful toys that had been donated to us, but, because they were of a religious nature, we could not include them in layette bags.</p> <p align="center"><u>NEEDS</u></p> <p>We are in need of afghans, both in boy and girl colors. They do not need to be big. Parents are not allowed to put afghans in cribs with sleeping babies, so most afghans are used to cover car seats, so small ones are wonderful. So, what does that mean---well, 30 inches x 30 inches or smaller. Smaller ones can be tucked in around a child after it is strapped in the car seat. THANKS so much!</p>	<p align="center"><u>July/August 2017 TOTALS</u></p> <p>Donations given to: City on a Hill.....37 Personal Request.....57 Waupaca Public Library.....32 Riverside Hospital.....415 <u>St. Michael's..... 387</u> TOTAL 928</p> <p>Donations In..... 242 Volunteer Hours..... 634</p> <p>Layette bags given out in July: 6 boys + 5 girls</p> <p>Layette bags given out in August: 7 boys + 9 girls</p> <p>Running total of layettes in 2017: 48 boys + 52 girls= 100 layettes</p> <hr/> <p align="center"><u>RENI'S HAT CORNER</u></p> <p>Reni and the Hat Squad has not only been creating wonderful hats for each month, but they also spent part of their work time making taggies. They say working in an assembly line makes the repetitive manner of taggie making go faster! Thanks, Ladies!</p> <p align="center"><u>SO WE ARE HEADED INTO COLDER WEATHER</u></p> <p>We will soon be heading into colder weather. As I write this, the weather man is predicting 48 degrees by midnight tonight, so babies will be wearing hats again. Hats are always so welcome because there are so many places we can share them—the layette bags, Miracle Tree, mission trips and other agencies. Thanks so much!</p>