



Creative Caring Hearts

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<p align="center"><u>NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p align="center">Saturday, November 11, 2017 Park Vista Retirement Community For directions, call 715-258-2524 9:30 a.m.</p> <p align="center">Next meetings: December: no meeting January 13, 2018 February 10, 2018</p> <hr/> <p align="center"><u>Next Meeting Activity</u></p> <p>We will be stuffing toys for the Hansen Christmas tree decorations, followed by going to Hansen's and setting up the tree, so we need lots of hands to help stuff and close up the toys. Carole Hanson and Connie Van Zummeran have been sewing like crazy! We are blessed with such wonderful volunteers.</p> <p align="center"><u>Thank you to Marge Seis</u></p> <p>Thank you for the beautiful knit hats, booties, sweater sets and even a dress set! It's hard to imagine the hours of using size 1 or 2 needles it must take to make these items. Lucky babies who receive them! These could definitely become heirlooms!</p> <p align="center"><u>December Note</u></p> <p>We take December off so our volunteers can enjoy preparing for Christmas, spending more time with their families, or finishing up projects they will give as presents. Don't worry; I'll remind you again next month!</p>	<p align="center"><u>GRANT NEWS</u></p> <p>Thank you to Anthony Family Foundation for a wonderful grant to buy infant appropriate books to include in the layettes. We will purchase these through Dragonwings and thank Ellen Davis for the wonderful discount she gives us on the order. Anthony Family Foundation also gave us money to purchase books to give to siblings coming in to meet the new brother/sister at Theda Care-Waupaca Birth Center. We are working with Mary Erspamer at Waupaca Learning Center, who is ordering these books through Scholastic Books. Thank you all involved in getting books into the hands of babies, parents, and siblings!</p> <p>Thank you to Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin for a grant to help us continue to provide layettes for St. Michaels of Stevens Point.</p> <p>Please let me know if you hear of other funding sources for which we can apply. Times are hard and finding funding is getting more difficult. Thanks!</p> <p align="center"><u>Quote from a Waupaca Nurse</u></p> <p>I overheard a nurse in Waupaca Family Birth Center telling another nurse how she loves to take the sweaters and jackets out of the layettes just to see them, taking the mittens out of the sleeves of the jackets. It was delightful to hear her---and I know she puts them back in the layettes when she's done! When a nurse is that excited about the layettes, imagine how excited the parents who receive the layettes must be! <u>You</u> make so many people so very happy!</p> <p align="center">THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!</p>	<p align="center"><u>October 2017 TOTALS</u></p> <p>Donations given to: Riverside Hospital.....202 St. Michael's..... 149 TOTAL 351</p> <p>Donations In..... 561 Volunteer Hours..... 661</p> <p>Layette bags given out in October: 4 boys + 7 girls</p> <p>Running total of layettes in 2017: 60 boys + 69 girls= 129 layettes</p> <hr/> <p align="center"><u>REN'S HAT CORNER</u></p> <p>November hats are at the hospitals, ready to look stylish while warming the babies' heads. Thank you to Sue Hackbarth and Judy Swenson for knitting all of the hats---about 70 of them! December hats are ready to go and January hats are being worked on!</p> <p align="center"><i>IF YOU DROP THINGS OFF AT MY HOUSE, PLEASE LEAVE YOUR NAME ON THE ITEMS!</i></p> <p align="center"><u>COLD WEATHER IS HERE!</u></p> <p>We will soon be putting together things for Miracle Tree and for stocking cap trees at local churches. If you know of some place we should be helping, please let me know. Let's keep our community warm!</p> <p align="right">  </p>

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