



# Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies News

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## OH MY GOODNESS!!!!



That's what Glenda, (WHWB VP) and husband, Theron, said when they walked into the Baby House last week. Wonderful new shelves had been built in the supply room to store totes full of supplies. Those of you that have visited the Baby House, know how hard it was to move the heavy totes (especially cotton) that were stacked four and five high.

When Jean Jones and Jan Purl were at the Baby House working one day, they discussed the need for storage shelves. Jan "volunteered" her husband, LeRoy, to build the shelves, and Jean "volunteered" her husband, Robert, to supply the wood and other supplies. A snowstorm weekend was the one chosen for construction. The guys diligently worked Saturday and Sunday, and finished the job damp from the snow. The gals were there and did some organizing and sorting ... actually they were supervising and making sure the guys were doing the job right!

Hopefully, this is a start to more renovation to help us more easily serve the volunteers needs as they come to the Baby House to get supplies to supply and to help serve the needy babies. We have come a long way since our move to Arvada.

**KUDOS** to these volunteers and **All** others for the things (large and small) you do to help serve our Colorado babies. **EVERY** contribution is important to our mission.

## YOU ARE INVITED to "BLOOMING VOLUNTEERS"

**WHAT**  
WARM HEARTS~WARM BABIES  
ANNUAL LUNCHEON  
To  
Honor and Say "Thank You" to our  
Dedicated Volunteers

**WHEN**  
May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013 11:30a.m.

**WHERE**  
King of Glory Lutheran Church  
58<sup>th</sup> and Kipling  
Arvada, Colorado

**HOSTED BY and FOOD BY**  
The Board of Directors  
of Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies  
If you have a favorite dessert, please feel free to  
bring it to share.

**R.S.V.P**  
By May 3<sup>rd</sup> to your Work Group Coordinator  
Or Email to [colokidz@aol.com](mailto:colokidz@aol.com)  
Or Call Glenda Bredeson at 303-975-6394

We will have a Ticket "Silent Auction" as part of our celebration... If you have some **new** items you would like to donate, please bring them to your next work meeting or the luncheon. Funds raised from this "Auction" will help defray the costs of the luncheon.

Any Questions please call Glenda at 303-975-6394

**WELCOME**

Effective with this issue, Theron Bredeson is the editor of the WHWB newsletter. Thanx to Donna Lantgen who served as editor since the departure of Francis Scott.

**A few words from Theron:**

" I am honored to be helping to provide a valuable service to our volunteers. Without question, **YOU** are the backbone of WHWB. Don't like something? Let me know. Good stuff happening? **MAKE IT BETTER.** Give me your inputs. Don't worry about format, that's my job. Email to colokidz@aol.com. No computer?? Send them to WHWB 6429D Miller St. Arvada, CO 80004. I will read them!!

**" Thank You Volunteers "**

**RECIPE (Marie Kidd)**

**THREE – TWO – ONE INDIVIDUAL CAKES**

For those of you who live alone and do not want to make an entire cake.....

One box of Angel food cake mix  
One box of another type of cake mix (Mix the two together and store in plastic bag.) I used Lemon cake mix with the Angel good and it is GREAT

To make the individual cakes use cups or custard dishes

Measure THREE tablespoons of the cake mix  
Measure TWO tablespoons of water – Stir well  
Place in microwave ONE minute

I either use canned frosting or sprinkle powdered sugar and sometimes add sliced strawberries or blueberries or raspberries.....



**April Birthdays**

Elizabeth Henry	April 2	Evelyn Tepe	April 16
Loxie Lou Gibbens	April 2	Linda Goldsby	April 16
Leanne Wilstead	April 4	Linda Lily	April 16
Linda Gazda	April 4	Susan Townsend	April 16
Nancy Pardun	April 6	Barbara Totten	April 17
Arlene Evers	April 7	Stephanie Terry	April 17
Diane Westman	April 7	Caroline Harrison	April 18
Kalle Davis	April 7	Ruth Blum	April 18
Kathy Kaplan	April 7	Sarah Ben-Joseph	April 18
Janice O'Reilly	April 9	Judy Caramia	April 19
Jeanette Anderson-Smith	April 9	Joy Rogers	April 20
Lisa Taylor	April 9	Maureen Suter	April 20
Lynne Taylor	April 9	Helen Card	April 21
Sharon Hall	April 9	Shirley Telinde	April 21
Kathleen Archuleta	April 10	Vicki Price	April 21
Rhonda Grissom	April 10	Cara Creason	April 23
Deb Bogart	April 11	Julie Ekwall	April 24
Laurie Rohm	April 11	Patrice Jentsch	April 24
Rosalie Gaccetta	April 11	Janice M. Schott	April 25
Amy Cooley	April 12	Donna Babcock	April 26
Anna Wasmund	April 13	Geri Chmiel	April 27
Nicole White	April 15	Marcia Arons	April 29
Courtney Davies	April 16	Pauline Fritschle	April 29
Dee Hartman	April 16	Linda Posey	April 30

## Thank You To Our Volunteers

WHWB Volunteers,  
.....it's the little things you do that mean so much!! Thank you so much for all you do for the babies and their families.  
Keep up the good work.

Best Wishes,  
The Thornton's Women's Club

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Colorado Springs Volunteers,  
Thank you so much for your donations to Life Network (Colorado Springs). Your kindness and generosity will greatly bless our clients.

Thank You,  
Krista  
Life Net

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Warm Hearts ~Warm Babies,  
I want to thank all of the wonderful WHWB Volunteers for the beautiful bereavement outfits and blankets that we use for the families who have lost their babies. This helps the families to say their final farewells to their babies. They are a wonderful gift to our program.

Warmly,  
Andrea Mitrovka  
Neo Natal Loss Coordinator  
University Hospital

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WHWB Volunteers,  
The Children's Hospital wishes to thank you for gifts of baby clothing , toys and blankets. Because of your kind and generous donations, we are well prepared to meet the needs of our patients and their families  
Your support of The Children's Hospital is greatly appreciated.

Association of Volunteers  
The Children's Hospital

Dear Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies Volunteers,  
Thank you for your donation of Diapers and clothing items. Your donation helps provide a home away from home for families of critically ill children who are hospitalized.

From the "House that love built"  
The Ronald McDonald House Charities of  
Denver and Southern Colorado

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Ladies,

I have had the pleasure of serving with the Bright Beginnings program for 15 years. I wanted to thank each and every one of you for the beautiful handmade quilts and afghans, stuffed toys, and layette bags that are made with so much love and care. Your generosity is overwhelming.

As a volunteer, I have been able to distribute your incredible gifts to recipients of our services. I want you to know that the response I get from your work is incredible. Literally, the recipients are stunned and their jaws drop. The last young lady that I was able to pass your gifts to was overcome with tears and she hugged me.

I just want you to know that my work at Bright Beginnings and its impact is greatly amplified with your contributions.

Thank You!  
Suzanne  
Colorado Bright Beginnings Volunteer

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Dear Linda and the Colorado Springs Volunteers,  
On behalf of our patients and staff, I thank you for your generous bags of baby items for our First Visitor Program. The First Visitor Program serves an important need in our community and makes a difference to the families we serve with new babies. The program's success is a tribute to our wonderful donors.

Thank you again for your generous support of the First Visitor Program.

BJ Scott  
Executive Director  
Peak Vista Community Health Centers Foundation

## Thank You To Our Volunteers

Avanelle and Rocky Mountain WHWB  
Volunteers,

Thank you for your generous contribution to Summit Medical Center (Frisco). Each year the hospital cares for many with no insurance, and those that don't have the full cost. (last year the medical center provided more than \$10 million in charity care).

St. Anthony Summit Medical Center is dedicated to continue to make a difference in the lives of the people in the many communities we serve. With donations like yours we will continue to see improvements in the service the hospital can provide.

Thank you again for your generous support of our efforts.

Many Thanks,  
Deb Edwards  
President and Chief  
Development Officer

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your wonderful donations to the Action Center. We truly appreciate your support. Gifts like yours help us serve a wide range of clients, with needs all along the continuum of self-sufficiency. Some of our clients need immediate help with basic needs, others come for help to keep their families on a forward moving path.

Without the generous support of organizations like yours, the Action Center would not be able to fulfill its mission of providing an immediate response to basic human needs and promote pathways to self-sufficiency.

Once again, thank you for helping us to meet our mission.

Joseph P. Haines  
Director of Development  
Action Center – Lakewood, Colorado

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Dear WHWB Volunteers,

Your generous donations for the needy babies have been gratefully received. It is gratifying to know that caring people, like you are willing to reach out to those less fortunate in our community.

Your gifts will definitely make life sweeter for some of Denver's tiniest and most vulnerable citizens. We look forward to sharing your gifts with the babies born at Denver Health in the weeks to come.

With thanks,  
Robin Engleberg  
Program Director  
Denver Health Foundation

## SIMPLE RECYCLING

**Reminder** WHWB is collecting the tabs off of aluminum cans to donate to Ronald McDonald House . The funds raised by these are put into their operating budget. Bags of tabs can be turned in with your monthly donations, The following note was received after we donated the first ones:

Dear Generous Donor,

The Denver Ronald McDonald House and our families want to thank you for your recent donation of pop tabs! The money we raise from recycling the pop tabs goes into our House Operations Fund, which pays for everything we need to keep this House open and running.

We sincerely appreciate your support!

Cassandra McKee Denver House Manager

**Still don't think it can make a difference?** While it does vary by Chapter, RMHC Upper Midwest raises approximately \$30,000 a year through their pop tab program. Now that is a lot of pop tabs! Did you ever think it could be so easy to help families in need? 4

## Volunteer News

### New Volunteers

We wish to welcome the following new volunteer to Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies. We are so happy you have joined us.

#### Arvada

Cecelia Bell  
Janis Kraig

#### Brighton

Elizabeth Paredes  
Phyllis Dahlberg  
Wilma Laughlin  
Joan Eskridge

### THE AWAKENING

Working in the Baby House has been a total awakening for me. We have so many, many generous volunteers from all over Colorado... and even from other states. The real wonder to me is watching certain areas of needs arising; whether it is bottles, sox, sweaters, bibs or whatever....almost as soon as our bins are empty, someone drops off a donation that fills our need. We say, "God knew our needs and helped us out". Maybe I would accept this more casually, if it didn't happen so often. Working at the Baby House I have seen it happen time and time again. We as volunteers don't spend all of our time and efforts for recognition....our thanks come from knowing some helpless little ones are being taken care of. I feel certain that the "guy/gal" upstairs appreciates our efforts and helps us out along the way.

Jean Jones (Arvada Work Group)

### Thank You To Our Volunteers

Many volunteers have asked... **How** that one little thing they do, can make a difference when so many babies are in need...the story that follows illustrates it well. Remember, every little thing **you** do impacts the life of a helpless baby in some way. **Thank you volunteers** for all you do ...whether you consider it large or small. **IT MATTERS**

### SIMPLE ACT OF KINDNESS FROM A YOUNG BOY

An old man was going for a walk, when he noticed a little boy feeding a thin, shaggy looking dog with bits of bread.

He went up to the boy and asked him why he was sharing his bread with the dogs.

The little boy answered, "Because they have nothing. No home, no family, and if I don't feed them they will die."

"But there are homeless dogs everywhere," the old man replied. "So your efforts don't really make a difference"

The little boy looked at the dog and stroked him. "But for him, for this little dog, it makes all the difference in the world."

## Thank You To Our Donors

### Individuals

**Laura Hicks** – monetary  
**Diana Maher** – monetary  
**Robert & Malinda Feis** – monetary  
**Laurie Balzer** – monetary  
**Bev Johnson** – afghan & bibs  
**Irene Davies** – monetary  
**Lynette Yakoyama (Hawaii)** – afghans  
**Anonymous** - socks & bottles  
**Rita Patton** – pacifiers, booties & afghan  
**Irene Brandt** – monetary  
**Christine Saccomano** – monetary  
**Randy Morris** – hats & gloves  
**Erin Murray (Texas)** – fleece blankets & bibs  
**Marcia Grothe (California)** – afghans & hats  
**Patricia Hill (Florida)** – crochet stuffed animals  
**Bob Jones** –lumber for shelving at the Baby House  
**LeRoy Purl** – building shelving at Baby House

### Groups

**Brighton Kiwanis Club** –  
monetary  
**Thornton's Women's Club** –  
monetary & baby items  
**Mountain View Girl Scout Service Unit (17  
troops)** -fleece blankets & stuffed animals  
**Women's Fellowship St. Paul's Community  
Church-** assorted baby items  
**St. Paul's Community Church** –  
assorted baby items

### Corporations

**Tantrums (Colorado Springs)** –  
clothing items

We greatly appreciate all of our donors and volunteers, without you our organization would not exist. Please know that if your name was left off our list it was unintentional and all of your efforts are valued and appreciated.

LIFE IS LIKE A BANK ACCOUNT – YOU  
ONLY GET BACK WHAT YOU PUT IN.  
EXPERIENCE IS THE INTEREST..

## Delivery Report

In February, we delivered **4500 items** to **19 agencies** and **2 individuals**. Thank you for helping us to keep the babies warm. Deliveries were made to the following:

**Vail Valley Medical Center**  
**Avista Hospital - Boulder**  
**Life Choices – Loveland**  
**Platte Valley Hospital**  
**Lutheran Hospital Family Services**  
**St. Anthony's Medical Center – Frisco**  
**Birthline – Loveland**  
**Children's Hospital**  
**University Hospital Mothers and Infants**  
**University Hospital NICU**  
**Individuals (2)**  
**St. Mark' Church Clothing Pantry**  
**Jeffco Action Center**  
**Inner City**  
**Ronald McDonald House – Colo Springs/Denver**  
**One Nation**  
**Colorado Springs Pregnancy Center**  
**Life Support Center – Colorado Springs**  
**Servico de La Rosa**  
**Hi Everyone from BABY ELLA,**

Thank you for helping to keep all of the babies warm this winter....your generosity has been great and we have been able to give to many needy babies.

Remember **Spring** is officially here (not that you can tell with all of the snow and ice!). It is time to start making outfits with light weight pants (not corduroy and denim) , shorts, short sleeved shirts, dresses and lighter weight sweaters. And **Summer** is just around the corner so think about Summer outfits too.

You have all been wonderful since the word went out that we were in desperate need for totes and burial outfits. At this point we are fine with them, but of course you can continue with them if they are your "pet projects", because we don't want to stifle your creativity.

At this time from what I have seen at the baby house we really need **pacifiers, toiletries, burial envelopes and newborn sleepers.**

Thank you for all the help,

Love ,  
**Baby Ella**

## Always needed items

- ♥ Newborn Boy Burial Items
- ♥ Newborn sleepers and gowns
- ♥ Sweaters, jackets and buntings
- ♥ Preemie gowns, onesies, outfits, and t-shirts
- ♥ Receiving blankets
- ♥ Baby toiletries
- ♥ Bottles
- ♥ Pacifiers
- ♥ Diapers (sizes newborn, 1 & 2)

- ♥ Wipes
- ♥ Baby friendly yarn (sport weight yarn)
- ♥ Baby friendly interlock knits and ribbing
- ♥ Postage stamps
- ♥ Polyfil

**Monetary donations, checks made payable to  
Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies  
6429 D Miller St. Arvada, Co 80004**

### WORK GROUPS

**Arvada Work Group:** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm Meets at the King of Glory Lutheran Church 10001 W. 58th Ave., Arvada (58th and Kipling-east door) Contact Glenda: COLOKIDZ@aol.com. Bring a potluck dish, your machine and scissors.

**Briggsdale Work Group:** Contact Sandra Hicks sandrahicks@wigginstel.com

**Brighton Work Group:** Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month 9:00 am to 2:30 pm Meets at Seventh-day Adventist Church, 567 Bromley Lane, Brighton; Contact Carol: chesneyc@aol.com Bring a dish to share at our potluck at noon.

**Colorado Springs Work Group:** Meets 3rd Saturday at Faith Presbyterian Church, 1529 N. Circle Dr.. Contact Linda: LWaxler46@aol.com for what to bring.

**Littleton Work Group:** For information please contact info@warmheartswarmbabies.org

**Loveland Work Group:** Meets 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:00am. Meet at: Church of the Nazarene 807 W. 29th St. Loveland. Contact Judy: our2pets@msn.com or Karen at the church: 970-667-4323 for more information.

**Rocky Mountain Group (Georgetown):** Contact Avanelle @ charlesbond@comcast.net or 970-468-7898

We are always looking for work group coordinators in various areas around the state. If you are interested in hosting a meeting, let us know! You can find out more information on starting a meeting by visiting the Volunteer section our web site at: [www.warmheartswarmbabies.org](http://www.warmheartswarmbabies.org).

#### **Questions or comments please contact us:**

Mail: P. O. Box 1266 Brighton, CO 80601 (packages)  
6429D Miller St. Arvada, CO 80004 (letters)

By phone: 303-919-5413

By email: [info@warmheartswarmbabies.org](mailto:info@warmheartswarmbabies.org)

Note: The newsletter is posted on our web site no later than the 5th of each month.

#### Your Donations Count

All our members and staff are **VOLUNTEERS!!**  
Their only compensation is the satisfaction of helping others. Over 95 % of YOUR donations go directly to help Colorado's tiniest citizens.

**THANK YOU !**

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**Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies** provides clothing, blankets, and other essential items to premature and newborn infants, and young children, in crisis, free of charge.

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