



Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies

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News



Our wish list is to have shelves in the baby house to put fabric on--Shelving units would be great. Any volunteers or donations???

Baby Ella and Brother L

Hi Everyone,
Happy Holidays! The bins are slowly getting filled up except the one for tote bags, both boy and girl. I know it is still winter, but it is time to start thinking about making outfits for spring. We still need outfits for winter though. Bottles, pacifiers, and toiletries are always needed, as well as socks. I think there is a sock monster in the baby house that hides them! My brother and I wish all of you a wonderful holiday season.

Love, Baby Ella

GREAT CHRISTMAS IDEA Cookbooks

Cookbooks are here!!! They will be available for purchase at workgroup meetings. They will be \$8.00 each or two for \$15.00. Cash and checks will be accepted. If you are unable to attend a meeting, please contact Lori Kratzer at 720-273-1687 or

lorijkratzer@hotmail.com

Thanks to Rita Patton for the Peanut Butter Fudge recipe in the cookbook.

Peanut Butter Fudge

2 cups sugar
4 tablespoons peanut butter
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk
1teaspoon vanilla
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt

Cook sugar, milk, and salt to soft ball stage on candy thermometer. Add other ingredients; mix. Pour into a greased pan and cool.

Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas.



December 2012 Birthdays

Sheryl Marta	Dec 01
Deanna Seelmeyer	Dec 02
Glenda Bredeson	Dec 02
Fran Troppmann	Dec 03
Michelle Diel	Dec 03
DeAun Burchi	Dec 04
Judi Southwell	Dec 04
Jeannette Payne	Dec 05
Barbara Livingston	Dec 06
Bonita Vermulen	Dec 06
Delia G. Perez	Dec 06
Karen Dean	Dec 07
Letha Clark	Dec 07
Mary Brockway	Dec 07
Dona Cook	Dec 08
Ella Mae Brewer	Dec 08
Angel Beyer	Dec 11
Meira Levary	Dec 11
Mary Lou Rutherford	Dec 13
Terry Maupin	Dec 14
Mary G. Schneider	Dec 15
Bobbie LeMarie	Dec 16
Christel Stojkov	Dec 16
Laura Williford	Dec 16
Catherine Phillips	Dec 17
Harriet Kish	Dec 17
Ryan Waxler	Dec 17
Augusta Featherston	Dec 18
Karyl Smith	Dec 18
Carol Craig	Dec 19
Janice Wilkin	Dec 19
Karma Dornfeld	Dec 20
DJ Hobbs	Dec 22
Ruth Ross	Dec 22
Jean Alme	Dec 24
Lisa Johnson	Dec 24
Mary Ann Pearce	Dec 24



December 2012 Birthdays

Paula Hilton	Dec 25
Dee Beaudet	Dec 26
Teresa Peck	Dec 26
Grace M. Jones	Dec 28
Jeanene Nehren	Dec 29
Eva Allison	Dec 30
Pat Allen	Dec 30
Gail Hahn	Dec 31

Interesting facts about December



Flower-Narcissus, Holly
Jewelry-turquoise, Blue Topaz, Ziroc

THANK YOU FOR DONATIONS

Groups & Agencies

Tops Group 0177 – (Thornton) – monetary
Above and Beyond Sewing Center – monetary
Tantrums (CO Springs) – clothing
JOONBUGZ (Brighton) – clothing
St. Paul's Community Church – baby clothing
Alliant Credit Union Foundation – monetary
Rocky Mountain Chapter FMCA – monetary
Wells Fargo Bank – monetary gift

Our Sincerest Sympathy

To the Family and Friends of :
Jan Poorman – Littleton Volunteer
To the Family and Friends of:
Mary Axtman – Arvada Volunteer
To Cindy and Bill Miller:
Sister-in-law and brother
of Mary Axtman

DONATIONS

Monthly Donations

4,579 items

17 agencies & 2 individuals

Denver Medical Center
St. Augustine Food Pantry
Lutheran Hospital
University Hospital NICU
University Mothers & Infants
University Neo-Natal Loss
Children's Hospital
St. Anthony Hospital (Lakewood)
Ronald Mc Donald House (CO Springs)
St. Mary Corwin (Pueblo)
One Nation
Life Support Center
Inner City Services
Clayton Early Learning Center
St. Mark's Clothing Bank
Jeffco Nurses
Jeffco Action Center
2 Individuals

2,604 items

13 agencies & 2 Individuals

St. Anthony – Frisco
Colorado Springs Pregnancy Center
St. Mary Corwin – Pueblo
Ronald McDonald House – CO Springs
Life Support Center – CO Springs
One Nation
Life Choices – Loveland
Peak Vista Women's Health (CO Springs)
CPMC – Fort Morgan
Adventist LIFT Services
Lutheran Hospital
St. Mark's Church Clothing Bank
Jeffco Action
Serviceios de La Rosa
2 Individuals

*We make a living by what we get, but we make
a life by what we give.*

THANK YOU FOR DONATIONS

Individuals

Marge Singer New Jersey) – hats
Cynthia Stites (New Jersey) – hats
J.P. Scammell (California) – hats
Phyllis Garcia (California) – burial
layettes
Kim Garcia (California) – sweater and
hats
Margaret Shepperson (California) –
booties and hats
Erin Murray (Texas) – fleece blankets
and hats
Lynn Vars (Wyoming) – afghans and
hats
Kimberly Phelps – sweaters, hats,
booties and bibs
Heidi Kelly – hats
Joyce Livingston (Utah) – various baby
items
Janie Jackson – afghan, hats, toys,
booties
Anonymous – hats
Nancy Boyd (New Mexico) – pattern
books
Lynette Yokoyama (Hawaii) – afghans
Laurie Balzer – many bottles, pacifiers
and socks
Rose Swearingen – fabric
Bill and Cindy Johnson – gently used
clothing
Pat Larson – quilts
Carol Criswell – monetary

*As we express our gratitude, we must never
forget the highest appreciation is not to utter
words, but to live by them.*



Dear Linda & WHWB Volunteers,
 Thank you so much for all the beautiful baby items you donated are very much appreciated by our moms. It is very kind of you to do this for us.
 Thank you again,
 Debrah
 Ronald McDonald House
 Colorado Springs



Dear Mrs. Egan and WHWB Volunteers,
 Thank you for your layette donation. We very much appreciate these items as they help us provide extra help to our clients.
 May God continue to bless you and your work.
 Sincerely yours,
 St. Augustine Community Food Pantry
 Brighton



Dear Cindy and WHWB Volunteers,
 Thank you so much for all the wonderful hats. Our new babies will certainly enjoy all of the lovely colors. We appreciate al you do for us and our babies.
 Thank you so much.
 Sincerely,
 Lutheran Hospital
 Women and Family Services



WHWB Volunteers,
 Thank you for your ongoing donations of your layette bags, quilts and afghans. These are used for our smallest patients. We are extremely grateful and humbled by your donations. It is a blessing for us to be able to help others with your donations.
 Thank you again for your support!
 Sincerely,
 Rachel Wojcik
 Development Assistant
 Inner City Health Center



Volunteers that make WHWB work,
 Thank you from the nurses of Jefferson County Health. You make our home visits brighter and bring warmth to mothers and babies in the county. The quilts and layette bags are unique, sweet and much appreciated!
 Warm Regards,
 Karey Riemersma, RN



Pray for these Volunteers

- Nancy Staup – knee replacement
- Kathryn Kutch – homebound
- Carol Criswell – broken ankle
- Dona Cook – in rehab after three broken bones
- Jean Jones – eye surgery
- Doris Sterns – eye surgery
- Lynette DeGouche – preparing for back surgery
- Ralph DeGouche – in hospital with bad infection
- Millie Haas – in assisted living



Dear WHWB Volunteers,
 Thank you for your donations. Because of your kind and generous donation, 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

Tote Bags

We are still running low on tote bags and a discussion at our workgroup revealed many volunteers didn't know how to make them.

We have directions available (for those of you who like EXACT measurements, please note instructions might drive you slightly crazy). If you have bottom weight fabrics, denim, canvas, drapery, or other heavier weight cottons or cotton blends you want to use up, please email info@warmheartswarmbabies.org for the instruction sheet with pictures.

For those who just need approximate sizes – tote bags are approx 22" high and wide, with 1" turned over at the top. Note that bags can be slightly smaller depending on the width of your fabric. There is a 7"-8" pocket across the entire front, divided into three parts. Straps are 30" including the 1" overlap sewn into the inside of the tote. Straps should begin and end on either the front or back of the tote. Do not run strap from the front of bag to the back – makes it harder to get things in and out. Note that bags can be slightly smaller depending on the width of your fabric.

If you want to try to make a couple of totes there are 30+ "bag kits" in the baby house (thanks to Polly for donating the fabric) – cut out bag, pocket and straps ready to be sewn. If you are in the area, Glenda is usually at the baby house from 9am-1pm on Tuesdays – stop by and pick some up. If not, contact us and we can see if we can send some kits to the various work groups.

Hem your blessings with thankfulness so they don't unravel.

Learn Something New

We are coming to the New Year, a great time to set a New Year's resolution to learn a new skill. As we are updating our website we are preparing video tutorials on how to sew our most popular baby garments. Until we finish that, we have a good pdf with great pictures for sewing sleepers and one on ribbing – putting it on sleeves and other straight pieces and sewing the inset ribbing on necks used for sleepers, Ruth jackets, and other garments. If interested in new patterns check with you work group coordinator. If you would like a copy of the sleeper or ribbing tutorials, please email us at info@warmheartswarmbabies.org



Great recipe in Warm Hearts Warm Babies Cookbook from Angie Youngmann

Poppy Seed Bread

4 eggs
2 cups sugar
1 ½ cup oil
3 cups flour
1 ½ teaspoons baking soda
½ teaspoon salt
1 can evaporated milk
2 oz. package poppy seeds

Beat eggs. Add sugar and beat. Add oil and beat. Add ½ dry ingredients and ½ can evaporated milk and beat. Add remainder of dry ingredients and evaporated milk and beat. Add poppy seeds and beat. Pour into greased and floured loaf pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 55-60 minutes. Makes 6 small loaves or 2 large loaves.



Winter of Our Life

You know. . . Time has a way of moving quickly
And catching you unaware of the passing years.
It seems just yesterday that I was young,
Just married and embarking on my new life with my mate.
And yet in a way, it seems like eons ago,
And I wonder where all the years went.
I know that I lived them all...
And I have glimpses of how it was back then and of all my hopes and dreams...
But, here it is... The winter of my life and it catches me by surprise...
How did I get here so fast?
Where did the years go and where did my youth go?
I remember well..
Seeing older people through the years and thinking that those
Older people were years away from me and that winter was so far off
That I could not fathom it or imagine fully what it would be like...
But, here it is...
My friends are retired and getting grey...
They move slower and I see an older person now.
Some are in better and some worse shape than me...
But, I see the great change...
Not like the ones that I remember who were young and vibrant...

But, like me, their age is beginning to show
and we are now those
Older folks that we used to see and never thought we'd be.
Each day now, I find that just getting a shower is a real target for the day!
And taking a nap is not a treat anymore... it's mandatory!
'Cause if I don't on my own free will... I just fall asleep where I sit!
And so, now I enter into this new season of my life unprepared
For all the aches and pains and the loss of strength and ability
To go and do things that I wish I had done but never did!!
Yes, I have regrets.
There are things I wish I hadn't done...
Things I should have done, but indeed,
There are many things I'm happy to have done.
It's all in a lifetime...
So, if you're not in your winter yet...
Let me remind you, that it will be here faster than you think.
Whatever you would like to accomplish in your life, please do it quickly!
Don't put things off too long!!
Life goes by quickly. So, do what you can today,
As you can never be sure whether this is your winter or not!
You have no promise that you will see all the seasons of your life...
So, live for today and say all the things you want your loved ones to remember...
And hope they appreciate and love you for all the things
You have done for them in all the years past!!

Life is a gift to you.
The way you live your life is your gift to those who come after.
Make it a fantastic one.

WORK GROUPS

Arvada Work Group: Meets 2nd 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: For information please contact Sandra Hicks by email at: sandrahicks@wigginstel.com

Brighton Work Group: Meets 3rd 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.

Kaiser Permanente & Friends Work Group: Arapahoe Road and Holly. For times and dates please contact Tammy: Tammy.Sabad@kp.org or 303-919-5413.

Lakewood Work Group: Meets at Helen's house in Bailey on the last Friday of the month, and at Kathryn's house in Lakewood on the third Thursday. Please contact Kathryn for dates and times of their next meetings at: info@warmheartwarmbabies.org.

Littleton Work Group: For meeting information please contact the group at info@warmheartwarmbabies.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): Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at the First Presbyterian Church in Georgetown. Noon until ?

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 on our web site at: www.warmheartwarmbabies.org.

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