

THE BABYCRYER



WARM HEARTS WARM BABIES

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We are coming into the Season of Holidays, Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and the New Year. For Warm Hearts there are so many things happening.

Our Craft season has begun. It is an exciting time when we display many items that have been created to sell at the many craft fairs. In 2012, we were participating in about four craft fairs and were very excited that we made money for the organization. We have grown and this year we are participating in about nine craft fairs around the metro area.

Several craft preparation meetings were held in order to make items for the up-coming fairs. Thanks to all the volunteers who came to the baby house and gave of their time and talents to help put together some creative new products for the Craft Fairs. A list of the Craft Fair dates and locations are on page 2.

Thanksgiving is just around the corner and this is a special time to say thank you to all of our volunteers. You are so special. The baby house is presently full of items that you made and donated with love. We also have many volunteers who don't sew, or knit/crochet, etc. but give their time by organizing or coordinating and helping in many other ways. Thank you I hope you realize how valuable your contribution is. Thank you to our families, and friends, and spouses who give us the tons of support that is needed. Thank you to our generous donors who give to us, monetarily, and through fabric, afghans, toys, socks, yarn and so on and so on. Thank you to our Sisters and Elders who gave their time throughout the year, you were a tremendous help in putting together layettes. Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies is successful because of ALL of you.

May the Spirit of **Christmas and the New Year** bring many, many blessings upon all of you and our organization? May the threads of our warm hearts reach each of you. As the year closes, please take a moment to reflect on all of our accomplishments; 2017 has been a successful year for us at Warm Hearts ~ Warm Babies.

Merry Christmas & a Happy and Healthy New Year

CRAFT SHOWS 2017



Please come and visit us (and bring your family and friends) to any of our upcoming craft shows!!

- *Family in Christ Community Church —11355 Sheridan Blvd. (Westminster) -- complete
- *Brighton Autumn Fest —Main Street (Brighton) October 28th —Noon to 4pm- complete
- *Arvada Recreation Center- 6842 Wadsworth Blvd. November 3rd — 6 to 8:30pm - complete
- November 4th —9am to 3pm - complete
- *Windsor Gardens Craft Show —(East Denver) November 3rd — 9am to 4pm - complete
- November 4th — 9am to 3pm - complete
- *St. Martha's Episcopal Church (Westminster) November 4th — 9am to 3pm - complete
- *Columbine High School — 6201 So. Pierce Street (Littleton) November 11th — 10am to 4pm
- *Evergreen- Alternative Gift Fair November 11th & November 12th
- *Jefferson County Fair Grounds — 15200 W. 5th. (Golden) December 1st — 9am to 5pm
- December 2nd — 9am to 4pm
- *Baby House —6429 D Miller St. (Arvada) December-- To Be Determined

CONTEST

WHWB held a BEST DECORATED Sweatshirt or Sweatshirt Jacket Contest.

We had three great and creative entries, One a bright red jacket sweatshirt decorated with many multi sized buttons, donated by Jean Jones. Another was a very pretty jacket decorated with a Quilt square on the front panel and a big quilt square on the back, donated by Bernice Henrickson. And finally, the winner was a child size sweat shirt decorated with a children's theme, appliqued on the front, donated by Frances Scott.

Our non- biased judges were three employees of the company next door to the baby house. They unanimously voted for the child sized shirt.

Thank you for your entries, and
Congratulations, Frances!!!!

APPLEWOOD PLUMBING DONATION

In the Sept/Oct newsletter we suggested that volunteers go to the Applewood Plumbing site and vote for Warm Hearts as a recipient of their \$1000. Donation to Caring Community Giveaway.

Volunteer, Margie Lance of the Thornton group took us SERIOUSLY; she faithfully went on line twice a day for several days and voted for WHWB. Persistence pays off! Applewood Plumbing and Electric donated a thousand dollars to us.

John Ward, President of Applewood Plumbing said, "We appreciate the efforts of those who volunteer with Warm Hearts Warm Babies. I'm thrilled they are the winner of our giveaway as they are such a deserving group."

The goal of Warm Hearts Warm Babies is to provide some of the basic needs to parents who may not have the resources that they need once they leave the hospital and take their infants home. Items in the layettes they deliver include: wipes, diapers, a baby bottle, blankets, socks and much more. All items are delivered in a beautiful handmade tote bag.

"With the help of Applewood's \$1,000 Caring Community Giveaway, we are able to purchase the items we need for our layettes," said Lori Kratzer, General Director at Warm Hearts Warm Babies. Thank you Margie!!!!

Colorado Gives Day – 2017

On Dec. 5th, for 24 hours people can donate online to Warm Hearts Warm Babies, it is a great way to start the Holiday season and support us. Tell your family and friends and help us help our precious newborns. It will be advertised on T.V., as well, so don't forget to encourage others to select WHWB and donate. Lori Balzar, Gen. Director

Note: Colorado Gives is available throughout the whole year but there is a focus in December for donations.

THANK YOU ~ Richard Zwetzig

...Richard continued>>>

Richard, who has been a very familiar face at the Arvada monthly meeting and is a very familiar face in the Brighton Group, is retiring. As a WHWB volunteer for about 12 years. He started out assisting Frances Scott by proof reading the newsletters she wrote and because she couldn't make the work group meetings he would take her donations to Glenda's house. During this time, he occasionally picked up donations from individuals who couldn't make it to an Arvada workgroup meeting. He also took photos at volunteer luncheons and other WHWB events. Eventually he took on the role of taking items from the Arvada group and delivering them to Brighton when the Baby House was in the trailer. He shared stories with Frances about the neighborhood cat at the Brighton Baby House that came to inspect the trailer and the activities of those entering the area. You had to be careful to not step on him as you went through the door. You also had to make sure you didn't lock him in the trailer when you were finished.

After the Baby House moved to Arvada he started doing deliveries to three or four agencies including Denver Health, Jeffco Action, Jeffco Visiting Nurses and Presbyterian-St. Luke's. For several years Richard made the monthly run from the Baby House in Arvada to the Brighton Work Group. Richard also attended the Arvada Work Group meeting where he helped stuff animals or turned a quilt or two. We know him as the "Chocolate Guy" because he brings a bag of chocolate as his lunch contribution. His job includes taking the monthly turn-in items to the Baby House at the end of the meeting. His dedication to pick up and deliver has been exemplary and it will be hard to fill his shoes.

At one of the volunteer luncheons he shared about the difficulty in finding parking at Denver Health when delivering the bags of WHWB donations to the hospital. The parking slots in front of the door he used are all marked for mothers in delivery. For months he parked in one of these "for mothers only" spaces because they were usually empty and he was only there for about 10 minutes. Eventually he was told

he absolutely could not park in those spaces. When he asked where he should park he was told to park directly in front of the door,

in the "Absolutely No Parking" zone.

If asked what Richard is going to do now, he will tell you "as little as possible." Frances says his job is to take care of their dog, Charlie, and the many "Honey do's" she has.

Prior to becoming a WHWB volunteer Richard worked for Bell & Howell for 25 years. After retiring from Bell & Howell Richard spent 10 years at Excel Communications making circuit boards for the phones used in airplanes. When most of the work was sent overseas he joined Master Drive teaching teenagers to drive. After 10 years he decided it was no longer fun and retired from paid work for the final time. Thank you, Richard, for your presence, your service and your friendship.

King of Glory hats and gloves for Christmas

The Arvada Group meets at the King of Glory Lutheran church and every Christmas they ask for a donation of Hats and Gloves. Once again, we ask that you bring your donation to the meeting Nov. 9th, this month, if you forget remember them at the Dec. 14 meeting, Please, and Thank you for your generosity.

ARVADA GROUP DECEMBER MEETING, COOKIE & GIFT EXCHANGE.

Since this is the last newsletter for the year of 2017, it feels like it is a bit early to talk about Christmas but here's a reminder for the Arvada group. At our Dec. 8 Christmas meeting Glenda will bring her delicious Potato Soup. It's not Pot Luck; just bring a salad to accompany the meal. We will have a gift exchange, bring a gift/ take a gift. The value of the gift should not exceed \$5 - \$7.00. There is also a cookie exchange, bring 4 dozen cookies, and take home 4 dozen cookies (Preferably Home Made).

For all other work groups if there are any special traditions you do in your groups, (i.e. pot luck, a gift trade, etc.) Now is the time to contact your Group Leader and coordinate.

Thankyou's Keep Coming.....

Dear Members of Warm Hearts Warm Babies,
Thank you for your beautiful ministry. You bring joy to so many people.

In the last two weeks, I was able to bring a layette bag and quilt to a new Mom for her newborn baby boy. She loved everything and took each item out of the bag to admire them.

Another Mom I visited was mourning the loss of her very premature infant boy – I brought one of your quilts to her and let her know how your group hand sews and makes the quilts. She was tearful and appreciative and said she would sleep with it that night.

Thank you, Sincerely, M. Klosce/ JCPH
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Dear Volunteers, Thank you for your donation of layettes. We appreciate the time you expend making the layettes for our clients in need. May God bless you, Staff St. Augustine Community Food Pantry  
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Warm Hearts Warm Babies-

Thank you so much for your donation to Birthline! The beautiful baby items you gave us are being used in layettes as we celebrate the precious lives of our clients' new babies. Your generosity to us is always so appreciated. Please pass our thanks along.

Blessings, Dee at Birthline (Loveland, Co.)
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Dear Judy & Karen,

Thank you so much for delivering the beautiful quilts last week!

One of our Chaplains was in this morning and was grateful to have the opportunity to share them with some of our patients. They will provide comfort & joy in ways we can only imagine.

Thank you for thinking of Pathways, Deb  
(Community Care for Northern Colorado)

To Everyone,

What a tremendous blessing we have received through your loving hands. So many moms and babies will be touched by your loving generosity. God Bless you! Dee  
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Thank You So Much for the Welcome Baby bags full of treats that you provide for our new moms! Your generosity makes a huge difference here. Our mom's love their blankets hats and all of the other gifts that you take the time to give.

Thank you! Volunteer Services, UC Health



Always needed Items.....

- ♥ Newborn Boy Burial Items
- ♥ Newborn sleepers and gowns
- ♥ Sweaters, jackets, buntings and socks
- ♥ Preemie gowns, onesies, outfits, and t-shirts
- ♥ Receiving blankets
- ♥ **BABY TOILETRIES (lotion, shampoo)**
- ♥ **BOTTLES 8oz. individually wrapped**
- ♥ Postage stamps
- ♥ Diapers (sizes newborn, & size 1)
- ♥ Angel Wings
- ♥ Baby friendly yarn (sport weight yarn)
- ♥ Baby friendly interlock knits and ribbing
- ♥ Polyfil
- ♥ Pop-top tabs from aluminum drink cans
(donated to Ronald McDonald House)

What we need this month:

Do need: Sleepers and Gowns

Do need: New Born Booties, only

Do need: Toiletries, Bottles, lotions, shampoo

Do Not Need: Preemie going home outfits, Sweaters or jackets.

Thank You Report

Individual

Charlotte Mai - baby clothes
Gaylene Szaltzer - blankets
Linda Anderson - monetary
Jerry Roose - monetary
Nancy Heisman - monetary
Victoria Strating - toys, onesies, sweaters, hats, gowns, sleepers, craft show items
Lynette Yokoyama - blankets
Erin Murray - finger puppets
Karen Merrill - angel wing gowns, hats, buttons, fabric
Melyna Piernaux - blankets
Cheryl Ostlie - monetary
Elwood Mayberry, Jr. - monetary
Charles Adelgren - monetary
Connie Jones - monetary
Janice Lawson - monetary
Claudia Bushman - monetary
Parviz Marzhan - monetary
Lynore Cohen - hats
Apryl Dillman - wedding dresses, silk
Toni Siders - monetary
Gloria Segura - blanket
Anna- Marie/Kathy - totes, fabric, yarn
Linda Davis - fabric
Erin Young - socks
Georganne Wood - fabric
Gwen Nicholson - promoting WHWB resulting in donation

In Honor/Memory:

Velma Monks - monetary, in honor of Helen Card
Nancy & Fred Staup - monetary, in memory of David Butler
Generic Knitters of Broomfield - monetary in memory of Patti Lawlor

Groups:

Epsilon Sigma Alpha - assorted baby items
Kayla McKinney - Thrivent Choice Dollars
Knights of Columbus #3340 - monetary
Jacques Lougeay - Thrivent Choice Dollars

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.

Delivery Report

September and October 2017

Number of Agencies Per Month

September --- 40 October -- 33 (not including CS)

Items Donated Each Month

* September -- 9,366 # October -- 5,212 (not including CS)

Total Items Donated --- 14,578

Agencies

Carin Clinic
Lutheran Hospital NICU
Hospice (Denver – Footprints)
Hospice (Loveland)
Lutheran Hospital Social Worker
Lutheran Hospital Solace Coordinator
* Bright by Three
* Individuals (1)
* Life Support (CS)
* Peak Vista Women’s Center
* Colorado Springs Life Support
* Colorado Springs Pregnancy Center
* First Visitor (CS)
* Fountain Schools
* Houston Hurricane Victims
* Mark Twain Elementary School CS)
* Partners in Housing (CS)
* Rocky Mountain Children’s Hospital PSL
*# Denver Medical Peri-Natal Loss
*# Riverside Baptist Church Pregnancy Center
*# Arising Hope
*# Aurora MCPN
*# Aurora Nurse Midwives
*# Birthline (Loveland)
*# Children’s Hospital
*# Children’s Hospital Oncology
*# Denver Medical Center
*# Denver Ronald McDonald House
*# Growing Home
*# Healthy Beginnings (Loveland)
*# Inner City Services
*# Life Choices (Longmont)
*# Life Choices (Loveland)
*# Life Choices (Westminster)
*# Longmont Hospital
*# Loveland Pregnancy Center
*# McKee Medical Center (Loveland)
*# One Nation Walking (CS)
*# Platte Valley Medical Center
*# Salud Clinics
*# Servicio de La Raza
*# St. Augustine Food Pantry (Brighton)
*# University Hospital Mother and Infant
*# University Hospital Neo Natal Loss
*# University Hospital NICU

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WORKGROUPS

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.

Aurora Work Group: Meets the 3rd Mon. of each month, 9am – Noon at Above & Beyond in Centennial. Please contact Kathy Williams at pkwms75@gmail.com or 303-917-7424, if you are interested in joining.

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: Lyn Hente at 719-499-0415 for what to bring.

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.

Southlands Work Group: Meets at 5:30pm 2nd Tues of the month, Sewing & 4th Thurs.. for Needle Arts Contact Gisela Stout 720-373-3180 or Gisela.stout@outlook.com

Thornton Work Group Meets at Above and Beyond Sewing and Vacuum 3987 E. 120th Ave. Thornton. Contact Lori Kratzer at 720-273-1687 or Lorijkratzer@hotmail.com for details.

285 Corridor (Aspen Park) Work Group: Meets 3rd Monday each month at St Laurence Episcopal Church, Fellowship Hall. Contact: Helen Hood at insmont@wispertel.net

Skystone Work Group: Broomfield, Meets 1st Tues. of the Month, 10 a.m., In the Lodge, Contact Ann C. Brockman, 303-883-0999 acgrandmaco@hotmail.com.

Windsor Gardens Work Group: Meets at Windsor Gardens , Near Alameda & Havana. Every 2nd Thurs. of the month in the Sewing Room. 10 am – 2 pm. Contact Barb Achenbach, Ilove2sewbarb@gmail.com

(Want to start a workgroup? See the volunteer section at whwbnewsletter@aol.com)

Questions or comments please contact us: Mail :6429D Miller St. Arvada, CO 80004 (letters) P. O. Box 830 Arvada, CO 80001 (packages) By phone: 303-975-6394 or 303-601-9276

By email: whwbnewsletter@aol.com

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Note: The newsletter is posted on our web site no later than the 5th of each month. The deadline for an article is by the 15th of the month

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Our Mission Statement

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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