

## News from Business Meeting

For January and February we gave out 95 bags, and 22 burials.

We had good support at pre-pack. Our thanks to all who came. We are seeing more problems with items turned in and need better quality control at all steps. Workshop coordinators are asked to check items for agreement with specifications. Items that are not up to standards can be bagged separately and labeled for Jill to take to the clinics to use on children who come in and have accidents and need clean clothes to wear home. We will try to establish better control as things are packed.

Some specific problems discussed were:

Lap front serging should be close to the edge of the fabric

Hats should fit a 14 inch head

Sweaters – should fit newborn to 3 months and be made of 2-3 ply yarn

Booties should have a 3 inches foot

Burial dress patterns are designed for lace trim or a ruffle (3-4Inches) to be added to the bottom

Bibs, burp cloths, lap pads and quilts should not have “girl” fabric with pink and/or purple on one side and a “boy” fabric on the back. Boy fabrics are hard to find and items should be definitely “boy”.

Two piece sleepers and creeper should be pinned (safety pins) or tacked together. They sometimes get separated at pre-pack.

Receiving blankets should be 30” X 30”. The fabric on the side is used for bibs and burp cloths.

A list of specifications for finished items is attached to this newsletter. If you are making items on the list, please review the chart and be sure you are following the guide lines.

Bunten Road made 30 pincushions for Expo in March.

We would like to keep the quilts, afghans, and receiving blankets in the third unit at the warehouse. Sweater sets and knitted/crocheted hats are in the second unit.

Wednesday during pre-pack, Tacoma Perry from Fox News (channel 5) and a photographer came to film and interview. The segment aired Tuesday, February 7. The link to view it is [http://www.myfoxatlanta.com/dpp/news/local\\_news/Group-Helps-Clothe-Needy-Metro-Babies-20120207-am-sd](http://www.myfoxatlanta.com/dpp/news/local_news/Group-Helps-Clothe-Needy-Metro-Babies-20120207-am-sd).

Kathy Brown picked up a large donation of fabric and yarn that was donated to us by a Loganville resident who works for a realty company. She will also try to get a monetary donation from her employers.

Debbie Vickers is still looking for volunteers to work at Expo which is March 8-10. Please let her know if you are interested.

## **Needs for this month**

We need

Large tote bags

Sleepsacks

Sleepers. Boys & girls

Gowns boys

Lap front shirts boys

Quilts

## **Member notes**

From Sue McReynolds:

Thanks for all you concerns for my daughter, Debbie. Doctors have said she is "cancer free". The best Christmas present ever! I am praising & thanking the Lord, for this is truly a miracle!

## **Meetings**

Next Pre-pack will be February 29, 2012

Next Business Meeting will be March 5,2011

## **From the warehouse**

See Business meeting notes and attached chart.