



Project Linus

New location for Summer Blanket Day

Everyone grab your sewing gear and come on out to our 2nd annual Summer Blanket Day.

Saturday, June 11, 2011, will be our summer blanket day. We will start at 9:00am and sew till 3:00pm .

Unity Lutheran Church in Hickory will be sponsoring our day. Unity Lutheran Church is located at 3025 Falling Creek Rd., Hickory.

The even is sponsored in part by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.

For those of you that like to cook, please feel free to bring a covered dish.

We will supply the drinks and all paper items needed for the event.

The room we will be working out of is very large with a huge kitchen. Please feel free to bring your friends, aunts, uncles, etc. We need all of the help we can get.

All we need is YOU!!

Come and join the fun!

**Food
Door Prizes
Fabric
Patterns**



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Special points of interest:

- ☺ Size needs to be at least 36" X 36".
- ☺ Our chapter needs larger quilts, 60" X 60"
- ☺ All fabric should be child friendly
- ☺ All blankets **MUST** be completed before turning in.

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The Need in our Area is growing....

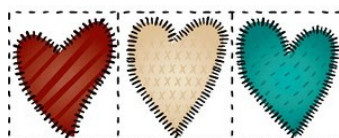
The need in the counties we serve are rising. During the spring/summer of 2010, we slowed down in delivering due to the need dropping. However, for 2011, this just isn't the case.

The need for teenage boy

quilts has skyrocketed. Please consider making larger quilts for teenage boys.

Also, if you have need of batting, please see Terrie at Bills. We will be glad to the size you need.

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Catawba County DSS Children's Homes

The month of May brought a new Project Linus recipient on board.

We were contacted by the Catawba County DSS Facilities Coordinator to see if we would help with the re-decorating of their homes.

Currently there are 4 homes in Catawba County. Two for boys, and two for girls. Each home has a total of six beds.

On Monday, April 9, 2011, you helped make it possible for Project Linus to deliver and blanket for every child.

The blanket is placed at the end of the child's bed as a throw. When they leave the home, they get to take their blanket with them. Each blankets was sent with the Project Linus poem attached to it.

Your continued support of Project Linus has helped many children who are desperately in need of a loving hand.

The poem is called: The Blanket
And is as follows:

My heart was thinking of you,
My hands knew what to do.
This blanket grew out of the love
I want to share with you.
I hope it will keep you warm,
And befriend you late at night.
I hope you'll come to love it,
And be comforted by its sight.
Let this blanket wrap you in friendship,
And cover you in love.
Because this blanket was thinking of
you
Long before it was even done.

New Stuff for 2011

Well, it has taken long enough, but we have finally got some new things coming. I want to start out apologizing for not having much in the way of Newsletters this year. It has been very busy here at home. AS some of you know, I am finishing up an Executive Program where I work that has made me realize "older" folks should never go back to school!!! Good news

is I have only two classes left, and then I can go back full speed to Project Linus.

New things coming..

- Chapter Work Days in addition to Blanket Day
- Fabric shopping day at the Propst House

- Volunteer Appreciation Day

The rest of 2011 will be working on these new ideas and trying to implement everyone into the management of our chapter.

Thank you for your continued support of our chapter.

Catawba Valley Chapter Work Day

When I first became chapter coordinator I had no idea how many things needed to be done. It seems this year I have been two steps behind. So, I came up with a wonderful idea.

We are going to have "Work Days". We will come together at my house and work on the things that need to be done. For instance:

- Labeling blankets
- Attaching blanket size labels to inventory
- Making blanket kits
- Attaching Poem to blankets
- Miscellaneous duties
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Please consider coming out and enjoying the fun. Our first work day this year will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2011 at the home of Julie Propst. We will meet from 10:00am until 2:00pm.

If you are interested in attending, please send me an e-mail and I will send you directions to my home.

FREE FABRIC...FREE FABRIC... FREE FABRIC...FREE FABRIC...

Yes, it is correct. Free Fabric! Can you imagine the excitement of going to the store and picking out a pattern, fabric, batting, and backing all for free. Well NOW you can!!

Saturday, July 30, 2011 from 10:00am until 2:00pm you can come and shop for free! The event will be held at the home of Julie Propst in the "Project Linus" room.

Come and pick out a new pattern, fabric, backing, and batting. You may choose as many as you think you can

make. You will "check out" by signing a sheet stating how many blankets you are planning to make. You will need to turn these in within 4 weeks.

Terrie Townsend at Bills is working on getting us some new yet simple patterns we can use for Project Linus. If you still like the six and eight inch block patterns, don't worry. We will still have those available. If you have any ideas on a pattern you would like, please let me or Terrie know.

Please consider stopping by and see-

ing all the new things we have going on.



1st Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day!

This year will mark our chapter's first Annual Volunteer Appreciation Day.

We will hold this event on Thursday, October 27, 2011. We will meet from 6:00pm thru 9:00pm. Some of the things we will have at the meeting:

- Annual Report from chapter coordinator

- Guest Speaker
- Volunteer Acknowledgements
- Volunteer of the Year

The location will be disclosed as plans are continually being made. So Watch for all of latest news on the chapter website and in future Newsletters.

Please consider coming as this is our way of saying "Thank You" for all you have done.

More details to come regarding the selection of the Volunteer of the Year!

See you there!!

Project Linus has a few needs...

We are desperately working to make the Catawba Valley chapter of Project Linus easier to manage. One thing we have need of is a washer and dryer. Since I have built a room for Project Linus, we need a washer & dryer. IF you know of anyone that is getting rid of an old washer or dryer, please ask them if it could be used for Project Linus.

Some blankets that come in do need to be laundered, and this would help us tremendously.

We aren't picky, it just needs to be free!!

This quarter our chapter has delivered **202** blankets to children in our area!

Thank you for all you do!

Project Linus Mission Statement

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Make sure to make a note that the donation is for the **Catawba Valley Chapter**.

Thank you for all you do!

First, it is our mission to provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer "blanketeers".

Second, it is our mission to provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

Quilty Quotes

Asking a quilter to mend is like asking Picasso to paint your garage.

Cooking is for those who don't know how to quilt.

I love quilting and I have plenty of material witnesses.

I'm creative, you can't expect me to be neat too!

Procrastinate. It frees up time to quilt!

New Blanket Day Meetings..

Shiloh United Methodist
Church

1626 Shiloh Rd

Claremont NC 28610

Is now hosting a bi-weekly blanket day at the church. It is held the first and third Wednesday of each month. They meet at 6:00pm.

Please call Carolyn Johnson at 828-428-1494 for more information.

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