

Project Linus Tri Cities

Blankets for comfort

Newsletter

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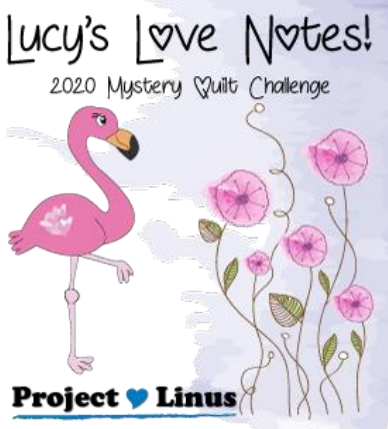
Where we are now...

We are sorry we will not be having our usual spring “Make A Blanket Day”, but hope to resume in October. We will let you know as soon as we are able to begin holding meetings again. We are so eager and looking forward to seeing everyone! Meanwhile we do have some good news for you in this newsletter.

Project Linus Mystery Quilt Challenge: Lucy’s Love Notes



The votes have been counted in the Lucy’s Love Notes Mystery Quilt Challenge, and **LOIS PEDERSEN’s** quilt took **5th place!** Lois’s quilt received over 1000 votes (1,076!), which earned her an additional prize.



THANK YOU to everyone who voted. The total amount raised in voting was \$22,722, exceeding their goal of \$22,000.

Project Linus Knit & Crochet Along

Registration for the 2021 Knit & Crochet Along event opens February 27! The cost is \$15 (plus processing charge) for either the Knit or the Crochet pattern. When you select our chapter ("Tri-Cities, Washington, Linda Porter, Coordinator), the registration fee is credited to us. The first clue will be posted on **March 13**. Stay tuned for this fun event. These are pictures of last year's blanket patterns (patterns are still available at <https://www.projectlinus.org/store/> \$20/each):



MABD Blanket Challenge!

The **Music or science** (or both!) challenge is still open! So you still have time to put a blanket together—the more the merrier!

A review of the rules: Minimum size is 45x60"; the theme (**Music or Science** --or both!) can be expressed in the pattern or the fabrics. We are quite looking forward to seeing your results! Stay tuned for updates.



Project Linus Blanket distribution

Patty Gregory, head of Project Linus, recently announced the following percentages for Project Linus blanket recipients:

Health	48.8%
Social Services	45.3%
National Disaster	0.2%
Emergency	1.8%
Military	1.5%
Others	1.0%

Tri-Cities Chapter Updates

For 2020, we distributed over 2500 blankets! Our chapter has donated over 38,000 blankets total! Thank you to all of our blanketeers!

In 2020, we distributed blankets to the following agencies:

Kadlec Hospital	Sleep in Heavenly Peace
TRIOS Hospital	You Medical (Pregnancy Center)
American Red Cross	Union Gospel Mission
Children's Developmental Center	Mo's Place
Children's Services	Children's Home (Walla Walla)
Community Actions Connections	Children's Services (Walla Walla)
Camp Amanda	Hospice (Walla Walla)
Richland Fire Dept.	Pioneer Nursery (Walla Walla)
Elijah Family Homes	Christian Aid (Walla Walla)
Hospice	Children's Hospital (Spokane)
SARC	Lincoln H.S. (Walla Walla)
Lutheran Community Services	YWCA (Women's Shelter-W.W.)
My Friends' Place	Guardian Care (Pendleton)
Royal Family Kids' Camp	Tru/Care Pregnancy (Hermiston)
Jefferson Elementary	Domestic Violence (Hermiston)

You can still drop off completed blankets at all of our drop-off locations (Janean's in Pasco; Joann (*aka "Joann's fabrics"*), Fabric108, & Discount Vac & Sew in Kennewick; Quiltmania in Richland).

We would also like to thank the generous donors who supported our chapter in 2020. We received grants from Benevity, Washington River Protection, and Battelle/Pacific Northwest National Laboratory. Our big fundraiser as a chapter was the Pampered Chef party last summer, hosted by Loraine's daughter Lynna Clark (thank you to all who participated!). We continue to receive funds from Kroger/Fred Meyer, for those who have connected our chapter to their Rewards cards. The Project Linus challenges (2 Mystery Quilts, the 2020 Knit & Crochet along, and the Side by Side challenge) also benefited our chapter. Thank you to everyone who donates time, resources, or funds.

We've added some new volunteers, so thanks to all who have shared their passion for Project Linus with friends and family. We have continued to receive blankets, and distribute them to agencies from Hermiston to Spokane! Thanks to all for your continued faithfulness and generosity!

Remember to check out our [web page](#) for updates, old newsletters, and other useful information. We are also on [Facebook](#) (the page is open to all, you don't have to be "on Facebook" to see posts).