

Project Linus

Providing Security Through Blankets

Williamson, Travis, & Hays Counties of Texas

We provide children with blankets full of hugs.

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Next Meeting

June 18, 2011: 10:00 am-3:00 pm

North Meeting Location:
203 Industrial Blvd.
Cedar Park, TX 78613

South Meeting Location:
Manchaca Baptist Church
215 FM 1626
Manchaca TX 78652

News

At the south meeting this month we are going to concentrate on getting large blankets labeled and packaged for delivery to APD Victim's Services and Roxanne's House.



Terri Hiaumet writes that she is opening a sewing studio in Leander. As a Project Linus volunteer in the past, she offers her shop to us. The sewing studio will have everything needed for sewing: cutting tables, irons and ironing boards, and six sewing machines/stations. She's not proposing that we change our regularly scheduled monthly meetings as Saturdays will probably be her busiest day of the week but if there are any volunteers who cannot make the Saturday meetings or need to use her sewing equipment for their Project Linus blankets they are welcome to come use her facility. If you have any other ideas or needs that she can help with, she'd love to discuss them.

The shop will be located at the new Business Park 2243 and will be called **Sew Something**. The address is 11880 Old 2243 West, Suite 200. It's right next door to Twisted Treats (frozen yogurt shop). She is also looking for sewing instructors, particularly for quilting and serging so if you know anyone interested in that you may pass this info on to Terri at (512) 694-5912.



Again, as a fundraiser for our bagging supplies, etc., Anita Howe has chosen a popular restaurant gift card. For \$10 the buyer gets \$25 dollars' worth of food at a lengthy list of Austin (or any city's) eateries. Participating restaurants can be checked out by visiting www.restaurant.com/available.asp on the internet. If you would like to purchase a card, simple mail a check to Anita Howe, 11000 Pairnoy Lane, Austin, TX 78739.

She will then mail you a restaurant card. When you receive your card there will be a code on it so you can go online at <http://fundraising.restaurant.com> and redeem each \$10 card for \$25 worth of certificates that are available from over 14,000 restaurants nationwide. Think outside the box—what a wonderful gift this could be! You spend \$10 and the recipient has a \$25 gift! Project Linus will award a \$25 gas card to the member who sells the most cards.



Please remember the ongoing request from Dell Children's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit for ~30 handmade flannel receiving blankets (~36"×36") per month. Please keep them coming! (And, *Thanks!*)

Our usual requests: If you make blankets for us, please...

- Include your name, address or email with your blanket(s), so we will know whom to thank.
- Wash your blanket (if possible) before turning it in.
- If you've made a fleece blanket, please be sure the selvages are trimmed off.
- Please do not make your blankets out of tapestry, burlap, upholstery fabric, 70's-type double-knits, felt, vinyl, wool, or wool yarn. Please do not use fabric that has been stored in a damp area or has a musty smell. Mold spores can cause an allergic reaction in a child and are very difficult to remove from the fabric. We regret that blankets smelling of smoke or having pet hair on them cannot be accepted.
- Be especially careful about checking for pins if you use them in the construction of your blankets.
- Make sure when knitting or crocheting to securely tie off yarn ends and weave them into the blanket.
- No embellishments such as buttons, glitter or anything that will come off because small children put things in their mouths.
- A suggested label format to include with each blanket donated:
<Your Name>. <Street Number / Street Name>, <City, State, Zip>, <Email Address>

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Places to leave blankets...

Thanks to these business folks who support our efforts by collecting blankets from blanketeers who don't attend meetings. And thanks for using them. Any way we can get more blankets is terrific!

Austin Sew & Vac

Mike and Robyn Smith
1401 S. I-35, Ste #170
Round Rock, TX 78664
(512) 310-7349

Austin Sew & Vac South

8213 Brodie Lane
Austin, TX 78745
(512) 899-8176

B & B Quilting and Gifts

Nancy Brinkley & Lori Beckers
107 S. Austin Steet
Buda, TX 78610
www.bbquilting.com
(512)312-2299

Glassica, Inc.

Heide Fowler
820 South Austin Ave.
Georgetown, Texas 78628
(512) 778-9398
www.DisplayYourArt.com

Learning Express Toys

Joe and Mary Theriot
Gateway Market
9607 Research Blvd, Ste 110
Austin, TX 78759
(512) 795-9770

Poppy Quilt 'N Sew

Anita Brockell
4106 Williams Drive (RM 2338)
Georgetown, TX 78628
(512)863-6108
www.poppyquiltnew.com

The Knitting Nest

Stacy Klaus
Recent address change—
8708 Congress Avenue, Ste. 570
Austin, TX 78748
(512) 294-8866
www.theknittingnestaustin.com

Project Linus Contacts...

Position/Committee

- Project Linus Coordinator, Williamson / Travis/Hays Counties
- Assistant Coordinator-South
- Assistant Coordinator-North
- Chapter Communications (newsletter & website)
- Community Outreach Representative, Williamson / Travis / Hays Counties
- Special Events Coordinators

Project Linus respects your privacy We don't share your email address or contact information with anyone outside our organization. To remove your name from our mailing list, contact jan_texas@yahoo.com

If you have questions or comments, Anita Howe at ahowe@sellsaustinhomes.com is our chapter coordinator.

To visit the Williamson/Travis/Hays County Project Linus website online, go to www.orgsites.com/tx/austinlineus/. The national Project Linus organization's website is located at www.projectlinus.org/

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Quilters—

Please save barcodes from all Hobbs batting that you purchase and give them to your meeting coordinator or contact us and we'll give you a mailing address. We can redeem them for discounts on batting for Project Linus blankets.



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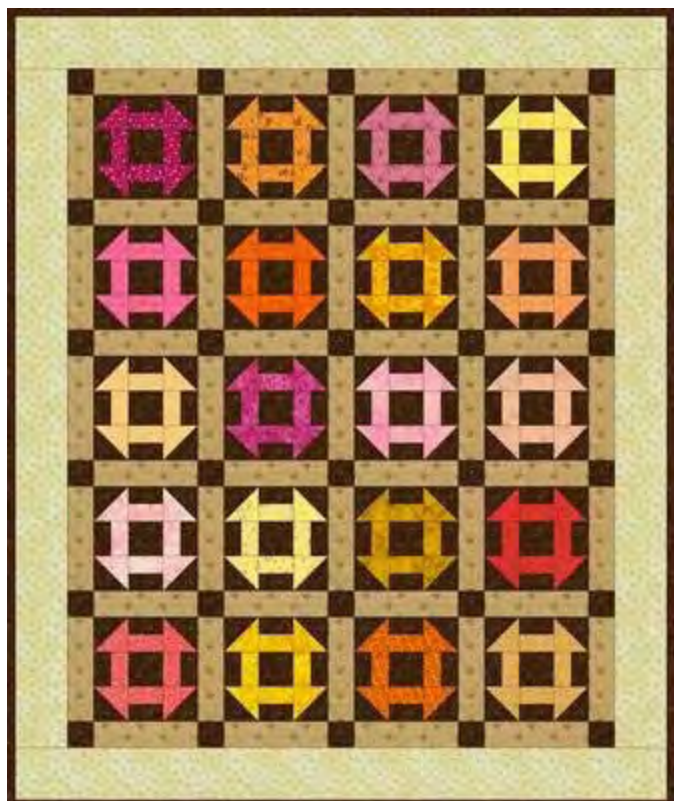
From YouTube:

Larksfoot Crochet Pattern Stitch - Baby Afghan
youtu.be/3qczHN0bKzE



Tumbling Blocks blanket

<http://www.lionbrand.com/patterns/80661AD.html>



http://quilting.about.com/od/babyquiltpatterns/ss/baby_monkey_wrench_quilt.htm