



# Project Linus News

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**Providing Comfort & Security. . .Through Blankets**

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The 2002 Project Linus National Conference was held at Bloomington, Illinois in July and I got to go! It was great to meet all the coordinators that I've 'talked' to on the internet for so long. So many stories, so much inspiration!

I took the video tape that Royal Family Kids Camp gave us to conference with me. It was a big hit. Stop by at our next Nampa Blanket Day to see that tape and also the new Project Linus video from the National Office.

Following the conference I went to Indiana to visit friends, relatives, and old classmates - some of them I hadn't seen for many, many years.

I am considering e-mailing our Project Linus newsletter to those of you who have internet access. Please see article on the back page about this.

I hope many of you can join us at our Make A Blanket Days - they are really a lot of fun!

To all you wonderful volunteers who make blankets, donate fabric, batting and yarn - and most of all, donate your time . . .

Thank You! Thank You!

Donna

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***There are hundreds  
of languages  
in the world,  
A smile speaks  
them all!***

**Camp Rainbow Gold.** Each year kids - ages 6 to 16 - who have been diagnosed with cancer have the chance to go to camp for a week. The camp is held at Cathedral Pines Campgrounds a few miles north of Sun Valley.

My husband, Wayne, and I had the opportunity to go to the Camp Open House this month.

This year Project Linus donated 20 quilts to the camp. The camp director told us that three of the quilts were used in the Med Shack (doctor's office) & when he walked in it didn't look at all like a place to go to be sick! He was so appreciative of the blankets and said that they really made the Med Shack more cheerful. At least one doctor and two nurses are on duty at all times for medical emergencies and first aid. The rest of the blankets were given to the youngest first-time campers.

The first event at Camp was the Camp Talent Show with many of the campers, from the youngest to the oldest, entertaining us. Some kids sang, some danced, some played musical instruments - they were all good! Little kids, big kids - all of them with happy smiles and much laughter! After the Talent Show we were treated to a wonderful BBQ with lots of good food.

We really enjoyed the day and especially enjoyed seeing kids who so many times are going through illness, surgery and painful treatments having such a wonderful time!

**Volunteers needed!** Boise Basin Quilters Quilt Guild has invited us back to the Quilt Show again this fall. Our Design-A-Block booth was a huge success last year and we didn't have nearly enough volunteers! Last year was our first year to have a booth at the quilt show and we had no idea how well it would be received. The dates for the quilt show are September 28 & 29, from 10 am - 6 pm both days, at the Boise Centre on the Grove.

You don't have to be a quilter to help. We will need volunteers to help visitors at the table, iron, trim blocks, etc. To see what we did last year, check out the Design a Block page (you can get to it from the Project Linus page) on my website for pictures of all the blocks that were made.

There will be sewing machines available if you would like to help sew blocks together.

If you can help, please give me a call. It really is fun to see the colors and fabrics people pick out for 'their' block. Besides - you'll have a chance to see the beautiful quilts in the quilt show!

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**Crime Prevention Fair.** Project Linus went to the Crime Prevention Fair in Nampa again this year and came home with over 200 muslin blocks ready to be made into quilts. We had all ages from 'almost' babies to adults coloring quilt blocks for Linus!

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♥ The best kind of sleep beneath heaven above is under a blanket handmade with love! ♥

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Blankets  
Delivered to date:  
2,251

**We hope you can join us at one of our Make A Blanket Days** - see dates in the box.

There will be lots of blocks to sew together into quilt tops from the Design-A-Block Booth at the Quilt Show and from the Crime Prevention Fair.

However, you don't have to know how to sew to help - if you can tie a knot - we need you!

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**Blanket Days are fun!**

**Come join us!**

**We look forward to seeing you.**

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## ♥ Make A Blanket Days ♥

**October 26  
December 7**

~ 10 am - 3 pm ~

**Robinson's  
Sewing Center  
572 Caldwell Blvd  
Nampa, Idaho**

**208 466-7642**

**September 13  
November 8**

~ 10:30 am ~

**Marilynn's  
Pickets & Patchwork  
118 Main Street  
Nyssa, Oregon**

**541 372-5336**

### Blankets are donated to:

St. Al's, St. Luke's & MSTI, Boise  
Elk's Rehab Hospital, Boise  
Red Cross, Boise  
Ada County Sheriff's Office

Mercy Medical Center, Nampa  
Nampa Police & Fire Departments  
Valley Crisis Center, Nampa

Health & Welfare, Caldwell office  
West Valley Medical Center, Caldwell  
Canyon County Sheriff's Office  
Caldwell Police Department

Parma, Wilder, Fruitland, Homedale and  
Nyssa Police Departments

Camp Rainbow Gold, Royal Family Kids  
Camp, Camp Hodia & Operation Warm  
Heart

Walter Knox Hospital, Emmett

**A**nswers to some of the most frequently asked questions about Project Linus:

- ♥ Blankets can be quilted, sewn, tied, crocheted, or knitted
- ♥ Sizes from 20" x 20" up to approximately 45" x 60"
- ♥ Blankets must be new, home-made, washable & durable
- ♥ We can use donations of cotton fabric, low-loft batting & acrylic yarn
- ♥ Cash donations are appreciated to help pay for blanket supplies and to help cover chapter administrative expenses (paper, postage stamps, and copying charges).

**E**-mailing newsletters? Mailing out this newsletter gets more and more expensive. Would you be interested in receiving this newsletter by e-mail instead of by "snail mail?"

I can either e-mail the entire newsletter to you, or send you an e-mail letting you know that the newsletter is on our chapter Project Linus website. For those of you without internet access, I will still mail your newsletters to you

E-mail me at & let me know which you prefer - e-mail, on the website, or by snail mail? Please put PL newsletter in the subject line.

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