## News from Business Meeting

Expo is this weekend! Volunteers for working at the booth should call Leon (404-432-3824) when you arrive and he will meet you at the entrance to the exhibit hall and give you an exhibiter name tag to get in free.

We have given out 164 layettes (16,114 items) this year. We have given 22 burials.

We have a number of sergers on loan. If they are not being used we would like them back to lend to others.

It was suggested that we apply for a grant or serger from Babylock's charity.

The Smocking guild donated several boxes of hats, dresses, and burial envelopes to us. Maria Korosi is sorting them to see how many we can use. Jill will take the ones that are too large to the clinics.

We do not need to purchase any fabric at this time. We have plenty of knits, fleece, flannel and tote bag fabric. While we would like a better selection of quilt fabric, we need to use what we have. Therefore **we will no longer reimburse for purchases other than yarn and batting**. We may need material for burials, but will look for a substitute fabric for the batiste we have been using.

We have the fabric from the uniform shirts available in the warehouse. The can be used for bibs, burp cloths, and lap pads, either in the middle or on the back. It takes 4 of the large back pieces to back a quilt.

Remember, print knits should be used for sleeves or tops for two piece sleepers only. (We have 8 shelves of solid knits and 1 of prints.)

Susan Larsen donated a box of yarn to us. She will be writing a column for the Gwinnett Daily Post about us this month or next.

Kells Hildebrant has written an article about Tiny Stitches for Gwinnett Magazine. You can see it at gbj.com. Scroll to the bottom and look in the middle list.

The sewing and quilting expo is March 7-9 at Gwinnett Center. We are ready. Thanks to Leon Cusson, Debbie Vickers, and Cathy Temple for taking charge. The brochure has been updated to show recent changes.

Leon has been working on corrected directions for the knitted socks.

Sue McReynolds is starting a new workshop in Hartsville. Some members were previously with Newborns in Need.

A group of Bent Tree residents will be making afghans and quilts for us. One woman wants things to stay in Pickens County, she may work with First Steps instead of going through Tiny Stitches.

We discussed the cost of our rental units. Ida Boyce will check to see about space at Gwinnett Medical Center since they are moving some offices to a mall they have purchased. Michele Murray will also look for space.

Some is making receiving blankets that are larger than our standard 30" square. Please stay with our sizes. Also they should be cut so there is the 30-31" strip and a 12-14" strip that can be used for bibs and burp cloths.

We try to supply thread, but if sergers would be willing to buy their own, it would be appreciated.

## **Needs for this month**

Gowns- Girls and Boys Sleepers – Girls and Boys Lap front shirts – BOYS ONLY Lap pads – Boys Quilts – Girls and Boys Afghans – Girls and Boys Receiving blankets – Girls and Boys Large Tote Bags – Girls and Boys

This will be the last month we will need any fleece sleep sacks. We have nearly enough for April and May.

## **Meetings**

Pre-Pack will be Wednesday, March 27, 9:30AM at Your Extra Attic, 103 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Sugar Hill.

Business Meeting will be Monday, April 1, 10:15 AM at Atlanta Sewing Center, Duluth Hwy., Duluth.