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Dolls donated since March, 2006: **10,242**

Newsletter January, 2012

Recently dolls were given to:

- 90 dolls: Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital, Cleveland
- 64 dolls: Angel Tree Program at The Chapel in Akron
- 10 dolls: Mission trip to Haiti
- 2 dolls: Children in Shelby, Ohio
- 25 dolls: Wadsworth Salvation Army.

Upcoming Doll Requests

- 125 dolls: Deployed Unit G 237th, Medina, Ohio
- 40-50 dolls: Akron Ronald McDonald House
- 40 dolls: Child Guidance and Family Solutions, Akron

Doll 10,000

On December 16th, Sue Kling and Jan Householder went to Rainbow Babies and Children's Hospital in Cleveland to give doll 10,000 to Tatiyanna. She has Sickle Cell Anemia and has been in the hospital since June. She underwent bone marrow transplant as a treatment for her condition. At this time, it has not been determined when she will be leaving the hospital. Please keep her and her family in your thoughts and prayers. Channel 3 covered the presentation. The video can be seen on the website: www.thegivingdoll.org. "In the news" section.

Children Giving to Children

28 Homeschoolers from the Wadsworth area attended four sewing lesson session at The Giving Doll headquarters. They completed a tote bag and doll clothes, then selected a doll to dress. On December 17th, they took their dolls to the Angel Tree program at The Chapel to give to the children attending the program. One of the homeschoolers said she "was so glad to be able to give her doll and that the little girl who got her doll was so happy to get her"

Wadsworth Girl Scouts

Thank you to the Wadsworth Girl Scout Troop 91021 and their leaders for visiting The Giving Doll headquarters and helping stuff doll bodies. Thanks also, for their generous donation of yarn.

Giving Dolls are making a difference

Volunteer Carole Hogan, recently sent 12 dolls to Guinea, West Africa. She received a thank you note telling about how excited the little girls were to have a "real doll". Their dolls have previously been sticks with cloth tied on them.

We received a Thank you note from Tiffanie Grove:" I have a daughter Sophia who received a doll in September when her father deployed with the Ohio National Guard. I want to thank you for the "Cheer" you are providing to our daughter during this confusing time. Sophia is 4 and just not sure what is going on, except that her daddy is not here. For the longest time she thought he was on vacation until I had to clear that up with a four year olds explanation. This is our third deployment as a family. It is an extremely challenging time and when organizations and individuals like yours reach out to families it is greatly appreciated. I hope you know that your kindness provided a lot of joy to many families at the send off ceremony. Thank you again for this wonderful gift."

GROUNDWORKS Fitness Studio

John Saeger has just opened a new fitness studio called" GROUND WORKS Fitness Studio, at Wadsworth Crossing. During the Grand Opening Weekend, January 7-8th, he is donating a portion of all new membership fees to The Giving Doll. He will continue donating part of the membership fees all year long. The fitness studio has a variety of fitness program available to all age group. Stop by and thank John for his giving heart for our ministry and consider signing up for a class.

In April, he will be starting a walking program beginning and ending at Whole Day Café in downtown Wadsworth. Two times will be available: 9:30 AM and 5:30PM every Wednesday. More information to come later.

The Giving Doll Tea

Don't forget to make your calendar and plan to attend The Giving Doll Tea, Saturday, September 22, 2012. We are asking for donations of: tea cups and saucers, tea pots, quilts, table runners, tree skirts, themed gift baskets or items for gift baskets and woven baskets (all sizes)

New Date for Wadsworth Giving Doll Meeting

Starting January, 2012, the Wadsworth Giving Doll Group meeting will be held the second TUESDAY of each month, not the second Monday.

Please note this change on your calendars.

The Giving Doll Headquarters is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 10-2

Weather Cancellations

Don't forget the all Giving Doll programs will be cancelled on the days that the local school districts, where the meeting will be held, are cancelled or delayed due to weather conditions. On days when the Wadsworth City Schools are delayed or cancelled, the headquarters will be closed.