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News of
Shriners Hospitals for Children[®] —Twin Cities
and of
WGA 4 Kids[®]

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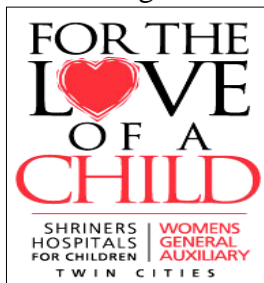
The wind is rising, and the air is wild with leaves,
We have had our summer evenings,
Now for October eves.

WGA Continuing Business

**MEMORIALS [Elizabeth Ekholm, Memorial Chairman,
1703 Lilac Lane, Mendota Heights, MN 55118 Phone:
651-454-5277 or e-mail pekholm@a.com.]**

Gifts, Memorials and Honoraria for the months of
April — August totaled \$12,110.17. Thank you for
your continued support.

Your donations of Gifts, Memorials
and Honoraria are given and
used



**Reminder - Checks for the auxiliary
should be made payable to the
WGA 4 Kids**

**DISTRIBUTION [Mary Bagwell, Receiving and
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Pat Jansen, Pop Tab Associate**

Fifty-two thank you acknowledgements were sent
during the months of April — August in response to
various items received and questions asked.

We do need hair brushes. Thank you for all your
donations to keep our mission going. Donations
have been coming in at a steady pace. Please
remember that we can only accept **NEW** items.
Thanks for your support.



We took the pop tabs to recycling
in July. We had 3,487 lbs. @ \$.55
for a total return of \$1,917.85. We
do have containers available for tab
collections. Let us know if you can
use one. They are made to be used
in offices, bars, office spaces, etc. Every tab counts,
so encourage everyone you know to collect tabs
FOR THE LOVE OF A CHILD.

DONATED ITEMS

Please remember to insert your name or your group's name and address on all bags or boxes containing your donated items. That will help us sending our thank you notes.



PLEASE NOTE: A new hospital policy requests that no identification stickers or group names be placed on any donated items (i.e. toys, blankets, quilts, etc.). Your cooperation with this new request is greatly appreciated.



Also, we request that you do not send cash inside packages of toys, clothing, knitting, etc. Please send all cash, checks and gift cards to us by mail or in person. Thank you.

CLOTHING [Diane Johnson, Clothing Chairman, 4886 Safari Court S, Eagan, MN 55122, Phone: 651-688-8903 or e-mail djay@msn.com. Laurie Miller, Clothing Associate.]

Although we can always use fleece blankets that the children love, these items listed below are especially needed now.

Fleece blankets

- Patterns for young children (boys and girls) approximately 50 x 60

Hospital Gowns

- Small, Medium, Large & X-Large are needed for use in the new EOS Imaging Machine. (Large and X-Large are needed now.)
- The staff is requesting solid colors (no sheers) in bright colors (pinks, blues, oranges, etc.)
- Velcro may be used on the shoulders, or it is not necessary to have it open at all
- **No metal at all please**

Socks

- Knee high and tube socks (all ages) in bright colors and patterns

Ice Bag Covers

- Use two snaps or a drawstring closure so ice does not fall out. 9"x12" size. Fabric should be cotton or flannel, (no fleece as it does not stay cold)

Continue to check *Thru the Window* for further needs.

We have another very important request: Please make sure that all donations of clothing, blankets, afghans, etc. are CLEAN and SMOKE FREE . Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

KNITTING [Dolly Reynolds, Knitting Chairman, 723 Cart way Rd., Champlin, MN 55316 Phone: 763-421-3499 or e-mail mreyn83217@aol.com. Cindy Tohm, Knitting Associate.]

We will be needing more hats and mittens for our mitten tree. Winter will be soon be here.

We thank all of you dedicated knitters.

TOYS [Kathleen Flicek, Toy Chairman, 2493 Bridgeview Ct, Mendota Heights, MN 55120 Phone: 651-454-7868 or e-mail kflicek@comcast.net. Cathy Sportelli, Toys Associate.]

Our most critical needs are:

- **Baby dolls**
- **Games for pre-teen and teens:**
- **remote controlled cars and trucks,** (ear buds, Frisbees, Frisbee gold, Manga books (comic books), Magic sets, Advanced board games, hand held games, arts and craft sets, footballs, basketballs)

Other items for all ages are:

- Any size activity books
- **Coloring books and crayons (24 plus count)**
- Reading books for teenagers

The WGA **still needs** gift cards (preferably **Target** and **Walmart**) that can be used to purchase items currently needed for the children.

Thank you for your continued support.



FINANCIALS [[Linda Metzger, 5510 Sycamore Ln N, Plymouth, MN 55447 Phone: 612-839-4285 or Linda.metzger@comcast.net.](mailto:Linda.Metzger@comcast.net)]

Donations for the months of April — August:

April:

Cybergrants, LLC – Misc. – J.C. Penny/ Anonymous)
Your Cause, LLC – Misc. AT&T/Peggy Sunset
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Cybergrants, LLC- Misc. – J.C. Penny / Anonymous
Good Done Great - Misc. Ecolab/Morgan Wandless
Benefits – Misc. – Cargill/Marce-Spies Johnson; United Health/Sara Isbell
Benevity – Misc. – Ameriprise/Anonymous
Union Pacific – Misc. – Treg Currie
Union Pacific – Mice. – Brian Clough
Voya – Misc. – Anonymous employee
Cybergrants/J C Penney – Misc. – Anonymous Employee
CyberGrants/Travelers – Misc. – Rita Oliver
Virginia Walker – Misc. – United Meth. Church, Arlington, SD – women’s group
Gertrude Stelsel – Zor – Misc.
Zor Madison Auxiliary
Your Cause, LLC – Misc. – AT&T/Peggy Sundet

May:

Ottertail County Aux. – Wheelchairs
Abu Bekr Women’s Aux. – Wheelchairs/ PAC
Abu Bekr Wrecking Crew – Wheelchairs
Abu Bekr Women’s Aux. – Christmas Toys
Yelduz Women’s Aux., \$3200 Wheelchairs/\$275 PAC
El Vagal Shrine Hosp. Aux. – Wheelchairs
Northeastern Womens Aux. – Wheelchairs
Tangier Women’s Aux. – Wheelchairs
Anoka Women’s Aux. – Wheelchairs
Naja Shrine Aux. – Wheelchairs
El Kahir Aux. – Wheelchairs
Tripoli Women’s Aux. – Wheelchairs
Wisconsin Valley Aux. – Wheelchairs
Your Cause, LLC – Misc. AT&T Peggy Sundet
B P O Elks Lodge, Hopkins – Misc
Benevity – Misc.
Benevity – Misc.

Good Done Great – Misc. - Ecolab/Morgan Wanless

June:

United Way of Olmsted Co. – Misc. – Bradley Phelps
Your Cause, LLC – Misc – General Mills/Kristin Bridges
Zuhrah/Leder Bros. – Misc. – Anonymous Metal recycling
Wisconsin Valley Aux. – Kohl’s Grant
Cybergrants/J C Penney – Misc. – Anonymous Employee
MN Valley Shrine Club Ladies – Misc. – Bake Sale – Wheelchairs
Tangier Shriners Corvette Club – Misc.
Cybergrants Excel Energy – Misc. – Gary Kulkay
Your Cause, LLC – Misc. – AT&T/Peggy Sundet
Your Cause, LLC – Misc. – Best Buy/Kristen Bennett
Carol & Glen Miner – Zuhrah – Wheelchairs
Benevity – Misc. – Cargill/Marce-Spies Johnson/United Health/Sara Isbell
Benevity – Misc. – Ameriprise/Anonymous
Good Done Great -Misc. – Ecolab/Morgan Wanless

July:

MGM Resorts Foundation – Kem Aux. – Casino/Hotel – Suzanne Dutt
Your Cause, LLC – Misc. AT&T/Peggy Sundett
Diane Ward, Anne Becker, Mary Harker, Gertrud Stelsel, Elizabeth Glaaser, - Zor Aux
Zor Madison Aux, - Zor – Misc.
Lions Club of NE Mpls. – Misc.
Pay Pal – Misc. – Linda Nicolay
Pay Pal – Misc. – Anonymous
Wisconsin Valley Aux. – Kohl’s Grant – Wheelchairs
Wisconsin Valley Aux. –Member donation – Toys
MGM Resorts Foundation – Misc – Suzanne Dutt
Target Cybergrants – Misc.
Target Cybergrants – Misc.
Target Cybergrants – Misc.
Benevity – Misc. Cargill/Marce-Spies Johnson; United Health/Sara Isbell
Benevity Misc. – Ameriprise/Anonymous

August:

MGM Resorts Foundation – Misc – Suzanne Dutt
Yelduz Women Aux. – Wheelchairs
JC Penney Cybergrants – Misc.
Cybergrants/J C Penney – Misc.
Your Cause, LLC – Misc. – AT&T/Peggy Sundet
Good Done Great – Misc. – Ecolab/Morgan Wanless
Benevity – Misc. – Cargill/Marce-Spies Johnson; United Healthy/Sara Isbell
Benevity – Misc – Ameriprise/Anonymous

Thank you. Your donations help us continue our mission.

You can donate to the Womens General Auxiliary through your employers giving programs. Some of you have already donated through The United Way. You will need our 501(c) 3 Federal ID # to do this, which you can obtain by calling Linda Lattimore at 763-545-5770 or Carol Miner at 763-535-501

Auxiliary News

OUTREACH

If you would like a visit by a Board member at one of your auxiliary meetings, please contact Carol Miner, WGA Chairman, with your request.

WGA 4 Kids News

Our 2017 Annual Meeting was very successful. The auxiliaries donated over \$60,000 to help us continue our Mission at Shriners Hospitals for Children — Twin Cities.

The 2018 WGA 4 Kids Annual Meeting dates have been set for April 23 & 24. We look forward to seeing you then.

Our name mark and logo mark are now registered with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. We have 10 auxiliaries that have License Agreements to use the new logo. Some of the plans for the using the logo for fundraising purposes are: Shirts, brochures, pins, banners, etc. [See last page of how St. Croix Valley Auxiliary recently used the logo.]

WGA 4 Kids does have some shirt in various sizes. I have listed the information on the last page.

Hospital Tours

If you have a group or know of a group that would like a tour of the Hospital and Parent Accommodation Center, please call Lauren Elm at lelm@shrinenet.org or at 612-596-6119 to prearrange the tour.

News from the Hospital

For news and updates from Shriners Hospitals for Children—Twin Cities, visit their website at twincitiesshrinershospital.org and follow them on social media: [facebook.com/ShrinersTWI](https://www.facebook.com/ShrinersTWI) twitter.com/shrinersMPLS [youtube.com/shrinershospitals](https://www.youtube.com/shrinershospitals) [instagram.com/shrinershospitaltwincities](https://www.instagram.com/shrinershospitaltwincities)

Internet Access to WGA

Our WGA 4 Kids website is getting Aa lot of attention. Please go to: www.wga4kids.org/

Q? If you have questions about us, please Call 812-596-6233 (auxiliary office.)

Reminders

Auxiliary Bylaws should be kept up to date and a copy filed with WGA. Contact the WGA if you have any questions.

Volunteer Hours

Please send your volunteer hours to Carol Miner. We have not received any

recently, and I know you have been working with your auxiliary.

PHOTOS taken during our summer break:

Womens General Auxiliary on Facebook

There are more pictures and stories posted on our Facebook page. Go to: <https://www.facebook.com/wga4kids>. You do not have to be a member of Facebook to visit us. Let us know what you think.



Mecca Shrine Club donated stuffed animals for the hospital patients. Pictured L-R: Mark Charbonneau and Robert Keene from Tomah, WI.

Thru the Window on Line

You can also view the newsletter in color on our Website (www.wga4kids.org.) Just click on the tab "News & Events." Let us know your thoughts.

Zoey Fitzpatrick, Miss Tiny Nebraska, was very proud to send bags of toys to the Shriners Hospitals – Twin Cities patients. Picture was sent by Tangier Womens Auxiliary.

If you would prefer to view TTW online rather than receive it in the mail, we will send you a notification when an issue is published. To receive the notification of the current issue by e-mail, we must have your correct e-mail address. Please send me an e-mail with your name, and auxiliary/club name. That will ensure we use an accurate e-mail address.

Please send your "sign-up e-mail" to me at: cminer8727@aol.com

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Thought you would be interested in seeing this little doll with two sets of crocheted dresses, panties, hats and blankets. We received three of these Doll sets. They will definitely make some little girls very happy.



WGA 4 Kids Shirts:

The shirts are all black.

Men's T-Shirts:

L – XL	\$18.00
2X & Larger	\$20.00

Polo Shirts:

L – XL	\$32.00
2X & Larger	\$35.00

Women's T-Shirts:

M – XL	\$18.00
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These are available on our Gift Corner in the Shriners Hospital—Twin Cities lobby.

All mail orders must be prepaid plus \$6.00 postage.

Photo of St. Croix Valley Auxiliary's banner that was used during the Midwest Shrine event held in Bloomington, MN on August 17 & 18.

