

Orange County, NY/Pike County, PA Chapter DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER OVER 10 MILLION BLANKETS DONATED NATIONWIDE Our Chapter's TOTAL BLANKETS DONATED SINCE 2001 - 57,360 Our Chapter's BLANKETS DONATED in 2024 – 2,430 26 Blankets were sent to Snowball Express WE ARE IN NEED OF BLANKETS! We have several organizations waiting for blankets as the cold weather is here. At our meetings, January 2025 we will be making the Jar Blocks and Fleece Blankets and February 2025 we will be making Quilt Kits. I NEED YOUR HELP to cut the fabric & put kits together.

Monthly meetings are for dropping off finished blankets. See the blankets that are donated & help sew a Project Linus label on each blanket before the blankets are donated. Meet the volunteers. There is always a way you can help. Stay for as long as you want or for the entire meeting. Check our website for details about special events at each meeting

Town of Wallkill Community Ctr Wes Warren Dr., Middletown, NY 10 AM to 2 PM December 7 – Holiday Celebration January 11 – JAR Quilt & Soup February 8 – Quilt Kit Making <u>Matamoras Boro Hall</u> <u>10 Ave I, Matamoras, PA</u> <u>10 AM to 1 PM</u> December 12 – Holiday Celebration January 9 – JAR Quilt & Soup February 13 – Quilt Kit Making

Project Linus will have the only table with free donations on it. We are always in need of new fabric, fleece, or yarn. Donations must be arranged with the Chapter Coordinator before the donation is delivered.

JOANN STORE DROP OFF'S – No Double Layer Fleece ONLY NEW HANDMADE BLANKETS CAN BE DROPPED OFF AT JOANN'S in unscented bags with your contact information. At the **December Meetings**, we will be celebrating the holiday season. If you wish you can bring a treat to share at the meeting. We will also, be playing LEFT, CENTER, RIGHT GAME. Bring one item or more to play!

At the **January 2025 Meetings**, we will be making "Something in a Jar". The fabric for the jar should be 5 ½ inches by 9 inches & anything can be in jar. You will bring 20 "jars" and exchange if you wish 10 of your "jars" for 10 "jars" in the Project Linus Stash. You do not have to exchange "jar" fabric. We will also be making no sew fleece blankets. At the **February 2025 Meetings**, we will be making Quilt Kits, bring your cutting/measuring tools.

Detailed information about each meeting will be sent out in the monthly emails.

We are not accepting rag quilts or double fleece blankets. We cannot accept any blankets that have been washed or dried in scented products or donated in scented bags. The scent is picked up by the fabric & yarn & can be dangerous to a child. Before turning ANY of your blankets in or sewing labels on the blankets, please exam them very, very carefully for pins.

If you are <u>donating blankets at the monthly meetings & not staying</u>, blankets must be brought into the meeting in an unscented bag with your name & contact information in the bag & given to the Chapter Coordinator. They are not to be put out on the tables to be labeled or dropped off at the sign in table.

QUILTER'S Stash Donated FABRIC SALE

As I am able, I will be bringing some of the remaining fabric (yardage & fat quarters) to monthly Project Linus meetings to be sold to support Project Linus.

WE ARE IN NEED OF SINGLE LAYER NO SEW FLEECE BLANKETS 1 1/3 TO 1 ½ YARDS LONG BY THE WIDTH OF THE FABRIC If you have any questions, please contact the chapter coordinator at oclinus@ptd.net PLEASE NOTE: All other blankets should be between 40 inches & 48 inches wide & up to 56 inches in length. AT THIS TIME SMALLER BLANKETS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED. Blankets which are smaller or larger are harder to find an organization that can use them. If you have questions about the sizes, please email oclinus@ptd.net

Meeting dates & Show & Tell Pictures are on website: <u>www.projectlinusocpc.org</u> Email all questions or comments to: <u>projectlinusocpc@gmail.com or oclinus@ptd.net</u>