Women of Service Meeting January 11, 2023

The Women of Service group met on January 11, 2023, at St. Patrick's Church hall. Twenty-seven women helped to make No-Sew (tied) blankets. The Dubuque Retired Volunteer Service Program purchased material for six blankets. WOS donated material for an additional five blankets. Eleven blankets will be given to the needy by RSVP when Dubuque does its annual homeless count. An additional six previously sown blankets were collected to be given to Resources Unite. As usual time was spent working on plarn mats with four mats and numerous pillows ready to be given to the homeless.

In addition, five boxes of food items were collected to be given to Epworth's United Methodist Church back-pack ministry. Every other week, this ministry provides schools with bags of simple, easy to use nutrition products to be given to youth in the surrounding communities.

We will continue to try to catch up with our supply of plarn by having an extra meeting on February 8th, starting at 9 AM in the St. Pat's Church for anyone who wishes to help with that project. A reminder email will be sent.

We continue to accept greeting cards and plastic bags for our plarn and card outreach projects. We will be offering cards for sale for 25 cents each at every meeting. Money taken in will be used to buy postage stamps for sending cards to our home bound and nursing home residents.

The March Women of Service meeting will be Wednesday March 8th. More information to come regarding our projects for that meeting. Women of Service meets from 11 AM to 1 PM at St. Patrick's church hall on the second Wednesdays of the odd months of the year. All women of any age or faith and from any town are welcome to join us. Our mission is to use our time and talents to help those in need by recycling our resources.

"If you think our hands are full, you should see our hearts."