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## Spring Echo 2023

3 of our members helped at our annual KOC breakfast with Santa in December. We also supplied Christmas dinner for our adopted family.



In January we installed 3 new members! This was special for us since we have not had a new member since 2018. This is also more than 10% of our membership!

Our February meeting was via zoom since our president was sunning in Florida for the month! This was mainly a planning meeting for us.

March was a busy month. We put together Easter Baskets for 5 children in need from one of our local schools. We also put together a special basket for the child of our adopted family.



In April we supplied Easter dinner for our adopted family.

We selected our charity for Midwest Chapter. We are going to support Andrew Garofolo. Andrew has had surgeries since he was 3 months old. He has had several surgeries even through 2014. Andrew has always been in a wheelchair. In 2021 he developed hammered feet and hands and began having breathing problems. Andrew has been diagnosed with Lupus, Leukemia and Vasulitis. We appreciate all donations from our chapter.

On May 20 we will be bagging lunches for the Somerset County food bank. The food bank donates upwards of 800 bagged lunches for children in the county. We invite anyone from our chapter who would like to participate to meet in the church basement on May 20 at 10:00 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Soriano