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# Project Linus

**Bakersfield & Kern Counties, CA Chapter**

[www.projectlinusbakersfield.com](http://www.projectlinusbakersfield.com)

*Wishing  
every  
Blanketeer  
that has a  
December/  
January  
Birthday*

*Happy  
Birthday!!*

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## December 2015/January 2016

Happy New Year!! As we say goodbye to 2015, we also say a very sad goodbye to Michele Willis, who has been the Project Linus Coordinator for the Bakersfield Chapter. No one can fill her shoes, but I will try my hardest to make her proud. We will ALL miss her.

My name is Kim Linder. I am the new Project Linus Coordinator for Bakersfield, CA Chapter Serving Kern County. I have been with Project Linus for almost 2 years. I heard about Project Linus through the Snowball Express. My husband and I have been married for almost 27 years. I am a stay-at-home mom. I love what Project Linus does by providing children in need of a blanket, handmade with love for security, comfort, and gives back to the communities.

As we near the end of the year and begin a new year, I would like to thank all of the wonderful volunteers that make quilts, blankets, deliveries, donations, etc.. Without your help, Project Linus would not be as successful as it is today.

Kim Linder

My Dear Friends,

Ten years is a long time. In the past ten years I think our chapter has donated pretty close to just over 31,000 blankets. That is a lot. Especially when most of you know that I could hardly figure out where we were going to get our first 50 to donate to the Jamison Center that first month but look at us now. We had grown to include the Tulare area and then expanded to Fresno then last year we let Fresno and Tulare go back to being a Chapter of their own so now it is back to being the Bakersfield, Kern County Chapter.

I believe things happen for a reason. Whether they be good or bad. It is our job to decide what we are going to do with what we are dealt with. I can honestly say that I have not always dealt with adversity in the best way possible but then there has been times when I've surprised myself and been a real trouper and dug in and handled it, got through it and was better because of it.

This past September, my husband became very ill. He has had problems over the years due to complications of being in a wheelchair for 35 years but has worked most all of those years and has been the provider of our family so over the summer as he progressively was feeling worse we didn't realize that he had a really bad infection that almost took his life. At that time, it was decided that he needed to quit work. So we needed to sell our home and move. California is not a state that we could afford to live in on a retirement salary. We have moved to Cedar City, Utah to be closer to our oldest son, his wife and our grandbaby!

As I have passed the Project Linus baton over to Kim Linder, she will do a fabulous job for Project Linus during her tenure. She already has more "likes" on the FB page in a few short months than I have the whole time it's been in existence. She has great ideas and great support. Please continue to drop off your donations to the donation sights. I will miss the Tuesday fun days but I know that we will all keep in touch. You can reach me on Face Book or email at [mwillis@allaboutmecreations.com](mailto:mwillis@allaboutmecreations.com). I look forward to hearing about all of the good things that the chapter is doing and maybe seeing you at the conventions. Maybe we could do a retreat??? Vegas??

Sincerely,  
Michele Willis

Calendar-Bakersfield

January 5, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 January 12, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 January 19, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 January 26, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 February 2, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 February 9, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 February 16, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 February 23, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 March 1, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 March 8, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 March 15, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 March 22, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 April 5, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 April 12, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 April 19, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 April 26, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 May 3, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 May 10, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 May 17, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 May 24, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 June 7, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 June 14, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 June 21, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 June 28, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 July 5, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 July 12, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 July 19, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 July 26, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 August 2, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 August 9, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 August 16, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 August 23, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 September 6, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 September 13, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 September 20, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 September 27, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 October 4, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 October 11, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 October 18, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 October 25, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 November 1, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 November 8, Strawberry Patches 10-1p  
 November 15, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 November 22, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 December 6, Bolts To Bindings 10a-1p  
 December 13, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p  
 December 20, Bolts to Bindings 10a-1p/Mercy Hosp 6p-8p  
 December 27, Strawberry Patches 10a-1p

**Meeting Places:**

Strawberry Patches, 6439 Ming Ave, 10a-1p  
 Bolts to Bindings, 930 Wible Rd, 10a-1p  
 Mercy Hospital, Truxtun Ave, Clerou Rm, 6p-8p

Skip Stitch

Do you know what a  
 Skip Stitch is? It is a  
 great tool for those that  
 like to crochet around  
 fleece or flannel. Check  
 it out at

[www.skipstitch.com](http://www.skipstitch.com)

As we near the end of the year and you think about your financial contributions for 2016, please consider a donation to Project Linus Bakersfield, CA Chapter. We need funds to cover supplies, stamps, cost of printing newsletters, brochures, poems, safety pins, and more. You can donate online at [www.projectlinus.org](http://www.projectlinus.org) (designate Bakersfield, Kern County Chapter) or send a check made out to Project Linus. Remember, Project Linus is a non-profit 501c3 organization. If you have any questions about donations, feel free to contact me.

### **Blanket Drop Off Locations**

**Please indicate that blankets are for Project Linus on the bags when you leave them at the drop off locations, and give us your name or organization.**

**\*\*\*Bakersfield\*\*\***

**Strawberry Patches**  
6439 Ming Ave, Ste C  
Bakersfield, CA

**Bolts to Bindings**  
830 Wible Rd  
Bakersfield, CA

**\*\*Tehachapi\*\***

**Debbie's Fabrics\*\***  
112 E Tehachapi Blvd  
Tehachapi, CA 93561

**\*\*\*Beverly Fabrics\*\*\***NEW****  
2819 F Street  
Bakersfield, CA

**Huge Thank You to those businesses that support  
our Chapter on a monthly basis!**

**Strawberry Patches – Constant Contact  
Bolts To Bindings- Constant Contact  
Cruz-Thru-Car Wash – Coupon Donation  
Derrel’s Mini Storage – Storage Unit**



Sew 9 squares together like this. I put darks in the corners and center.



Then slice it in half both vertically and horizontally.

Like so.



Next, swivel the top right square and bottom left square 180 degrees.

Like so.



And re-sew.

Ta-da! Easy/peasy.

### Disappearing Nine Patch



## ABILITY

is what you are capable of.

## MOTIVATION

determines what you do.

## ATTITUDE

determines how well you do it

## BAKERSFIELD

### Community Make A Blanket Day September 10, 2016

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day  
Saints

Bakersfield East Stake Center

5600 Panorama Drive

Bakersfield, CA 93306

10a - 2p

## Did you know???? Fundraising Program Information:

Amazon has recently started a charity giving to Non-Profit organizations.

You can help [Project Linus](#) by making your purchases through [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com) and get the same great pricing and Prime Benefits.

(Linus Project) is the charity to look for.

[GOODSHOP](#): We are now affiliated with GoodShop. If you shop online check out [www.goodshop.com](http://www.goodshop.com). There are many stores, you will pay the same price (or even get a better deal) but a portion of the profits will be donated to Project Linus Bakersfield, Kern County Chapter. Click on the link above and add Project Linus Bakersfield, Kern County Chapter as your cause. If you have a smartphone or tablet, check out the GoodShop app. When you go to this site, you can browse through a variety of stores or search for a particular store like JoAnn's and see the discount pricing and coupons they offer.

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**We're on the Web!**

See us at:  
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**Cruz Thru car wash discount coupons  
available at the following Bakersfield  
locations:**

- Ace Lawnmower- (Allen Road)
- Audio Sounds – (Brundage Ave)
- Bolts to Bindings – (Wible Rd)
- Dyna Hall Creations ( Easton Drive)
- Elite Automotive (Fruitvale Ave)
- Enterprise Rent A Car – Rosedale Hwy (across from Target)
- Family Eye Care - Dr. Wood (Noriega/Calloway)
- Goin Postal – (Brimhall/Jewetta)
- Knights Jewelers (Gosford/Coffee)
- Pair & Marotta (Truxtun Ave)
- San Joaquin Veterinary Hospital (Allen Rd)
- State Farm – (Brimhall/Jewetta)
- Sugar Twist-(Brimhall/Calloway)
- Super Cuts – (Brimhall/Jewetta)

**• *About Our Organization...***

• **First** Provide love, a sense of security, warmth and comfort to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or

otherwise in need through the gifts of new, handmade blankets and afghans, lovingly created by volunteer “blanketeers.”

• **Second**, Provide a rewarding and fun service opportunity for interested individuals and groups in local communities, for the benefit of children.

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