

THREADS OF LOVE – SARAH CHAPTER

ANNUAL REPORT

January 1, 2007 – December 31, 2007

This report is prepared to apprise the Threads of Love Board of Directors and the general public of ministry growth and development in Fiscal Year 2007, covering the period from January 1, 2007 thru December 31, 2007.

Threads of Love is a State of Texas incorporated non-profit organization and is a federal tax-exempt, 501c(3), organization. All income is derived from public donations and there are no salaried employees or directors associated with this ministry. All goods and services provided to local hospitals and care centers by ministry volunteers are provided at no cost to recipients.

Principal staff members were:

Elizabeth H. Page	Director
Joseph P. Page	Secretary/Treasurer

The Board of Directors is comprised of the following members as of December 31, 2007.

Joseph P. Page	Chairman
Elizabeth H. Page	Vice-Chairman
Marilyn Moczygemba	Secretary
Harriet Buffington	Member
Christine Bullard	Member
Glee Miller	Member
Craig Moyer	Member
Martha Zick	Member

The following Board members were appointed in 2007 for a three year term:

Ms. Elaine Frazer is a retired Office Manager and Administrator. She brings a wealth of experience to the Board and has shown a very special love for premature babies and their welfare.

Mr. Craig Moyer has extensive experience as a commercial real estate broker. In addition, he is Outreach Minister at Community Bible Church. He has had extensive exposure to the world of premature babies through his sister, a long time NICU nurse.

Threads of Love By-Laws were amended this year to permit the term continuation of the Board Chairman and Vice Chairman during the time of particularly aggressive ministry growth. The change allows the Chairman and Vice Chairman to serve three three-year terms with options for subsequent extensions to maintain continuity of corporate knowledge within the organization.

Board meetings during 2007 were held at least quarterly, sometimes by telephone poll because of schedule difficulties. All board decisions were unanimous by vote or consensus.

Fiscal Year 2007 was a year of 4% growth for our chapter. The following items attendant to this growth are furnished:

- A total of 36,168 items were distributed to local hospitals and care centers in 2007. This is a 4% increase over fiscal 20

- In an effort to meet the needs of hospitals and care centers, our volunteers produced a total of thirty-two different items. Very popular again this year were the various size positioning aids made and distributed. The challenge in demand was great, but we met all stated needs. Doctors in the Cardiac Thoracic Surgical Center at Methodist Hospital still insist on our positioning aids for use during surgery.
- Satellite groups at St. Thomas Episcopal Church and First United Methodist Church in Kerrville increased their production again this year.
- As a community outreach, Threads of Love again participated in the Lack's Furniture Store annual Trim-A-Tree program to benefit the local Food Bank. Over 1800 food items were donated to the Food Bank by ministry members and friends.
- On December 3rd, we sponsored a Service Of Remembrance at Oak Hills Church for the eighth consecutive year, with 60 in attendance, a record number for this service. Significant emotional and spiritual healing took place for those who had experienced infant loss through abortion, miscarriage, stillbirth, ectopic pregnancy or fetal demise.
- Our members began collecting recipes for eventual publication of a Threads of Love Cookbook. The enthusiastic response to this project resulted in the publication of "Sharing Our Best", containing 400 prize recipes.
- Initial preparations began for our second Threads of Love Texas State Convention scheduled for April 3-5, 2008. The goals of the convention will be to educate our volunteers about preemie needs and to bless our volunteers for their faithful service.

Our website, www.threadsoflovesa.org, was again a very effective instrument of outreach to the community. It has proven to be a very beneficial addition to public awareness of the great work being accomplished by our volunteers.

Finances in 2007 were steady and encouraging. A grant from St. Luke's Lutheran Health Ministries helped us maintain a steady supply of materials needed during the year. In addition, a generous gift in December allowed us to finish the year with a net income of \$4,127.85. We give God all the glory for allowing us to continue as a faith-based ministry without the need for fundraisers or capital campaigns.

In July 2007, the Baptist Health Foundation of San Antonio awarded Threads of Love a \$5000 grant for Premature Baby Positioning Aid Production in FY 2008.

In 2007, the Board of Directors authorized us to proceed with developing a Building Fund with a view to eventually providing much needed ministry operations space. The Board further authorized depositing funds in a Money Market Account to identify it as a Building Fund and to accumulate whatever interest would accrue to monies deposited. Thanks to generous donations from both individuals and corporate entities, the fund reached a total of \$76,366.58 by year's end.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph P. Page
Board Chairman

cc: Board of Directors