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DORCAS SEWING CIRCLE provides one complete baby layette per month to the SD County Health nurse for those in the most need, and lap robes for the Encinitas Rehabilitation hospital. There are tasks for all skill levels. The ability to sew is not a requirement. CONTACT: LINDA PHILLIPS 760.753.4832 EMAIL: norman_phillips@msn.com MEETINGS: 3rd Wednesday at 9:30am in SDUMC Rooms 9 & 10

HANNAH EVENING CIRCLE strives to become companions with Christ in the world through social activities, mutual support and conversation. They have a special interest in promoting physical and mental health through inter-generational activities like school tutoring, childcare and support of youth. CONTACT: PANDORA JOHNSON 760.944.6486 EMAIL: pandora4031@hotmail.com MEETINGS: 3rd Monday at 6:00pm at various restaurants

MARTHA MORNING CIRCLE fills home-made bags with toiletry items for several "Welcome Home" ministries that help women transition back into society after incarceration or who are trying to make lifestyle changes. This is one of our larger circles which enjoys fellowship, devotions and programs. CONTACT: JOYCE PRATT 760.533.6137 EMAIL: joycejohnson37@gmail.com and KATHLEEN WILSON 760.420.8890 EMAIL: kmwilson100@gmail.com MEETINGS: 4th Wed. at 9:30am in members' homes

MIRIAM EVENING CIRCLE is a supportive group made up of working & retired professionals who are interested in education, fellowship and missions. They work on mission projects throughout the year and enjoy devotions and programs each month. CONTACT: JERI BADOUR 760.944.8175 EMAIL: jbadour@roadrunner.com MEETINGS: 4th Monday at 7:00pm in members' homes (no meetings July/Aug/Nov/Dec)

NAOMI AFTERNOON CIRCLE share fellowship, devotions and news of UMW events during dessert time followed by informative programs often brought to us by our members. CONTACT: PAT BENNETT 760.632.6391 MEETINGS: 4th Wed. at 1:00pm in members' homes.

UMW Executive Board meets on the 1st Wednesday at 10:00am in the Church Conference Room.

UMW General Meetings are held every other month on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in Founders Hall.

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