

## Unit 48 Adopt-a-Child 2021

This will be the thirteenth holiday season that Unit 48 is participating in a program that supports needy families with children who live in neighboring communities. The children we have been helping are from the San Carlos Indian Reservation and San Manuel. In the past we shopped for each child individually, purchasing about \$80 worth of winter clothing and toys based the child's specific needs and their wish list. We also provided Christmas stockings that held holiday treats, hygiene products, pencils and other stocking stuffers. However, given the pandemic in 2020, restricted gift cards were purchased and "wrapped" in cute 3-d mini stockings. Last year your generous donations of \$3920 enabled us to provide a happier holiday for 49 children!

With the presence of the virus variants in 2021 we are still presented with some unique challenges to the annual Adopt-a-Child program. For safety reasons we will NOT be shopping or wrapping gifts for the children this year. What we WILL do is to collect and deliver our Unit donations for this program to SBCO and they will do the shopping and wrapping.

If you are able to **DONATE** to this worthwhile project benefitting our less fortunate neighbors with children, please write a check and deliver it to Karen Brooks (61714 Oakwood Dr) or Terry Hechter (39669 Windwood Dr) by **November 17**. There will be drop-off envelopes near their front doors, no need to call ahead. Please write your check to SBCO (SaddleBrooke Community Outreach) with Unit 48 Adopt-a-Child in the note section. The State of Arizona allows a **TAX CREDIT\*** for this donation!

We realize this continues to be a difficult year for everyone, but we believe the needs of these children are greater than ever due to the decreasing employment opportunities and the impact of the Corona virus that is prevalent at the reservation. Last year was our best year ever with neighbors in Unit 48 donating \$3,920. Please consider donating again this year, as the need is great. **THANK YOU!**

Your 2021 Unit 48 Adopt-A-Child Mini-Committee  
Joni Dawson and Terry Hechter

\*Check with your tax advisor for your specific situation