

## Napanee Charity

The main charity Napanee Branch conducts is Tales for Tots We began in 2005 to provide every newborn in Lennox and Addington County with a kit of early learning materials. Each kit contained two board books suitable for

infants and toddlers, a CD of music, a booklet of songs and finger plays and various pamphlets promoting early literacy skills. These kits have been packaged by our members after our meetings and delivered by Kingston, Frontenac Lennox and Addington public health nurses. Each baby born in Lennox and Addington County receives one of these bags of beginner books and music to help give them a good start in listening and talking and singing. Our hope is that by providing these early learning kits to new mothers, children who might not otherwise be exposed to reading materials before they enter kindergarten will now have that opportunity. To date 2193 kits have been distributed and 75 kits were assembled at the August '21 meeting to meet ongoing needs. Further production of kits has been assured as we have just purchased 250 new bags and have a bank balance to supply new books.