

## Pass It On

### Ruth's Pincushions

**R**UTH CLAPP, 86, OF Gibsonville, North Carolina, makes pincushions with a message. In 1999 her grandson Chris was killed in a car accident. His parents donated his organs, and specified they wanted to do it locally. A corneal recipient said, "I've never seen before. Today I can see. Thank you." Ruth attaches a note to the pin-



cushions: "My name is Ruth. My grandson Chris died in a car accident in 1999. He was only 19. His parents donated his organs; before his funeral seven people were given a chance to live or see." Ruth won't accept money. But when family members go on trips, she gives them some to give away. Ruth has made more than 10,000, which have gone out all over the world.

—**LAURA KNIGHT MORETZ**

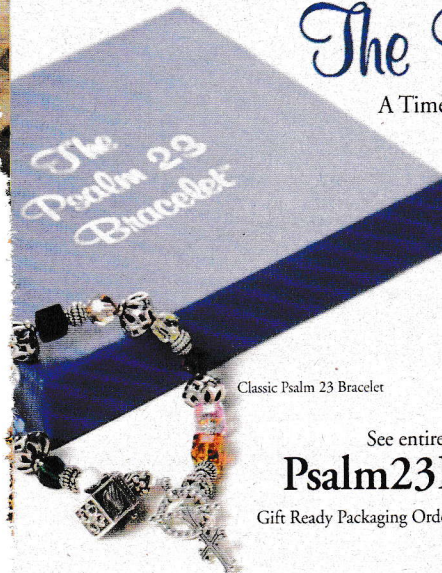
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