



Quilts for Kids:

Volunteer quilters transforming fabrics into patchwork quilts that comfort children in need

Northeast Georgia Chapter

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Our numbers continue to amaze me and to add to that, read page 2 and try to wrap your brain around the latest figures I've come up with. Who would have ever predicted this? Way to Go, volunteers! You are the greatest!

Our chapter's work continued as we met at workshops or sewed at home. Your charitable efforts mean so much to the patients and parents of the kids. Please read page 3 for evidence received this month.

Lastly, I hope that you are continuing to expand your quilting knowledge and are able to make most of the quilts you'd like to. We all must challenge ourselves and create masterpieces when we can. I had an opportunity to surprise my husband's sister and her hubby on their 50th wedding anniversary with not one but two quilts. Here's a peek.

Stay tuned next month for the photos and report from the Boo Crew.



We have Halloween quilts to deliver.....



Betty Wright, chapter leader
Northeast Georgia Chapter of Quilts for Kids

One stitch, one quilt, one kid at a time...

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Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

On September 12th, four of us represented the scores of quilters who are helping us to make quilts for Northeast Georgia Medical Center. All volunteers were honored with a delicious lunch, fellowship and a program about the Health System, Auxiliary and Foundation.

We had just learned that a report should be submitted each month stating the number of hours spent in volunteering for the hospital. Since I had not done that in the past, I polled several of my fellow quilters to ask their opinion of the time involved in making our quilts. We agreed that the average is five hours. This includes cutting the fabric, sewing together the pieces, quilting and binding it and washing it. I am also including one hour for the delivery of these quilts to the kids on the Pediatric floor each Friday.

For August 2018, I reported 32 quilts were delivered times 5 hours = 160 hours + 1 hour each Friday for 5 weeks = 165 volunteer hours.

This process raised my curiosity so I ran the following numbers which are amazing to me. Perhaps you will be amazed also.

Since 2012 when we began our chapter of Quilts for Kids, we have donated 4237×5 hours = 21185 volunteer hours. (This includes all quilts, not just those given to NE Ga Med Ctr.)

If you divide this total by 40 hours per week = 529.625 weeks. Then divide by 52 weeks per year = 10.1850962 years.

Guess what? We've been in operation for 6 years and 5 months.

But the difference is we all have been working as a team to make this happen. And I don't believe one person could do this job working full-time. I imagine it would make anyone crazy, to sew the same pattern over and over for 4000 times during a period of 6+ years.



Letters, We Have Letters



We have received the two following emails from parents expressing their gratitude for our quilts. Know that your efforts are appreciated!!!

Dear Quilts for Kids Gainesville Chapter,

Recently, my son Adam was admitted for prolonged observation after his birth. This could not have come at a worse time for us emotionally and mentally for we were out of our home due to water and mold damage. The strain on my wife and I was nothing short of an emotional rollercoaster. Thankfully Adam was strong and healthy, they only wanted to monitor him due to my wife, Jessica's platelet count remaining low throughout her pregnancy and delivery. We are beyond lucky and blessed to be graced with a beautiful baby boy who we could not love more. Since all of this has occurred, we have moved our little family back home safe and sound and Adam has done nothing but thrive.

The reason I am telling you this is that we have learned even when it seems things are at their worst, wonderful people like yourselves are there to brighten days and warm hearts. Such a small token of love and comfort Adams quilt may have seemed to you made a world of difference to our little man. We can never thank you enough for what you all do. We are just thankful that Adam was among the lucky and healthy children on the Pediatrics floor that day. Quilts for Kids makes a difference. You are all appreciated and will remain in our prayers for years to come. Thank you again for everything from Adam and the whole family.

Sgt D.B
US ARMY

P.S. -Please respond with any way we can contribute to the Gainesville chapter.

Betty -

My daughter was blessed to be a recipient of a beautiful handmade quilt from Ms. Ida during our stay at Northeast Georgia Gainesville last week. It was a wonderful surprise and came at such a needed time. Is it possible to donate directly to the Northeast Georgia QFK to pass the blessing on to others in our community or is the only option donating to the greater QFK?

Thanks,

L.H.

From Northeast Georgia Medical Center



This is 13 year old Fatima who chose this pinwheel quilt made by Jane BB.
It's working....making her smile.

QUILTER'S HEALTH ADVISORY!
QUILT POX IS ON THE RISE!

**Symptoms include love of fabric;
giggling while sewing; the urge to
bond with other quilters; the desire to
cut up perfectly good fabric and sew it
back together; and the uncontrollable
urge to make everyone you know a
quilt..or two!**

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Drop off Sites for Quilts

Quilts for Kids *

Workshop sites on workshop dates
(see last page of this newsletter)

Georgia Sewing & Quilting*	81 Maddox Buford, GA
Thread Bear Fabrics	515 Sawnee Corners Blvd #500, Cumming, GA 30040
Tiny Stitches	2518 East Piedmont Rd Marietta, GA 30062
Hall County Quilt Guild *	Chestnut Mtn Presbyterian Church 4733 Winder Hwy (Hwy 53) Flowery Branch, GA on 1st and 3rd Mondays 10am to noon in Fellowship Hall
Atlanta Sewing Center	2148 Duluth Hwy NE, #111 Duluth, GA 30097
City Square Quilting *	84 Jopena blvd, Suite A, Hoschton, GA 30548
Bethlehem Quilt Cottage*	145 Thorn Brook Rd Bethlehem, Georgia 30620
Quilt N Kaboodle*	1628-B Highway 115 East, Cleveland, GA 30528
Intown Quilters	1058 Mistletoe Decatur, GA 30033

* Kits to sign out to sew are available also.

Quilt Deliveries for September 2018

NE Ga Med Ctr	33
Family Promise of Hall	8
Scottish Rite (CHOA)	15
Egleston (CHOA)	15
Hughes Spalding (CHOA)	27
Piedmont Athens	7
TOTAL	105

This Year 783

Since we started in 2012.....4237

Workshop Dates

Family Life Center (A/C Room)

First Baptist Gainesville
751 Green Street Gainesville, Ga. 30501
10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Oct 4, Nov 1, Dec 6

Hopewell UMC Fellowship Hall

4723 Hopewell Church Road
Gainesville (Murrayville area)
10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Oct 9, Nov 13, Dec 11

Suwanee Workshop

Bunten Road Park
3180 Bunten Road, Duluth GA 30096
Every 3rd Tuesday 10:00am to 2:00pm
Oct 16, Nov 20, Dec 18

Nicholson (Quilting with Friends)

175 Lakeview Dr. Nicholson, GA 30565
Every Tuesday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
Every Thursday 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

**Bring your machine or cutting materials and your lunch
and join us for cutting, sewing and fellowship!**



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