



Quilts for Kids:

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

Northeast Georgia Chapter

June 2022

7000 and counting.....



Dianne F. from our chapter and Julia from Egleston (CHOA) showing the 7000th quilt being delivered to Egleston (CHOA) along with 27 others and 20 to Scottish Rite (CHOA) on May 4th.

Read on to see how we ended the month. (see page 4)

I received an email from a mom in Dalton, Ga asking for her daughter to receive a quilt from us since during her recent hospitalization in Chattanooga she didn't get a quilt. Of course I mailed one to her filled with lots of hugs and best wishes. Her name is Mary, 14 years old and had a brain mass that was causing seizures. Sure hope the quilt helps to heal her quickly.

At our recent birthday party, I mentioned that ladies from NGHS Public Relations Department came to photograph and interview participants. Please see page 2 for the results of their efforts. This article appeared on the blog for NGHS which stands

for Northeast Georgia Health Systems. Thanks ladies! You did us well.

The month of May also had changes for us in delivering quilts to NeGa Medical Center. They have requested that quilts and all donations be delivered to the Foundation's office along with paperwork that will allow them to more accurately count the donations to the hospital. They will in turn deliver the quilts to the Pediatric Floor nurses station. It's no big deal to me, and is closer to my home. I still call the nurses to ask if quilts are needed. Yes, I'm another step further away from the patients, but it's understandable.

Betty Wright, chapter leader
Northeast Georgia Chapter of Quilts for Kids
One stitch, one quilt, one kid at a time...
www.NEGaQuiltsforKids.org



Northeast Georgia Health System

Improving the health of our community in all we do

Providing Comfort for the Smallest Patients: Volunteer Organization Supports NGMC Gainesville

There are few things scarier for a child or their family than being admitted to the hospital. Whether they be sick or injured, the uncertainty can be distressing. Receiving comfort from something as simple as a handmade gift, like a quilt, does wonders. That's how the Northeast Georgia Chapter of Quilts for Kids came to be.

When Betty Wright's daughter Natalie was 18 months old, she was diagnosed with meningitis, inflammation of the brain caused by a viral or bacterial infection, and hospitalized. "It was a scary time," Wright said. "As a caregiver, I didn't want to leave my daughter. I took a leave of absence from work so Natalie wouldn't be alone, but the hospital at the time only allowed two visitors for each patient, so it was very isolating. I felt very alone and worried about Natalie."

Her experience later gave her the idea to form the Northeast Georgia Chapter of Quilts for Kids - a region-specific division of the national, non-profit organization that makes quilts for children facing a difficult time- in 2012. The quilts are made by volunteers and are signed by the person who made it and "filled it with hugs".

The Northeast Georgia chapter recently celebrated its 10-year anniversary. In the last decade, it has donated almost 7,000 quilts to hospitals in the area, with more than half given to Northeast Georgia Medical Center Gainesville.

Since the beginning, more than 400 volunteers have stepped up to create these quilts for children and families in need - becoming just a small part of their lives. If you're interested in sharing your passion like Wright and volunteering your time, visit nghs.com/volunteer.



Photographed
Left to Right:
Chris A., Helen B.,
Lorrie K., and
Lynn F.

In Case You Haven't Heard...





Drop off Sites for Quilts

Check with shop for store hours

** Kits to sign out to sew are available also.*

A Crafted Cottage *	3957 Lawrenceville-Suwanee Rd Ste C Suwanee 30024
Thread Bear Fabrics	515 Sawnee Corners Blvd #500, Cumming, GA 30040
Hall County Quilt Guild *	Chestnut Mtn Presbyterian Church 4733 Winder Hwy (Hwy 53) Flowery Branch, GA on 1st Monday 10am to noon in Fellowship Hall
Quilt N Kaboodle *	1628-B Highway 115 East, Cleveland, GA 30528
NEW	
Shirt Off Your Back Quilts*	2660 Holcomb Bridge Ro Alpharetta, GA 30022

Quilt Deliveries

May

Northeast Ga Med Ctr	66
Egleston (CHOA)	28
Scottish Rite (CHOA)	20
Other	1

MONTHLY TOTAL 115

This Year	390
Since we started in 2012.....	7098

Workshop Dates

Family Life Center (A/C Room)

First Baptist Gainesville
751 Green Street Gainesville, Ga. 30501

10:00am to 2:00pm

June 2, July 7, Aug 4

Hall County Library Murrayville

4796 Thompson Bridge Road (Hwy 60)
Gainesville, GA 30506

10:00am to 2:00pm

June 9, July 14, Aug 11

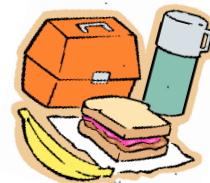
Nicholson (Quilting with Friends)

175 Lakeview Dr. Nicholson, GA 30565

Every Tuesday 10:00—2:00

Jug Tavern Quilters

Winder Women's Clubhouse
5 West Midland Ave. Winder
3rd Tuesday 10:00



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