# UPDATE

## Snuggled In Hope Quilts April 1, 2024



### **DID YOU KNOW?**

The footwear collection for our fund raising is GROWING! We will continue collecting until the end of April. Snuggled in Hope Quilts will earn funds by the pound, not the pairs, with 100% of any money received from Funds2orgs going directly to purchase supplies for projects and other necessities. Thanks to everyone who has stepped up (and out) of their shoes, boots, slippers, sandals, sneakers to collect and help us. Our goal is 100 bags. Help us meet and beat that.

Sorting and bagging all the shoes certainly make one think about where these items took the owners in their lives and where they might take the next owners in theirs: work, school, vacations, special events, sports, activities and adventures, foot warmers at the end of a long day. As this is being written, there are already 62 bags of 25 pair. Do the math, that's 1550 pair that will not be put into a landfill. With Earth Day occurring later in April, it is encouraging to know you are giving our planet a hug. Please reach out to us if you have any questions, need more information on donating or other ways you can help.

Clayton/Dayton area group is excited to extend their sewing event days! Their volunteers have requested to stay until 2:00 rather than close up at noon, giving them more time to create. They will do a brown-bag lunch which also allows them to sit and get to know one another.

Looking ahead. Camp sessions will begin at Flying Horse Farms in a few weeks. There are 2 Family Camp Weekends scheduled in April and 6 week-long summer camp sessions will begin in June. We are waiting on a few more details about the opportunities to dress the beds in cabins this summer. As soon as we know, we will let you know how you can participate and help create camp for the kids.

"We never know how far reaching something we may think, say or do today will affect the lives of millions tomorrow." B. J. Palmer

Kroger Community Rewards; please consider choosing Snuggled in Hope Quilts. We are organization **D1290**!

As always, **Snuggled in Hope Quilts** is nothing without **YOU**. **Thank YOU!** From the top of heads to the soles of our shoes.

April schedule of events **FOOTWEAR DONATIONS ACCEPTED AT EACH EVENT**: come and stay, pop in for a short time, whatever works for you will work for us.

Special requests must be made by: 3/27/2024 s more convenient for us if your request is made via

It really is more convenient for us if your request is made via our email: snuggledinhopequilts@outlook.com rather than Facebook messaging.

If you don't mind providing a phone number in case, we have a question about your request, that would be appreciated. We will not share your information.

**SNUGGLED IN HOPE TEAM** 

Executive Committee is: Kyle, Penny, Cheryl, and Corintha Board Members are: Carly, Kim, and Vickie

Our Volunteers: The voluntary act of individuals freely giving time and labor for community service.

#### Volunteer: Rita W Mt. Gilead and Marion Sew Days

Rita learned to sew in 4-H after her grandmother got her interested. I think after you read her interview you will find that sewing is her passion.

Her first sewing machine was a Sears Kenmore. After retiring from Mt. Gilead High School Family & Consumer Science teaching, she "needed something to do" so she came to a Snuggled event and attends many of the Mt. Gilead and Marion sewing days. If you ever wondered where some of the sewing machines we use came from, thank Rita for asking the school to donate the machines that were no longer being used to Snuggled. She personally owns 20 sewing machines but her featherweight is what she prefers to use to sew quilts for Snuggled.

When her children were small, she made clothing for them. And now she makes dance costumes for her granddaughter, elf hats for a school program, Christmas stockings for a nursing home, Veteran Stars, Veteran quilts, memory bears for Hospice, lap quilts for her church that go to seriously ill or critically ill through church connections and most recently an OSU quilt for a grandchild.

Learning is still part of her routine as she takes quilting classes with Kyle at Perry Cook Library. As if all that doesn't fill her days, she and her husband of nearly 50 years enjoy traveling.

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#### Volunteer: Clara H Mt Gilead Sew Day

Meet Clara, one of our Mt. Gilead sustaining volunteers. I don't think I have ever seen her without a big smile. She started coming shortly after Snuggled started meeting and has been attending Tie Days for many years

It was Clara's aunt that inspired her quilting, let's just say it was a" few years ago" when she was little. She has 4 adult children, 2 grandchildren, and 3 great-grandchildren. A Mt. Gilead graduate, married for 46 to her late husband Bill, Clara has been involved in our community for many years.

She has served on the Board of Directors for Hospice, donated her time to sit with patients in Hospice care and made items like Memory Bears for families who have lost a loved one.

I think it is interesting to note that it was Clara that got Rita Wood involved in making memory bears for Hospice. Thank you, Clara, for helping kids through your volunteer time with Snuggled in Hope Quilts.

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#### Volunteer: Linda S Mt Gilead Sew Day

On a Sewing/Tie Day in Mt. Gilead, you will find Linda working alongside others, tying quilts and laughing! She was introduced to Snuggled in Hope Quilts by Ann, another of our loyal volunteers.

When Linda was a high school senior, a Senior Sewing Class was offered and she took it. She sewed clothing-including her own wedding dress and a couple of quilts for herself. Linda and her late husband, Glenn, were married for 52 years. They even owned an antiques store after purchasing the house next door to them. She has 2 grown children and 4 grandchildren. Her favorite vacation destination is Disney. Her favorite shopping venue is Goodwill: when she starts her car, it tells her how many minutes to the local Goodwill store. LOL 😊

Linda retired from being an elementary school secretary for 4 years and a school cook for 21 years. Wow! Imagine how many children's lives she has touched in one way or another through the years and still is with her volunteer times at Snuggled in Hope Quilts.

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