



Happy April!

*So, I did a thing last month. I had total knee replacement surgery. Amazing what they can do **and** that they have you walking **THAT** day. But, what I want to really do is take you back in time and tell you what led up to me doing that. Back in the fall of 2016, I was an empty-nest mom who sewed and was looking for an outlet. I Googled sewing groups and lo and behold there was one local to me in Duluth. It was called Tiny Stitches and they met on a Tuesday for a group meeting. I walked into a community center, and was greeted by a small gaggle of stitchers with balls of yarn and fabric. They asked me all kinds of questions and I did the same of them and this organization. I was told that the next day was when all was packed and sent out and that it was a great way to see the whole of the operation. Amazing. Truly amazing this thing I had no idea had been going on in my community all of this time. **But, while the whole of it was amazing, what I found was that the monthly workshops were where close "knit" friendships formed.** Two of the ladies from that group (whom I adore) ended up having knee replacements by a particular surgeon. They recommended him so highly and I was able to see the amazing results with ladies who I truly trusted.*

If you haven't done so or didn't know about a workshop, they are all around the areas we serve. They are listed on the website under meetings but I will post it below. Lifetime friendships happen here! And every so often.....maybe a knee replacement!

Amy 😊

Workshop Schedule

Event	Day	Time	Location	Contact	
Alpharetta workshop	2nd Thursday each month	10:00am to Noon	Alpharetta First United Methodist Church 69 N. Main Street, Alpharetta, GA 30004	Faye Mullas	404-906-5776
Gainesville workshop	3rd Saturday each month	10:00am to 2:00pm	Lakewood Baptist Church 2235 Thompson Bridge Rd., Gainesville, GA 30519	Kathey Cassano	770-596-5751
Hartwell workshop	3rd Thursday each month	10:00am to 2:00pm	Hart County Library, 150 Benson St., Hartwell, GA	Dona Hoard Josephine Meyer	802-379-7043 516-578-5544
Lilburn workshop	1st Tuesday each month	6:00pm to 7:30pm	Calvary Baptist Church, Library, 5255 Lawrenceville Hwy., Lilburn, GA 30047	Margaret Cox	678-520-5437
Marietta workshop	3rd Thursday each month	9:30am to Noon	Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, Room 206 1770 Johnson Ferry Rd., Marietta, GA 30062	Linda Hargis	770-992-7354
Snellville workshop	2nd Monday each month	11:00am to 1:00pm	Grace Fellowship Church/1123 House, 1123 Dogwood Rd., Snellville, GA 30078	Beth Hearn	404-274-2020

ITEMS OF NOTE:

** A huge thank you to the two volunteers for possibly helping with the Grant Coordinator position!

**We wanted you to know that Mary Wenger passed away this past Thursday.

If you would like to send a condolence card to her husband, Jerry, his address is below:

Jerry Wenger
3168 Lake Ranch Drive
Gainesville GA 30506

MAY ITEMS NEEDED:

Boy quilts
Girl afghans
Girl fabric caps
Girl/Boy sleepers
Girl/Boy tote bags
Girl/Boy lap-front shirts

CALENDAR:

April 24th, Wednesday 9:30 Prepack/Pack
May 7th, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting
May 29th , Wednesday 9:00 (Note: summer hours) Prepack/Pack
June 24th, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack
July 2nd, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting
July 31st, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack
August 28th, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack
September 3rd, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting
September 25th, Wednesday 9:00 Prepack/Pack
October 30th, Wednesday 9:30 (Note: fall/winter hours) Prepack/pack
November 5th, Tuesday 10:15 Business Meeting
December 18th *** different date for Prepack and Pack as the normal time falls on Christmas Day 🌲

Pre-pack at Midgard Self-Storage/ 130 Peachtree Industrial Boulevard, Sugar Hill
Business Meeting Atlanta Sewing Center/ 1248 Duluth Hwy, Duluth