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Subject: Stitches of Kindness to Distribute Over 40 Quilts Locally

Grand Traverse County – Since 2012, Lin Alessio and her band of merry seamstresses have been making “covers of warmth” for local citizens who were involved in accidents or in need of care and comfort during difficult times. On Thursday, April 28, 2016, at Samaritas Senior Living in Traverse City, (formerly known as Hope Village) Alessio and her Stitches of Kindness group will hand out over 40 handmade quilts to local emergency responders and representatives from Munson Hospice and Hospice of Michigan.

“I can attest to every stitch being made with love and compassion,” said Lori Wells, Senior Center Network Manager. For over for years, Wells explained, the Senior Center Network has hosted the Stitches of Kindness program at both the Interlochen and Acme locations. Fabric, batting, and other supplies were generously donated by local businesses and private citizens, to make this effort possible. Renee’s House of Quilting in Williamsburg has been especially accommodating. Said Wells, “The outpouring of community spirit is what makes the program so successful.”

There is a task for every skill level in the Stitches of Kindness program – sorting fabric, cutting fabric, ironing the final layers of quilting, and more. There is something for everyone to do, a way for everyone to be involved.

Stitches of Kindness meets at Samaritas Senior Living, 4354 Mt. Hope Road, Williamsburg, on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. Anyone interested in participating or in learning more about the program, contact the Senior Center Network at 231-922-4911.

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The Senior Center Network is part of the Grand Traverse County Parks and Recreation Department. The Network provides many programs to older adults in Grand Traverse County with locations in Traverse City, Acme, Fife Lake, Interlochen, and Kingsley. Thousands of adults enjoy dozens of activities on a daily basis. Business hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call 231-922-4911, or visit our website or Facebook page.