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## Quilts focus on 'gift of life': organ donation

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Perhaps the greatest gift one can give is the gift of life, and during the second annual Quilt & Textile Show beginning Friday, July 11, Gift of Hope Organ & Tissue Donor Network will be on hand displaying quilts that portray just that.

Honoring legacies and connecting lives, Gift of Hope and its Donor Family Advisory Council are piecing together quilts honoring the men, women and children who have given the gift of hope through organ and tissue donation.

The purpose of the quilts is to help families pay homage to their loved ones' legacies, as well as extend the impact of their precious gifts through public awareness.

Visitors who view the Gift of Hope quilts will also have the opportunity to register to become an organ and tissue donor. For more information about becoming a donor, visit [www.DonateLifeIllinois.org](http://www.DonateLifeIllinois.org).

The Gift of Hope donor quilts along with approximately 100 other quilts submitted by local residents will be on display throughout the quilt show, which is held in conjunction with Windmill City Festival. Quilt show hours are as follows: 1 to 7 p.m. Friday, July 11 and Saturday, July 12 and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, July 13. The Quilt Show will be held at Shannon Hall, 14 N. Van Buren St. Admission is \$5 or \$4 for seniors. Children 10 and under are free.

Batavia's Quilt & Textile Show is presented by the Batavia Depot Museum and sponsored by Prairie Shop Quilts.

For more information call the Batavia Park District at (630) 879.5235 or visit [www.bataviaparks.org](http://www.bataviaparks.org).

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