

Mudsock Messenger

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From the President's Pen

January 1, 2014

What a wonderful holiday meeting we had in December! Thank you to everyone for helping to make it such a fun, sharing time. Don't forget to bring your recipe to the January meeting for the dish you brought in December if you would like it to be included in a Mudsock Recipe Collection.

2014 arrived along with snow, ice and cold! Hope you all are staying nice and warm, and safe! This is perfect weather to play in our stashes and dream up new projects. Maybe even complete some!

Speaking of projects, don't forget to bring an unfinished project to the January meeting for our 2014 unfinished project challenge. I personally have many to choose from (though am also guessing that I am not alone in this), but I am excited to choose one of my unfinished projects, to be committed to complete this year. I'm also looking forward to seeing what each of you will bring. I love all the show and tell and think this adds another exciting level to it.

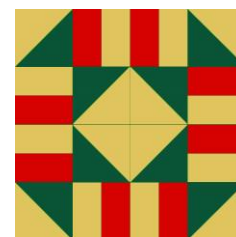
I am looking forward to another year in Mudsock and as your new president I know that I have a wonderful team lined up to work with. A little introduction: Two and a half years ago, my husband's job moved us from our lifetime home state of Missouri to Indiana. I have enjoyed sewing and quilting since I was a teenager. In Missouri, I was a member of a church hand quilting group that met weekly. I have made many "simple" quilts for family members and multiple baby quilts. My husband and I enjoy traveling to visit our children and their families, who are scattered all over (currently one family in Ohio, one in Utah, and one in Arkansas). We have seven grandchildren; the newest one is almost 4 weeks old. We spent 2 weeks over Christmas in Utah, having a wonderful visit our son, his wife, our little 2 year old granddaughter and our new grandson. While in Utah, I sewed a ragged edge baby quilt for the new baby, made a pair of flannel pajamas for our granddaughter and cut out patches for a large ragged edge quilt for the parents. A quilt shop near them had recently gone out of business, and they had shopped for projects for me and had them waiting! My son even bought a sewing machine, so I would have one available! The large quilt will be finished in Indiana. Other hobbies I enjoy are reading, crocheting, collecting Catherine Cookson novels and any quilting related books. Since returning from Utah, I've tried my hand at "arm knitting", and actually completed an infinity scarf this morning. I work "on-call" from home as a Safety Data Coordinator/ Medical Coder for a contract research organization that manages pharmaceutical studies. Since I work "on-call", my work schedule varies tremendously. I feel blessed to have a job that gives me such flexibility and allows me to work from home.

Mudsock Quilters has given me a place to feel at home, make some wonderful friends and inspire my creativity. The afternoon sewing sessions at the library, the Piecing Group and the Wool Group have all proved to be wonderful ways to really get to visit and make new friends. If you have not gotten involved in any of these groups, perhaps you would consider joining one this year. These groups provide great opportunities to get know our fellow quilters better.

I am committed to helping our Guild continue to provide such a fun, loving, entertaining and educational guild. I would love to hear from all of you. Please feel free at anytime to give me a call or send an email.

Happy Quilting!

Debbie



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Mark Your Calendars – Important Upcoming Events

Next Meeting –January 13th 9:30AM – Fishers UMC

January 13th Guild Meeting Program: Our scheduled speaker is Connie Lancaster from Quilts Plus. Just in time for New Year's resolutions, Connie will be speaking about ORGANIZATION! For Show and Tell, bring your unfinished UFO for the challenge. Your UFO needs to be done by December when you will bring it back as a completed project. Join us after the meeting at the Fishers Public Library. Bring a project to work on and enjoy the chatter! We always have such a good time.

Don't forget to wear your nametag!
Remember to bring items for the Food Pantry!

Feb 10th Guild Meeting Program: Our own Marion Newell will give us a lesson on drafting patterns.

Here's What You Missed at the Last Meeting!

Show and Tell: 11 people showed things they had made. Diane Peterson showed aprons (maybe she'll give a program on how to make one!?).

We voted in a slate of new officers for 2014:

President: Debbie Cobb
 Vice-President: Elizabeth Meek and Nancy McDonald
 Secretary: Pat Adams
 Treasurer: Joanne Fishburn
 Newsletter: Bev Petru
 Hospitality: Stephanie Coy-Lykes and Wanda VanSlyke
 Membership: Sue Griffith and Selena Krajewski
 BOM: Judy Dunnigan
 Website: Susan Cook

BOM Swap List

Be sure to have the packet of fabric with your name and name of recipient. And when it is turned in, it needs to have the person's name.

Block of the Month Swap was Judy Dunnigan's idea (a new idea to many of us) and it began in January 2012— We look forward to each month to see that the new pattern will be—how hard it will be to put together and what new tricks we will learn.

The list is not in alphabetical order—but order of sign up. See list below of who is participating!

January 2014 Judy Elwartowski

February 2014 Elizabeth Meek

March 2014 Pat Adams

April 2014 Kathy Zook

May 2014 Stephanie Coy-Lykes

June 2014 Joann Fishburn

July 2014 Lynn Hupp

August 2014 Judy Dunnigan

September 2014 Kathy Astrike

October 2014 Debbie Cobb

November 2014 Diane Peterson

December 2014 Lorraine Ohlman



Advertisements: For \$10 per month, MQG will publish ads for those who desire. Checks can be made out to Joann Fishburn. You can mail or email your ad to me, the Editor, Bev Petru, and I will run it in the next newsletter.

Quilt Expressions Quilt Shop – “Sew Modern”
Business Hours: NOW OPEN Monday – Friday 10–6 & Saturday 10-3
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January Birthdays:

- Marsha Baer..... Jan 11
- Susan Cook.....Jan 17
- Stephanie Coy-Lykes..... Jan 2
- Sandra Housholder Jan 10
- Kathy Jensen Jan 24
- Sue Johnson Jan 16
- Selena Krajewski Jan 19
- Nancy McDonald Jan 11
- Barbara Street Jan 26

Bev Petru’s Granddaughter, Dorian, thought she was just going to a quilt show with her Grandmother. But she learned that the quilt displayed behind her at the Orchard Park Presbyterian Church quilt show, was secretly made for her!



MQG Bad Weather Policy

If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are closed due to weather—NO MQG meeting!! 2 Hr delay of Hamilton Southeastern Schools - meeting as scheduled



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