

# Mudsock Messenger

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## Mudsock Quilters Guild

### From the President's Pen

February 1, 2014

Happy Valentines! I hope that February will bring some warmer temperatures and less snow! What a harsh January we had! I'm looking forward to hearts, cupids and lots of red and pinks and hopefully warmer weather!

The cold snowy weather has encouraged me to stay homebound and therefore provided more time for me to make progress on some fun projects. I am about to finish the ragged edge quilt for my son and daughter-in-law in Utah. I love the colors in it and it matches my living room perfectly! I hope they will like it! I started a new wool project at wool group. It has 28 hearts to blanket stitch around, which will then be stitched around a house design. So fun and appropriate for the coming holiday! Thank you Pat Adams for hosting our wool group meeting! Fun, fellowship and sewing was also had at the Piecing Group when we met at Always in Stitches. If you have not participated in one of these groups, but would like to, please come! It is such a great way to get to know our fellow guild members.

I am having fun browsing my fabric stash and pattern books as I decide what to bring for my charity baby quilt project to work on at our February guild meeting and afternoon sew in. Nancy McDonald is planning this fantastic opportunity for our guild to support a charity so near and dear to our fellow quilter Selena Krajewski. Find more details on the February meeting, later in the newsletter. I am so excited to see all the different baby quilts we can produce and gift to Riley NICU.

Marion's program for February has been postponed until a later meeting. She will be gathering more supplies when she goes to Cape Cod this month, which she wants to use in her presentation. Stay tuned for the new date! It will be so fun to learn about drafting patterns.

Keep warm and enjoy sewing!

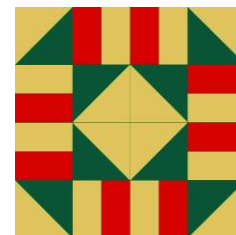
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## Mark Your Calendars – Important Upcoming Events

**Feb 4<sup>th</sup> – Board Meeting, 3PM -** at Debbie Cobb's home. Board Meetings are open to any guild member that would like to attend.

### **Next Meeting –February 10th 9:30AM – Fishers UMC**

We will have a workshop about Riley's Charity Quilts. We will cut at the church, break for lunch, and move to the library in the afternoon. Please bring your cutting supplies ( rotary cutter, mat & ruler), fabric, and sewing machine. You can sew at the Fishers Public Library or take it home and return it at the March meeting. If you have any extra fabric that you would like to donate for this project, please bring it and we make quilt kits. You can make any pattern or size for the project that appeals to you. Riley Hospital and the children will appreciate all our quilts. Also, we will have QUILTING VALENTINE EXCHANGE. If you would like to participate, please bring to



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the February guild meeting, one Valentine of your choice to exchange. The Valentine could be a card, a bit of candy, a small crafted or quilted Valentine themed item-anything you would like to share in the exchange. This is an opportunity to be creative with your scraps, if you like. We will collect the Valentines as you come in the door and re-distribute them during Show and Tell. Speaking of Show and Tell, this month we will put matters of the heart in the spotlight. Please bring red, pink or white quilts, quilts with a Valentine theme, or a quilt that was made for you by someone close to your heart. Or one that you made for someone close to your own heart.

**Feb 17<sup>th</sup> – Mudsock Piecers** – 1PM to 4PM at Always in Stitches.

**Feb 25<sup>th</sup> – Wool Group** – 1PM to 4PM at Pat Adams's home.

**March 10<sup>th</sup> Guild Meeting** – Mary Strinka will do a presentation on “art quilts”.

**April 14<sup>th</sup> Guild Meeting** – Our own Marion Newell will give a presentation on drafting patterns.

**Don't forget to wear your nametag!**

**Remember to bring items for the Food Pantry!**

**Remember to bring items for the tag sale!**

## Here's What You Missed at the Last Meeting!

Connie Lancaster, of Quilts Plus, gave a wonderful presentation on Organization of space.

Our Show and Tell was also a Challenge to finish what they showed this month. Thirteen members agreed to the challenge: Debbie Cobb, Judy Elwartowski, Karen Burkett, Joanne Fishburn, Lynn Hupp, Joanie Riddle, Chris Moore, Maureen DiNapoli, Annie Gianaris, Judy Ireland, Elizabeth Meeks, Marion Newell and Pat Adams. **\*\*\*It is not too late to join in the Challenge!\*\*\*** You can bring your item to any guild meeting and present it during Show and Tell. At the end of the year, we will bring our completed projects for a special Show and Tell.

A new Basic Quilting 101 Group is forming. The leader, Joanne Fishburn, passed around a sign-up sheet.

We are preparing for the next Tag Sale. Check your stash and see what you can donate. Annie Gianaris will store things until the sale. The sales have been great fundraisers for us!

Anyone can submit information to our website. Contact the webmaster, Kenneth Cook, at [kcook51@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kcook51@sbcglobal.net).

Board Meetings will meet on the first Tuesday of the second month of each quarter at 3:00 at Debbie Cobb's home. Feb 4, May 6, August 5, October 7. **Board Members:** Please note that Board meetings will also follow the same cancellation policy as stated at the end of this newsletter.

### **February Birthdays:**

Joanne Fishburn – Feb 2

Lois Tschaepé – Feb 14



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## 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

Don’t forget the Block of the Month Swap takes place **after the meeting!**

Enjoy these recipes from the Christmas Pitch-In! I'll print more next month as space allows.

**BROCCOLI SALAD – Nancy McDonald**

- 4-5 cups broccoli flowerettes
- 1/2 red onion, sliced
- 1/2 cup cheddar cheese, grated
- 1/2 lb. bacon, fried and chopped
- Dressing (below)

Preparation:  
Combine all ingredients except dressing.

For dressing, combine 1 cup Miracle whip (no substitutions), 2 Tablespoons white vinegar, and 6 Tablespoons sugar.

Mix well and pour over salad ingredients. Mix. Chill and serve.

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**CHINESE COLESLAW – Carol Rankin**

- 1 one pound bag coleslaw (chopped or shredded)
- 2 packages flavored Ramen noodles (I use one oriental and one beef, can use two beef.)
- Green onions diced
- 1 or 2 packages slivered almonds

Mix above in large bowl, crumbling dry noodles into tiny pieces.

- Dressing:
- 1 cup salad oil
  - 1/2 cup sugar
  - 1/3 cup white vinegar
  - Flavor packets from Ramen noodles

Mix or shake in jar and add to coleslaw mixture just before serving.



**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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