

# Mudsock Messenger

Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month

Fishers United Methodist Church

[Website] [mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://mudsockquiltersguild.org)

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## *From the President's Pen*

Good Morning from the beautiful Caribbean! Sunny skies, beautiful beaches, wonderful food and exciting tours. Lots of time to relax, read and stitch. I think I found paradise!

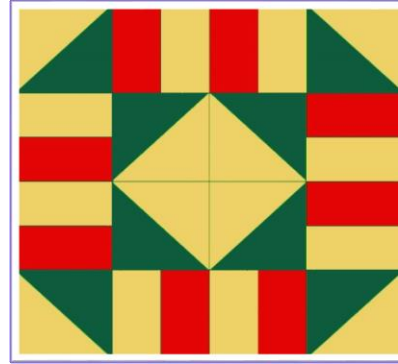
We have all heard "It takes a village", not only to raise a child but also to have a quilt guild! We need your help, to make our guild better, by giving of yourself. **Yes, I said it, we need you!** Even if you are a new quilter, new to our guild, a seasoned committee or board member, or anyone in between! We all have skills that have accumulated throughout our lifetimes. We need business and organizational skills, photography skills etc.! So I'm asking you to volunteer to share your skills and abilities to your guild, your fellow quilters and your friends.

Our committees are:

**The Hospitality Committee** - Sets up the room, in coordination with the Program Committee, welcomes members and guests and provides visuals for them/us, plans parties, hosts games, door prizes, helps us make connections and cleans up after the meeting! POC Paula Jurgonski

**The Program Committee** - Assists the Vice President in planning, scheduling and organizing the monthly programs for the year, and January and February of the following year. POC Val Angove

**The Membership Committee** - Is responsible for signing in members and guests, registering new guild members, creating welcome packets, selling



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We also meet at the Fishers Public Library after most Guild Meetings for a "Sew and Chat" session. Go out to lunch at a local restaurant or bring a sack lunch to the library.

## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY**

**Happy B-Day to:**  
02 Joanne Fishburn

## **WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER!!**

Carolyn Towner

MSQG pins, updating the guild roster and publishing it to the guild, taking photos of members for our photo directory. POC Marion Newell

**The Fundraising Committee** - Is responsible for organizing fundraisers, collecting, selling and storing tag sale items, researching and planning new fundraisers. POC Joanne Fishburn

**The Charity Committee** - Is responsible for receiving and delivering the quilts and pillowcases to the appropriate charities, taking in food and hats for the food pantry etc. POC Kim Scott

**The Newsletter/Website Committee** - Is responsible for publishing collected information in our newsletter and getting items posted to the website or mailed out, as needed. We could use a photographer in this category to take pictures of the meetings, programs, quilts and charity items. POC Lissa Shanahan, Newsletter; POCs Lois Levine and Kathy Rudd, Website

**Block of the Month (BOM) Committee** - Is responsible for planning the BOMs, preparing a sample block and instructions to be distributed at the meetings, submitting it to the newsletter and website. POC Debbie Cobb

Within each committee there is a chairperson and others with specific jobs, cross-trained to help in other areas of their committee, when needed. Your committee could meet, have coffee and discuss your committee ideas, and then do some stitching! I am proposing friendship circles with a purpose!

**The board** meets four times a year and works together with the committees to get ideas and make plans.

The Committees, Piecing, Wool/Handwork, Quilting 101, Library, and the New Charity Bee group, have become friends by spending small group time together. I challenge each of you to become a member of one of the committees or groups or be instrumental in creating another one.

**Pat**

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## February 8th Mudsock Guild Meeting (9:30 – 11:30+)

Our February 8th meeting will take place at the Fishers United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall. Debbie Cobb will be presenting “Disappearing Quilt Blocks” from Patchwork Posse. There will be quilt block variations of disappearing 4, 9, and 16 patch and pinwheel blocks. If you have a quilt using the disappearing idea bring it for *Show & Tell*. We will have a clothes line up for you to display your work.

After our meeting there is a lunch group that will find a local restaurant or you can go to the Fishers Library where we have a room reserved so you can bring a project you are working on or just visit with other quilters.

## Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events

- Feb 08 Guild Meeting, 9:30 – 11:30, Debbie Cobb’s program on the “Disappearing Nine-Patch”
- Feb 15 Piecers Group, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Always in Stitches, Marsha Baer, 407-9711, contact
- Feb 22 Community North Quilting Bee, 9:30 – 12:30, Community Room at Community Health Pavilion 13121 Oilio Rd. Fishers; Diane Peterson,
- Feb 23 Handwork Group, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Always in Stitches, Pat Adams, 490-1155, contact
- Mar 14 Joanne Fishburn’s program on "Pre-cuts" -- after lunch we will have a "1600 Race" -- so get a jelly roll and be ready to sew. Our meeting will be at our alternate location: Community Room at Community Health Pavilion, 146th St. and Cumberland, Noblesville.
- Apr 11 Guild Meeting, 9:30 – 11:30, Marking your quilt for quilting. Diane Peterson and Pat Adams will be discussing how to mark your quilt, use your walking foot and decorative stitches. We will be at the Fishers United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall.
- May 14 Tag Sale (8:30 to 2:00) -- Fellowship Hall, Fishers United Methodist Church

## Photo Directory

If you are a new member or just haven't had your picture taken for our directory, please see Diane Peterson at the February meeting to get your picture taken. We want to distribute the 2016 directory soon.

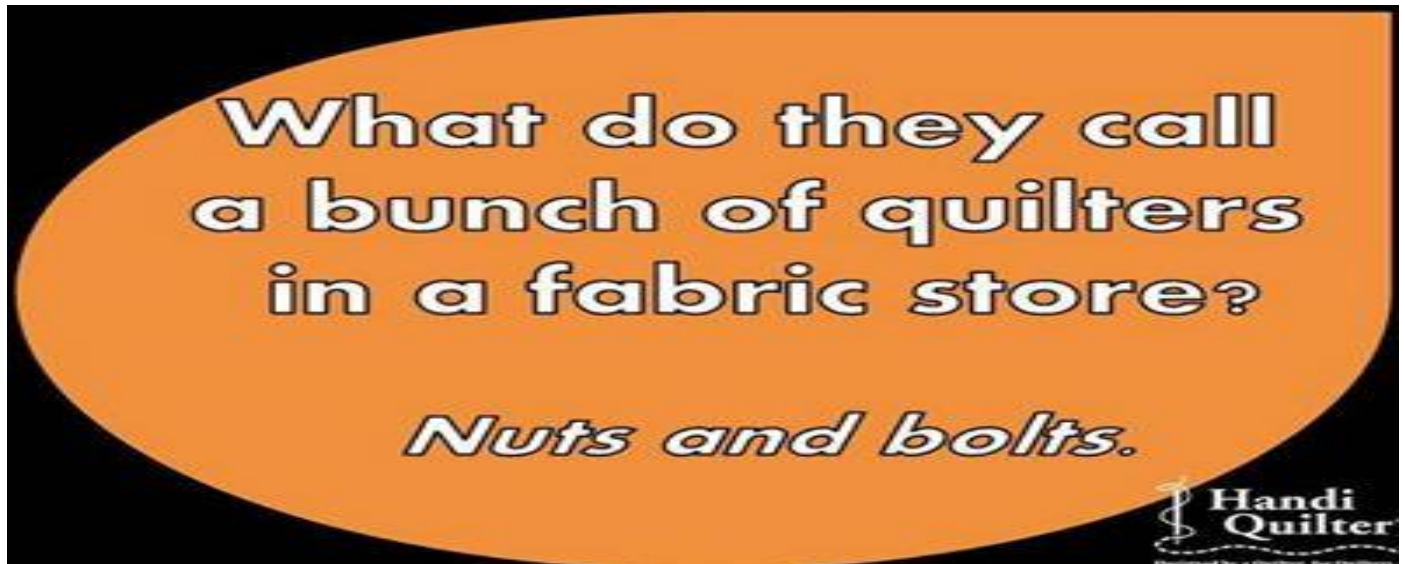
## Community North Hospital Charity Christmas Quilting Bee

We are up and buzzing. Members are working on strips and assembling blocks at home. We had our first meeting to sew together on January 25th. We will be meeting at the Community Health Pavilion, 13121 Oilio Road, Fishers in the Community Room the 4th Monday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to sew. Next meeting is Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, same time and place.

Community North Hospital would like to give a quilt to every patient who is in the hospital on Christmas. This could be 75 to 100 patients. Each month at our Mudsock Guild meeting there will be a bag to donate your scraps. We will be collecting 2 1/2 inch strips for our first quilts, which we will sew in 5 strips and then cut into 10 1/2 inch blocks. If you have any coordinating strips to donate, please bring them to our February meeting. This charity project is not meant to replace or

diminish our contribution to Riley Children's Hospital; we still need lots of children's quilts. So check out your stash and remember when you finish a quilt and have a few strips left over, please contribute to the "Community Bee."

See our sign-up sheet at the membership table to join our new "Bee". We are truly blessed to have Jane Welch (a relatively new Mudsock member) who has volunteered to long-arm quilt some of our quilt tops for this project. We need a lot more volunteers to work on this project so sign up at the next meeting. Together we can bring warmth and a smile to those who cannot be with their families on Christmas.



## Tag Sale

As you may know *Always in Stitches* has canceled their "Garage Sale" for 2016. This has been our biggest money maker and we don't want to see it go away. The good news is we have booked the Fellowship Hall (our regular meeting place) for Saturday, May 14, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We will open the sale from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and again will need lots of volunteers.

Diane Peterson has volunteered to chair this project. So please mark your calendars and continue to bring your donated items for our Tag Sale during our regular monthly meetings. As in the past we will offer items for sale at our monthly meetings first. If you would like to work on this committee, please contact Diane or sign up at the membership table. Watch for further information in future newsletters.

## **Dues**

Annual dues are \$25.00 payable by January. In an effort to streamline the process and to allow membership volunteers greater participation in the meetings, we are requesting that you consider mailing your dues (checks payable to Mudsock Quilters Guild) to Wanda Feder, 19353 Rocky Beach Dr., Noblesville, IN 46062. Your payment will be recorded and a new membership card will be available at the next meeting.

## **Block of the Month NEWS**

In January, Ellen presented an Old Snowflake block pattern. The free pattern is located <http://www.quilterscache.com/O/OldSnowflakeBlock.html>  
We are switching colors shown in the pattern: Use a BLUE fabric where the white is and WHITE where the yellow is on the original pattern. Prints and solids are welcomed. Remember no two snowflakes are the same.

The paper piecing template is available through a link on the first page of the directions. Completed snowflake blocks can be entered into a drawing at the February meeting.

Please put your name in the basket when you put your block on the wall.

Kimberly Scott was the winner of January Christmas Tree Blocks.

BOM can now be found listed on our website: [mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://mudsockquiltersguild.org) Check anytime you want to know what is coming up.

## **REMINDERS:**

**Bring your donations for the Tag Sale.** (Members can purchase new items at each meeting).

**Please bring items for the Church's food pantry.**

**Wear your name tag to every guild meeting.**

### **Bad Weather Policy**

If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are CLOSED due to weather – NO MQG Meeting

If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are DELAYED – Meeting as Scheduled



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