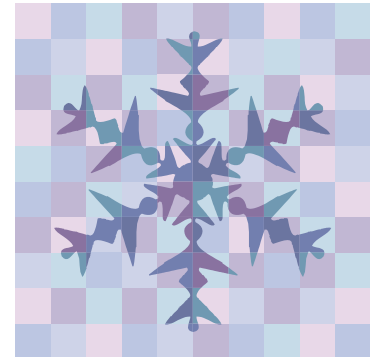


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From the President's Pen

January is My Favorite Quilting Month !

I like January for a number of reasons. It is a month I call my own. For many women, January is the first chance to have their "own time" since September. I know for many years I was consumed by Back to School, then Halloween, then Thanksgiving and Christmas. All that planning and preparing left little time for me to do my own thing.

Come January I could take a break and head to my sewing room and take stock of my projects. What was I going to make? Should I finish a UFO to start off the new year? Or should I plunge right into something new?

This year I had visions of getting a head start on "Blizzard Day" (even tho' it was not yet January). But instead I sat on the couch with a box of kleenex, cough drops and a vicious cold! While sipping a cup of hot tea I did decide a few things:

Choose which quilt or quilts I want to enter in our show. Make sure they are finished, sleeved and labeled by August 1.

Make 6 boutique items monthly

Make sewing room time a priority! Let the dishes wait!

I am also excited about our January meeting – First Quilt/Last Quilt. I always hear new quilters "putting down" their skills. Well, Ladies STOP NOW! We all started somewhere. I started quilting in an adult ed class where I made a Bear's Paw pillow. Let me tell you that not all of those points matched and my quilting stitches passed as basting stitches! For some it is the technique, others fuss over choosing fabrics and then there is mastering of fancy sewing machines. Whatever the challenge we need to step up, jump in, get started and be proud of your efforts. As our more seasoned quilters' can tell you the secret is Just Do IT! Practice makes Perfect!

On January 14 bring your quilts for a big Show and Tell. Bring your first quilt (or early quilt) and bring your latest or a work in progress. This means EVERYONE! Let's all learn from each other – our struggles and our successes.

Marion

P.S. Don't forget your Quilters' Tip! We are all looking forward to short cuts, secrets and "A HA" moments!

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2013 Mudsock Guild Quilt Show

Quilt Show Committees:

Advertising & Hospitality Committee: Holly Garber (leader), Suzie Wetzel, Debbie Cobb, Kathy Astrike, Marlynn Story. Come up with flyers, bookmarks, etc, so we can start advertising the show now. Think of inexpensive strategies to advertise show and investigate how much signs cost. Think up inexpensive goodie bags for speakers.

Mudsock Mercantile Committee: Cindy Reynolds (leader), Pat Adams, Nancy Joseph, Chris Moore, Barbara Street, Joanne Fishburn, Lynn Hupp, Sue White, Carol Rankin. Come up with a list of items you want to collect for the shop. Get ready for the November meeting, where your group will be demonstrating four or so various items to make for the show.

Set Up/Tear Down Committee: Ruth Chrena, Cindy Reynolds, Sue Griffith, Jo Kidwell, Joani Lawson (need to pick a leader of this group). Contact Church for plans of the gym space. Plan on 100-200 quilts. Set aside space for venders and speakers.

Vender/Programs Committee: Pat Adams (leader), Laura Phares, Susan Breeder. Select venders (including food vender) for the show. Come up with prices for vender space. Contact venders. Start planning programs to offer throughout the show-demos on techniques, new rulers or notions can be demonstrated by venders to help sell merchandise.

Registration Committee: Kathy Jensen (leader), Ruth Chrena, Elizabeth Meek, Laura Phares, Wanda Van Slyke, Judy Elwartowski. The quilt categories have been chosen! Good work! Ribbons and registration method needs to be created.

Volunteer Coordinator: I need someone to be the volunteer coordinator.



Reminders & Notifications

Cancellation Notifications

For those of you without an email account, I will always notify you (by telephone) promptly with any time sensitive information.

*****During winter months, you can check online or view local television stations' school cancellations to determine whether MQG will meet. If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are closed, likewise, MQG will also not convene.*****

Charity Quilts

Several people have now donated fabrics for charity quilts. However, we are in need of volunteers to piece and quilt these blankets. The fabrics have already been divided out into groups, and there are enough sets for seven quilts. I will have these available at the August meeting, for those of you who would be willing to help. If you would like to make one but cannot attend this month's meeting, contact me by phone or email and I will arrange to get you a set. Thanks! -Holly



Business Hours: NOW OPEN Mon -Fri 10:00 - 6:00 Sat 10-3

Quilt Expressions
12514 Reynolds Dr.
Fishers, IN 46038
QuiltExpressionslh@gmail.com

Advertisements:

For \$10/month & advertisement, the MOG will now be publishing ads for those who desire. Checks can be made out to MOG and delivered to Joanne Fishburn. You can mail, email, or text me your advertisement and I will make sure it's published in the following month's newsletter. Thanks! -Holly

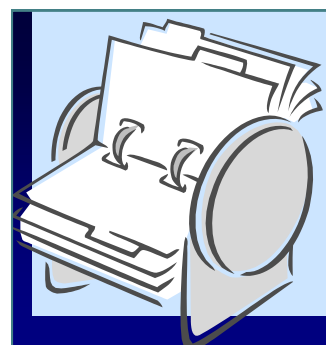
January Meeting:

Share a quilting tip! Be prepared, you may be asked to demo it! Show and tell will be of one of the first quilts that you made and/or the most recent one. The "Wool Applique" focus group will meet at Pat's home on Wednesday, 23 January from 1:00-3:00. Directions will be provided closer to the gathering to those that have signed up!



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Future Dates for MQG: Where's my Datebook?

MQG Monthly Meetings:

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Mudsock Board Meeting

January 14, 2013: After the meeting ALL ARE WELCOME **Bring a snack or we can make a lunch run. **

February 11, 2013: Have you ever wondered what "Quilt Market" is all about? Kathy Zook and Stephanie Coy-Lykes, from Always-in-Stitches, will share their Quilt Market experiences and pictures with us. For "Show & Tell" please bring a "Red" or "Valentine themed" quilt or a cherished quilt that was given to you.



January Birthdays

Stephanie Coy-Lykes	1/2	Selena Krajewski	1/19
Marsha Baer	1/11	Kathy Jensen	1/24
Sue Johnson	1/16	Barbara Street	1/26
Susan Cook	1/17		



BOM Swap List

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 2013 Judy Elwartowski	February 2013 Sue Johnson	March 2013 Barbara Street
April 2013 Lynn Hupp	May 2013 Kathy Astrike	June 2013 Judy Dunnigan
July 2013 Debbie Cobb	August 2013 Elizabeth Meek	September 2013 Pat Adams
October 2013 Kathy Zook	November 2013 Stephanie Coy-Lykes	December 2013 Joanne Fishburn

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

Treasurer’s Report - Joanne Fishburn



December 2012	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,573.58
INCOME	
Dues	\$ 300.00
Interest	\$ 0.57
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 310.57
EXPENSES	
Hospitality	\$ 8.00
Newsletter	\$ 67.70
Fee	\$ 200.00
Mileage/Lodging	\$ 37.00
Administrative	\$ 199.37
Meeting/Teaching	\$ 182.17
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 694.24
BALANCE December 2012	\$ 1,189.91

Mudsock Quilters Guild Board of Officers 2012



President	Marion Newell
Vice President	Pat Adams
Secretary	Elizabeth Meek
Treasurer	Joanne Fishburn
Membership Chairman	Kathy Jensen
Quilt Show Chairman	Susie Cook
Hospitality	Sue White & Joani Lawson
BOM Swap	Judy Dunnigan
Barn “Sew-In”	Cindy Reynolds
Newsletter Editor	Holly Garber

****PLEASE NOTE:** I have changed the email address for MOG. If you would like to contact me please use one of the email addresses listed on the contact page! The new MOG email is: mudsockquilters@gmail.com. Thanks! -Holly