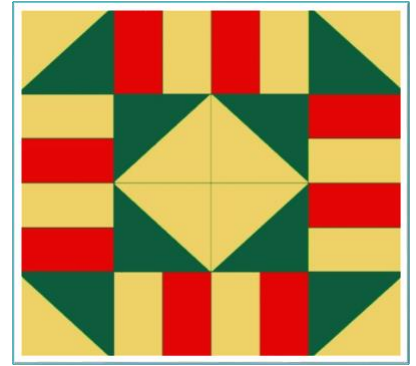


Mudsock Messenger

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month

Fishers United Methodist Church

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From the President's Pen

Summertime already! It is amazing how quickly the first ½ of 2015 sped by!! It is so wonderful to see the numbers of ladies attending our monthly meetings growing. I have so enjoyed the programs we have had so far, and the programs planned for the rest of the year promise to be as informative and enjoyable! In December, when we have our holiday pitch in, I hope we will have a long line of ladies to show off their wearable art we learned about in the June program – jackets, totes, etc. I found a few free patterns for sweatshirt jackets on the internet. If you would like a copy emailed to you, please contact me via email, and I will send them to you.

Our board meeting in June went very well. I thank all the ladies who took time from their busy lives to help plan for the needs of our Guild! Remember, Ladies - NOW is the best time to start those homemade gifts for the holidays! If you make your plan, and start now, and break the work up over the next several months, you will greatly relieve your stress level, and the holiday season can actually be very enjoyable. Plus you have a little free time to whip together a simple gift for someone you forgot to put on your original list! Please start bringing some of your simple homemade gift idea samples to show & tell, to inspire your fellow

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.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Happy B-Day to:

- 04 Judy Elwartowski
- 07 Judy Ireland
- 13 Diane Peterson
- 19 Sue Griffith
- 24 Terry Wiedmann
- 25 Susan Breeden
- 28 Nancy Frye
- 30 Lynn Hodge

members (table runners, placemats, book covers, pillowcases, etc). I recently added an embroidery machine to my toy room, so this year my family members will be blessed with cute hand towels and pillowcases! Don't forget to continue working on those UFO's you committed to finishing, at the beginning of the year! I have finally found one of my misplaced UFO's, and I have a lot of work to do to meet the challenge I made to myself!

By the time you are reading this, I should be in Texas, spoiling 3 of my 11 ¾ grandkids. I have a lot of projects started - 2 UFO's I committed to complete, my sampler quilt for the Quilting 101 class, and a couple other projects I started, because I just HAD to try out what I saw in a tutorial video, so I suspect this will be a "working (quilting)" vacation for me. Because I drive to Texas, rather than fly, I can take my fabric and machine with me if I want! There is little more satisfying to me than sitting among my loved ones, while working on a quilt in my lap!

Enjoy your "lazy days of summer," Ladies! I cannot wait to see your lovely accomplishments at our July meeting!

Joanne

July 13th Mudsock Program

Lynn Hodge re: Cutters

Lynn Hodge from Quilt Expressions will be our guest speaker. Lynn is always an inspiration to us at Mudsock's and we are sure you won't want to miss this meeting on Cutters for Quilters.

Brother's newest introduction to the fiber art community is a fun and user friendly scanner/cutter for everyone who sews by hand or machine. Use it to cut designs for stenciling, appliquéing, embroidery, painting & more. If you love to create, embellish and color outside the lines you will enjoy seeing this machine demonstrated and some of the items created with it.

Hope to see you and ***remember to bring a friend!***

Mary Buvia Workshop -- August 10th, 2015 1:00 -- 4:00 P.M

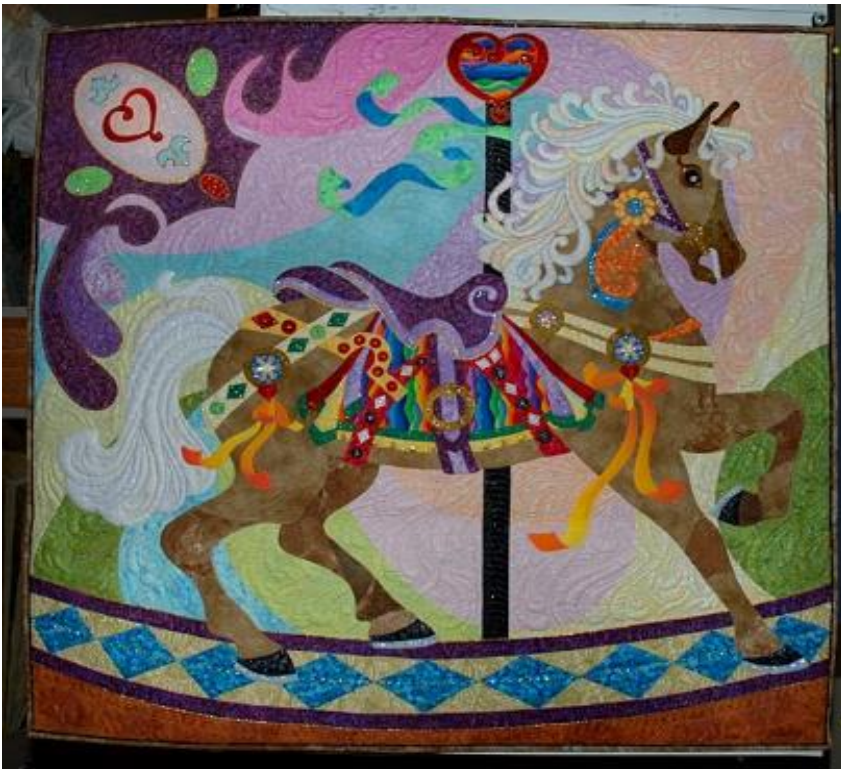
Understanding Thread Choices

This class is a complete guide to understanding Superior Thread styles and colors. Using your own sewing machine, participants try and experiment with "open thread bar" consisting of Superior's different types and colors of thread. This "open thread bar" includes popular Superior Threads of So Fine, Bottom Line, and Rainbows as well as specialty threads of Monopoly invisible thread, metallics, Glitter flat metallic thread, and Kimono #100 weight silk thread. Provided samples demonstrate using and suggestions of how to make proper thread choices. It is a "Try Before You Buy" opportunity experiment with Superior Threads and learn how to make proper choices of threads for specific sewing projects. Handouts will be available.

Cost \$40 per person limited to 25 people, payable with registration.

Mary Buvia (Master Quilter) Bio:

Mary Buvia's quilting interests began eighteen years ago. She has been machine quilting for twelve of those years and teaching machine quilting and appliqué for ten years. Her original quilts have won over 50 awards in major competitions and have appeared in many publications and calendars including front and back covers of magazines, along with engagement and twelve-month calendars. Mary's work has been included in the book "500 Art Quilts," published by Lark Books in 2010. She received the 2011 Master Quilt Award, Best of Show Award, and Best Machine Quilting Award at the 2011 National Quilting Association Show in Columbus, Ohio and the "World of Beauty Award" at the Houston International Quilt. Mary will receive the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award from the Indiana State Quilt Guild on July 16th at the Marion Public Library during the Quilters Hall of Fame Celebration 2015.



One of Mary Buvia's Beautiful Quilts

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!!

Debbie Feltz
Sue Johnson

Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events

- July 13 Next Guild Meeting, 9:30 – 11:30 am; and Fishers Public Library (continues until 4:00)
- July 20 Piecers Group, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Always in Stitches, Marsha Baer, 407-9711, contact
- July 16 Quilting 101, 12:30 – 3:30 pm, Always in Stiches, Joanne Fishburn, contact
- July 28 Handwork Group, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Always in Stitches, Pat Adams, 490-1155, contact
- Aug 10 Guild Meeting, 9:30 – 11;30 am, Mary Buvia, speaker; at Fishers Public Library
- Aug 10 Mary Buvia Workshop, 1:00 – 4:00; Fishers Public Librrary

Quilting Events You Don't Want to Miss!

June 13 – October 4: 19 Stars: Quilts of Indiana's Present and Past

19 historic and 19 contemporary star-themed quilts are on display at the Indiana State Museum in honor of Indiana's bicentennial year in 2016. Gen Adm \$13, Srs \$12 (1/2 price on 1st Tues/Month).

July 24-25: One Stop Quilt Hop

30 quilt shops are participating at the Kokomo Events Center, 1500 N. Reed Rd., Kokomo from 9-6 Fri. and 9-5 Sat, Adm \$5.

September 19-20: Harvest of Quilts XI Show – Quilt Trek, the Next Generation

Sponsored by the Raintree Quilt Guild at the Vanderburgh 4-H Center Auditorium, 201 E Boonville-New Harmony Rd, in Evansville from 9-5 Sat and 11-4 Sun, Adm \$6

Do you know your Quilting Acronyms?

FOB - Fear of Binding

PhD - Projects half Done

QAYG - Quilt as you Go

WIP - Works in Progress

WISP - Works in Slow Progress

Block of the Month

Each month a pattern and color scheme will be provided and ANYONE who wants to participate will have a chance to take home all the blocks! You can bring blocks any month, no advance sign up is required. **Please pin your name on your block** and place it on the design wall when you arrive at the meeting. We will use this pinned note for the drawing to determine the winner of ALL the blocks.

BOM can now be found listed on our website: mudsockquiltersguild.org Check anytime you want to know what is coming up.

Mudsock BOM for July 2015 is a variation of the Ohio Star block



Red, White and Blue are the colors this month.

Color 1 (Star points and Background): 2-6" squares* and 4-4 1/2" squares

Color 2 (Star points): 2-6" squares*

Color 3 (Center square): 4-1/2"

**(I start my squares larger allowing room for error, if the 1/4" seam is slightly off.)*

Place the Color 1-6" squares and the Color 2-6" squares face to face. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the light colored fabrics. Sew a 1/4" seam on each side of the line. Cut on the line. Press to the dark side. (You have 4 half square triangles = HST)

With right sides together, sandwich your HST so that light fabric faces a darker fabric. The seams should nest together, so that you will have a nice point when finished. I like to adjust mine, then pin them. Again, mark a line diagonally and sew 1/4" on each side of the line. Then cut on the line. Press. (You have 4 quarter square triangles = QST)

Next step is very important: The QST's must be trimmed to 4 1/2" squares. It is very important that you center the square and trim off equally on all sides. The center mark on your ruler would be 2 1/4". Line up your ruler's diagonal line with the 2 1/4" mark in the center of your square, then trim on two sides, rotate and trim the other two sides. If done correctly it will create perfectly centered 4 1/2" squares.

All of your squares are now 4 1/2". Refer to the diagram and sew the rows together with a scant 1/4" seam allowance. *Finished block size is 12" (Unfinished 12 1/2")*

REMINDERS:

Please bring items for the Church's food pantry!

Remember to 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



Quilt Expressions Quilt Shop – “Sew Modern”

Business Hours: NOW OPEN Monday - Friday 10–5, Saturday 10-3 Bring this ad for 20% off 1 non-sale notion, book, fabric (1 yd+) Note: 1 coupon per customer , per day, w/additional purchase please. 12514 Reynolds Drive, Fishers, IN 46038 QuiltExpressionslh@gmail.com

Advertisements for \$10 per month, MQG will publish ads for those who desire. Checks can be made out to Joanne Fishburn. You can mail or email your ad to me, the Editor, Lissa Shanahan.

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