

MUDSOCK MESSENGER



From the President's Pen

The Lazy "Daze" of Summer

This is my second summer in Indiana and I am still having a hard time dealing with the HOT WEATHER – so far 25 days at 90 degrees or above and then there were the triple digit days! As I drink my coffee in the morning I turn to the weather page in the paper and check out the temps back home. It usually reads as follows:

	Lo	Hi	Wea
Boston	67	79	Ts
Providence	68	81	Pc
Portland, Me	65	74	Ts

I like to check the info on the New England coast because the Cape Cod weather will be similar. Eastham, MA is only three miles wide with water on three sides and this affects the local weather. Cape Cod summers are usually sunny and warm with a cool breeze off the water.

July has been a "sluggish" month for me. It took two weeks before I got my sewing machine back in its table upstairs in my sewing room. I have only been up twice for about twenty minutes each time. My vision was to spend hours in my cooled sewing room working on my many projects. So what's going on?

Upon reflection I realize that I have been spending a lot of time holding a hose and watering my trees, shrubs and vegetable gardens. Our landscaping is two years old and in danger due to the drought. The veggie garden is doing well, but requires constant vigilance to keep it watered and bug free! So far we have been rewarded with great tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, carrots and beets. We look forward to green beans if I can keep the bugs away!

Another duty is maintaining the hummingbird feeder – not too time consuming. It has become an attraction for the birds, but also for us to sit and watch them. We have had three regulars who fight over who gets to go first. It is amazing how close we sit to the feeder and still they come. Also there are the trips to the pool with the grandkids and I see that I have not been sluggish at all, just busy with summer activities!

I haven't abandoned my quilting interest after all! On Friday, July 20 my husband and I drove up to Marion to the Quilter's Hall of Fame event. We went to the show at the school and, of course, the vendors. We toured the Webster house and enjoyed the quilts from the special exhibit. We then went to the library to see the quilts by Eleanor Burns and her staff. All of those quilts were terrific- - great fabric selection, effective use of value and wonderful machine quilting!! Unfortunately, we did not attend any of the events that featured Eleanor Burns, the honoree. We need to plan ahead another time.

On Friday, July 27 we set out on another quilting adventure in Kokomo. We went to the "Shop Till You Drop! Quilt Shop Hop!" and was that an event! Thirty vendors, demonstrations, door prizes and lunch all available in the same building. I checked out all the new books and plan to add a couple to my Christmas list. I let my eclectic fabric desires guide my purchases. I came home with bright orange batiks and some wonderful drab reproductions, a pack of 42 five inch squares of Halloween prints from Moda and a wool applique kit for a table mat. I am now ready to get upstairs and SEW!!!

Marion

P.S. I hope you will share your quilt adventures with us through the newsletter. Send Holly a write up, and she'll put it in a future newsletter. I know I'm always looking for a good show to attend, a shop to check out or any quilt related event.

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August MQG Meeting

****Our next meeting will be held at the Fishers United Methodist Church beginning at 9:30 am on Monday, August 13. ****

Linda Hale and Teri Dougherty owners of *The Back Door* quilt shop in Greenwood, will be sharing wool appliqué, a trunk show, and one or two new products.

Wool appliqué is the easiest appliqué technique, for several reasons:

- There are no edges to turn.
- There's no right or wrong side, so you don't have to reverse patterns.
- You don't have to use fusible web (though you can if you want to).
- Cutting on the straight of grain or on the bias works equally well.
- The blanket stitching can be done by hand (or machine).
- Hand-dyed wools come in yummy colors.

I also love it, because it is a fun and transportable project that is easy on the hands and eyes. Hope you love it as much as I do! - Pat Adams



****Regular Monthly Meetings are scheduled for the SECOND MONDAY of the month and are held at the Fishers United Methodist Church. You will be notified at least one month in advance if an alternative meeting location has been arranged.****

****Supplemental "Sew-In" days are scheduled for the FIRST & THIRD THURSDAYS of each month and are held at Cindy Reynolds barn. These WILL NOT be cancelled due to inclement weather. The barn is heated, but NOT air conditioned- - attending, is left up to your own discretion!!****

Directions

Barn Address: 21097 Durbin Rd.
Noblesville, IN 46060

Directions:

- Go NORTH on SR 37- - Continue to 206th Street (there will be a traffic light and also a sign saying Prairie Baptist Church)
- Turn RIGHT onto 206th Street and continue approximately 4 miles to Durbin Rd. (It is the 4th crossroad and also the only T-road). If you cross a little bridge, you have gone too far.
- Turn LEFT onto Durbin Rd.
- Cindy's barn is the fourth driveway on the LEFT.



****This is a long tree-lined driveway with a large white house and barn- - park around the back of the barn.****

2013 Mudsock Guild Quilt Show

Chairmen and Committee Members: Please plan on meeting in your various groups after the meeting. Get to know those in your group, set up future meeting times/dates, and start discussing what you would like to see at the show.

REMINDER: Any and ALL quilts can and should be entered in the MQG quilt show. The reason for this allowance is because MQG has never had a show. Therefore, ANY QUILT is new for this guild and can be entered- - even if it has previously been entered in another guild-sponsored show!!

We're hoping to have at least 200 quilts; so, hopefully we'll all have several old and new projects ready to be entered for viewing! -Holly

Reminders & Notifications

Cancellation Notifications

As you all know, July's meeting was cancelled last month due to extreme heat, and I am pleased to announce that everyone on the roster list was notified before that morning's meeting. However, in the future, everyone with an email account needs to make a habit out of checking their mail the evening before each meeting. In this situation, I had a couple of days to contact, by phone, those who I was not sure received their email message. Yet, that might not always be the case. Therefore, I feel a good rule of thumb (to ensure notification of any type of announcement) is to double check your email the night before.

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.*****

Newsletter Availability at Meetings

I just wanted to send this out again, as a reminder:

In the past, we have always had a stack of newsletters available at the monthly meetings. But due to the high cost of printing, newsletters (found at the sign-in desk) will only be available to visitors/new members with NO EMAIL address. I am only referring to the newsletters at the sign-in table. This does not apply to the ones I mail out. MEMBERS WITH HOME ADDRESSES ONLY, WILL STILL CONTINUE TO HAVE THEIR'S MAILED.

I know this may be an inconvenience for many of you, because it is nice to have a copy on-hand during announcements. However, I've done some research this week, and in order to accommodate that desire for everyone, the guild would have to spend approximately \$50-\$60/month in printing fees!

Thanks for understanding!

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

Contact Information

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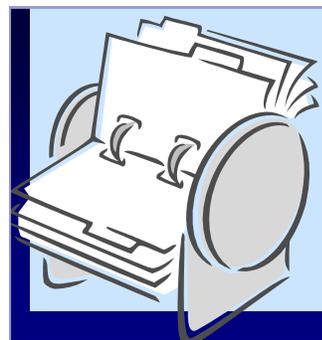
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Future Dates for MQG: Where's my Datebook?

MQG Monthly Meetings:

August 13, 2012— "The Back Door" will present a show on wool applique plus other offerings

September 10, 2012— "Color Study"- - Kay Kingsley comes to MQG to demonstrate

October 8, 2012— "Batiks"- - Florence Pinkston visits!

Quilt Shows & More:

"Harvest of Quilts....Looking Forward—Looking Back"

Who: Sponsored by Common Threads Quilt Guild

What: Quilt Show

When: August 24 (9am-5pm) & August 25 (9am-4pm)

Where: Mt. Comfort Methodist Church (3179 N. 600 W. Mount Comfort, IN)

How Much: \$5.00 admission fee

"Quilts in the Park"

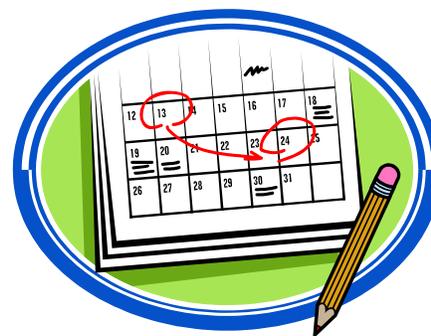
Who: Sponsored by Spring Valley Quilt Guild

What: Quilt show

When: September 8-10 from 10am-6pm & September 11th from noon-4pm

Where: Pendleton Historical Museum in Falls Park

How Much: \$3.00 donation to the museum at the door



Future Sew-In Dates:

August 2, 2012

August 16, 2012

September 6, 2012

August Birthdays

Judy Dunnigan 8/4

Fran Andrews 8/9

Debbie Cobb 8/29



New Member

Please welcome Geetha Naganathan, who joins our guild this August!

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 2012 Rosie Antonides	February 2012 Pat Adams	March 2012 Elizabeth Meek
April 2012 Liz Rott	May 2012 Judy Elwartowski	June 2012 Joann Fishburn
July 2012 Judy Dunnigan	<u>August 2012 Kathy Astrike</u>	September 2012 Laura Phares
October 2012 Cindy Reynolds	November 2012 Marion Newell	December 2012 Barbara Street

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

Treasurer’s Report - Joanne Fishburn



Mudsock Quilters Guild Board of Officers 2012

August 2012	
Balance Forward	\$ 1,638.77
INCOME	
Donations	\$ 0.00
Dues	\$ 0.00
Interest	\$ 0.00
Scholarships	\$ 0.00
Miscellaneous	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ 0.00
EXPENSES	
Hospitality	\$ 0.00
Speaker Fee	\$ 0.00
Mileage/Lodging	\$ 0.00
Administrative	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 0.00
BALANCE August 2012	\$ 1,638.77

President	Marion Newell
Vice President	Pat Adams
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Treasurer	Joanne Fishburn
Membership Chairman	Kathy Jensen
Quilt Show Chairman	Susie Cook
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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