

MUDSOCK MESSENGER



From the President's Pen

It is Time to Take a Next Step

Congratulations Mudsock Quilters! It has been a good first year of programs, new friends and planning for our first quilt show. We need to choose a slate of officers and plan new programs so the Mudsock Quilters can continue to move forward. At the October meeting I will ask for three volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee. It will be their job to find which of you would like to take on the challenge and fun of becoming an officer of Mudsock Quilters Guild. We are looking for a President, Vice-President and Secretary. I hope there are three of you out there who would be willing to step up and get this going. Don't make me lock the door and keep you in the building until we find our volunteers!

The current Mudsock Board has finalized the proposed By-Laws and you will soon be receiving a copy by snail mail or email. Please read them over. I am happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have. We plan to vote them in at our November meeting.

Pat and I have begun to explore the possibility of finding a meeting room that would have the ability to support sewing machines and irons so we could have some work session meetings. We would welcome suggestions if you know of a place that might meet the requirements.

I am happy to report that I have caught up on all my Block of the Month responsibilities. BOM is a great way to try out new designs, different colorways and to make new friends. But if we don't return our blocks in a timely manner we risk disappointing of our fellow members. Let's get those blocks done and returned!

Now that the eggplants have stopped producing I can get back to my projects. And it is a good thing, too. My turn at Block of the Month is November and I need to get my blocks prepped! At least I have chosen a block and selected my fabrics!

Marion

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2013 Mudsock Guild Quilt Show

Quilt Show Committees: By the end of October, each committee needs to meet and report back to Susan Cook (Quilt Show Chair). I would like to meet with the committee leaders after our guild meeting in October for a progress report. April 2013 is just around the corner, and we have the holidays coming up soon. There is no time to waste. Here is what I need from the 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 vendors and speakers.

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

A Special Message.....

A Quilter's Challenge

by Selena Krajewski



Quilters love challenges! Quilters love meaningful challenges even more. I'm hoping our wonderful guild will rise to the challenge I presented 9 months ago. In January, I presented a challenge to the guild to complete 50 quilts and/or blankets (details below) for donation to Riley Children's Hospital and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. I am very passionate about this donation and would like to see my goal reached. For those of you new to the guild, I will share the two precious reasons why I'm so dedicated to see this through.

Twenty three months ago, my husband was offered a position at Eli Lilly. At the time we were living in North Carolina raising our son and pregnant with twins. We planned the move but didn't plan the rest of the story. I went into premature labor and delivered our beautiful son and daughter. We were blessed to have our son for one day and our daughter for three before passing away. Everything they touched in their short life was given to us. I have quilts on which they laid, I have blankets they touched, I have the crocheted caps they wore. Each item is cherished beyond words.

Now you know my two reasons I feel passionately about giving to other families through the hospital. I hope my story touches you and motivates you to create something for a family who is mourning the life of their child, or for a family who is celebrating the endurance of their child.

Requirements of the quilts/blankets:

- Size: suggested sizes are 45X60 or 72X80 (I realize these are large), but smaller will be accepted and appreciated.
- Yarn: for knitted/crocheted blankets, yarn must be new.
- Other: NO TACKING! There is to be no hand sewing whatsoever as this can get caught on IV tubing and other equipment.
- NICU: For items going to the NICU, only 100% cotton is used (cotton batting, cotton fabric, cotton thread, no hand sewing).

I am unable to attend the guild meetings since I am working full time now, but if you give the donated items to Rosie Antonides, I will get them from her. I appreciate all your dedication and hard work! Thank you for making this goal happen!

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Future Dates for MQG: Where's my Datebook?

MQG Monthly Meetings:

October 8, 2012— "Batiks"- - Florence Pinkston visits!
 October 31, 2012— Next Board Meeting 9:30am at Marion's home
 (all members are welcome to attend)



The next Mudsock Board Meeting will be Wednesday, October 31 at 9:30 AM at the home of Marion Newell and not on November 7 as previously scheduled. Marion will be out of town on November 7. Board Meetings are open to all Mudsock members. If you would like to attend and need directions please contact Marion Newell.

October Birthdays

Pat Adams	10/12
Rosie Antonides	10/16
Sandy Swircek	10/17



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 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	August 2012 Kathy Astrike	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



October 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 October 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