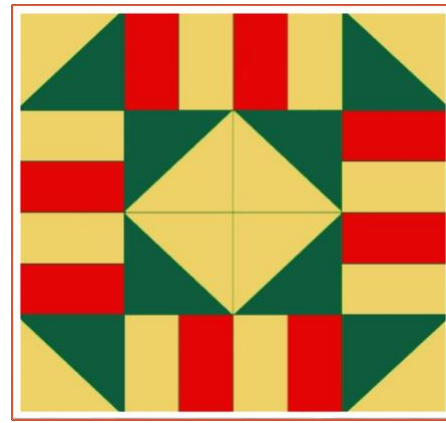


Mudsock Messenger



Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month

Fishers United Methodist Church

[Website] mudsockquiltersguild.org

From the President's Pen

Ladies – I do not know about you, but I had such a good time at our September meeting! A HUGE shout out to our awesome VP, Diane Peterson, for finding the awesome location, and for the lesson (and thank you to Kathy Jensen as well)! I have not had a spare moment since the meeting to work on what I started at the meeting, but this quilt is going to the top of my UFO pile!! I am very much looking forward to our October meeting, to get some valuable tips on the dreaded sandwiching process.

I cannot believe we are down to just three more meetings in this year! It has been such a fun journey! I hope you all have enjoyed yourselves, and feel that you have grown as quilters. We have a lot to accomplish in the next few months – we will be electing a new board, and positioning ourselves for a smooth transition. We will be filling committee positions with guild members who want to assure our guild grows, and our members are getting the most from our meetings. We will begin to plan programs that will inspire and encourage. I thank those of you who have offered to help keep the guild progressing.

I want to remind everyone that at our December meeting we plan to have a pitch in, and a fashion show, to display all your quilted fashion creations. This will include anything that is not a regular quilt, pillow or a

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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.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

Happy B-Day to:

12 Pat Adams

16 Rosemary Antonides

23 Joanie Riddle

26 Kimberly Scott

wall hanging, such as jackets, bags, totes, wallets, etc. Please plan to display your creations, even if you have brought them for show and tell in an earlier month!

Happy quilting, all! I look forward to seeing you all back at our normal meeting spot, at the church, for our October meeting!

Joanne

October 12th Mudsock Program

Sandwiching and Basting Your Quilts

Many of you have complained that you hate sandwiching and basting your quilts, so we have put a panel together to demonstrate their favorite methods. Rocky Schuh, Kathy Zook and Val Angove have volunteered to lead us to solving this frustration. If the weather permits, we will actually sandwich and spray a quilt outside. They will demonstrate proven methods for spray basting, using clamps, pin basting and hand thread basting. Bring your questions or problems and they will be happy to solve the problem.

Better Edges LLC

This summer I met Robert Zickler a Sharpener at the Saxony Farmers Market. I asked him to come to one of our meetings to sharpen our knives and scissors. He did a great job at a competitive price. So bring your scissors, knives and cutting blades (with holder) and they will be done during the meeting (no need to leave your favorite tools and have to return to the store to pick them up). **He will be able to make the October meeting..** Please email me or call me if you are interested in this service. (Diane Peterson - [\(317\) 550-9080 ddimpfl1@comcast.net](mailto:(317)550-9080))

Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events

- Oct. 12 Next Guild Meeting, 9:30-11:30 am - Fellowship Hall Fishers United Methodist Church, Sandwiching and Basting
- Oct. 20 Piecers Group, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Always in Stitches, Marsha Baer, 407-9711, contact
- Oct. 21 Quilting 101, 12:30 – 3:30 pm, Always in Stiches, Joanne Fishburn, contact
- Oct. 27 Handwork Group, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Always in Stitches, Pat Adams, 490-1155, contact
- Nov. 09 Guild Meeting, 9:30 -11:30 am - Fellowship Hall Fishers United Methodist Church -- Cotton Theory Quilting (by Lana Russel)
- Dec. 14 Guild Meeting, 9:30 – 11:30 am - Fellowship Hall Fishers United Methodist Church, Holiday Brunch and Fashion Show

Charity Donation Opportunities

There are several needs and opportunities for us as a Guild to make donations.

Baby Quilts – Riley Hospital. Requirements for the quilts/blankets:

Size: Suggested 45 x 60 or 72 x 80 (These are large but smaller ones are also acceptable and appreciated). NO TACKING! There is to be no hand sewing whatsoever as this can get caught on IV tubing and other equipment. 100% cotton batting and 100% cotton fabrics are required. Minky, fleece and flannel are acceptable and encouraged. The kiddos love the soft feel and warmth of these fabrics.

Pillowcases – Riley Hospital Pediatric Urology Unit and Nora Elementary School.

Patterns for the pillowcases can be found at www.allpeoplequilt.com. A simple pattern is “The Hot Dog pillowcase”. Instructions can be found on You Tube or just Google: Hot Dog Pillowcase and you will find numerous tutorials.

Other items to donate without making a quilt or sewing a pillowcase:

Knitted/crocheted blankets, yarn must be new.

Shout Color Catchers. The quilts are washed in fragrance-free detergent before they are donated. Many boxes are used in this process.

Cotton batting – batting can be pricey, so any batting donations would be greatly appreciated. Must be 100% cotton.

Continued support: Encouragement, prayers and good wishes sustain us all.

Bring your completed donations to any of our meetings.

Advice from a Singer Sewing Machine Manual from 1949

Prepare yourself mentally for sewing.

Think about what you are going to do.

Never approach sewing with a sigh or lackadaisically. Good results are difficult when indifference dominates.

Never try to sew when there are urgent housekeeping chores, with a sink full of dirty dishes or beds unmade. Do these first so that your mind is free to enjoy your sewing.

When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible. Put on a clean dress.

Keep a little bag of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals.

Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on.

If you are constantly fearful that a visitor might drop in or your husband will come home, and you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing.

(Thanks to Val Angove for these words of wisdom)

Indiana Quilting Events 2015

October 9-11 (Fri, Sat 10-5, Sun 10-3)

Brown County Historical Society QUILT SHOW
90 East Gould Street, Nashville, Indiana

Over 100 quilts, spinning & weaving demonstrations, lunch cafe & homemade pies, music & antique quilts, vendors.

October 10 (Sat 9-2:30)

Sewing/Quilting Seminar
Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, Exhibition Center

October 23-24 (Fri, Sat 10-5)
Quilter's Guild of Indianapolis Quilt Show
Westfield Middle School
US 31 N & 181st Street
Westfield, IN 4607

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.

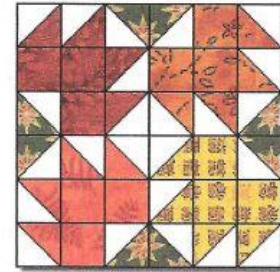


Do not forget, the Block of the Month Swap takes place after the meeting!

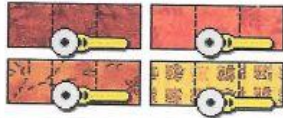
Mudsock Quilt Guild BOM for October 2015

Leaves & Diamonds

-  Color 1 = one 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" strip AND one 3" x 6" strip
-  Color 2 = one 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" strip AND one 3" x 6" strip
-  Color 3 = one 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" strip AND one 3" x 6" strip
-  Color 4 = one 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" strip AND one 3" x 6" strip
-  Color 5 = **Brown** = PROVIDED one 3" x 12" strip
-  Color 6 = **Cream** = FOUR 3" x 6" and one 3" x 12" strip

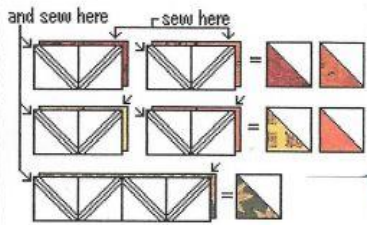


This makes a 12" block!



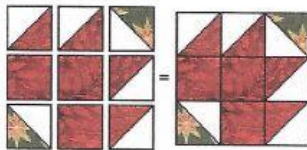
Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block

Start by cutting Colors 1, 2, 3, and 4 2 1/2" x 7 1/2" strips into three 2 1/2" squares.

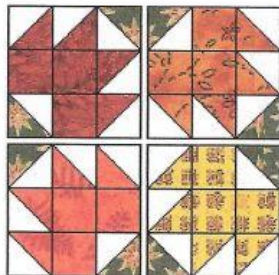


Now we'll piece all those half squares!

Stack Color 1 and Cream 3" x 6" strips, right sides together, then mark the 3" square line, and the diagonals in the directions shown at the left. Now sew a 1/4" above and below the marked diagonals, pivoting at the 3" square line. Cut apart **ON the marked diagonals** and cut apart **on the square line as well**. This will give you four half squares. Press seams to darker side, and **trim these to measure 2 1/2"**. Repeat this with the Cream strips of this length, pairing them with Color 2, 3 and 4 strips to make four each in those colors. Then again with the Cream and Brown 3" x 12" strips to get eight in that color. Press seams to darker side and **trim these to measure 2 1/2"**.



To sew the block's four quarters...sew together three rows of three squares and/or half squares as shown at far left, using scant 1/4" seams, and pressing row seams in alternating directions. Make four quarter blocks, using a different leaf color, but the SAME Color 5, in each quarter.



Piece the block by sewing the four quarters together, and that's all there is to it!

*Enjoy!
Pat*

REMINDERS:

Bring your donations for the 2016 Tag Sale. (Members can purchase before we offer at the sale).

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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