

# MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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**Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month**

**Fishers United Methodist Church**

**[Website] [mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://mudsockquiltersguild.org)**

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## **From the President's Sewing Desk**

I am loving my "Bricks" quilt which I started at our last guild meeting under Sandy's direction. It is ready to be sandwiched. As she demonstrated how to lay out her strips the "peanut gallery" comments were very entertaining. Quilters love to give "helpful" suggestions. When we get together to sew and create the fellowship that is enjoyed enriches our lives. If you aren't joining one of our "Bees", you are missing the blessings. It doesn't matter your skill level, we love to encourage one another.

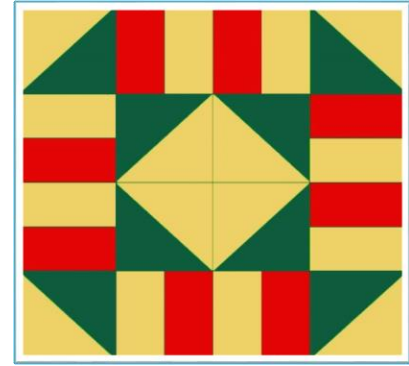
I have my BOM ready for our April meeting and I've enjoyed seeing some of yours on our Facebook page. I am so glad this has been launched.

Susan Cook's presentation on setting our blocks this month should really inspire us with new possibilities in planning our block layout.

There are some exciting plans for our road trip to Missouri Star Quilt Company in Hamilton, MO. Check out the details on our web page—"I'M IN"!

Still working on my UFO's.  
Happy Sewing,

**Val**



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## **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

**Happy, Happy B-Day to:**

- 07 Erika Nickens
- 09 Lorraine Ohlman
- 13 Kathy Rudd
- 14 Elizabeth Meek
- 16 Lissa Shanahan
- 22 Helen Hein
- 25 Kathy Zook
- 27 Cindy Reynolds

## **WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS!**

Carlene Clark  
Jan Dustman

We had 49 members  
& 2 guests at our March mtg.

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## **APRIL 10TH--Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30 – 11:30+)**

At the next Mudsock meeting on April 10, Susan Cook will be presenting how to set blocks for your quilt. This will be very helpful for members who have won "block of the month" blocks and are unsure how to put them together into a quilt. Anyone who has quilts with novel ways to set your quilt squares, feel free to bring them for show and tell. Hope to see you all there.

Submitted by Sandy Metzger, program chair

If you want to save your place for the Missouri Star Quilt Company road trip, bring a check for \$100 deposit. See our website at [www.mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org) for more details.

## **Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events**

- Apr. 17** Community North Quilting Bee, 9:30 - 3:00, Community Room at Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E. 146<sup>th</sup> St., Noblesville; Diane Peterson, contact.
- Apr. 18** Piecers Group, 1:00 – 4:00, Always in Stitches, Marsha Baer, 407-9711, contact.
- Apr. 25** Handwork Group, 1:00 – 4:00, Always in Stitches, Pat Adams, 490-1155, contact
- May 08** Guild Meeting, 9:30-11:30, Fishers UMC, Fellowship Hall
- Sept. 09** Mudsock Tag Sale, Fishers UMC, Fellowship Hall
- Oct. 10-12** Missouri Star bus trip

## **Block of the Month NEWS**

The focus fabric and directions were provided at our March Meeting. Go to the Mudsock website at [www.mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org) for more details.



April BOM



March completed BOMs

## Other Quilting Events

- April 6-8**      **International Quilt Festival**, Stephens Convention Center, Rosemont, IL, Daily Pass \$10; Event Pass \$25
- June 21- 24**      **Shipshewana Quilt Festival**, Shipshewana Event Center, 760 S Van Buren St, Shipshewana, IN, Daily Pass \$8; Event Pass \$12
- October 20-21**      2017 Indianapolis Quilters Guild Show: "QUILT – EAT – SLEEP – REPEAT ", Westfield Middle School, 345 W Hoover St, Westfield, IN

## 243 Keepsakes Donated to the Riley Children's Hospital!

Selena Krajewski

On Friday, February 17th we donated an astounding 243 keepsake items to Riley Children's Hospital Cheer Guild! The breakdown of the donations are as follows: 118 quilts and crocheted/knitted blankets; 51 pillowcases; 54 knitted hats; 9 pairs of booties; 8 scarves; one apron set for a girl and her doll; and 2 child activity books.

Each month I am overwhelmed with the donations and support you ladies continue to give this charity which is now in its 5<sup>th</sup> year. The quilts and other donations we've given will be considered "keepsake items" and will be presented with discernment to families in need. From my experience, those items are among the most precious that a family going through tragedy will receive.

The Mudsock Quilters Guild continues to set the bar high and reach it. Take a look at these numbers:

February 2013 (first year for the charity): 21 items donated.

February 2014: 43 items donated.

February 2015: 102 items donated.

February 2016: 149 items donated.

February 2017: 2

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. 100% cotton batting and 100% cotton fabrics are required. Minky, fleece, flannel are all acceptable and encouraged – the kiddos love the soft feel and warmth of these fabrics.

Pillowcases:

The “hot dog pillowcase” is addictive to make! It also hides all fabric raw edges which means no unraveled fabrics to catch little fingers. Here’s a link to make that: <http://sewhooked.com/2010/01/29/sewing-hot-dog-a-pillowcase/> Use fun, bright, festive fabrics for the kids to rest their weary heads on.

Other ways to donate without making a quilt:

Shout Color Catchers: I wash all of the quilts in fragrance-free detergent before bringing them to Riley each year. I go through boxes of color catchers and can always use donations of these. A big thank you goes out to the person who donated the box this year!

Cotton batting: Most of us use our stash to make the quilts we donate but batting can be pricey. Any batting donations would be greatly appreciated. Must be 100% cotton.

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

I wish you all happy sewing. You can guarantee that I will continue a similar ministry/charity in Pennsylvania once we settle in and I find a new guild. I just hope and pray the ladies are half as wonderful as you’ve been to me! God bless each and every one of you.

## REMINDERS

**Bring your donations for the Tag Sale. Please put prices on them.**

**Please bring items for the Church’s food pantry. (We do this in lieu of rent.)**

**Wear a 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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