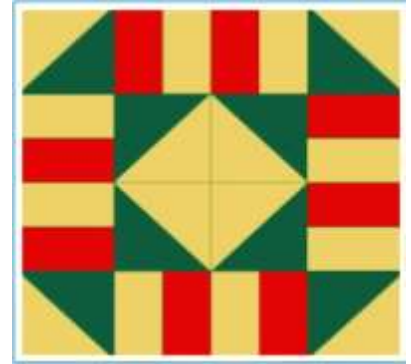


# MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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**Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month**  
**Cornerstone Lutheran Church**  
**13450 East 116th Street, Fishers, Indiana**  
**[Website] [mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://mudsockquiltersguild.org)**



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

Hello Quilters,

Well, this certainly isn't what any of us expected of 2020! We are missing meetings, workshops, and bees while staying at home and sewing more than normal because of a virus that has swept across the world. We don't know what the next few weeks or months will bring, but we do know a few things:

We are a group of loving and helpful women who continue to find ways to share our quilting craft with the world. We are still making baby quilts, wedding quilts, birthday quilts, graduation quilts, cancer quilts, and every other kind of quilt. We are still sewing pillowcases for family and friends and for charities. We are still doing mystery quilts, sew-a-longs and Blocks of the Month (love those bunnies!).

We are staying connected with Facebook, texts, phone calls, e-mails, and cards. Some of us are getting creative and giving hilarious tours of their sewing areas (thank you, Ann Riccardelli).

We are finding new ways to help others by sewing masks for EMT's, hospice workers, and hospitals.

We are offering each other encouragement and doing our best to deal with this new normal. And when all of this is over and we are back together again, we will have a greater appreciation for the time that we spend together and the opportunities we have to sew and learn together.

Thank you to all who participated in the Quilter's Day Out last month. The shops were great, and the lunch at Arni's was a lot of fun. The ladies at my table laughed ourselves silly as Chris Behme shared stories of making Madonna-inspired bustiers in the late 80's. She swears there are no pictures of these garments that she bedazzled. Perhaps she can add that to her skill-share calendar for later this year?

There also was a nice turnout at the Indiana Heritage Quilt Show in Bloomington. Glad we took advantage of these opportunities to socialize and enjoy quilts on display while we could.

Since our calendar for April has been cleared, there isn't anything to say about upcoming events other than stay home, stay well, and stay connected!

## April



## April Birthdays and New Members

### Happy Birthday to:

01	Barbara Broadlick	13	Kathy Rudd	22	Helen Hein
04	Donna Nielsen	14	Elizabeth Meek	25	Kathy Zook
07	Ilene Cohen	16	Lissa Shanahan	27	Cindy Reynolds
07	Erika Nickens	19	Linda Richey	27	Tiffany Turcotte
09	Lorraine Ohlman	19	Melissa Schulman	29	Sue Robison
09	Kim Williams	20	Amy Anderson		
12	Joan Hiner	21	Debra Lloyd		

### New Members:

Sharon Mitchell  
Jana Ball  
Terri Degenkolb

**Attendance at March Meeting:** 91 members, 2 new members, and 5 guests

## April 9th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–12:00)

**Cancelled!!**

## Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events & Meetings

**ALL APRIL EVENTS ARE CANCELLED DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS!!!**

## Workshops (updates from Chris Behme)

Due to the cancellation of the guild meeting we will not be hosting Doris Goins for the day. This means the *Quilt As Desired* workshop is cancelled, there will be no rescheduling. Refunds will be sent to those who prepaid.

Cancellation/Postponement: **Ten Pocket Travel Tote** with Vickie Smith, April 14th. We are going to try to reschedule this at a later date. If you would prefer an immediate refund please contact me at [chrisknitssews@gmail.com](mailto:chrisknitssews@gmail.com), otherwise your payment will hold your place.

Due to the cancellation of the April guild meeting we won't be able to sign up for classes in person, so please contact me at [chrisknitssews@gmail.com](mailto:chrisknitssews@gmail.com) if you are interested in being a part of these coming classes:

**Sashiko Quilting** with Alice Ridge, May 11th, 1:30-4:00, Always In Stitches  
Learn the proper techniques for Sashiko stitching. \$25.00 + Kit Fee

**New York Beauty** with Alice Ridge, May 12th, 9:30-3:30, location to TBD  
This workshop will teach you how to sew curves and create movement with your design. \$40.00 fee.

**Coming up in June**, Toby Lischko of Gateway Quilts and Stuff will join us for our meeting and two workshops.

Half Day Workshop Parfait June 8th Learn how to make Location TBD

Full Day Workshop Mojito June 9th Location TBD

### Skill Shares:

Cancellation/Postponement: Skill Share with Kristin Alfano: Graffiti Quilting. We are working to get this rescheduled later in the year.

**Zippered Pouches** with Chris Behme. May 21<sup>st</sup>, 10:00-2:00. In this class you will learn zipper insertion while making a cute pouch, 10:00-2:00, Delaware Township Offices, 9090 E 131 St., Fishers, IN.

## 2020 Mudsock Quilt Challenge "Just Initial It!"

Since our April meeting was cancelled I will not be able to reveal this year's Challenge in person, so I have included the information in the newsletter. If you have any questions about the information provided please contact me at [chrisknitssews@gmail.com](mailto:chrisknitssews@gmail.com)

This year's Challenge involves your name, or at least, the initials of your name.

- A. Take the initial of your first name and match it to a quilt block with the same first letter.
- B. Take the initial of your middle name and find a color that has the same initial. You can get VERY creative here with all the names of colors out there.
- C. Take the initial of your last name and pair it with a color that has that same initial. Again, be creative, search color names online for some fun ones!

For my initials I might have: C=Crossroads J=Japanese Maple B=Burnt Umber  
So, that's how we choose the Block and Color, what about the rest of the parameters?

**Size:** No smaller than 12"x12" and no larger than 48" 48". Can be a quilt, a tote, a pillow, whatever you can imagine.

**Colors:** You may use a neutral for your background, be it white, cream, gray, black.  
You may use several shades or prints of your 2 "Initial" colors.

Our big reveal will be at the July meeting, July 13th, 2020.

Now put those thinking caps on and go create!

## **Other Upcoming Quilting Events (new dates in red)**

**May 30-31** **String-A-Long Quilt Show, Focus: Generations of Quilters**, Porter County Expo Center, 215 E. Division Road, Valparaiso, IN, Sat: 9-5 CST, Sun:10-4 CST. The show offers vendors, guild boutique, raffle quilt, raffle baskets, silent auction and special displays of Comfort Quilts, Quilts of Valor, antique quilts, and more... Admission is \$7 Adults 18 & over, \$2 Children 11-17 under 10 free  
For more information email us at [stringalongqqq@yahoo.com](mailto:stringalongqqq@yahoo.com)

**Jun 19-22** **Shipshewana Quilt Festival**, Wed: 12pm-5pm; Thurs-Fri: 9am-5pm; Sat: 9am-3pm, Michiana Event Center (MEC), 455 E Farver St., Shipshewana, IN. Show will once again be juried and limited to approximately 200 quilts.

**Sept 2-5** **AQS Quilt Week Show, Wed-Fri: 9am-6pm, Sat: 9am-4pm**, Schroeder Expo Center, 415 Park Street, Paducah, KY 4200

## **Masks are Needed!!!**

Thanks to our members who sewed masks for Meals on Wheels (MOW) of Marion County! We turned in more than 260 at last count. MOW is serving over 1,000 people in this area who are homebound, not only the elderly but also many who are very critically ill. MOW continues to work with all 10 hospitals in Indy to provide medically tailored and physician-directed meals. All hospitals require their MOW drivers to wear face masks to enter pick up areas. Our quick response has allowed them to continue this vital work.

Our members also provided masks to Kindred Hospice and to St. Vincent's, Riverview, and Community Hospitals.

The need at Community Hospital is ongoing. If you would like to assist in this effort, please go to <https://www.ecommunity.com/giveppe>. Scroll down to "Homemade Goods," select "Homemade Masks," and enter the number of masks you think you will be able to make. You will be contacted with more information about how drop-off will work, where to go, etc. Please read all of the instructions carefully.

The pattern that we have been sewing is referred to on the internet as the Deaconess Hospital pattern. It's very easy to make. If you need elastic, email me, April Sterling, at [aster6002@sbcglobal.net](mailto:aster6002@sbcglobal.net), and I will put a plastic bag of elastic on my front porch for you to pick up. Each bag contains enough elastic

to make 20 masks. At this time, COVID-19 cases in Indiana are projected to peak in mid- to late April, so time is of the essence.

We have also been contacted by Rehabilitation Hospital of Indiana. They are a very large acute care inpatient rehabilitation facility located at I-465 and Michigan Road in Indianapolis. Their patients have various diagnoses including all types of brain and spinal cord Injuries, medically complex diagnoses, and much more. Their staff are in need of PPE. They are willing to pick up the masks so we would have only a central drop off at my house, 7835 Tufton St, Fishers.

As we are contacted by other institutions needing masks, we will post that information on our Facebook page.

Special thanks are due to Linda Gillespie for donating a spool of elastic, to Alice Whitaker for donating the elastic set aside for Little Dresses for Africa, and to Heather Givans at Crimson Tate for donating enough elastic for 370 masks. Additional elastic is on order so we should be able to continue to sew as many masks as you can produce. Glo Stalhut was able to acquire new, free bolts of fabric from one of her fabric distributors. She will provide the guild with three bolts of fabric that we can use for masks. This will be cut into two-yard sections that will be available for pick up at my house.

Any questions – please call or text me, April Sterling, at 317-452-3400.

## Block of the Month NEWS

“**Block of the Month**” (BOM) is a quick and easy way to learn new piecing techniques while contributing to member quilts. Each month, the BOM Committee selects a unique block pattern which they assemble at home and bring to the guild meeting.

Everyone who wants to participate follows the same free pattern, using random fabrics with specified colorways. The following month, all of the uniform blocks are displayed, and a raffle is held to determine who gets to take home the blocks for an instant quilt. If enough members join in the fun, we might have 3-4 beneficiaries of the blocks!

For detailed information for the May, **Air Castle Block**, go to Mudsock website at [www.mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org). It is a 12.5” block. Please use white or white-on-white for the background and your choice of 3 fabrics for the body.



## Advertisements

During this time, where we must stay home, it gives us an opportunity to work on some of those UFOs. I have updated my website [www.quiltedglo.com](http://www.quiltedglo.com) with all of the backings (with the exception of remnants) and panels that are in stock. I will continue to make updates to the web site daily as I add kits, hot fix and tools. If you are in Indiana and wish to purchase something on the web, please call me at 317-696-5084 versus ordering on the website. This is to make sure that I can give you the best price on shipping/options. The shipping on the web site is calculated cover shipment anywhere in the US. If you are close to me, I may be able to reduce the shipping costs. Stay healthy.

Cheers!  
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### **Quilt Expressions Quilt Shop – “Sew Modern”**

Shop Closed Reopening Undetermined!. 12514 Reynolds Drive, Fishers, IN 46038, (317) 913-1816. [QuiltExpressionslh@gmail.com](mailto:QuiltExpressionslh@gmail.com)

## REMINDERS

- **Bring your donations for “Steals and Deals”. Please put prices on them (~\$4 yd).**
- **Please bring items for the Church’s food pantry and \$1.00 donation for their discretionary fund. (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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