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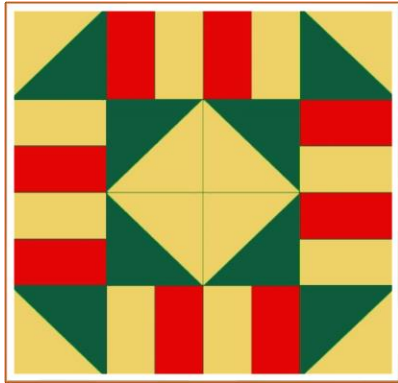
APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 01 Barbara Broadlick
- 04 Donna Nielsen
- 07 Ilene Cohen
- 07 Erika Nickens
- 09 Lorraine Ohlman
- 13 Kathy Rudd
- 14 Elizabeth Meek
- 16 Lissa Shanahan
- 19 Linda Richey
- 19 Melissa Schulman
- 20 Amy Anderson
- 21 Debra Lloyd
- 22 Helen Hein
- 25 Kathy Zook
- 27 Cindy Reynolds

NEW MEMBERS!

Marcia Coen
Sue Cox
Carol Dresher
Lynn Summers
Jean Williams

Mudsock Messenger



Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month
Cornerstone Lutheran Church
13450 East 116th Street, Fishers, Indiana
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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

I've received such an overwhelmingly positive response to our member only program for the first and last show and tell. The talent, creativity, and enthusiasm demonstrated how dedicated we are to this craft, this passion we share. No doubt, this program will be repeated in a year or two. I think this program also got a few of you out of your comfort zone, to come up front and share your work. It was fun, please come up again and show more of your work! (Except in April, we won't be having our regular show & tell)

Our April meeting will be all about Weeks. Weeks Ringle of Modern Quilt Studio, based in Oak Park, IL will be our speaker and instructor for 2 workshops. Even if you think that modern quilting may not be your "cup of tea", I'm certain she will offer inspiration and spark a few new ideas for you to try as you look at your stash, think about your next project, or attend a quilt show. You'll appreciate the modern quilts, the color use and patterns when you see them. As an internationally known quilter, Weeks will be an entertaining speaker and we're very excited to have her as our guest. Please bring a friend to the meeting (guests will be charged \$5 for this special meeting) Let's fill the seats!

I hope the information sheet that we passed out at the March meeting helped to keep you up to date on all the events, committees and charity options for the guild. I think it's a better way for you to keep track of everything happening for the month, or next several months. We tried it as a new approach to the committee members coming up front to speak, and I think it worked to keep the meeting moving and streamlined the information we need to offer each month. I did forget to include the hand-piecing group who meet at Always in Stitches on the last Tuesday of the month (April 30) from 1-4pm. Pop in sometime to work on a little project and get to know some guild members better.

I am constantly amazed at how we are growing as a guild, so many new members and guests at the March meeting! We are trying our best to find ways to keep our current members energized and draw in the new members. It can be very intimidating to step into a large group where it appears that everyone knows each other, and you feel like the last one asked to the dance. Please remember to

say hello, offer a seat, share some information, point- out the people “in the know” if there’s a question. We need everyone to keep this wonderful momentum going! We really are a lovely group, but keep in mind just how scary it can be to step in that first time. I’d like to thank Lynn Hupp for making the “guest” tags that were used last month. They are a welcome change from the cotton t-shirt bands we used for years. I chatted with a few guests who were quite impressed by them. Thanks again Lynn!

Our May meeting will be our challenge reveal. I think I finally decided on my project and hope when my mystery member comes up to receive it, there will be a delighted look on her face. I think finding out who received your fabric will be just as much fun as what the finished project is. It’s sure to be an entertaining meeting (but, really, aren’t they all??!) May 17 will be our next MEET & GREET, this time hosted by Amy and Laura Anderson at their home in Carmel. We will have more information and sign up for new members and those willing to help host at the April meeting.

Our BUS TRIP seems to be coming together, thanks to Lois and Becky for getting it organized. They will have more information at the April meeting. If you’d like to sign up, there’s a \$25 deposit. Bring your check and sign up at the Program table at the April meeting. We’re going to the AQS quilt show in Grand Rapids, MI in August.

There’s always so much to talk about, to remind you of, to promote, to encourage you, inspire you to write about each month. I hope you are enjoying the meetings, the small groups, the workshops, the charity sewing bees, and all the side activities that make this guild so much fun. Our BOM (block of the month) has grown with unprecedented excitement, thanks to some silly chickens earlier this year. Now, this month, we actually have a cup of tea to share with friends. Our STEALS AND DEALS tables are overflowing each meeting, and I know you are getting some great buys on fabric and supplies each meeting. Our sale to the public will be held on MAY 4th at Fishers UMC in their lovely gymnasium! Now is the time to clear out your sewing supplies, price them and bring them to the April meeting and then ready to sell in May.

Wherever you find your spot in the MUDSOCK QUILTERS GUILD, I hope you find a few friends, a bit of inspiration and a place you look forward to each month. I know I enjoy it tremendously and I thank each of you for the opportunity to be a part of it all.

Alice Whitaker

President, Mudsock Quilters Guild 2019

April 8th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–12:00)

“**Color in a Supporty Role**” presented by Weeks Ringle of Modern Quilt Studio in Oak Park, IL. This is a lecture and trunk show. See below for more information about Weeks Ringle.

Guests are welcome, however for this special speaker there will be a \$5.00 fee for non-members.

Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events & Meetings

- Apr 3** **Little Dresses for Africa**, 10:30 – 3:00, Always in Stitches, Alice Whitaker (757-903-5198), contact
- Apr 8** **Guild Meeting**, 9:30 – 12:00, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, “**Color in a Supporty Role**” presented by Weeks Ringle of Modern Quilt Studio in Oak Park, IL. This is a lecture and trunk show.
- Apr 15** **Community North Quilting Bee**, 9:30 - 3:00, Community Room at Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E. 146th St., Noblesville; Diane Dympf, (317) 550-9080, contact
- Apr 29** **UFO Sewing**, Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E. 146th Street, Noblesville, IN. 9:00-3:30. Come and bring a project or two to work on. April Sterling, contactl, 317-452-3400.
- Apr 30** **Handwork/Piecers**, 1:00 – 4:00, Always in Stitches. Marion Newell (317-336-3567)/Marsha Baer (317-842-8889), contacts
- May 3** **Mudsock Board Meeting**, 1:30, Alice Whitaker’s house.
- May 13** **Guild Meeting**, 9:30 – 12:00, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, “**2019 Challenge Quilt**” Sandy Metzger and Cindy Lazar will lead us in the unveiling of the quilt projects that the participants have made. We look forward to seeing what you creative ladies have done with the 4 fat quarters that were in your brown paper bags.

2019 Workshops

April 8 – Workshop: The Role of Color in Your Quilts, with Weeks Ringle of Modern Quilt Studio, Community Health Pavilion, 146th Street and Cumberland Road, 2-5 p.m. Cost: \$30.
SOLDOUT!!!



Weeks Ringle and Bill Kerr are professional quilters and co-founders of Modern Quilt Studio, a design studio in Oak Park, Illinois. Having written the first book on modern quilting, Bill and Weeks are pioneers of the Modern Quilt movement. Weeks made her first modern quilt in 1987 to rethink the possibilities of the American quilt as being expressive of the time in which we live. Having sewn since he was 8, Bill began designing and making modern quilts in 1995.

Their work has been featured widely in the national press including: *O:The Oprah Magazine*, *Time* magazine, *The New York Times*, *Dwell*, *American Patchwork & Quilting*, *Patchwork Tsushin*, *France Patchwork*, and *Country Living*, among others. Weeks and Bill have taught extensively throughout the U.S., Canada, Japan (classes taught in Japanese), England, and France (classes taught in French). In addition, Weeks has taught two online classes, *Designing Modern Quilts on Craftsy* and *Solids Revolution* on *iquilt.com*. In 2011, Modern Quilt Studio launched the first-ever magazine dedicated exclusively to modern quilting, *Modern Quilts Illustrated*.

When not busy designing and sewing, Weeks writes about craft and creativity on her blog, *Craft Nectar*. When he's not working in the studio, Bill can be found at Dominican University in River Forest, Illinois, where he is Director of the Graphic Design Discipline. He is the former Chair of the Art Department.

Workshop details

Develop analytical methods for using color with confidence through individual and group color explorations. You will leave this workshop with a deeper understanding of the role of color in your quilts and with a renewed excitement about quilting.

Student supplies: rotary cutting equipment, a wide assortment of cotton quilting fabric scraps (bring fabrics you love to work with as well as others that have proved challenging to work with; we'll be working with small pieces), notebook or journal, and a glue stick.

Skill level: Beginner to advanced. We will not be using sewing machines at this workshop.

April 9 – All-day Workshop, Rediscovering Your Stash, with Weeks Ringle. Community North Pavilion, 146th Street and Cumberland Road, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Cost, \$50. **A few spots are left**

Gain color confidence and plan creative ways to use your stash in one day! Mix a big dose of color theory with an in-depth discussion of combining patterns and a pinch of working with large-scale fabrics and you'll end up with a plan for projects that you want to make from the fabrics you already have. In addition, you'll have consultations about how to freshen up your stash while learning how to use fabrics that you love but find perplexing. You'll see new possibilities for working with your stash and leave the workshop with beautiful palettes and plans for your next few projects. Bring patterns you love and fabrics you'd like to use or are unsure how to use and you'll be amazed at how you'll be able to pull it all together. Each student will begin work on a project of their choice during class.

Student supplies needed: An open mind and as large an assortment of cotton quilting fabric as you can haul! Try to include different values and hues, small-scale prints, tone-on-tone prints, solids, stripes, batiks, large-scale fabrics, and especially fabrics you love but find challenging to use. Small quantities are fine. You'll also need a sewing machine, rotary cutting equipment, extension cord, thread, seam ripper, notebook or journal, and any supplies you like to have handy when quilting.

Skill level: Adventurous beginner to advanced

Other Upcoming Quilting Events

Apr. 7

Indianapolis Modern Quilt Guild Meeting, 2:00pm, Trinity Church (basement), 6151 Central Ave., Indianapolis, Weeks Ringle of Modern Quilt Studio.

Speaker, “Creativity & Quilts: The Power of Cross Pollination.” There is a \$5.00 fee, be sure to tell them you are from Mudsock Guild.

Apr. 12-May 25 **The Declaration of Sentiments 1848 – The Struggle Continues (see below)**

Apr. 24-27 AQS Quiltweek: Spring Paducah, Schroeder Expo Center, 415 Park St., Paducah, KY. Go to quiltweek.com for more information.

STEALS & DEALS

We have changed the date of the Steals and Deals big sale. It will now be on **Saturday, May 4** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Fishers United Methodist Church (where we used to meet) in the gym. The address is 116th and IKEA Way in Fishers. The exact address is 9691 E. 116th Street, Fishers, IN 46037.

If anyone is interested in helping out, I will have a sign-up sheet near the Steals and Deals table(s). If you have already signed up, check the information on the sheets to be sure I have your information correct.

Remember to bring your “spring cleaning” items to the next meeting.

April 12 – May 25

The Declaration of Sentiments 1848 – The Struggle Continues
EXHIBITION OPENING RECEPTION • *Friday, April 12, 2019*
Exhibit continues through May 25

An art quilt exhibition celebrating women’s accomplishments and honoring their struggles throughout American history. The works by the artists in this exhibition illustrate the passion, anger, hope, perseverance, and celebration of women’s rights.

This is the regional SAQA traveling exhibit by quilt artists in the Midwest. It is curated by Lisa Dodson and Susie Goodman of Bloomington, IN, and has been seen in multiple venues since the autumn of 2017. Several Indiana artists have works in this juried exhibit including Ann Luther of Indianapolis and Judy Ireland of Fishers.

The SullivanMunce Center is very near downtown Zionsville and has a website for more specific information, or contact quilter Judy Ireland.

Block of the Month NEWS

For information and directions for the January Block, **Teacup Block**, go to the Mudsock website at www.mudsockquiltersguild.org for the details. Make, using pastel fabric for background and focus fabric for teacup.



Mudsock Quilters Guild Board Meeting

The meeting was held on March 1, 2019 at 1:30 pm at the Fishers Library.

Attending: Laura Anderson, Carlene Clark, Diane Dimpfl, Becky Moore, Judy Ireland, Lissa Shanahan, April Sterling, Alice Whitaker, Donna Reimer, Marion Newell, and Tameria O'Dell .

The meeting was called to order by Alice Whitaker. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written with clarification of remaining quilts addressed below. The Treasurer's report was distributed showing January and February deposits and withdrawals. It indicates a balance of \$16,395.54.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Marion Newell reported there were 127 members as of now. There was discussion regarding a possible "emeritus" status for long-time members who are not able to attend meetings but want to keep up with the guild. It was decided that this would require a change in the bylaws and that access to the website allows adequate information. Remind members at the March meeting that dues are due.

Hospitality: Laura Anderson reported that they will post members outside the doors to facilitate. Remember the church asks for no red drinks to be served.

Charity: Diane Dimpfl reported that they have 40 quilts left from the Christmas distribution. There was discussion regarding access to the materials in the storage room. They are to be used for guild projects only. Children's fabrics can be used for pillow cases and dresses for Africa. No personal projects such as BOM. A sign will be posted to this effect.

- Laura reported that the Damar representative is still asking about speaking to the guild. It was decided that this could be done at the Christmas meeting. Alice reported that 75 dresses were donated to a group going on mission.

Steals and Deals: Carlene reported that the Tag Sale date is set for April 27. The room will cost \$50. They hope to be able to set-up a day earlier, otherwise will set up at 8 and open 9-1. The committee will be sorting and pricing a few weeks before. There was discussion about what to do with the unsold items. In the past we have donated to the Women's Prison. There also may be some re-craft stores who would be willing to accept.

Sunshine: The prayer chain will be starting.

BOM: The committee has the year lined up. There was discussion to avoid patterns that have copyrights and stay with free patterns.

Facebook: no report

Newsletter: Lissa reported that the deadline has really helped. She will include tag sale information in the next newsletter.

Bus Trip/Retreat: Becky reported that they are arranging dates for the proposed bus trip to Grand Rapids in August. They will require a pre-signup to insure that there are enough people to pay for the trip.

Programs: April Sterling reported that only November is currently open for a program. They still have some contracts that are not signed. The goal is to have 8 non-member workshops a year. The current workshops are filling in well. Only 3 spots left in the landscapes and 6 left in the stash workshop. Other guilds will be contacted if any spaces left.

OLD BUSINESS:

-The insurance on the quilts has been paid. There was discussion as to who has access to the room. It is primarily hospital employees with badges.

- The Meet and Greet at Diane's went very well with good attendance.

- Additional guild flyers have been ordered and will be taken to area quilt shops.

- The first UFO at the library went well with about 17 attending.

NEW BUSINESS.

-Show and Tell needs to have some control over the length of the story time. People need to be selected to fold and hold—probably 2 each. Feedback on layout of the quilts on the chairs was positive. At the April meeting there will be no show and tell because of the program.

- The requested charity quilts for the nursing home has been taken care of.

-Sewing Bee on the first Monday was suggested, as it is our only Monday open.

- We will try a handout at the door to try to streamline announcements.

- A welcome packet for new members was discussed.

Next Board meeting: May 3 at 1:30 at Alice Whitaker's home.

REMINDERS

Bring your donations for the Tag Sale. Please put prices on them (~\$4 yd).

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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