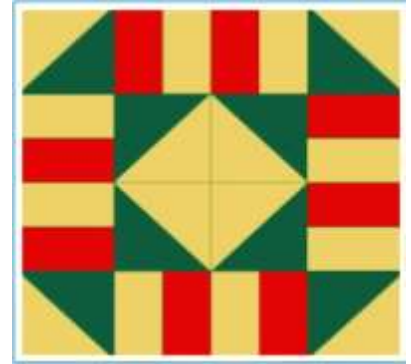


# MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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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,

It feels like February since it's snowing this morning while I'm writing this letter. On the upside, Lydia Lander noted that her Witch Hazel was starting to bloom, and that's one of the earliest signs of spring! By mid-March we should have some daffodils in bloom and maybe some forsythia. Hang on, spring is around the corner. In the meantime, enjoy these winter days, when staying inside and sewing seems like the perfect thing to do.

Who made a new connection at last month's meeting? You just never know what you are going to learn about one of our fellow guild members. I love what you can learn about people. That reminds me of how unique we all are. For instance, in speaking with a new member I found out that when she taught at the Blind School here in Indianapolis, she taught her students to quilt. She was even brave enough to have them use a rotary cutter! So she has set a new bar for those among us who feel we have challenges when quilting. Also, during a committee meeting I attended this month, we were discussing how we wanted to keep track of our donated items. Lo and behold, I found out that one of our members is so data oriented that she keeps a spreadsheet of the *Dancing with The Stars* results from each week! Don't you just love that? Anyway, I encourage you to get to know another member a little better. Maybe one of the ice-breaker questions will be just what you need to start up a conversation with a soon-to-be-new friend.

Thank you to everyone who signed up for a committee at last month's meeting. If you didn't get a chance to do that, check the yellow handout or our website for the list of committees and the contacts. There is a lot of fun to be had by hanging out with a group of Mudsockers.

Were you as inspired as I was by the work of the Nurse-Family Partnership aka Tummy Time charity that we heard from at last month's meeting? Lois LeVine arranged for two ladies from this new charity partner of ours to speak. The breadth of the services they provide as well as the positive impact they make on young mothers and babies was quite impressive. We will call this charity Tummy Time, but it's so much more than that. Their visiting nurses begin prenatal care at around nine weeks and stay connected, if the mothers choose to, until the child is five years old. They can use baby quilts or any other baby items we can provide. It melts my heart to think of our beautiful creations on the floor of some apartment as a young mother bonds with her baby. Thank you to Lois LeVine for bringing us this worthwhile charity partner. We will hear from the Linus Foundation at our February meeting.

We are planning a Quilters Day Out for Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>. Those who are interested in going and want to carpool should meet at the Super Target parking lot at 116<sup>th</sup> and I-69 and park on the end closest to the Mc Donald's. We will leave the parking lot at 9:30 a.m. and drive to Quilts Plus in Lebanon. We can have lunch in Lebanon and then head over to Brownsburg to check out Not Your Average Quilter. We'll get a count of how many are interested in going at the February meeting, so we can give a heads up to both shops.

How are those 2020 goals coming along? I was hoping that January would be the month during which I would get my sewing room organized and also develop a new-found focus that would allow me to work on one project at a time. Perhaps that was too lofty a goal for January?

Happy sewing!

**April**

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**February Birthdays and New Members**

**Happy Birthday to:**

02	Joanne Fishburn	12	Sarah Potts	23	Donna Leonard
10	Barbara Kennedy	15	Kristen Alfano	26	Bev Hendricks
12	Carolyn Howell	22	Tine Jennings	26	Lorraine Rush

**New Members:**

Karen Richardson	Sharon Albert
Dorothy Bradford	Linda Stahly
Mona Stevens	Karen Romoser
Debbie Eberly	Joan Webb
Vickie Smith	Margie Inlow
Becky Heck	

**Attendance at January Meeting:** 96 old members, 10 new members, and 11 guests

## February 10th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–12:00)

Connie Lancaster of the newly reopened **Quilts Plus** will speak about Modern Quilting during our regular meeting. That afternoon, from 1:00 – 4:00 at the Community Room at Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E. 146<sup>th</sup> St., Noblesville, she will have a workshop on her Hollow Star Table Runner.

**Change in Displaying Children's Charities Donations.** During "Show & Tell" President will ask all donators (as a group) to hold up their quilts, pillow cases, blankets, etc. in front to show everyone what they have made. Don't put your quilts in the back until after the meeting.

## Information from your Membership Committee

Our membership team will collect **annual membership dues of \$25** at the February meeting. You've got until March to renew: check or cash will be accepted. Please put your money in an envelope labeled with your name and your new card will be given to you at the next meeting. If you want to pay by credit card, you will have to renew through the website.

MEMBERSHIP NEEDS TO FINALIZE ALL MONETARY TRANSACTIONS BY THE **BEGINNING** OF THE BREAK, no cash will be accepted after this so that it can be properly recorded and distributed before the meeting resumes. Thank you for your help in this.

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

- Feb 05**      **Little Dresses for Africa**, 10:30 – 3:00, Always in Stitches, Alice Whitaker (757-903-5198, contact
- Feb 10**      **Mudsock Guild Meeting**, 9:30-12:00. Cornerstone Lutheran Church (see above).
- Feb 14**      **Meet N Greet**, at Diane Lockman's home
- Feb 17**      **Community North Quilting Bee**, 9:30 - 3:00, Community Room at Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E. 146<sup>th</sup> St., Noblesville; Diane Dimpfl, (317) 550-9080, contact
- Feb 20**      **Skill Share Class** Bricks with Sandy Metzger. Sandy will teach us how to get a quick throw size quilt top using strips
- Feb 24**      **UFO Bee**, 9:00, Ignite Space at Fishers Public Library, Five Municipal Drive, Fishers, IN. We start at 9:00 and go until whenever we are ready to quit for the day. Join us for a fun day of sewing!
- Feb 25**      **Sew Bee It**, 1:00 – 4:00. Always in Stitches, bring any type of needlework you want to work on (even machine work)—or just come and visit, Marion Newell (317-336-3567)/Marsha Baer (317-842-8889), contacts
- Feb 28**      **Quilter's Day Out**, 9:30 – 3:00???, meet at Super Target to carpool to Quilts Plus in Lebanon and Not your Average Quilter in Brownsburg, lunch stop in between shops. See more below and in the President's Letter above.

- Mar 04**      **Little Dresses for Africa**, 10:30 – 3:00, Always in Stitches, Alice Whitaker (757-903-5198, contact
- Mar 09**      **Mudsock Guild Meeting**, 9:30-12:00, Cornerstone Lutheran Church. Capi Saxton from Always in Stitches will present TNT: Thread, Needle, and Tension. That afternoon she will have a workshop at **Always in Stitches** for a hands-on opportunity to learn how to use TNT on our own machines.

## Upcoming Programs and Workshops

Please consider being a part of the **Program Committee** in 2020. We need helpers before, during, and after the Guild meetings, the workshops, and our new Skill Share Classes. All we require is that you have a pulse and can smile and be helpful!

Please see us at the Programs table during the meetings to sign up for the Workshops and Skill Share classes.

February 20th: Skill Share Class Bricks with Sandy Metzger. Sandy will teach us how to get a quick throw size quilt top using strips.

March 9th: Capi Saxton from Always in Stitches will present TNT: Thread, Needle, and Tension during our regular meeting. That afternoon she will have a workshop at Always in Stitches for a hands-on opportunity to learn how to use TNT on our own machines.

March 19th: Skill Share Class Zippered Pouches with Chris Behme. In this class you will learn zipper insertion while making a cute pouch.

**Chris Behme**

## Call for Photographer (Historian) Group

We have a real need for two or three members to take pictures of the “Show and Tell” quilts and other Mudsock events that should be photographed for our guild.

## Call for Bus Trip Planners! We Have Volunteers!

We have volunteers to plan a trip to Paducah in the Spring of 2022. More to follow.

## Other Upcoming Quilting Events

- Feb 22**      **Quilter’s Day Out**, 9am – 3pm, 395 Paraquet Springs Dr, Shepherdsville, KY 50165
- Mar 5-7**      **Indiana Heritage Quilt Show**, Thurs. & Fri: 9am–5pm, Sat: 9am–4pm, Monroe Convention Center, 302 South College Avenue, Bloomington, IN

- Mar 20-21** Appleseed Quilters Guild - **2020 Festival of Quilts Show**, Fri: 10am to 4pm, Sat: 10am to 3pm, Plassman Athletic Center at Turnstone, 3320 N Clinton St., Fort Wayne, IN. See the Bob Ross Cherrywood Exhibit!
- Apr 4** **String-A-Long Quilt Show**, April 4, 2020 9 AM – 5 PM, April 5, 2020 10 AM – 4 PM Porter County Expo Center, 215 E Division Road, Valparaiso, IN 46383
- Apr 22-25** **AQS Quilt Week Show, Wed–Fri: 9am–6pm, Sat: 9am–4pm**, Schroeder Expo Center, 415 Park Street, Paducah, KY 42001
- 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.

## Childrens Sewing Bee



We had a great turn out for our first sewing bee for our charities for children. Thank you, Diane Dimpfl for setting up this sewing time for us. We had a wonderful time of sewing and fellowship.

We have scheduled 3 more sewing bees this year. We will meet at the Fishers Library, lower level. This is the same location we meet at for the UFO.

The dates and time are as follows: March 20th, June 5th and September 18th, 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM, come for all or part of the day.

## Block of the Month NEWS

For detailed information for the February Block, **The Present Block** from Missouri Star, go to Mudsock website at [www.mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org). The pattern and instructions for this block are there.



April received this invitation from the Appleseed Quilters Guild:

You and your guild members and friends are invited to attend and participate in

**Appleseed Quilters Guild's Festival of Quilts,  
March 20-21, 2020 at Turnstone Center, Fort Wayne.**

- Lots of quilts to see, including the Cherrywood 75 quilt Bob Ross Collection!!
  - Lots of new things to learn!
  - Enter your quilt - Viewer's Choice quilt wins a new Janome sewing machine!!
- Go to <https://www.appleseedquiltersguild.com/biennial-quilt-show> and view the attachments.

## 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

### Advertisements



**Quilt Expressions Quilt Shop – "Sew Modern"**

**BUSINESS HOURS: NOW OPEN WEDNESDAY - FRIDAY 10–5, SATURDAY 10-3 BRING THIS AD FOR 20% OFF 1 NON-SALE NOTION, BOOK, FABRIC (1 YD+). NOTE: 1 COUPON PER CUSTOMER, PER DAY, W/ADDITIONAL PURCHASE PLEASE. 12514 REYNOLDS DRIVE, FISHERS, IN 46038, (317) 913-1816. [QUILTExpressionsLH@gmail.com](mailto:QUILTExpressionsLH@gmail.com) -----**

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