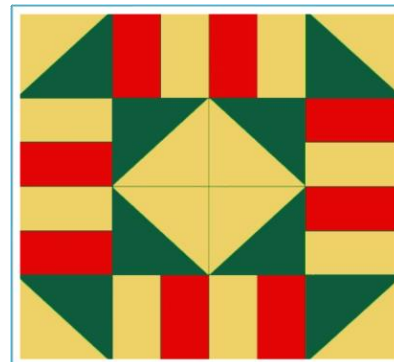


MUDSOCK MESSENGER

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month
Cornerstone Lutheran Church
13450 East 116th Street, Fishers, Indiana
[Website] mudsockquiltersguild.org



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

CHALLENGE “a call to take part in a contest or competition” “a task or situation that tests someone’s abilities”

As I looked up the definition and synonyms for CHALLENGE, I found just as many positive words – call, enliven, rally, as I found really unpleasant words— agitate, goad, provoke. So, for this year, let’s just stick with that first group, stay positive as we rally together!

We all have challenges in life, and yes, many of them are very unpleasant. But reaching toward goals; getting away from what is comfortable, and safe is the challenge I’d like to explore for this coming year. I’ve found a year-long “Bucket List” for quilters, that we’ll post on the website. There are 50 items and vary from English Paper Piecing (hard?!) to finish a UFO (also hard!) to Attend a Quilt Guild Meeting (see!! you practically have one checked off already in January!!) Sew a charity quilt and donate a pillowcase for charity---(easy, as we are already doing that, so jump in and get those checked off too!)

At the January meeting, Sandy Metzger and Cindy Lazar will present the Challenge Quilt for 2019. I have no idea what they have planned, but with their creative minds, it’s sure to be a true challenge (and maybe tick a few boxes on our list). After the meeting, we will break into groups for each of the committees to start planning what they envision for the year. It’s a wonderful time to see where you might like to volunteer for the guild. Getting involved is the best way to meet more members and feel more a part of the guild, beyond the meetings. So, I *challenge* you to participate at the meetings—join a committee, bring a show & tell, make a Block of the Month, sit with a visitor, chat with someone you don’t know well during the break.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

02 Stephanie Coy-Lykes
02 Laura Frieden
04 Patti Kings
06 Joyce Blakely
09 Chris Behme
10 Laura Anderson
11 Marsha Baer
11 Nancy McDonald
13 Mary Sue Kraft
14 Sara Smallwood
16 Maxine Constantine
16 Rocky Schuh
16 Velinda Secor
17 Susan Cook
23 Lana Russel
24 Kathy Jensen
26 Pat Pillar
26 Barbara Street
28 Ellen Hanson
30 Carolyn Towner

NEW MEMBERS!

Judy Dunnigan
Beverly Gach
Susan Goodman
Terry Hale
Elizabeth Simpson

Beyond the meetings, attend a sewing bee (Community, Little Dresses, Handwork Group), take a workshop or class at one of the local quilt shops. There's so much to do. Challenge yourself this year, and we'll look back next December and see just how much we've grown as a Guild and as quilters!!

It's an honor to be the President for the Mudsock Quilters Guild for 2019. The guild and members have become so important to me as I settle into this new life here in Indy. After 32 years of being a Navy spouse, stay at home mom and volunteer for so many different organizations, MQG has become my home, my niche. Thank you for putting your trust in me as I guide the MQG through the coming year.

Happy Quilting,
Alice Whitaker

January 14th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–11:30+)

Join us at the Cornerstone Lutheran Church as we get organized for 2019! Sandy Metzger and Cindy Lazar will introduce the 2019 Challenge Quilt and the committees will have time to meet and plan for the next year.

It Is Time to Pay Your 2019 Membership Dues

The Membership Committee will be accepting 2019 dues at the January Mudsock meeting. Once again, we ask you to put your \$25.00 check or cash into an envelope with your name on the outside and leave it with the Membership Committee as you enter the meeting. That way you won't have to stand in a long line. Your 2019 membership card will be available at the February meeting. This process will be in effect through the February Mudsock Meeting. Make checks payable to Mudsock Quilters Guild.

Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events & Meetings

- Jan 9** **Little Dresses for Africa**, 10:30 – 3:00, Always in Stitches, Alice Whitaker (757-903-5198), contact

- Jan 9** **Mudsock Executive Board Meeting**, 1:30-3:30 at the Fishers Public Library. Any member is invited to attend.

- Jan 14** **Guild Meeting**, 9:30 – 11:30, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Organizational meeting for 2019.

- Jan 16** **Little Dresses for Africa**, 10:30 – 3:00, Always in Stitches, Alice Whitaker (757-903-5198), contact

- Jan 21** **Community North Quilting Bee**, 9:30 - 3:00, Community Room at Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E. 146th St., Noblesville; Diane Dympl, (317) 550-9080, contact
- Jan 29** **Handwork/Piecers**, 1:00 – 4:00, Always in Stitches. Marion Newell (317-336-3567)/Marsha Baer (317-842-8889), contacts
- Feb 11** **Guild Meeting**, 9:39 - 11:30, Cornerstone Lutheran Church. Speaker is Barbara Triscari. The title of Barbara's talk is Artful Adventure. She is a member of SAQA (Studio Art Quilt Associates); Quilt Guild of Indianapolis; and Indianapolis Modern Quilt Guild. Here is a link to her website. <http://triscartsi.com/about-page/>

Community North Quilting Bee

Sewing will resume for 2019 on January 21st from 9:30 to 3:00 p.m. at the Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E.146th Street, Noblesville. **We are going to try something new this year** - all quilts donated should be turned in at our quilting bee meeting time. If you show it at our regular Mudsock monthly meeting, you should bring it to the Community Bee for recording, packaging and storage. This will make my life a whole lot easier. If you cannot deliver your quilts to the Bee, please contact me. I am also at Community Tuesday mornings 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and you can have access to the room for picking up fabric or storing of your quilt. Remember to encourage all members to make "Just One".

Diane Dimpfl

2019 Workshops

February 1 – Workshop: Succulent Garden pattern, with Heather Givans, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Community Room at Community Health Pavilion, 9699 E. 146th St., Noblesville, cost, \$45.

If you missed Heather Givans' November Workshop, this is another opportunity to spend time with this creative force! Heather will be returning to Mudsock on February 1 for a 6-hour workshop using her Succulent Garden pattern. Succulent Garden pattern is not included; you will also need a large template, a few of which Heather will bring to sell. A few of us already own the pattern and can share it if you chose not to purchase one. Contact April Sterling if you are interested.

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.



Weeks Ringle and Bill Kerr are professional quiltmakers 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.

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

- Mar. 7-9 2019 Indiana Heritage Quilt Show, at the Monroe Convention Center.
Bloomington, IN. Go to IHQS.org for more information.
- Mar. 28-30 International Quilt festival, Donald E. Stevens Convention Center, 5555 N. River
Rd., Rosemont, Il.
- Apr. 24-27 AQS Quiltweek: Spring Paducah, Schroeder Expo Center, 415 Paark St.,
Paducah, KY. Go to quiltweek.com for more information.

Block of the Month NEWS

For information and directions for the January Block, **The Chicken Block**, go to the Mudssock website at www.mudssockquiltersguild.org for the details. Make, using fabrics of your choice.



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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