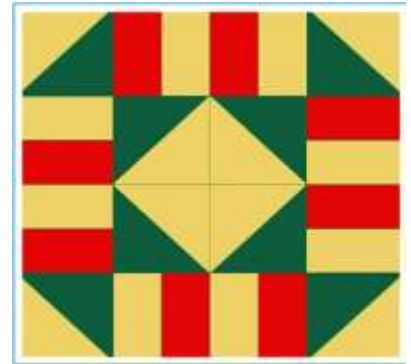


MUDSOCK MESSENGER

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month
Cornerstone Lutheran Church
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From the President's Desk

Hello Quilters,

As I announced on Facebook and again at the June guild meeting on Zoom, our intention for the July guild meeting is to meet in Holland Park in Fishers. We'll post any updates to our plan on Facebook. For those who aren't on Facebook, please contact me and I'll set up a text group; that way you'll receive updates by text. In case of inclement weather, we'll meet either on Zoom or at the church, but we won't know until at least July 7th if the church will be allowing outside groups to use their sanctuary during the pandemic.

Seeing each other in person should lift all of our spirits, and it'll be a great forum for revealing our 2020 challenge projects. Do you have your projects done? If you need to refresh your memory on the rules for Just Initial It, check out our website.

Would you like to increase your level of participation in the guild and help us achieve our goals? Here's an opportunity for you! We know that at least four of our officer positions will need to be filled for 2021. Alice Whitaker is chairing our nominating committee and that committee will provide a slate at the August meeting so that we can vote. If you'd like to help with nominations or become more involved, please contact either Alice or April. The board plans to meet on July 10th at 1:30 pm at Holland Park and anyone can attend the board meetings, so please come and meet us at the park if you'd like to hear more about what's going on with the guild. Bring a lawn chair and a cool drink. We will be sitting in the shade.

A big thank you goes to Erika Nickens, who secured a HUGE donation of fabric and quilting items from the estate of a quilter who'd worked at Quilts Plus for many years. The quilter's family had a two-day estate sale, and even after that, we still received 13 banker's boxes of beautiful fabric and seven boxes filled with patterns, books, and notions. Four of us recently joined Erika in her garage to sort and organize the fabric, all of which has now been put on shelves at the Community storage room for our

charity quilting. This is the third large donation Erika has secured for Mudsock. Please thank her next time you see her.

I recall that when I was working, all I wanted to do was to be able to stay at home. Now that my wish has been granted, I'm trying to make the most of it and not wish for something further. Does this sound familiar? I'm hoping to keep moving along on my UFO list, which seems to have grown over the last few months. Have you seen the 10 days of quilts that Pat Adams and Judy Dunnigan have been posted on the Mudsock Facebook page? The photos of finished quilts were a real dose of inspiration for me. Check them out! If you need a little more inspiration, visit the quilt exhibit at the Eiteljorg, which will be open to the public as of June 27th. This exhibit explores quilts as a storytelling medium. It includes works by African American, Latino American, and Native American women. The Eiteljorg has extended the exhibit's run until January 3, 2021.

This month's "making connections" question is, "What new thing have you learned to do in the past 12 months?" It doesn't have to be quilting related. Thanks to last month's question about household chores and my learning about Tameira O'Dell's love of her steam mop, I now have a new mop at my house, and I'm learning to love cleaning my floors! Ha!

That's all for now. I hope that this letter finds you well and that you are able to make the best use of the increased amount of time you're spending at home.

Stay well, stay connected, and see you in the park!

April

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July Birthdays and New Members

Happy Birthday to:

02	Maureen Neville	19	Sue Griffith	28	Nancy Frye
04	Judy Elwartowski	20	Gloria Stahihut	28	Penny Hess
07	Judy Ireland	22	Vickie Smith	29	Lynn Summers
13	Diane Dimpfl	23	Michelle Pritchett	30	Linda Hodge
13	Anne Hart	24	Chris Logsdon	31	Jan Dustman
14	RuthAnn Gapen	27	Carlene Clark	31	Connie Moser
14	Wanda Linville				

New Members

Rosemary Antonides
JoAnne Shepler

July 13th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–12:00)

We will meet at Holland Park in Fishers. Bring a chair and anything you want to eat or drink. Any updates to this plan will be posted on Facebook. For those who aren't on Facebook, please contact April Sterling and she will set up a text group; that way you'll receive updates by text. In case of inclement weather, we'll meet either on Zoom or at the church (if it is available for meetings).

2020 Challenge Reveal!! I can't wait to see your creations!!

Workshops (updates from Chris Behme)

Programs:

July 16th: 10:00-2:00 Delaware Township Offices. **Skill Share- Color Confidence** with Chris: A small wall-hanging project that will help you gain confidence in pulling colors together for your quilts.

August 10th: 9:30-12:00, General meeting. Doris Goins will join is to discuss quilts and quilting.

August 10th: 1:00-3:00, Doris Goins Workshop, \$25.00, **"Quilt As Desired"**. Bring a quilt or a pattern you are working on and get advice on how to quilt it.

September 14th: General meeting and workshop. Coleen Merte of **Northwater Quilts** <https://northwaterquilts.com>, will join us.

Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events & Meetings

Shipshewana Retreat Update (Sept. 10-13, Farmstead Inn)

The Retreat Committee and your Board are closely monitoring the COVID situation and will keep you informed as we finalize our plans. Farmstead has slowly reopened and is following state guidelines; however, Diane Lockman is holding your checks until we know if the predicted surge in late August-early September happens. We'll let you know as soon as we know more info.

Community North Quilting Bee

Community North Quilting Bee - Monday July 20th - 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Come shop in our store room (9669 146th St. Noblesville). We have been blessed with HUGE donations (one from the leftovers of Pat Adams sale, and the one Erika Nickels received from someone at Q.G.I. Sandy Metzger, April Sterling, Alice Whitaker, and Erika Nickels sorted items for our various charities and tag sale items and put our fabric away on shelves in the store room.

Amy Thomas (my volunteer boss) has informed me that she thinks it is doubtful that we will be able to sew in the Community Room until after the first of the year. We have our dates reserved and she will let me know if we will be able to resume our sewing.

In the interim, we will have "shopping days" in the store room on our regular 3rd Monday of the month from 10:00 to 1:00. Please send me a reservation request via email or Messenger to reserve your one hour shopping time. We are going to try to limit four people at a time. Masks are mandatory. During these hours you can turn in completed quilts as well. I know this is not ideal but I encourage you to continue sewing, perhaps invite a friend or two in to sew in your home and encourage each other as we sew for a wonderful cause.

Any questions, please call me.

Diane Dimpfl 317 550 9080; ddimpfl1@comcast.net

Other Upcoming Quilting Events

The American Quilter's Society is cancelling remaining 2020 QuiltWeek Shows, including Lancaster – The Nook, Grand Rapids, Paducah, and Charleston.

July 24-25 **One Stop Shop Hop**, Fri: 9am - 5pm, Sat: 9am - 4pm, Kokomo Event & Conference Center, 1500 N Reed Road, Indiana SR 931, Kokomo; 18 shops this year. Check for cancellation.

Sept 5 **Dillon Amish Quilt Auction**, Simon J Graber Complex, 9164E 875N, Odon, IN. Hand-quilted from the Amish community of Daviess County. 90+ quilts will be auctioned. Each is hand juried and inspected for the ultimate quality. Come see some of the most unique and beautiful pieces of work. Amish crafts, quilting demonstrations, furniture and wonderful food. Free admission.

2021 **AQS Quilt Week Shows:**
Daytona Beach, February 24–27
Branson, March 24–27
Paducah, April 21–24
Lancaster – The Nook, August 4–6
Grand Rapids, August 18–21

Block of the Month

“**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!

July Block

Our block for July will be a technique block. Directions to make a whimsical tree can be found on the Mudsock website. Give one a try or make a whole forest! If you have questions, please call me. Linda Garzynski, 317-774-1840. Have fun with it.

June Block

For detailed information about the June BOM, **Courthouse Steps Block**, go to:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pPiWvKzd4VA>

And the Mudsock website at www.mudsockquiltersguild.org. It is a 15.5" block using 3.5" strips and squares (and only 9 pieces) so it will go together quickly. This is a picture of the block but not the colors or how to put a heart in the center square. Judy has explained these things in the instructions on our website.



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