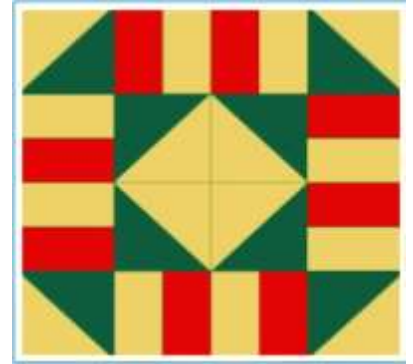


MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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

We had another successful Meet & Greet last Friday at the home of Amy and Laura Anderson. The hostesses were delightful; the new members were enthusiastic; a delicious assortment of food and drinks was served; and we covered all the information on the Guild from BOM to Sunshine. If you haven't attended one yet, there will be another on August 16th.

Thinking about the comments on the way home, there is one that has come up every time we gather--- a resounding agreement that the guild is SO FRIENDLY!! We are! I wholeheartedly agree! I wouldn't be here if I hadn't been welcomed at my first meeting, introduced as a guest and new member. I felt included right at the start. Anyone I sat next too, greeted me with a "Good Morning, how are you?" We've kept up this welcoming to our members each month, and it shows as we are adding new members at a rapid pace.

Take a moment and think about why you searched for a guild to join, or why a friend insisted that you come and check out a meeting. We could all be sewing at home, enjoying our hobby, not really needing 150 other quilters around us to validate our craft. We are in this for the shared joy we have in creating. Whether it's a quilt for loved ones (or ourselves), a holiday wall hanging to brighten your home, a table runner for each season, we can do this alone. But, we chose to reach out to find others who share this passion. We can joke about our overflowing stashes, and support each other to buy that gorgeous yard. We help with a trouble spot in a pattern, loan our supplies, and help make the world a little cheerier and brighter with our finished masterpieces. We love to oooh and ahhhhh over each other's work at *show and tell* and get inspired when we see new ideas from our group. Let's do our best at each monthly meeting, each sewing bee, and when we get together for other meetings. Please remember to reach out and say hello to a new face in the crowd. Take a moment as you find your seat at the meeting to greet those around you and invite them to lunch or to the next gathering. Even the seasoned members like to be reminded how happy you are to see them. I'd thought about taking a few minutes like we do in church each week and have everyone get up and welcome those

around them, but I know you all too well and I'd need more than a microphone and gavel to get you back to order!

We have some fascinating speakers scheduled for the rest of the year. Check the website, the newsletter and Facebook page for updates and the calendar for all the schedules. Stop by the Program Table and see what's coming up for workshops; bring your checkbook so you're sure to get a spot!

Help out the Sunshine committee and drop a note in the basket at the membership table if you know of anyone who could use a little cheering up or support during a tough time. It's the best way for them to know who might need a kind note.

It's never too late in the year to join a committee. If you'd like to join one, ask me and I can get you connected with the chairwoman so you can help out.

As we cross the half-way date this year, it's actually time to look ahead to next year. If you're thinking about an office on the board, either elected or a committee chair, please let me know! Drop me an email mom7983@yahoo.com and we'll find a place for you to help support the guild in 2020. As for me, I truly love this job. It's so much fun--more than I'd even expected it to be. But, next year, you'll find me sitting in the middle seat, in the middle row, greeting those around me, and watching the meeting with each of you—ooooohing and ahhhhing over your latest masterpiece. In the meantime, there's exciting meetings to enjoy, lots of laughs, and new friends to meet.

Thanks for being a part of Mudsock Quilters Guild,

Alice Whitaker

June Birthdays and New Members

Happy Birthday to:

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| 02 | Maroline Ritter | 07 | Judy Hauser | 09 | Linda Gillespie |
| 10 | Sally Sandilands | 14 | Carole Anderson` | 15 | April Sterling |
| 16 | Val Angrove | 17 | Bettye McGraw | 19 | Zoa Gloye |
| 24 | Lynda Lockerbie | 27 | Fran Overstreet | 27 | Corrine Rody |
| 29 | Cheryl Brooks | | | | |

Welcome to New Members!!

Rochelle Hughes
Corine Powell
Kathleen Broere
Sacha Brady
Pamela Mick
Joyce Ballinger

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

Cathy Geier of *Patchworks that Praise* from Racine, WI will be our speaker. She is the author of



"Lovely Landscape Quilts"; go to: <https://cathygeier.com/> for information and fabric. Cathy's quilts have been exhibited at many prestigious quilt shows throughout the country. She has won several 1st Place and Best of Show awards along with a few Viewer's Choice awards for her unique landscape quilts. Guests are welcome. There will be a \$5.00 fee for non-members for this special speaker.

Mark Your Calendars!!Upcoming Mudsock Events & Meetings

- June 10** **Mudsock Guild Meeting**, 9:30-12:00. Cornerstone Lutheran Church (see above).
- June 12** **Little Dresses for Africa**, 10:30 – 3:00, Always in Stitches, Alice Whitaker (757-903-5198, contact
- June 17** **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
- June 25** **Handwork/Piecers**, 1:00 – 4:00, Always in Stitches. Marion Newell (317-336-3567)/Marsha Baer (317-842-8889), contacts

July 8 Guild Meeting – Janie Gunn, owner and founder of Source Yoga in Fishers will present lead us in some stretching and poses that should help all of us with tight backs, shoulder, necks, etc. from too much time at our sewing machines or cutting tables. Consider wearing comfortable clothes so you can move easily. We won't be getting down on the floor, so no worries there. It should be a lot of fun!

August 12 Guild Meeting - Debi Bowling of Louisville, KY attended Laura Heine's "first" collage class for Certified Teachers and Shop Owners in June 2018. There she learned Laura's techniques and about the supplies and the secrets of making a successful collage quilt. Laura spent time with them in her shop explaining how to kit, collage, fold and merchandise collage kits. Laura said that she wanted to see them develop their own kits and offer classes using her methods as she cannot possibly travel everywhere and teach everyone her technique. Debi will also teach a workshop based one of Laura Heine's mini-quilt collage patterns on August 9th (see below).



Bus Trip to Grand Rapids:

NOTE: Date change August 20-22, Tuesday thru Thursday.

The plans are coming along. The date was changed as we thought people might like to be home on Friday and also traffic on Thursday for the drive home might be easier. We have reserved a block of rooms at the Hampton Inn and Suites Granville. The cost of the hotel is \$119.00 plus tax per night for 2 people. Please contact Lois LeVine for the link to make reservations.

On Tuesday we will be having lunch and stopping at a few quilts stores on the way and a Pizza Party the first night at the hotel.

On Wednesday, after breakfast we will head to the convention center for the quilt show. The show is from 9AM to 5 PM. Dinner is on your own, but we will try to eat together.

On Thursday morning, you will have the option of going back to the quilt show or going to the President Ford Museum. Will let you know later what time we plan to start for home.

The cost for the bus, tickets for show and pizza party is \$125.00. For those of you who have paid the deposit that means you only owe \$100, which is due by the June guild meeting.

Becky Moore and Lois LeVine

2019 Meetings and Workshops

August 9 Workshop

Laura Heine, *Teeny Tiny Collage* workshop presented by Debi Bowling of Louisville, KY, a Laura Heine Certified Teacher. There are still openings for this workshop!

Workshop is from 9:30-4:00. The fee is \$35.00. The cost of the pattern, kit and materials is separate. We are focusing on just 3 of Laura Heine's patterns. You may select one of the following Teeny Tiny (finishes at 16x 20) collages; The Flamingo; The Vintage Trailer; or The Truck. Kits are available for The Flamingo, but for the other two you will need to source your own fabric selection.

Location: Community Health Pavilion, 9669 E. 146th St., Noblesville.

Contact April Sterling or Chris Behme if you have any questions.

September 9

LuAnn Krug, of Indianapolis, is a quilter, knitter, crocheter and blogger. She will present a trunk shown entitled *My Quilting Journey*. We are arranging a workshop, but don't have the details worked out yet.

<http://luannsloosethreads.blogspot.com/>

October 14

Mickey Depre of Oak Lawn, IL will present our October program. The title of her trunk show is Quilts Young & Old, Timid & Bold. <https://mdquilts.com/#>

Other Upcoming Quilting Events

Jun 19-22 **Shipshewana Quilt Festival**, The 2019 Quilt & Vendor Show will open at 12 noon on June 19. The Quilt Show will once again be juried and limited to approximately 200 quilts. Many different vendors from around the country will provide you with the newest and best products.

July 18-20 Quilters Hall of Fame, Displays, exhibits, appraisals, workshops, classes and lectures taught by the leading quilt experts held at Marion Public Library, the Marie Webster House, Sunnycrest Baptist Church, the Matter Park Garden House, and the Roseburg Event Center. Induction of the new honorees, Marianne Fons and Liz Porter. Mary McElwain will also be inducted this year.

General Show Hours Thursday – Friday 9am-5pm, Sat 9am-3pm. Three day admission to all venues \$15, One day admission to all venues \$8, One day admission to one venue \$5, Children 12 and under free with paid adult. Special Meet & Greet with past honorees on July 21 from 1pm-3pm.

July 26-27 **Shop Till You Drop!**, 9:00 am – 5:00 Friday, -4:00 Saturday, \$5 admission, Kokomo Event & Conference Center 1500 N Reed Road, Kokomo, IN; 29 Vendors.

A Visit to a Women’s Sewing Circle by April Sterling

Alice Whitaker and I recently visited *Exodus for Refugees* on East Washington Street in Indianapolis so we could learn about their women’s sewing circle. Every Friday morning, a number of women who have immigrated to the US from sub-Saharan African countries gather to learn to sew, do crafts, and share each other’s company. On the Friday morning we visited, five ladies were present along with one infant on his mother’s back, an interpreter, a volunteer, and the group’s leader, Khin. Before coming to the US from Southeast Asia, Khin had run a sewing business for three years. Now she is helping these women learn to use sewing machines to make garments with bright African wax print fabric and to sew other practical items. When we asked what kinds of things these women might need, Liz Standiford, Director of Development and Communications for Exodus, provided the list below. She also indicated that if anyone would like to volunteer on Friday mornings, by assisting with basic sewing instruction, they would be welcome. Exodus is always open to donations of baby quilts and twin-sized quilts.

If this is something that speaks to your heart and you would like to support this sewing circle, please contact April Sterling at 317-452-3400 or aster6002@sbcglobal.net.

Wish List

- Fabric*
- Irons (new or gently used)
- Sewing machines (new or gently used)
- Spools of thread (black, white, and bright colors)

- Sewing scissors
 - Fabric marking pencils and tape measures
 - Yarn and needles
- Needles for hand stitching
 - Seam rippers and other tools

*The ladies love African wax fabric or other brightly colored/patterned fabric for sewing clothes, but they also would appreciate fabric donations of all types for clothing, bags, quilts, etc.

Block of the Month NEWS

For information and directions for the June Block, **Pineapple Block**, go to the Mudsock website at www.mudsockquiltersguild.org for the details. The pattern is there. Make, using a bright colorful print, pure white (no creams) and black for the center. Block size is 10.5” unfinished.



Mudsock Quilters Guild Board Meeting

The meeting was held on May 3 at 1:30 pm at the Alice Whitaker’s home.

Attending: Laura Anderson, Chris Behme, Carlene Clark, Diane Lockman, Sandy Metzger, Erika Nickens, Donna Reimer, Sally Sandilands, Alice Whitaker, and Tamera O’Dell .

The meeting was called to order by Alice Whitaker. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written. The Treasurer’s report was distributed showing deposits and withdrawals up to date. It indicates a balance of \$16, 998.27. There was discussion regarding the possible need to set aside a certain amount as an emergency fund especially if we would have to pay for room accommodations in the future.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Membership: Our current membership is at 146. There have been 32 new members so far this year.

Hospitality: Laura Anderson reported that there has been discussion regarding food donated versus food reimbursed. Food will be donated except for special purposes such as Christmas or the Guild birthday. It was suggested that the fat quarters for the birthday cupcakes be taken from those available at the Steals and Deals.

Charity: Little Dresses: There has been a session teaching a Wollcot guild the process. Pillowcases: The pattern will be put on the website or a link to the pattern.

Steals and Deals: Carlene reported that the Tag Sale is set for May 4th at the Methodist church. Enter door 4. Flowers will be arranged as an appreciation gift for Wanda who has stored all the items in her garage for two years. After this meeting, we will meet at Carlene's home to take fabrics in our cars to be delivered early morning of the sale.

Sunshine: There has been minimal movement on the prayer chain requests. They will be coordinating with membership regarding people who haven't attended at least 3 meetings.

BOM: Erika Nickens reported that she has received a large donation of coordinated fabrics from Teri Degenkolb. The plan will be to package these up as kits for members to make into charity quilts. There will be BOM session at the Fishers Library May 29.

Facebook: no report. There is increased activity on the site.

Newsletter: There was discussion regarding back-up for Lissa .

Meet and Greet: The next Meet and Greet will be at Laura and Amy Anderson's on May 17.

Bus Trip/Retreat: The hotel is set for the bus trip to Grand Rapids. Diane Lockman is exploring the retreat for 2020 in Fall or April in Shipshewana again. It was suggested to look at double the space we had last time.

Programs: April Sterling reported that the programs are set for the rest of this year. They are already looking at 2020 possibilities. She explained that when using out of town, nationally known speaker, the expenses look high but by combining with a workshop and sharing with other local guilds, the costs are significantly reduced.

OLD BUSINESS:

-Show and Tell. Continue putting projects over the chairs. Take more photos. We need two people to hold and two to fold.

Meeting Handouts: for new members and guests. There will be a new version in August for Fall information.

Guild Pins—in process.

Continue to count charity projects to be announced at December meeting.

NEW BUSINESS.

- Volunteers will be needed for the Nomination Committee. Elections are held at the September meeting. Nominations for President, Vice President and Secretary are needed.

-It was decided to move the September Board meeting to October 4th so newly elected officers can attend. We may not have a July Board meeting.

- A welcome packet for new members was discussed.

-Carlene shared a handout she developed for Steals and Deals. It could possibly be done for other committees.

-It was suggested there be a group picture taken annually.

Next Board meeting: To be determined.

REMINDERS

Bring your donations for the Tag Sale. 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.

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