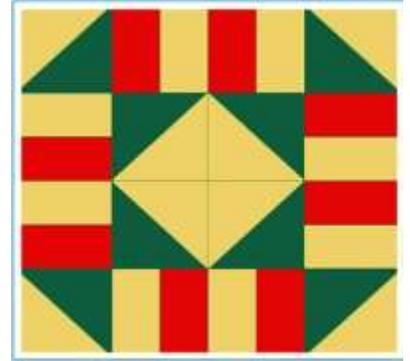


MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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

Hello Quilters,

Summer is here! I just came up to my sewing room because I was looking for a cool, shady place to be on this hot afternoon. Isn't it great that we have a hobby that allows us to cocoon in the winter and hide from the heat in the summer?

Besides hiding from the heat, I was nudged by Chris Behme's reminder that we have a challenge project that will be revealed in July and that so far, I've only been daydreaming about it. Time to get cracking and see what I can come up with! I have really enjoyed seeing the different twists on our challenge quilts each year. Who knows what Lydia and Elizabeth will come up with for next year?

As you know, we will be holding another Zoom guild meeting in June. The church isn't yet ready to allow outside groups to use their facilities. They won't be making a decision until July 7th about use in future months, so we'll all need to continue to be flexible. Speaking of in-person meetings, I really appreciate everyone who responded to our Facebook poll about their comfort level with meeting in person. This is your guild, and we want to make sure that we plan events that are interesting and, under the current circumstances, safe. For our June meeting Chris Behme is coming up with a fun activity that involves potentially winning a prize.

I've seen some of you at Quilt Expressions when I've been there lately, shopping their going-out-of-business sale. It's a sad moment for all of us to lose a store that not only provided us with lovely fabric choices but that also supported this guild from its beginning. We hope that Quilt Expressions and especially Cindy English and Lynn Hodge know how much we'll miss seeing them at their shop. My stash has grown during this shelter in place, and when I use some of the fabrics I obtained from QE, it'll bring back pleasant memories.

My “making connections” questions don’t work over the Internet the way they do at our traditional in-person venue, so I’m going to put one here and also will post it on FB the day of the meeting. How about “What’s the household chore you least like to do, and which chore gives you the most pleasure?” Think about it and share your answers. These are just goofy ways to get to know each other a little better. For me, scrubbing the floor is my least favorite, and anything having to do with maintaining the garden or yard gives me the most pleasure.

Let’s see if this month each of us can make an effort to call two or three members and chat with them. The human connection is important to all of us. That’s what makes our guild so special!

Stay well and keep on sewing!

April



June Birthdays and New Members

Happy Birthday to:

01	Margie Inlow	10	Sally Sandilands	17	Bettye McGraw
02	Maroline Ritter	14	Carole Anderson	19	Zoa Gloye
03	Debbie Eberly	15	Kathy Staples	24	Lynda Lockerbie
04	Becky Morello	15	April Sterling	27	Fran Overstreet
06	Sharon Lime	16	Val Angove	27	Corrine Rody
07	Judy Hauser	17	Bonnie Dannenberg	29	Cheryl Brooks
09	Linda Gillespie				

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

We will meet via Zoom. Please join us on Monday, June 8, 2020 @ 9:30am.

Since we will not be meeting in June for the general meeting Programs is going to have a little fun with **Shutdown Bingo!** Be sure to be present at the Zoom meeting so you can take part in our fun game. The prizes will be the Zipper Pouches made for the video tutorial I shared on Facebook, and available on YouTube, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfFSBYQoFrA&feature=youtu.be>

CLICK to join online meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83377402093?pwd=R1NDcmdSOG9VTnY5a3RlOGJXNlUdz09>

Meeting ID: **833 7740 2093**

Password: **mudsock**

Workshops (updates from Chris Behme)

Programs:

Skill Share with Anne Bowen: Tote It! A darling fabric and mesh tote for all your summer needs. We are planning to have this as a physical class at the end of June, well within the guidelines for gatherings within the state of Indiana. The date is June 25th, 10:00 am-2:00 pm. We have the Community Center at Delaware Township Offices, so we will have more than enough room for social distancing. We will have wipes and hand sanitizer on hand for those who need it. Please contact me chrisknitssews@gmail.com to reserve your spot. You will then contact Anne for your choice of the mesh screen colors to use with your material. This class is free to all Mudsock Guild Members.

Patterns for the bag are available

here: <https://www.sewthankful.com/ToteltBagPatternByNancyOta.html> and

here: <http://www.maedaimporting.com/catalog/patterns-fabric-kits.php>

July Workshop: I will be contacting the scheduled speaker for the **Stack and Whack workshop** to see if she is still able to participate. The date for the workshop is July 16th. 10:00 am-2:00 pm at Delaware Township Offices. I will update you as soon as I know more. There will be a \$25.00 fee for the class.

August Speaker and Workshop: We will host Doris Goins for the August dates. She will be presenting her **Quilt As Desired program** and the workshop will be the same as we planned before, "Quilt As Desired," a one on one chance to get help in mapping out a plan for quilting your own top.

We are working to fit the **cancelled speakers** in our 2020-2021 schedules. We look forward to hosting Doris Goins and Alice Ridge in the latter half of 2020, and will try to schedule Toby Lischko in 2021.

July Guild Challenge: Have you been researching your block options with your 1st initial? Found any unique color names to use with your middle and last initial? Remember, the rules are: 1st Initial: Block name 2nd Initial: Main color 3rd Initial: Contrast color You can make any shape or size you desire as long as the item is no less than 12"x12" and no larger than 48"x48". I do hope you have found this Challenge to be a creative focus these last few months. A way to create something uniquely your own. I can't wait to see your results!

Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events & Meetings

Little Dresses for Africa

We are putting Little Dresses for Africa on hold for the next several months. We are on the calendar at Always in Stitches for September, October and November and hope we can resume sewing in the Fall. We do not have any contacts for donations, as mission trips are likely all canceled this Summer. If anyone would like to continue sewing dresses, please do so and I will collect those later this year. I donated all of our elastic to the first rush of mask making and almost all of our bias tape too. If anyone would like to donate those supplies back to us, so we can resume sewing (hopefully in September) it will be greatly appreciate! No need to do that now, as I will not be distributing supplies. When the time comes, the help will be awesome.

Alice Whitaker mom7983@yahoo.com

Community North Quilting Bee:

Since it may be a long time before we can sew together at Community, we need to rethink what we do and how our group can encourage each other.

1. You can continue to shop in my garage for quilt backs and also fat quarters on the 3rd Monday of the month from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 16191 Malbec St. Fishers. If you need something during the month, please contact me. I will also have plastic bags for you to label and store your completed quilt.

2. Virtual Quilt Show: Since it may not be possible to have a quilt show this year, we can prepare for a Virtual show. Please take a picture of your completed quilt and forward it to Diane Lockman.

Here are the details for the photos:

- Lighting: **daylight**
- Type: **color**
- Shape: **rectangle**
- Size: **640 x 320 px** (if you use your smartphone, you don't need to worry about this)
- File extension: **.jpg or .png**

Send to: Diane Lockman - diane.lockman@gmail.com

3. Reimbursement: The hospital has again given us a \$2200 budget. This could change as time goes on and their fundraising decreases, but for now mail me your original receipts with your name on it and the items circled for batting and backs. Remember we do not reimburse tax.

4. Distribution on Christmas: It is too soon to predict if we will be allowed in the hospital but I think we should be prepared that the nurses will do the distribution.

I know we are all making masks and other items to help our own community and various medical centers, but I hope you will continue to find time to make a quilt for a patient in Community North Hospital.

Remember "Make Just One", you can make a difference.

Diane Dimpfl 317 550 9080

Block of the Month News: "COvid Shuffle"

Blocks will be presented on the usual guild meeting dates for each month going forward. They will be sent to the Facebook Chair and to the Newsletter Editor and Website Director for distribution through all three channels.

Contact info for each presenter will be included each month with the block pattern and directions. Problems in making the blocks can be addressed to them.

Completed blocks will be *held by the members* until we are able to meet face to face again as a guild. Then, separate tables will be set up for each month's blocks and separate drawings held as always.

Judy Ireland
Chair, Mudsock Block of the Month
artladyj@sbcglobal.net

Other Upcoming Quilting Events

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
CANCELLED

Aug 19-22 **AQS Quilt Week Show. Wed=Fri: 9am-5pm, Sat, 9am-4pm**, DeVos Place Convention Center, 303 Monroe Ave. NW, Grand Rapids, MI

Sept 2-5 **AQS Quilt Week Show, Wed–Fri: 9am–6pm, Sat: 9am–4pm**, Schroeder Expo Center, 415 Park Street, Paducah, KY

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!

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.



Advertisements

During this time, where we must stay home, it gives us an opportunity to work on some of those UFOs. I have updated my website www.quiltedglo.com with all of the backings (with the exception of remnants) and panels that are in stock. I will continue to make updates to the web site daily as I add kits, hot fix and tools. If you are in Indiana and wish to purchase something on the web, please call me at 317-696-5084 versus ordering on the website. This is to make sure that I can give you the best price on shipping/options. The shipping on the web site is calculated cover shipment anywhere in the US. If you are close to me, I may be able to reduce the shipping costs. Stay healthy.

Cheers!
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