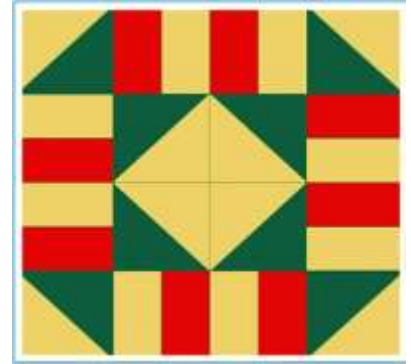


# MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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**Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month**  
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## **From the President's Desk**

Hello Quilters,

Gosh, I miss seeing you! I know you all feel the same way. It's amazing how we took for granted how good it is to spend time in person with our friends. I suppose that's just one of the lessons we've learned during this pandemic.

I'm writing this on May 1 st after a board meeting held via Zoom and also after the Governor's daily coronavirus briefing. We wanted to see what announcements would be made so we could get a better handle on how we'll be going forward. We know there's a slow re-opening planned, but we don't have details yet about the availability of facilities we depend on (Cornerstone, the library, and Community). Diane Dimpfl did share with us that the room at Community will be unavailable in May and that most likely it won't be open in June, either. Individual board members are staying in touch with the various facilities we use to see what their plans are. We'll keep you posted.

In the meantime, we're planning another Show & Tell on May 11th at 9:30 a.m. using Zoom. The link will be provided in the newsletter. We had 55 members join us last month, and we have room for up to 100, so please consider joining us.

Someone asked how many face masks this group had sewn. I couldn't give them a good answer. There were so many different groups receiving masks and so many of us involved, but I suspect it's in the thousands. Thank you to everyone who helped our community by sewing masks. What we do as a group and as individuals makes a difference in this world. Who knew that our sewing skills would ever be so useful? Keep up the good work and remember to take a break and do something for yourself. I'm slowly making progress on a couple of projects, and if I kick it into high gear, I might be able to show one at our next Zoom gathering.

Thank you to Chris Behme and her Program Committee for such a fun Challenge project. I've been absolutely amazed at the number of colors that begin with the letter A. This month's BOM also was lots of fun. Thank you, Melissa Schulman, for picking a fun and easy block that looks great when finished!

Let us know on Facebook what you are working on, what questions you have, and what accomplishments you're celebrating. This group is here to keep all of our spirits buoyed up. I especially appreciate every time someone posts something for the rest of us to learn from or to enjoy.

Stay well and keep sewing!

## April



## May Birthdays and New Members

### Happy Birthday to:

01	Julie Putman	16	Barb Gallina	24	Marcia Coen
07	Linda Stahly	16	Barbara Spurgis	25	Rosemarie Shingle
10	Samantha Berry	18	Terri Degenkolb	26	Helene Jongleux
15	Sharon Albert	20	Becky Heck	29	Kathy Roush

## May11th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–12:00)

**Cancelled!!** But we will have a "Show N Tell" via Zoom. Please join us on Monday, May 11, 2020 @ 9:30am.

CLICK to join online meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83377402093?pwd=R1NDcmdSOG9VTnY5a3RlOGJXNitUdz09>

Meeting ID: **833 7740 2093**

Password: **mudsock**

## Workshops (updates from Chris Behme)

### Postponed speaker and classes:

Our May speaker, Alice Ridge, has graciously agreed to postpone her visit with us until October 2020. We will proceed with the speaking engagement at our regular meeting on October 12th and the **Sashiko Class** at Always In stitches from 1:00-4:00. She will then teach the **New York Beauty Class** on October 13th, from 9-30-3:00, location TBD. If you have any questions, please contact me at [chrisknitssews@gmail.com](mailto:chrisknitssews@gmail.com)

At this time I am looking into doing the Zippered Pouch Skill Share Class as a You Tube video, a FaceBook Live, or through Zoom. I would have more control if I did it as a video, which I can edit and anyone can access through the internet. FaceBook Live would mean only those on FaceBook could access it. A Zoom meeting might be difficult to pull off, but it's an option we can consider. Let me know if you have thoughts or concerns about any of these mentioned.

### Events for June:

**June 8th**, Toby Lischko of *Gateway Quilts and Stuff* will present "I'm Seeing Stars". We will have her for a half day workshop which will be on the pattern **Parfait**.



"Based on my **Kaleidostars** block. this workshop shows how to use mirrors on one symmetrical fabric and how to cut perfect repeats to create exceptional blocks. This is a 17" block based on my book "Kaleidostars" through AQS."

Class Fee: \$30.00. Kit fee of \$26.00 is required and includes acrylic templates, seam guide, and pattern.

**June 9th** Toby will share her pattern **Mojito** with us.

"A class on "unfoundation piecing", uses the same templates as my original **Chinese New Year** quilt. Make this wonderful antique sunflower block with an easy pieced center. Learn to sew curves using only 4 pins and my unique pinning technique. Learn how to make and use your own templates and do foundation piecing with very little waste and no paper to tear off. See how the setting triangles create a center with a floating effect. Learn how to make the perfect mitered corner."



Class Fee: \$50.00. Kit fee of \$35 is required for the class and includes a pattern, seam guide, handouts, and acrylic templates.

**June 18th:** Skill Share with Anne Hart, **Beach Tote**. Anne will lead us through constructing an adorable tote that uses plastic mesh screen for the perfect Beach Tote.

Since we are not able to be at regular meetings to sign up for these classes I will be taking sign ups through email. Please contact me at: [chrisknitssews@gmail.com](mailto:chrisknitssews@gmail.com) to get your name on the list.

## 2020 Mudsock Quilt Challenge "Just Initial It!"

If you have any questions about the information provided please contact me at [chrisknitssews@gmail.com](mailto:chrisknitssews@gmail.com)

This year's Challenge involves your name, or at least, the initials of your name.

- Take the initial of your first name and match it to a quilt block with the same first letter.
- Take the initial of your middle name and find a color that has the same initial. You can get VERY creative here with all the names of colors out there.
- Take the initial of your last name and pair it with a color that has that same initial. Again, be creative, search color names online for some fun ones!

For my initials I might have: C=Crossroads J=Japanese Maple B=Burnt Umber

So, that's how we choose the Block and Color, what about the rest of the parameters?

**Size:** No smaller than 12"x12" and no larger than 48" 48". Can be a quilt, a tote, a pillow, whatever you can imagine.

**Colors:** You may use a neutral for your background, be it white, cream, gray, black.  
You may use several shades or prints of your 2 "Initial" colors.

Our big reveal will be at the July meeting, July 13th, 2020.

Now put those thinking caps on and go create!

# Mark Your Calendars!! Upcoming Mudsock Events & Meetings

**ALL MAY EVENTS ARE CANCELLED DUE TO THE CORONA VIRUS!!!**

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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  
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## Other Upcoming Quilting Events

**May 30-31**     **String-A-Long Quilt Show, Focus: Generations of Quilters**, Porter County Expo Center, 215 E. Division Road, Valparaiso, IN, Sat: 9-5 CST, Sun:10-4 CST.  
**CANCELLED**

**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**

**Sept 2-5**     **AQS Quilt Week Show, Wed–Fri: 9am–6pm, Sat: 9am–4pm**, Schroeder Expo Center, 415 Park Street, Paducah, KY 4200

## 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 May Block, **Hunters Star**, go to the Mudsock website at [www.mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org) . It is a 9.5" block. Please use cream on cream for the background and

your choice of 3 fabrics for the body. Choose from medium to dark fabrics as the lighter ones do not provide enough contrast with the cream background. This shows several blocks joined in a 9-patch.



## 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](http://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.

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