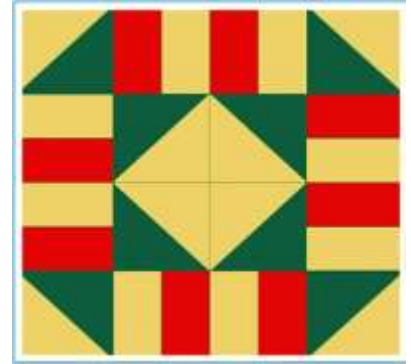


MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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



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President's Letter

Hello dear quilters!

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at the March meeting with our guest speaker, Amy Friend. The way she tells a story with individual blocks is so clever and fun. For instance, she told us she loves the TV series, "Gilmore Girls" and was anxiously awaiting new episodes of the show to air. During that time, she decided to customize her [Rise and Shine Coffee](#) cup pattern with fabrics that told a little bit about the major characters in the show. I found it so amusing that I want to start watching the show now. If you weren't able to attend the meeting, I have included some links below that members shared in the chat during the meeting.

This is the fourth newsletter that I have written as president of the guild and each time I have had a flashback to high school. Here's the scene: It's 1974. My friends and I are cruising in the car past the houses of boys we like; boys we used to like; and boys we want to like us. The AM radio is blaring and we are singing along when that song called "When Will I See You Again" by The Three Degrees fills the car. Back to the present: I only remember the intro to the song but it's the title that strikes a chord with me because that is the question on everyone's mind. I'm happy to say the answer is June 14th in Holland Park! (Restrictions due to bad weather and CDC guidelines will apply.)

As I've mentioned before, as the president of the guild I receive letters from quilters who need advice. From time to time, I will also get a complaint like the one below from someone with concerns about our guild activities. I assure you the complaints are always unfounded; nevertheless, I try to gently and kindly, assuage their fears.

Dear Ms. Ricciardelli,

While I am not a member of your guild, I learned to quilt by hand at my granny's knee. Imagine my disgust when I saw the announcement for your guild meeting about exotic dancing and bartending classes! How you can take such a wholesome pastime and turn it into something filthy is beyond me.

And your theme for 2021, "Anything Goes," what kind of debauchery is next for you and your band of fabric floozies?
Signed,
Nauseated in Noblesville

Dear Nauseated,
Don't get your shorts in a bundle! You need to ditch granny's scissors and cardboard templates and join the 21st century. Let me set you straight right now, our guest speaker will be Gudrun Erla, the designer of the special non-slip Stripology rulers that make cutting fabric strips a breeze. I'll bet granny didn't know that strips of some size have been the building blocks of most quilts since the rotary cutter was invented in 1979. As for Mixology, that's the way Gudrun combines pre-cuts like charm squares, layer cakes and jelly rolls all in one pattern. Get it?

Now, would you please call off the vice squad because their surveillance van is leaving a puddle of oil in my neighbor's driveway and he's not happy. If you can get your mind out of the gutter long enough to join our guild, you may attend our meeting with Gudrun. It starts at **10:30 am** on April 12, and the Zoom link will be available about a week before.

Well, I'm off to play the ponies. My bookie says there's a longshot in the 5th and I feel lucky!

Sincerely,
Ann Ricciardelli

Ann Ricciardelli



April Birthdays and New Members

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| 1 | Barbara Broadlick | 13 | Kathy Rudd | 22 | Helen Dulin Hein | |
| 4 | Donna Nielsen | 14 | Elizabeth Meek | 25 | Kathy Zook | |
| 7 | Ilene Cohen | 16 | Lissa Shanahan | 27 | Cindy Reynolds | |
| 7 | Erika Nickens | 19 | Linda Richey | 27 | Tiffany Turcotte | |
| 9 | Lorraine Ohlman | 19 | Melissa Schulman | 29 | Sue Robison | |
| 9 | Kimberly Williams | 20 | Amy Anderson | | | |
| 12 | Joan Hiner | 21 | Debra Wood Lloyd | | | |
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A Big Welcome to our New Members who joined last month:

Jackie Neely
Mary Ann Yedinak

April 12th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (10:30–12:30)

Zoom Meeting

Our Zoom presenter will be **Gudrun Erla** of GEquiltDesigns.com. Gudrun is a pattern designer, publisher and author.

Gudrun will present a lecture titled “Stripology Mixology”. This trunk show will focus on quilts, videos, and diagrams found in over 20 of her books utilizing GE Designs Rulers & Notions. This presentation focuses on the techniques behind making the quilts.

Meeting Time Change

April’s Meeting time is 10:30-12:30! We will begin with Gudrun’s presentation **at 10:30** and it will last 1 hour! Following the presentation our meeting will continue 11:30-12:30. Check the website and/or email for the link. Be sure to be on-time so you don’t miss this lecture!

Mudsock Guild Calendar

April 19: Community North Bee, Quilt Donation turn-in and shopping day, 10:00-1:00, Make a 1 hour reservation to shop with Diane Dimpfl.

April 30: Steals N Deals Garage Sale, 12:00 – 3:00 both days, 11081 Yosemite Ct, Fishers & May 1

May 10: Guild Meeting, 9:30-12:00, Zoom Meeting with Melissa Mason of QuiltAllTheThings.com.

June 14: Guild Meeting, 9:30-12:00, Holland Park, Fishers, IN

Sept 16-19: Mudsock Retreat, Farmstead Inn, Shipshewana, IN

Upcoming Mudsock Events

Guild Meetings:

May 2021: Our Zoom provider will be Melissa Mason of QuiltAllTheThings.com. Melissa is quilter, pattern designer, and addict of gorgeous textiles. Melissa will present a Webinar titled “Curating the Perfect Palette”. She will share easy tips to help you choose colors that work, look for inspiration to curate the perfect palette, and create your signature color story.

June 2021: We certainly hope to see your beautiful faces and quilts in person again! Lydia Lander and Elizabeth Sampson will present the 2021 Mudsock Guild Challenge! Roy G. Holland Park.

Mudsock “Circle of Friends” Retreat 2021

When: Thursday September 16 – Sunday September 19

Sewing can begin at 3:00 PM. on Thursday and we can sew until 3:00 PM. on Sunday

Where: Farmstead Inn, Shipshewana. IN

Cost: \$65 per person this covers the conference rooms for sewing and Saturday evening meal at Blue Gate. Cost **does not** include transportation or lodging.

Come and join the fun! There will be quilt shops to visit on the way to Shipshewana as well as in Shipshewana. We will have a skit. We will make a few crafts. There will be prizes! And as always, there will be food. Not to mention lots of sewing, shopping, fun and laughter!

Farmstead Inn

370 S. Van Buren St., Shipshewana, IN.

Phone (260) 768-7319

Each person is responsible for making her own reservation, or if rooming with a person, only one needs to make the reservation. The cost of the rooms at Farmstead for our group is as follows:

For up to 2 people Thursday \$109, Friday and Saturday \$119 plus 12% tax and fees. The total for 3 nights is \$388.64. We have 60 rooms reserved at this rate. The price is good up to 30 days prior. If you plan to have more than 2 in a room please call Farmstead for rate.

A free continental breakfast is included.

Check in time is 3:00 PM., checkout is 11:00 AM.

To reserve your spot at the retreat please send a check for \$65 made out to **Mudsock Quilters Guild.**

Mail to:

Susan Juffer

8151 Hunters Pl

Indianapolis, IN 46236

Volunteers still needed for the following committees:

Skit

Food

Shop Hop

Please contact **Susan Juffer** if interested.

Steals N Deals -

Spring has sprung and it is time to clean!

Thank you to everyone who has donated items to Steals N Deals or shopped at the sale.

We are planning another Garage Sale on **Friday April 30th and Saturday May 1, 12:00 – 3:00.**

So start checking your rooms for items you no longer can use and would like to donate. You can drop them anytime on my porch at 11081 Yosemite Ct, Fishers. **There is one little exception for the week of April 4th - 9th. We will be out of town so please wait to drop items after the 9th.**

Let me know if any questions at mkdpm@yahoo.com or 317 507 8386.

Thanks so much,
Melissa Schulman

Community North Quilting Bee

We have been informed that the Community North Hospital Auxiliary will not be able to fund our expenses this year for backs and batting due to their decrease in funds raised last year. All of their fundraising last year and this year will be virtual efforts, thus reducing their overall budget.

I have asked the Board to approve an additional \$1800 to the Community North Quilting Bee and they approved this expense during a recent Zoom Board Meeting. The procedure for reimbursement will be similar. Please complete the Mudsock reimbursement form and provide your original receipt with the items circled for batting or backs. You can turn these in to Diane Dimpfl at our monthly shopping meeting with your completed quilt or mail the same to Diane Dimpfl, 16191 Malbec St., Fishers IN 46037. A check will be mailed to you.

I encourage every member to **"Make Just One Quilt"** and this year I am hoping you can donate two quilts. We distributed all of the quilts last Christmas and have no reserve, so we need your help more than ever to meet our goal of 200 quilts.

I also encourage you to shop in the store room. We have fabrics, backing and batting available. Please make a reservation with Diane Dimpfl for a one hour time slot from 10 to 1, the third Monday of each month at Community Health Pavilion, 9669 146th Street, Suite 150, Noblesville. We hope to return to sewing in the Community Room sometime in the 2nd half of this year. God bless you as you sew for this wonderful charity.

Diane Dimpfl - Administrator, Community North Quilting Bee

Notes from Last Month's Guild Meeting with Amy Friend

These are all items Amy Friend mentioned and most are available on her website; however, that is not the only place to purchase them. There are also answers to questions posed by members during her presentation.

Patterns

<https://duringquiettime.com/product/rise-and-shine-coffee>

<https://duringquiettime.com/2021/01/house-patterns.html>

<https://duringquiettime.com/product/dragonfly>

<https://duringquiettime.com/product/garden-boot>

<https://duringquiettime.com/product/seedling>

<https://duringquiettime.com/product/magic-spark-quilt-pattern>

https://duringquiettime.com/product/trowel_and_pot
<https://duringquiettime.com/product/storybook-shelf>
<https://duringquiettime.com/product/selvage-whirlwind>
<https://duringquiettime.com/2015/08/ombre-vibes-mini.html>
<https://duringquiettime.com/product/caged-quilt-pattern>
Amy's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/MrkFnd>
Amy's Etsy shop: <https://www.etsy.com/shop/DuringQuietTime>

Amy does not use steam when she presses her blocks as it may stretch the fabric. She uses a lightweight lightbox from the [Daylight Company](#). She likes [Art Gallery Fabric's Pure Solids](#). Amy's suggestions for easier blocks to start: [Tell me a Story \(from her Book "Intentional Piecing Piecing.\)](#) [Sewing Machine](#), [Storybook Shelf](#), Amy uses plain old copy paper for her paper piecing. She often buys fabric from [Hawthorne Fabric Supplies](#) in New York but recommends that you not buy their "house fabric" that they manufacture. She also buys fabric, especially Japanese prints, from her friend's Etsy store called [Sew Me a Song](#). She usually buys fat quarters of each fabric. There is some waste when fussy cutting but it is worth it to her to end up with a block she loves.

Ann Ricciardelli

Other Upcoming Quilting Events

All AQS Quilt Week Shows for 2021 have been cancelled!!

The International Quilt Show in Houston is still planned for October 28, 2021.

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 the blocks are displayed, and a raffle is held to determine who gets to take the blocks home for an instant quilt. If enough members join in the fun, we might have 3-4 beneficiaries of the blocks

March Block

Pretty Posey



For detailed information about the March BOM, **Pretty Posey**, go to the Mudsock website at www.mudsockquiltersguild.org .

Block Size: 9 1/2 inches, unfinished
Fabrics: Center – Yellow or orange
Leaves – Dark and Light Green
Posey – Your choice of color
Background – Solid White

BOM Committee would like to thank all those who are continuing to make these beautiful blocks. The Night and Day Block was another successful BOM. We had 46 blocks submitted for the drawing. Congratulations to all the winners: June Koeske, Linda Garzynski and Maxine Constantine.

We will have a Live Drawing for the PRETTY POSEY BLOCKS at the MQG Zoom Meeting on APRIL 12, 2021.

ATTENTION: Please follow these instructions if you have **PRETTY POSEY BLOCKS** and want to participate in the drawing.

1. E-mail Sally Sandilands: ssandilands@yahoo.com indicating: **Your Name, how many blocks you will have in the drawing, Drop Off Location and if possible attach pictures.** Your name will be added into the drawing. **When dropping off blocks attach your name.**

2. **VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU E-MAIL ME NO LATER THAN SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021,** to ensure that you will be in the drawing.

3. NOTE: DROP OFF LOCATIONS

Sally Sandilands, 13702 Elmberly Lane, Fishers.
Route 37 & 141st St., located in (Woods of Britton, Bldg 31)

Cindy Lazar at TRUE COTTON CO. 330 N. Rangeline Rd., Carmel.

for hours call 317 660 6333. (West Side)

Bonnie Dannenberg, 16201 Haywood St., Fishers.
(East Side located in Britton Falls)

Melissa Schulman
11081 Yosemite Ct., Fishers.
Brook School Rd. & 116th Street
(South on 116th St. to Sand Stone Knoll Subdivision)

DROP OFF DEADLINE: No later than Monday, April 12, 2021, which is the day of the Guild's Zoom Meeting.

*****Remember to e-mail Sally no later than Saturday, April 10th to get in the drawing.*****

4. Winners will be contacted after drawing to make arrangements for delivery of blocks. In some cases they may be delivered to their original Drop Off Location.

5. **JUST A REMINDER:** BOM Committee Members are scheduled to meet on Wednesday, April 21, 2021. Thank you,

Sally Sandilands, BOM Chair 2021

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