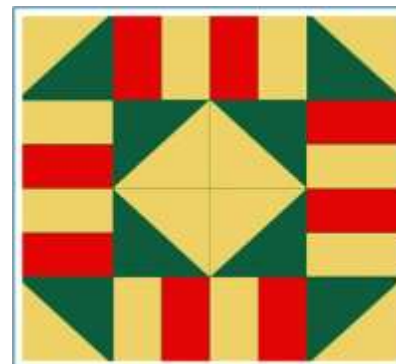


# MUDSOCK MESSENGER

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**Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month**  
**Cornerstone Lutheran Church**  
**13450 East 116th Street, Fishers, Indiana**  
**[Website] [mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://mudsockquiltersguild.org)**



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## **May 10<sup>th</sup> -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–12:00)**

### **Zoom Meeting**

Our Zoom presenter will be Melissa Mason of [QuiltAllTheThings.com](http://QuiltAllTheThings.com). Melissa is a quilter, pattern designer, and addict of gorgeous textiles.

Melissa will present a lecture 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. If you are participating in the Quilt-A-Long, this will be a great opportunity to get ideas on a color palette to use!

The meeting will start with a brief introduction immediately followed by Melissa's presentation. *There will be two handouts distributed via email in the few days before the meeting so be looking for this email and print out the handouts for use during the presentation.*

## **Upcoming Mudsock Events**

**May 17: Community North Bee**, Quilt Donation turn-in and shopping day, 10:00-1:00, Make a 1-hour reservation to shop with Diane Dimpfl.

**May 18-June 8: Quilt-A-Long**, Vicki Smith and Kathy Staples through Face Book.

**June 14: Guild Meeting**, 9:30-12:00, Roy G. Holland Park, Fishers, IN. Lydia & Elizabeth will present the 2021 Mudsock Guild Challenge. Also, we will have a special Show and Tell for the "Lucy" (GE Designs pattern) Quilt-A-Long.

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

## President's Letter

Hello dear quilters!

You may recall that "Anything Goes" is our theme this year. When I thought of it, I imagined each of us doing something unique or freeing as a counterpoint to the restrictions of 2020. I envisioned learning a new technique, using a different color palate or trying an unusual tool. As I reflect on it a few months later, I view "Anything Goes" in another light. I see it as looking at the art of quilting with a broader perspective.

I recently came across a photo that I had taken at a quilt show called "Form, Not Function: Quilt Art at the Carnegie Center for Art & History" in New Albany, Indiana. At the time, I had begun to enjoy and appreciate art quilts and modern quilting. However, a piece by fiber artist, Susan Else, irked me. It was described as sculpture "with collaged and quilted cloth over commercial plastic skeletons." I found it clever and intriguing but I just couldn't accept that it was in this quilt show. I mean, look at it. It certainly wasn't a quilt and I wasn't sure I even considered it "quilt" art. I didn't want it in that show. But, why?

I suppose it was for the same reason that I used to think that Steam-a-Seam was only for craft projects; or using an AccuQuilt cutter would be cheating; or paying a long-armed would thereafter obligate me to admit sheepishly, "But, I didn't quilt it." As with any subject, the more you learn about it the more you can appreciate and understand it. I've learned so much from Mudsock Guild members and the featured speakers at our meetings. I can now say that my seams are steamy, my pieces are accu-cut and I have happily written a check to a long-armed. So, keep sharing your ideas and discoveries, everyone! It broadens the perspectives of those of us who still fear the quilt police. "Anything Goes" has been part of my creative journey. Has it been part of yours?



Photo of "Family Life" used with permission

**Ann Ricciardelli**



## May Birthdays and New Members

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

**There were no New Members last month.**

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## Mudsock Quilt-A-Long

**May 18- June 8**

We are having a Quilt-A-Long to make the **GE Design pattern LUCY** which was recently shown at Gudron's lecture in April. Our May lecture with Melissa Mason will also give you helpful tips on color selection. Vickie Smith and Kathy Staples will be leading you through this fun project. Emphasis will be on using the stripology rulers, but traditional rulers will be shown as well.

There will be a private Facebook group where we will post weekly demos and instructions. Information to join the private FB group will be on our regular FB group after the May meeting on May 12 and you will need to request to join it. If you do not use Facebook, please send me an email at [vickie@quiltingbyvickie.com](mailto:vickie@quiltingbyvickie.com) to receive the information via email.

I have posted the **Supply list and pre-class information** on the Mudsock FB group.

Vicki Smith

# Mudsock “Circle of Friends” Retreat 2021

**When:** Thursday September 16 – Sunday September 19

Sewing can begin at 3:00 P.M. on Thursday and we can sew until 3:00 P.M. 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 learn a new craft. 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) 768-4955

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.

**UPDATE on rooms.** Several members were told that no more rooms were available in our block, that is not true. I double checked with the event coordinator and we still have plenty of rooms in our block. Make sure when making your reservation you ask for the Mudsock Quilt Guild block. If you made a reservation that was not within our block, please call Farmstead and get a room within our block at the discounted rate.

## **Guest Room Cancellation Policy**

Up to 30 days prior – no charge.

Less than 30 days more than 7 days prior – cancellation charge of 25% of the reservation.

7 days or less will be charged full price for room.

A free continental breakfast is included.

Check in time is 3:00P.M., checkout is 11:00 A.M.

To reserve your spot at the retreat please send a check for \$65 made out to **Mudsock Quilters Guild**. As of Friday, May 1, we have 35 who have paid. We would like to see a minimum of 60 attendees but we have more than enough room to accommodate more.

Mail to:

Susan Juffer

8151 Hunters Pl

Indianapolis, IN 46236

## Steals N Deals -

Thank you to everyone who came out and shopped this weekend. We had a great turnout and sold a lot of items. Keep donating your items whenever you want. You can always leave on the front porch. Hopefully when we meet in June at the park, I will bring some items and set up a table so you can still get some Steals N Deals! Thank you,

Melissa

## Other Upcoming Quilting Events

### The International Quilt Festival (Houston)

**October 28-31, 2021**

Preview Night October 27

George R. Brown Convention Center

Houston, Texas

### AQS 2022 Quilt Week Shows

**Daytona Beach, FL**

February 23–26, 2022

*Ocean Center*

**Branson, MO**

March 23–26, 2022

*Branson Convention Center*

**Paducah, KY**

April 27–30, 2022

*Schroeder Expo Center*

**Grand Rapids, MI**

August 17–20, 2022

*DeVos Place Convention Center*

## 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

## April Block

### Totally Tulips



For detailed information about the April BOM, **Totally Tulips**, go to the Mudsock website at [www.mudsockquiltersguild.org](http://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org).

Block Size: 9 ½" x 17 ½", unfinished  
Fabrics: Stem – Green or green print  
Leaves – Black and white print  
Tulip – Your choice of bright Spring colors  
Background – Solid white or white on white

**BOM Committee** would like to thank all those who are continuing to make these beautiful blocks. The Pretty Posey Block was another successful BOM. We had 68 blocks submitted for the drawing. Congratulations to all the winners: Kathy Staples, April Sterling and Erick Nickens. **We will have a Live Drawing for the TOTALLY TULIPS BLOCKS at the MQG Zoom Meeting on May 10, 2021.**

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

1. E-mail Sally Sandilands: [ssandilands@yahoo.com](mailto: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, MAY 8, 2021, to ensure that you will be in the drawing.**

**3. NOTE: DROP OFF LOCATIONS**

Sally Sandilands, 13702 Elmberly Lane, Fishers.  
Route 37 & 141<sup>st</sup> 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. & 116<sup>th</sup> Street  
(South on 116<sup>th</sup> St. to Sand Stone Knoll Subdivision)

**DROP OFF DEADLINE: No later than Saturday, May 8, 2021.**

**\*\*\*Remember to e-mail Sally no later than Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> to get in the drawing.\*\*\***

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

The BOM COMMITTEE recently had a [RETREAT and MINI QUILT SHOW](#). It was so much fun just all getting together. Everyone brought 3 quilt projects. They were divided into 3 different categories for the judging. Winners: [Viewers Choice](#) – Melissa Schulman, [Best Block of the Month](#) – Jayne Gates, and [Show “n” Tell](#) – Allynn Baker. Door prizes: June Koeske and Melissa Shulman. After lunch we enjoyed time visiting and a game of sewing trivia.



Front row left: June Koeske, Allynn Baker, Sally Sandilands  
Back row left: Judy Schaff, Jayne Gates, Linda Garzynski, Lorelei Campbell, Melissa Schulman and Kerrie Gallaga.

**Sally Sandilands, BOM Chair 2021**

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