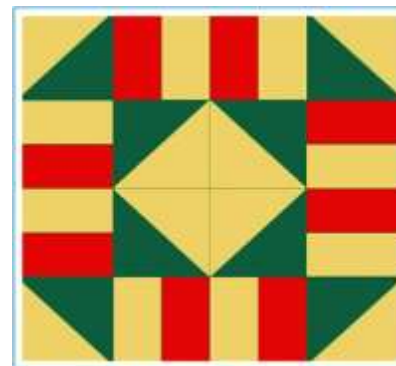


MUDSOCK MESSENGER

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month
Delaware Township Community Center
9094 East 131th Street, Fishers, Indiana
[Website] mudsockquiltersguild.org



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President's Letter

Hello Dear Quilters!

Yes, for September we are returning to an outdoor meeting. Sigh...During this time of restrictions I have often thought back to what a friend in college said when she was on a diet. When she got the urge to eat something junky, she'd say to herself, "I've had cookies before and I'll have them again, I just can't have them right now." So keep in mind, there will be many, many more cookies in the future, but until then we still have lots of healthy foods to enjoy together.

(Disclaimer: Don't be fooled, that was just a sappy metaphor. Of course, we're planning to have some junky food at our party I mean, yuck, nobody said we had to substitute cookies with kale!)

On the guild's birthday (or is it our anniversary? oh well, you know my feeling, anything goes) we owe gratitude to the founding Mudsock quilters: Rosie Antonides, Donna Case, Annie Gianaris, Barb Lucas,Carolynn Mariott, Ellizabeth Meek, Cindy Reynolds and Liz Rott. It took a whole lot of planning to get the guild on its feet and keep it going strong. Looking back ten years to her experience helping form this guild, member Annie Gianaris wrote:

"Ten years have softened the edges for me, taken out the frustrations of putting strangers together to determine what needed to be done. Let's face it, it was making a quilt with the tastes and skills of a lot of different people with different likes and dislikes, different skill levels and levels of patience. In the end, a beautiful quilt was made and that is all that matters. When you think about the quilts that you may have made, and the seams that you ripped out and have resewed, and the colorful language that may have floated about in your studios, the end result is all that people see...the blue ribbon winner that is this guild. I will always have a soft spot in my heart for this once quiet thought that actually happened."...Nicely said, Annie, nicely said.

Did you know that an entire decade of the “Mudsock Messenger” is housed on our website at <https://mudsockquiltersguild.org/about-us/newsletter-archives/>? They are fun to read. If you’re wondering what it takes to start a guild, here’s part of the very first Mudsock newsletter to give you an idea.

THE BIRTH OF THE MUDSOCK QUILTERS’ QUILD—SEPTEMBER 2011

A love of a hobby or craft—the desire to further share this love with others of the same desire—an idea is born—shared with others—a meeting place is found—a name is chosen and a new quilters guild is about to appear! But wait, we need some more details like how often will we meet, who will get this group formed, maybe we

need some guidelines, maybe some bylaws—do we need some money, who will keep track of that money, maybe someone should be writing all of this down—now we have a Treasurer, Donna Case and Secretary Elizabeth Meek—now we need to spread the word—maybe we need another cup of coffee and diet coke and let’s quilt!

A date is selected, handouts are printed to advertise this and now we’re in business—***NO*** we need one more thing—***WE NEED PEOPLE TO SHARE IN ALL OF THIS!!!*** Today is Sept 12, 9:30 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Fishers UMC! Thanks for joining us today—new friends, new ideas, new goals, a new date on your datebook and something to give our life a new spark!

Help Wanted! Get Involved!

Chris Behme, our website administrator, is looking for a volunteer to assist her. Bonus: Learn website design and impress your grandchildren!

The Membership Committee could also use a few extra hands to help with check-in at the meetings. Please contact Wanda Feder if you are interested. Bonus: Learn who members are without having to steal a sly glance at their nametags when they aren’t looking.

Thank you!

Your generosity has given the Delaware Township Trustee’s Office over \$180.00 in the past three months in addition to food and household supplies.

Ann Ricciardelli

September 13th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–12:00)

10th Anniversary Mudsock Birthday Bash!!
Join your fellow quilters for fellowship, food and fun!
Monday, September 13th at 9:30 am
Roy G. Holland Memorial Park
1 Park Drive, Fishers, IN 46038
(If it looks like rain, we will have a Zoom meeting)

Valet Service Available at the September Meeting

Please bring your own lawn chair to the September meeting. However, if you have any qualms about carrying your chair and quilts from your car, just pull around the corner to the right of the big rock near the entrance of the park and someone will be there to help you. Or, if you just think it would be fun to

see an almost 63-year-old, out of shape quilter run across the parking lot with an armload of your stuff, we can help you, too.

September Program

2021 Challenge Quilt "10 Years of Quilting" Reveal

We can't wait to see what you have created for our 2021 guild challenge! Bring your completed challenge project and be ready to share. An explanation form is available on our website and on Facebook for you to share the details of your creation.



September Birthdays and New Members

02	Deborah Fravel	15	Barbara Naucas	27	Linda Garzynski
02	Marsha Coleman	16	Cheri Wenger	28	Kathleen Broere
06	Susan Juffer	17	Norma Pressler	28	Diane Herbert
07	Judy Purgason	20	Becky Moore	28	Jana Ball
08	Judy Langdon	21	Wendy Richmond	29	Wanda Feder
09	Judy Hamilton	22	Denise Dodd	30	LaVonne Mitchel
09	Lynn Hupp	23	Marion Newell	30	Karen Romoser
11	Donna Reimer	23	Alice Whitaker	30	Jackie Clauson
14	Laurie Peters	26	Amy Klodzen		

Welcome to New Members!

JoAnn Burke
Sue Flaty
Jackie Clauson
Laurie Peters
Darla McDonald

Upcoming Mudsock Events

Sept 7, 14, 21, 28 & Oct 5: Community North Bee Shopping, 1:00-3:00, Community Health Pavilion,
9669 E 146th Street, Noblesville, IN. Call Diane Dimpfl, 317-550-9080 to schedule.

Sept 13: Mudsock Guild Meeting, 9:30-12:00, Holland Park, Fishers (see above).

Sept 14: BOM/UFO Sew In, 9:30-3:00, Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E. 131st Street, Fishers. Allynn Baker (Mudsock Member) will teach a workshop on Paper Piecing at 10:00.

Sept 20: Community North Bee Sewing, 9:30-3:00, Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E. 131st Street, Fishers.

Sept 28: Delaware Sew Bee, 9:30-3:00, Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E. 131st Street, Fishers

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

Oct 11: Mudsock Guild Meeting,

Margaret Fette, owner of the Tailored Fit in Bloomington, Indiana and sewing machine expert will present: Practical sewing machine maintenance, problem solving sewing issues, and when you should take your baby to an expert.

Nov. 13: Community North Quilting Bee Quilt Show, 10:00-3:00, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 E. 116th St., Fishers, \$5 Donation. Over 200 quilts to be donated to Community North Hospital on Christmas Day, vendors, and Steals N Deals,

Mudsock Guild Proposed Changes in ByLaws

Get Out the Vote!

You should have received an email last week regarding amendments to our guild's Constitution and Bylaws. As organizations grow and evolve, the bylaws need to change to reflect current financial practices and changing procedures, such as hiring speakers for Zoom presentations instead of in-person. As I explained earlier, because of uncertainty right now, the board is allowing members to vote via email this once. On September 8, you will receive the ballot to approve the amendments and the new slate of officers who were nominated at the August meeting. You will have two days to get your votes in. I promise it will be easy! If you would like to see a copy of the proposed amendments again, email Ann Ricciardelli.

Community North Bee

Mark Your Calendar

Community North Quilt Show - Saturday, November 13, 2021
Cornerstone Lutheran Church - 13450 E 116th St, Fishers, IN
10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.- Come support our quilters and vote for your favorite.



BONUS: Because of Covid we probably will not be able to personally deliver the quilts this year, but know you are putting a smile on a patient's face and every day after they use and love your quilt.

*Long arm quilters willing to quilt charity quilts: Allynn Baker, Carlene Clark, Carol Dean, Diane Dimpfl, Sandy Metzger, Vickie Smith, Kathy Staples

THIS QUILT COULD BE YOURS!



Mudsock's first ever quilt raffle will start at the September 13th Meeting. Raffle tickets will be sold at \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Tickets will be available at our monthly meetings, the quilt show 11/13/21 and the drawing will be held at our Christmas party 12/13/21. Proceeds will go to support our charity work at Community North Hospital Christmas quilts. We need your support with this fundraiser due to Covid and possible restrictions of hospital auxiliary funding. If you want to help sell tickets, please contact Diane Dimpfl (317-550-9080).

Facts about this beautiful quilt: created by Pat Jones, quilted by Diane Dimpfl, the quilt measures 51" x 68" and fabrics were from donated fabric in the storeroom. Pat says it was a "Mystery Quilt", so she had no idea what the finished quilt would look like. The pattern is call "Propensity" and the quilt is a beautiful combination of blue and white fabrics. The back is a navy and white print and is soft and cuddly.

Be sure to get your tickets and a chance to win a lovely quilt.

Diane Dimpfl

Steals N Deals

Thank you to everyone who continues to bring items to the meetings for Steals N Deals. Every little bit helps and people love to find a new item! See you in September.

Melissa Schulman
mkdpm@yahoo.com

Mudsock "Circle of Friends" Retreat

Are you ready??

All retreat attendees please see the information sheets at the end of this newsletter. One contains general information and an updated packing list. Then there is a .pdf file for the Shop Hop

shops, and one is a map for the Shop Hop. If you do not have a printer there will be some copies available at the September meeting. For those of you that have guests coming to the retreat, please share these files with them. This information will also be posted on the website.

Other Upcoming Quilting Events

July 27-Oct. 2, 10:00-4:00, Tue-Sat., Marti Michell Exhibit, The Quilters Hall of Fame, 926 S. Washington Street, Marion, IN. <https://quiltershalloffame.net>

Quilts made by TQHF 2021 Honoree Marti Michell. A popular teacher, Marti has traveled extensively, having now taught in 49 states and 26 countries. Marti is the recipient of two prestigious quilt industry "lifetime achievement" awards, The Silver Star (2004) and the Michael Kile Award (1991).

Sep. 17-18, 9:00-5:00, " Harvest of Quilts", Raintree Quilters Guild, Old National Exhibit Hall, 715 Locust St., Evansville, IN. Karen Hampton at (812) 455-8402, contact.

Over 200 quilts, judged and unjudged, Raffle Quilt, 20 Raffle Baskets, Boutique, Quilt appraisals by appointment. Admission: \$10 (under 12 free).

Oct 9, 10:00-4:30, "Selling our Stash", Indianapolis Chapter of the American Sewing Guild, Hamilton County 4-H Fairgrounds, Annex Building, **"Selling our Stash"**, \$5.00 entry fee member/\$6.00 non-members. "Better Edges" will be onsite for blade/scissors sharpening services. Tables are available for rent,

Oct. 29-30: 9:00- 7:00 Friday, 9:00-5:00 Sat., "Quilts from the Heart", The Bloomington Quilters Guild Show-2021, Monroe Convention Center, 302 S. College Ave., Bloomington, IN. Admission: \$7. They are requiring proof of vaccination or a recent negative test (within 4 days) for attendees. <https://www.bloomingtonquiltersguild.org/quilt-show-2021>

Over 200 quilts on display, Treasure Shop selling fabric, quilting notions & books, Vendors including scissor sharpening, Basket Raffle, Face Mask Contest and Jelly Roll Race to benefit Middle Way House. Entries from our **2021 Quilt Challenge**, sponsored by University of Sewing at the Tailored Fit.

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.



For detailed information about the August BOM, **Colorful Basket Blocks**, go to the Mudsock website at www.mudsockquiltersguild.org.

Block Size: trim to 9" x 14.5"

Fabrics: 2 fat quarters (1 dark, 1 light) with good contrast. Use colorful prints of your choice. Pattern makes two blocks.

BOM Committee would like to thank all those who are continuing to make these beautiful blocks. We had 32 High Heel Shoe Blocks submitted for the drawing. Congratulations to winners Ellen Hanson and Lorelei Campbell.

Drawing for the BASKET BLOCKS will be at the MQG Meeting on September 13, 2021.

BOM SEW-IN DAY

PAPER PIECED “FREE” WORK SHOP

**Work Shop begins at 10:00
Delaware Township
Tuesday, September 14, 2021
9:30 – 3:00**

BOM for the Month of September is Paper Pieced. If you would like to learn this technique come attend this Free Work Shop taught by BOM Member Allynn Baker. Space is limited to 24. Reservations required.

Make Reservations by Contacting: Sally Sandilands ssandilands@yahoo.com or Ellynn Baker allynn@itenigma.com

Sign-Up Sheet will also be available at our BOM table along with the Paper Pieced Pattern. More information will be provide at the MQG Meeting on Monday, September 13th. After work shop we will continue with our normal lunch and other projects. Come join the fun.

If you have any questions please feel free to call. Thank you.

**Sally Sandilands, BOM Chair, 317-219-7767
Linda Grzynski, BOM Co-Chair, 317-509-2030**

**Lissa Shanahan, Editor
lissa.shanahan@gmail.com
317-670-9336**

Information for Retreat Attendees

General Information

I am so looking forward to this retreat! I hope you are too! But I would be remiss if I did not talk about the Covid L9 virus. Our retreat is being held in LaGrange county. As many of you know this is a county with a large Amish population. The Amish in general do not believe in vaccines. I have contacted the Farmstead Inn, and at the present time no masks are being required. I have been checking the Covid 19 infection rate for that county. It is currently at a 7 day average of 4 cases per day, extremely low compared to Marion and Hamilton counties.

I know the entire conversation concerning Covid L9 tends to be very divisive. My intent is to keep everyone as safe and comfortable as can be. So first I am asking anyone who does not feel well prior to the retreat to either get a Covid test prior to coming or stay home. The guild will refund your entire retreat fee, not your room cost that is between you and the Farmstead Inn. Also, we will be asking each person attending the retreat to wear either a green, yellow, or red ribbon designating how comfortable she is with being near others. Green for huggers and red for those that would prefer others to keep their distance with yellow being for fist or elbow bumpers. And of course if you want to wear a mask you are welcome to do so.

Upon aniving at the Farmstead Inn please proceed to the front desk and get your room. You may either go check out your room first or bring your sewing machine and other sewing items to Conference rooms C,D,and E. There will be a table for check in. At that time we will ask you to pick up the colored ribbon of your choice and to fill out an emergency contact - just in case. The sewing room will be available for sewing at 3 PM. We will have pizza the first evening for everyone.

See you September 16!!

Susan Juffe

UPDATED PACKING LIST

Mudsocks Quilters Guild Circle of Friends Retreat

Items to bring for crafting:

- o Decorative Beads with a center opening big enough to slip over a thick skewer, avoid pony beads, they have too large an opening.
- o 3-4 fabric scraps at least 8"x16"
- o 1-2 Narrow ribbons to coordinate with your fabrics, at least 10" in length
- o Floss, Perle Cotton, twine, or other rope like fibers in colors to coordinate with your fabrics
- o Small fake leaves, pumpkin leaves would be ideal, or green felt to make your own leaves 6-8
- o Thin loft batting scrap pieces at least 8"x8"

If you have extra beads, ribbon, leaves or batting scraps you might bring along to share with others.

Snacks:

Please bring a snack to share, plus your favorite for yourself! Also, bring your own drinking cup or mug, preferably with a lid.

Here is a checklist of things you might want to bring along.

- o Sewing Machine and Accessories
- o Sewing machine and extension table if you use one.
- o Footpedal w/Power cord
- o Instruction manual for your machine
- o Extra sewing machine needles, various sizes
- o Small screw driver
- o Small cleaning brush
- o 1/4 foot
- o Walking foot
- o All-purpose foot
- o Surge protector Notions
- o Thread in neutral colors
- o Pre-wound bobbins
- o Sewing scissors
- o Thread snips
- o Rotary cutter and extra blades
- o Cutting mat for your workstation if you want
- o Hand-sewing needles
- o Seam ripper
- o Pins and pincushion in a Ziploc bag
- o Safety pins

Personal Items:

- o Pens, markers
- o Reading glasses
- o Band-aids
- o Pain reliever
- o Comfortable clothing - don't forget a sweater or jacket . Comfy shoes or slippers

- o Healthy snacks
- o Chocolate for rewarding yourself for a job well-done!
- o Cell phone and charger
- o Drinking glass with a lid

Optional

- o Iron and ironing surface for you own work area
- o Spray bottle for ironing
- o Additional light source for your work area
- o Cash and/or credit card for SHOPPING!

Provided by the inn

- o Ironing boards, Irons
- o Extension cords

Provided by the Guild

- o Design wall - a flannel design wall
- o Large cutting mats

Make sure your belongings are marked with your name!

Other reminders

- o Check in on Thursday Sep 16 at 3 P.M.
- o Check out Sunday Sep 19 at 11, A.M.
- o Sewing will begin at 3 P.M. on Thursday.
- o Sewing will end at 3 P.M. on Sunday.
- oThe conference rooms will be locked at night so you can leave your things overnight.
- o A continental breakfast is provided from 6-10 each morning.
- o The rooms are furnished with refrigerators and microwaves.
- o No alcoholic beverages are allowed in the conference room.
- o If you drink in your room, please carry home all evidence!
- oThere is free wifi and there is a swimming pool.

Dinner is on Saturday night at 6PM ar the Blue Gate Inn.

And as always bring your good humor

Here is a link for a map of the Farmstead Inn for your convenience, copy and paste into your browser.
https://shipshewanatradingplace.com/uploads/downloads/Farmstead_Inn_Hotel_Room_Layout.pdf