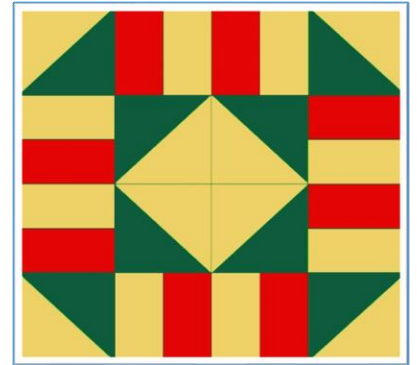


MUDSOCK MESSENGER

Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month
Cornerstone Lutheran Church
13450 E 116th St, Fishers IN 46037
[Website] mudsockquiltersguild.org



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All Mudsock Quilters Guild members:

We have been made aware of a gift card scam whereby Mudsock members were asked to buy gift cards on behalf of the Guild.

No one from the Board and no Committee Chair of Mudsock Quilters Guild will ever ask another member to buy and send e-gift cards purchased on behalf of the guild.

The bottom line: If you're asked to purchase gift cards or told to pay with gift cards, it is a scam. The moment someone asks you for a gift card purchase or payment, you should hang up or delete the email or text.

Chris Behme

President's Letter

It has been my honor to be your president for 2023 and I've had so much fun that I'm thrilled to reprise that role for 2024! Thank you for your confidence in me and our exiting 2023 board. I'm excited to work with our new board members in the coming year.

And what a year it was – we welcomed around 75 new members to the guild, started a chapter of Quilts of Valor, had a record-breaking Quit Show, Steals and Deals also broke records, and we had amazing programs and workshops and all while supporting many charities with our quilting gifts. May thanks to the Program Chairs, all Committee Chairs, and everyone who participated in making quilts or supporting committee work.

I'm looking forward to our last meeting of the year. The Hospitality Committee has been working hard and planning a fun time for all!

Reminders:

- We are meeting at the Delaware Township Center – the large building in the back
- No guests for this meeting as we are using all available chairs!
- Be sure to bring a donation for their food pantry and, if you can, a \$ donation as well – they are allowing us the use of the venue free of charge in support of the pantry
- Wear your name tag
- Fun begins at 10:00 – don't come early as we will be setting up!

Sadly, we lost two of our members this month – Vickie Smith and Bettye McGraw. Please keep them and their families in your thoughts and prayers .

Quilts are like friends – a great source of comfort!

Mary

December 11th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (10:00–12:00) Delaware Township Community Center

Mudsock Quilt Guild annual Holiday Party “**A Season of Giving**” will be held at Delaware Township Community Center, 9090 E. 131st St. Fishers, IN on December 11th at 10:00 am.

Although there will be no charge for the event, Delaware is giving us the venue free of charge, so please be generous and bring at least your usual \$1 and a plentiful donation for their food bank. We will have door prizes, and Karaoke! Our business meeting will be as usual with Show and Tell, Secret Santa Sisters Reveal and Birthdays, but no BOM or Steals N Deals.



December Birthdays

Tiffany Johnsen 12/3
Denise Lanman 12/8
Beverly Gach 12/9
Pat Cuddington 12/12
Cathy Jo Imhoff 12/17
Elaine Shannon 12/18
Carol Suiter 12/20

Kevin Deeds 12/21
Amanda Newman 12/23
Ann Hummel 12/24
Meri Mahlstreet 12/27
Nancy Bryan 12/29
Linda Freeman 12/30

Welcome New Members!!

Nicole Comerford
Rebecca Coffey
Deirdre Peduto

Upcoming Mudsock Events

Dec. 11: Mudsock Guild Meeting, 10:00-12:00, at Delaware Township Community Center, 9090 E. 131st St. Fishers, IN. Holiday Celebration Brunch (**Note the change in time and location**)

Dec. 12: Community Charity Bee Shopping and dropping off finished quilts, 12:00-3:00, Community Health Pavilion, 9669 E 146th Street, Noblesville, IN. Please note: you need to sign in when entering the storage room. Contact: Sally Sandilands, ssandilands@yahoo.com or 317-219-7767.

Dec. 27: Delaware Sew Bee, 9:30-3:00, Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E. 131st Street, Fishers. (see below). Delaware Township Trustees have requested that we bring a non-perishable item each month for their Food Pantry. Please honor this request as a way of saying 'Thank You' for the use of their room.

Jan. 5: Mudsock Executive Board Meeting, 9:30-11:00, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 E 116th St., Fishers IN. All members are welcome to attend.

Jan. 8: Mudsock Guild Meeting, 9:30-11:30, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 E 116th St., Fishers IN. We will be sharing our “favorite quilting tool” at our January meeting! Please bring yours!

2024 Programs

We will be offering four workshops next year with the first workshop in March with Amy Bradley and her expertise in fusible applique. You will be able to sign up starting January with your choice of patterns. Visit her website: www.amybradleydesigns.com to get a sneak peek! It will be such a fun workshop! Sign up early!!”

Marsha Coleman/Sue Flaty - Program Co-chairs

New Educational Class Offering

The first Mudsock Make & Learn class has been scheduled for January 26th from 9 a.m. to noon. Our very own Chris Behme will be leading us in a workshop on the “Call Me” pouch. This is a really cute, quilted name badge and cell phone holder. Spaces are limited so sign up soon! More information can be found on the Calendar of Events page of the website.

Chris has made a video on cutting the fabric, purchasing the mesh, and other preparations for the class. It is available under Calendar of Events. The By Annie Call Me pattern is a free to download.

Details are as follows:

Cost: Free for Mudsock members

Date: January 26, 2024

Time: 9 a.m. to noon

Location: Kirlendall Room at Delaware Township Community Center.

Maximum capacity: 13

To sign up:

1. You can log on to the Mudsock website, go to Calendar of Events and click the link on January 26th titled “Education Class Name Tag”. You MUST be signed in to the website to register for this class.
2. Or you can sign-up at the December and January meetings.

If you have any questions, please feel free to Facebook message Cheryl Newbold-Thompson. We so look forward to planning more workshops in 2024 and beyond.

We are always looking for suggestions for new workshops and for volunteer members who love sharing their skills and passion for all things quilting/crafting with our members.

Elaine Parker

Quilts of Valor

The Mudsock Chapter of the Quilts of Valor Foundation invites all members to join us for the presentation of the beautiful quilts you all have made. It is heartwarming and joyous to see the gratitude on the faces of our veterans. The award ceremony usually takes about 15-25 minutes to perform. Most times family members and friends of the veteran are present to take part in the festivities. Grandchildren of the Vets are particularly impressed with this award ceremony, many may or may not have been a part of their family's legacy of service.

An email will be sent out a few days before the next presentations with the date, time and place for information. Please consider joining your Mudsock QOV chapter in this gratifying work.

RuthAnn Gapen

2024 Dues are Due

Dues are \$25 and due by the March meeting. Bring your dues in an envelope marked with your name and sock number.

Wanda Feder

MUDSOCK QUILT SHOW WRAP-UP

The Mudsock Quilt Show Committee would like to thank everyone involved in helping make our Quilt Show a BIG success. This year we had 15 Vendors selling all their various wares, over 300 beautiful quilts on display, all kinds of help from so many of our wonderful Mudsock volunteers.

The Quilt Show Favorite Quilt was #68, Cathedral Window by Heather Gum. In addition, we had more than 360 people attend the Show. The funds raised by the quilt show entrance fee totaled \$1,790.00. In addition, we raised \$458.00 from the Ruffled items. All of the money raised has been deposited into the Mudsock Quilters Guild treasury.

AGAIN, Many Thanks and Happy Quilting into 2024
The Mudsock's Quilt Show Committee

Quilting 101

Start the New Year off right with Quilting 101. Classes will start January 4th for 5 weeks from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Community Network Health Pavilion, 9669 146th Street (Suite 160), Noblesville. Learn techniques that will make you a better quilter with sharper quilts. Contact Diane Dimpfl at 317 550 9080 or ddimpfl1@comcast.net if you are interested. Fee \$50.



Diane Dimpf

Heart Pillows for IU Health Schwarz Cancer Center

After delivering the last donation of pillows, I learned that Schwarz has a supply to last until March 2024. So we have a break here for a few months. I will resume collecting at the March meeting. Thank you all again for your support.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Holiday Season. Be safe and stay well.

Julie Putman

Website News

Since everyone will be looking gorgeous for our Holiday Party, I expect to have a line of ladies needed to get their photos taken for the website. If you want to update your photo, please see me before or after the meeting and during the break.

The Website Admins for 2024 will be Carlene Clark with June Koeske as back up. If you are computer savvy and are looking for a way to get involved with the guild, please let me or Carlene know. We would love to have you on the website committee! There's no heavy lifting and you get to know so many members.

Chris Behme

Delaware Sew Bee

The December Sew Bee is the 4th Wednesday, Dec 27th, 9:30-3:00. Bring your personal sewing projects, your machine, supplies, and lunch if you need sustenance! Maybe you got a new sewing tool or machine you want to share with us? Santa just might have been good to you.

Chris Behme

Community North Sewing Bee

If you would be interested in assisting with quilt delivery for the patients at Community Hospital North and Community Heart and Vascular Hospital on Christmas Day, please see below to learn more about the process to be cleared to volunteer onsite in the hospital:

Visit <https://volunteer.ecommunity.com>

1. Click on "Sign Up" on the upper left-hand side of the page
2. Select "Volunteer Application" from the drop-down menu
3. It is recommended to do this on a computer versus a phone or tablet
4. Please note in the application that you are interested in quilt delivery

Diane Dimpfl

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 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.



FILE

Please bring these blocks
to the January Meeting

For detailed information about the October BOM, **Split Back Star Block**, go to the Mudsock website at www.mudsockquiltersguild.org or click on the word "file" above.

Sharon Jones and Kerri Gallaga, Co-chairs

Steals N Deals

There will **not** be a Steals N Deals table at the December Holiday Celebration Meeting.

We offer a table at each meeting to bring your items in that you no longer need or want. Everything should have a price, so you can find a "great deal". If there is no price, just pay what you think is a "steal of a price"! There will be a bucket to place your money. All proceeds from Steals N Deals go back into the guild. If your item does not sell, please feel free to take it home. If not, then I take everything and hold onto them for a later meeting or donate them to various organizations to help others.

When you bring in your items, we just ask that you have each item marked with a price. Fabric should be priced using the scale of \$4.00 per yard. Baggies work well for fabric pieces or scraps. If you are unsure of the pricing, please give it to me and I can price it or take it home and bring it back at the next meeting. It can be overwhelming sometimes. We will continue with Steals N Deals at the monthly meetings. I will wait until I get a surplus of items or a big donation before I have a garage sale. I will always give you plenty of notice. As always, please ask me any questions, anytime. My email is mkdpm@yahoo.com.

Melissa Schulman

Reminders

Cornerstone Lutheran Church graciously hosts our Guild meetings at no charge. Please show your gratitude by bringing food pantry contributions or make a small **suggested \$1.00 donation** from your piggy bank.

Bad Weather Policy: If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are CLOSED due to weather, then there will be NO MQG Meeting. If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are on a 2 Hour Delay, then we will hold our meeting as scheduled.

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