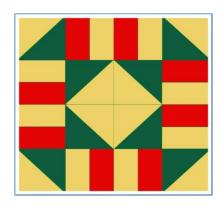
Mudsock Messenger

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



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President's Letter

Spring is around the corner! It teased us for a few days in February and looks like another bit of spring is on the way. Indiana is so up and down! If you are in our Mudsock Facebook group, you may have seen Amanda's "temperature" block for January--can't wait to see her February block.

By the way, our Facebook group is "closed," which means only paid members of Mudsock Guild have access. So feel free to post in there knowing it is not seen by "the world". Also, please don't invite your friends to join unless they are members. Facebook keeps asking me to invite everyone I know, but our able administrator will not let them in.

Like many people, I spent some time over the holidays reorganizing my sewing room – I can now see most of my ufo's – turns out I love to piece the tops but slack off on the quilting, so I set a goal to finish one adult and one baby quilt per month. Nothing fancy on the quilting – just something I can do on my domestic Pfaff. On track so far – let's see if I can stick with it, although I did pick up a 3-yard bundle AND some fabric at the storage room to make a couple more tops....

I was able to attend our new member gathering on February 16th. It was fun to be with a smaller group and get to know each other – and the guild – a little better. Thank you to Laurie for hosting us in her lovely home and showing us her sewing room. Next one is in April; be sure to sign up at our general meeting as space is limited.

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Reminders:
□ Please come a few minutes early so that you can be in your seat right at 9:30 when the fun
begins.
□ If you are able, please park in the side parking lot at the church□ Wear your name tag and bring a \$1 donation and/or donation item for Cornerstone Lutheran
Happy St Patrick's Day and Happy Easter!

March 11th -- Mudsock Quilters Guild Meeting (9:30–11:30) Cornerstone Lutheran Church

The Programs Committee is excited to have Amy Bradley of Amy Bradley Designs speak at our March meeting. She will tell us of her pattern design journey and show us a trunk load of quilts! Her fusible applique patterns are fun and whimsical!! You'll get to see her many quilt designs and also have an opportunity to buy all of your favorite patterns and gifts!! See you then!

Marsha Coleman/Sue Flaty - Program Co-chairs

March Birthdays

Ann Houchin 3/1 Cindy Kajder 3/3 Annie Gianaris 3/4 Melody Bartrom 3/5 Donnell Bradley 3/7 Mary Ann Yedinak 3/7 Dorothy Bradford 3/12 Shirley Cook 3/12 Pat Jones 3/13 Becky Mathison 3/14



Val Bruemmer 3/15 Julie Sell 3/15 Carolynn Marriott 3/18 Nancy Hurley 3/19 Patricia Gray 3/23 Phyllis Budarz 3/26 Marlene Dabels 3/27 Kay Fisher 3/27 Renee Dickman 3/28 Bobbi Dunne 3/31

Welcome New Members

Stephanie Schweitzer Cyndi Brandau Janet Kantz

There were 128 members, one new and two guests at the February meeting. We have 201 paid members.

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Upcoming Mudsock Events

- **Mar. 8: Executive Board Meeting, 9:30-11:00,** Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 E 116th St., Fishers IN. All members are welcome to attend.
- Mar. 11: Mudsock Guild Meeting, 9:30-11:30, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 E 116th St., Fishers IN. Amy Bradley will tell us of her pattern design journey and show us a trunk load of quilts! Her fusible applique patterns are fun and whimsical!
- Mar. 12: Amy Bradley Workshop to learn or improve your skills of fusible applique. Workshop is full.
- Mar. 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. SHOPPING FOR ALL MUDSOCK CHARITIES HAS BEEN APPROVED! Contact: Sally Sandilands, ssandilands@yahoo.com or 317-219-7767.
- Mar. 18: Community North and Charity Bee Sewing , 9:30-3:00, Community Health Pavilion, 9669 E 146th Street, Noblesville, IN. Please bring your sewing and cutting supplies. If you are turning in receipts for reimbursement, please include a <u>completed form</u> for Mudsock reimbursement along with your receipts.
- Mar. 27: Delaware Sew Bee, 9:30-3:00, Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E. 131st street, Fishers. Bring your personal sewing projects and sewing supplies.
- **Apr. 11: Mudsock Guild Meeting, 9:30-11:30,** Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 E 116th St., Fishers IN. March's program. Will be by Amy Bradley of Amy Bradley Designs including a trunk show and her design journey. Workshop the following day on fusible applique. Still more slots are available for the workshop. (see below)

New Heart Pillow Client!

The Guild made contact with the Fig Leaf Shop at Community North Cancer Center in February. After that meeting it was decided to add the Center to the Heart Pillow Charity. The Center's goal is 120 pillows for this year...add that to the 240 we are committed to Schwarz...that's 360 this year. Yikes!!!

I think the Guild is capable of filling the demand, especially if we think of the monthly goals. So ladies, use your stash and shop the Storeroom for fabrics. The polyfill is on you but there is some at the Storeroom in a room to the side in a bin with my name on it...feel free to take want you need.

Thank you for supporting this Charity!! I'll be collecting as usual at the back of the Sanctuary. See you all at the Meeting!!

Julianne Putman

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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. You can also pay dues through PayPal on the Mudsock website.

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2024 Fall Retreat

Retreat: We are set for Sept 4th-7th, 2024 at the Farmstead Inn in Shipshewana. Make your room reservations by calling 1-260-768-4595. We have a block of rooms available so be sure to ask for the Mudsock Quilting Guild Block. As soon as we determine the event costs we will start collecting money to hold your spot. Contact Chris Behme, chrisknitssews@gmail.com, to get your name on the list. We will also have a sign-up sheet available at the meetings.

Chris Behme

Delaware Sew Bee

Delaware sew Bee will meet March 27th at the Delaware Township Offices on 131st St in Fishers. Bring your personal sewing projects, sewing supplies, and lunch for a fun day of sewing with friends. Need help on a project, we are always willing to give our opinions! To thank Delaware Township for the use of their facility, please bring a Food Pantry item for donation. They also have a wish list on Amazon that you can access for easy donating. Contact Chris Behme if you have any questions at <a href="mailto:christophilosophi

Chris Behme

Community Storeroom News

The Candy Store Strippers have been busy. Look for Linda, Laurie and Sally at the next Mudsock Quild Meeting. Once again we are bringing the Store Room to you. This time we will have Three Yard Bundles available to check out. Come Early and Shop for your next Community Charity Quilt Project. Kits will also be available in the Store Room. We will be open Tuesday, March 13th, Noon to 3:00 and Monday, March 19th, 9:30 to 3:30.

Sally Sandilands, Storeroom Manager Linda Garzynski, Co-chair Laurie Farthing, Assistant

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.

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For detailed information about The March BOM, Lucky Clover, go to the Mudsock website at www.mudsockquiltersguild.org or click on the word "file" above.

The 2024 March BOM is a scrappy shamrock. The shamrock was a sacred plant in ancient Ireland because it symbolized the rebirth of spring. Hopefully you will sense the coming of warmer weather and sunshine as you make this beautiful block. Maybe it will inspire some spring cleaning or craft room organizing! The directions include a link to a brief You Tube video by Chris Behme on a very nice technique to make the stem block. Here's a copy of the link in case you have trouble finding it: https://youtu.be/TU4LI5QFCvI?si=kxCfB0pfVA_s9UPM

Looking forward to seeing you and your blocks at the March 11 meeting.

Val Bruemmer and Mary Ann Yedinak BOM Co-Chairs

Hello from Steals N Deals!

Please bring any donations to the meetings. If you have too much for you to bring to the meeting or not attending, you can always drop at my house and I can bring to the meeting. Please try to mark your donations with a price, if possible. Most fabric is based on \$4.00 per yard, so scale down depending on the fabric yardage. Any other items are at your discretion, but remember we want these items is to sell. If you are not sure are unable to mark the items, just let me know at the meetings.

For anyone new, Steals N Deals is a committee where members donate items, that you no longer want or need, we then sell the items to members at the meetings and all the money goes back into the Guild. We have the Steals N Deals tables at each meeting, except for December. Members mark their items and drop at the table, then feel free to shop! We also use donated items for the vendor table at the Quilt Show in November.

Any questions, please let me know. Melissa Schulman mkdpm@yahoo.com or 317 507 8386 Have a great day.

Melissa Schulman

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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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