# Mudsock Messenger

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Meetings: 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month

**Cornerstone Lutheran Church** 

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# President's Letter

Wow! January flew by in more ways than one! The cold weather kept me home more than usual. Cleaned up my sewing studio again and got a great start on a large quilt. I finally started the quilt from a 2023 shop hop and have the blocks made. My 9-year-old granddaughter dreamed of more gifts for her classmates for Valentine's Day, so we are on a sewing adventure together creating small pillows for her classmates. My 5-year-old granddaughter is starting hand sewing together. In my efforts to keep quilting alive and well, my sister, a friend and I got together to help them with techniques and we made a table runner in a day. (Rather they made a table runner in a day, mine is unfinished). I have a plan of what I would like to create this year, how about you?

Thanks for playing along with the new show and tell, we will repeat it at our February meeting, display your quilt as soon as you arrive for viewing before the meeting and during the break. Our speaker, Chris Schulte, will have a trunk show for us.

#### Meeting reminders

- · Park on the side of the church if able (the back door is a shorter walk to get inside)
- · Arrive early to visit and be in a seat at 9:30
- · Wear your nametag

- · Sit next to someone new or that you don't know
- · Bring cash for \$1 Donation to Cornerstone and Steals and Deals shopping
- · Bring your dues if you have not paid for 2025 (PayPal is not working on the website)

Remember to check the calendar on the website for all events, details, and contact information. The website and newsletter are our primary communication sources.

I am continually inspired by the passion and creativity that each of you brings to our guild. Quilting is not just a craft; it is an art form that connects us, weaving together stories, traditions, and communities. Let us continue to support and inspire one another, fostering an environment where creativity flourishes and friendships thrive.

#### **February Event Round Up**

2/10 Mudsock Quilters Monthly Meeting
2/11 Program Workshop
2/11 Charity Storeroom Shopping
2/13 Skill Builders
2/17 Charity Storeroom shopping
2/17 Charity Sewing Bee
2/26 Delaware Sew Bee

#### **Cheri Wenger**

# February 10<sup>th</sup>—(9:30–11:30) Cornerstone Lutheran Church

Chris Schulte from Green Light Quilts in Franklin, Tennessee will be visiting and sharing her unique designs, patterns, and quilts in our meeting on Monday, February 10.



# **February Birthdays**

Birute Darzinskaite 2/2 Dana Selanders 2/3 Kathryn Simmons 2/8 Katie Richey 2/9 Naomi McLaren 2/12 Mary Sears 2/13 Cindi Clayton 2/13

Welcome New Members

Helene Hein 2/22 Susann Moulden 2/22 Rosa Clark 2/26 Heather Greene 2/26 Lorraine Rush 2/26 Jacquie Banks 2/28 Laura Kosar Olga Kacmar Ann M. Crispin Laurie Hayes Janice Gustaferro Cindi Clayton Lela McKinney Gayle Cherro

At the January Meeting 129 members, 8 new members and 3 guests attended

# **Upcoming Mudsock Events**

**Feb. 07 and 14: Quilting 101** taught by **Diane Dimplf.,** 9:30 a.m.to 1:30 p.m. at Community Network Health Pavilion, 9669 146th Street (Suite 160) Noblesville. (Last two classes of a 5-week program.)

Feb. 11: Workshop, 8:00-3:00, Community Health Pavilion, 9669 E 146th Street, Noblesville, IN. Chris Schulte will be conducting a workshop from 8am - 3pm at the Community Health Pavilion (located at 9669 E. 146) using her pattern, 'Aunt Margaret's Scrap Basket'. There are still a few spots open for this workshop (as of 1/29 writing) and you can sign up by contacting Jayne Gates at <a href="mailto:jayne.gates@gmail.com">jayne.gates@gmail.com</a>. The cost is \$50 which includes the pattern. (There is a little pre-work so don't delay!)

Feb. 13: Skill Builders Class, 9:00-3:00, Community Health Pavilion, 9669 E 146th Street, Noblesville, IN. Anne Hart will be teaching us the ins and outs of making t-shirt quilts (see below).

Feb. 14: Community Charity Bee Shopping and dropping off finished quilts, 12:00-3:30, 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.

Feb. 17: Community Charity Bee Sewing, 9:30-3:00, Community Health Pavilion, 9669 E 146th Street, Noblesville, IN. Shopping in the storeroom will also be available.

Feb. 26: Delaware Sew Bee, 9:30-3:00, Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E. 131st Street, Fishers. Come and join us each month on the 4th Wednesday at Delaware Township Offices in Fishers for a personal sewing day! All skill levels are welcome. We sew, visit, laugh and learn all kinds of new things. Bring a lunch or visit a local eatery for good food. Be sure to bring your supplies and don't forget your project!! Ask me how I know. We ask that you also bring a food pantry item to donate to Delaware's efforts to help the needy in their community. Any questions just ask Chris Behme, <a href="mailto:chrisknitssews@gmail.com">chrisknitssews@gmail.com</a>

Mar. 7: Mudsock Board Meeting, 9:30-11:30, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 E 116th St., Fishers IN. All members are invited to attend.

# **Mudsock Guild Dues are Due**

Dues of \$25 for 2025 are due by the March meeting. Bring them in an envelope with your sock number.

Wanda Feder

# **Programs Committee**

On February 11th. Chris Schulte will be conducting a workshop from 8am - 3pm at the Community Health Pavilion (located at 9669 E. 146th St., Noblesville) using her pattern called 'Aunt Margaret's Scrap Basket'. There are still a few spots open for this workshop (as of 1/29 writing).

In March, our program will include the introduction of this year's Challenge Quilt Theme, as well as some fun 'get to know you activities'. The Challenge Quilt Reveal (when you show your work) will be in July, so there is lots of time this year!)

In our April 14 meeting, **Shannon Arnstein** from Muncie, will be joining us and sharing her designs. Shannon is an author, designer, and a quilt sample maker for RJR Fabrics. On April 15 (Tuesday) from 9am - 2pm Shannon will be conducting a half day workshop on use of fabric panels in quilt designs. The cost of this workshop will be \$30. **Sign ups are OPEN NOW**, **by contacting Jayne Gates at jayne.gates@gmail.com**. Sign ups will be available at the February meeting, so please bring cash or a check to sign up at that time. There are panels available in our storeroom that can be used for the workshop BUT ONLY IF the end result will be a quilt made for charity.

Jayne Gates and Peg Bertelli

# **Mudsock Guild Bus Trip**

Are you ready to ramble!!! We will be making plans to visit the Great Wisconsin Quilt Show in Madison Wisconsin in September. Look for more info in the coming months. Mark the dates, September 3rd-5th. We will have space for 56 quilters.

#### **Chris Behme**

# **Sunshine Committee**

I am in need of a couple of members to assist in the Mudsock Sunshine Group to help in sending out the birthday cards to members. Everything is provided and it just takes a little bit of your time once or twice a year.

Please see me at the meeting, e-mail me or call me if you are interested.

Ellen Hanson ver61el.handon@comcast.net 317-288-7271

## **News From the Storeroom**

Come in and shop for all your charity quilting needs. Also turn in your completed Charity quilts. The Storeroom will be open 2nd Tuesday of the month 12:00 - 3:00 and 3rd Monday of the month 9:30 - 3:00.

# Sally Sandilands, Storeroom Manager Community Quilts Distribution

Christmas morning dawned bright and cold as our dedicated Mudsock members came together with Hospital volunteers at Community Hospital to deliver quilts to patients. In a heartfelt effort, fifteen volunteers gifted 353 beautifully crafted quilts to those on the regular floors, in rehabilitation, and at the Cancer Center. After a year of hard work and love poured into each quilt, our members transformed a few hours of distribution into a moment of joy for those spending Christmas in the hospital.

Here's the inspiring breakdown for 2024:

- 93 members united to create 353 quilts.
- 212 quilts brought warmth to patients at Community Main Hospital, with 40 given to Rehabilitation, and 45 to the Cancer Center.
- 29 Longarmers donated time and materials to quilt 166 beautiful quilts.
- 172 Members proudly quilted their own unique works.
- 56 quilts are still ready to spread comfort throughout the year.
- -7 members donated more than 10 quilts

Thank you to all of those who participated! Laurie Farthing

#### Steals N Deals

Every month we have a table in the back corner of our meeting room. Members can bring in items that they no longer need or want and other members can shop and find great deals. Please price any items that you bring in. Remember prices should be "great deals". As a guide we suggest pricing fabric at \$4/yard.

If you are shopping and don't see a price on something just pay what you think is fair. There will be a bucket on the table for your payments (cash only). All proceeds from Steals and Deals go back to the guild. If your items don't sell and you want them back, please feel free to pick them up immediately at the close of our meeting. Anything left after the meeting will be donated that day to local charity.

If you have any questions please feel free to email me at aspurlin75@yahoo.com Have a great day!

Amanda Simmons and Laura Anderson

## **Heart Pillows for Cancer Patients**

We are restarting our collecting of Heart Pillows for cancer patients at the Schwarz Cancer Center in Carmel, IN. You can find the info on construction of these pillows at this site. Julie P is the point person for collection of the pillows at our monthly meetings. We hope that you will consider making just 1, or 2, 3...as many as you would like!

A comment was shared by a recipient of a pillow. With constant use the V seam of the pillow tends to get a lot of stress. Please consider back stitching to reinforce the seam, or use a more gentle curve at the dip of the heart.

Thank you to all who take time to make these useful and needed pillows!

#### Julie Putman

## **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 winners.

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**FILE** 

Think "Vintage" when selecting fabrics for this block! Off-white or soft white background, small/soft flowers. Fabric requirements are for one 12-inch (finished) block. Block will measure 12-1/2

For detailed information about the February BOM, go to the Mudsock website at <a href="https://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org">www.mudsockquiltersguild.org</a> or ctrl + click on FILE above.

#### 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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