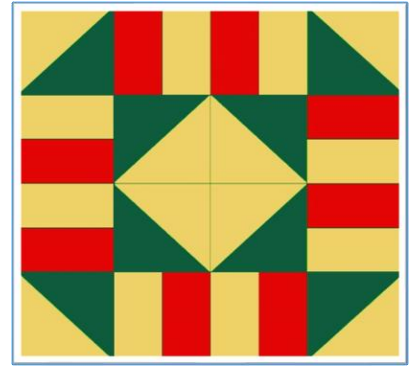


Mudsock Messenger



Meetings: 2nd Monday of each month
Cornerstone Lutheran Church
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[Website] mudsockquiltersguild.org

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President's Letter

Where is summer rapidly going? One more month and the grandkids are back in school! Catching up on sleep after the long Pacer run, glad I was retired with all of the late games. All of you shop hoppers, how did you do? I made it to over half the stores and visited 4 regions, completed 2 of them. I found a few shops that I will return to, some really surprised me. My sister and I shopped together, drove over 1,000 miles and spent way too much money! We wandered through southern Indiana for 3 days, saw a lot of beautiful countrysides and visited some sites along the way. There is a lot to see in Indiana. If you did not shop hop and now have remorse, you can check out the One Stop Quilt Shop Hop at the Honeywell Center Wabash, IN on July 18 & 19th. 25 stores in one place. Information is available at nancyjsfabrics.com.

This month is one of my favorite meetings, the challenge reveals. Cannot wait to see what all your creative minds have done. We will also hear about our charity work year to date. A few changes for this special meeting-

1. There will not be show and tell this month, only challenge reveals.
2. Please keep your quilt project with you, do not display it until you reveal it on stage.
3. Share a short story about what was the challenge to you in your project and what you learned.
4. Indicate if you are entering the quilt in a show.
5. You may share your quilt top (flimsy) if it is not quilted yet.

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
- ☐ Place your show and tell on the chairs to display
- ☐ Wear your nametag
- ☐ Sit next to someone new or that you don't know and invite them to lunch
- ☐ Bring cash for \$1 Donation to Cornerstone and Steals and Deals shopping

See you at the reveal!

Cheri Wenger

July events- see website for all details

7/11 Mudsock Board Meeting

7/14 Mudsock Guild Meeting

7/15 Charity Storeroom shopping

7/21 Charity Sewing Bee and Storeroom shopping

7/23 Delaware Sew Bee

July 14th Guild Meeting (9:30–11:30) Cornerstone Lutheran Church

Challenge Quilt Reveal to tell us about how you used your creativity to 'Be Your Own Designer'

The idea was to motivate each member to get creative and be their own designer, try something new.

This challenge was not be judged! Success is be determined by whether YOU ENJOYED being your own designer!

Welcome New Members

Colleen Taber

There were 115 members and one new member at the June Meeting.



July Birthdays

Judy MacDonald 7/1

Rachel Bell 7/5

Sue Meggenhofen 7/6

Judy Ireland 7/7

Chris Beldin 7/8

Karen Newton 7/10

Suzanne Short 7/11

Diane Dimpfl 7/13

Kerrie Gallaga 7/13

Anne Hart 7/13

Dawn Wilhite 7/16

Ruth Ann Gapen 7/17

Sue Griffith 7/19

Donna Schmidt 7/20

Gloria Stahlhut 7/20

Beth Stewart 7/20

Heather Gum 7/21

Lynde Smith 22-Jul

Katie Willen 7/22

Cynthia Deatley 7/23

Michelle Pritchett 7/23

Kathy Griffey 24-Jul

Peggy Bertelli 7/25

Cindy Brown 7/26

Carlene Clark 7/27

Nancy Frye 7/28

Jan Dustman 7/31

Connie Moser 7/31

Dianne Zorka 7/31

Upcoming Mudsock Events

(For more details go to: www.mudsockquiltersguild.org/calendar)

July 11: Executive Board Meeting, 9:30 -11:30, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Fishers. All members are invited to attend.

July 14: July Guild Meeting, 9:30 - 11:30, Cornerstone Lutheran Church Fishers, **2025 Challenge Quilt Reveal.**

July 15: Charity Storeroom Shopping, 12:00 -3:30am, Community Network Health Pavilion, 9669 E 146th Street, Noblesville

July 21: 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.

July 23: Delaware Sew Bee, 9:30-3:00, Delaware Township Government Center, 9090 E. 131st Street, Fishers. Come join your fellow Mudsock members at Delaware Township Offices for personal sewing. Bring your sewing supplies and tools and enjoy the camaraderie of quilters. Pack a lunch or visit one of the area restaurants. To thank Delaware for the use of their Kirkendall room we ask that you bring a non-perishable food item for their pantry. Any questions, contact Chris Behme chrisknitssews@gmail.com

Programs Committee

On August 11th our program will be "How to Love your Longarmer" We are looking to our league of longarmers to help with a question/answer segment for the meeting. If you longarm for others, please consider being part of the panel of longarmers. Just let me know if you are interested in sharing some of your experiences and/or some of your expectations when someone gives you a quilt to finish for them. If you are a quilter and give your quilts to a longarmer, please bring your questions to the meeting, so our panel can answer your concerns.

Please contact Carlene Clark (317) 626-3773, or carlene@chicquilting.com if you are interested in participating.

Our final workshop for this year will be held in November (date and time TBD) with Mary Strinka as the instructor. The topic will be One Block Wonder quilt. Signups will not start for this workshop until the fall (once we know the date/time).

Future Meetings are as follows:

September - Maureen Wheflan - Antique Quilt Show

October - Barbara Triscari - Art Quilt artist trunk show

November - Mary Strinka (with workshop) One Block Wonder

December - Holiday Party

Quilts of Valor

The Mudsock Chapter of the Quilts of Valor has had a great and growing year. We have made some important changes in our approach to awarding our veterans their well-deserved quilts. We would love to share these changes, as well as the activities that have made us successful in growing our chapter.

Please join us on Monday, July 14, 2025, after our monthly meeting, for a brief discussion of our goals and aspirations. Learn how you can, with a minimum of effort, be a part of this international endeavor. We have enjoyed such a wonderful response from our guild sisters. We would now like to take this effort to the next level. We would love to hear from you what you think that next level should be. Please gather your ideas and join us in the "Quiet Room" at Cornerstone for a discussion. We also have ideas and would love to share them and receive your feedback.

Our primary objective is to award our beautiful quilts to all the veterans in our area, regardless of their rank, age or experience. To do this we depend on the National Quilts of Valor Foundation. We are fortunate to have that organization at our backs, helping us determine to whom we award our quilts and to give us guidelines to accomplish this worthy goal.

I hope to see you there! Thank you all for your generosity of spirit, time and, of course, quilts!

Ruth Ann Gapen, Melody Bertram, Sandy Metzger.

Secret Santa Sister Gift Exchange

Christmas in July? That's right! It's that time of year again. Don't miss out on this fun opportunity to give AND receive some great quilty gifts during this year's Secret Santa Sister gift exchange. Here's how it works. At our July meeting pick up a form and fill it out with as much detail as possible. Turn the form back into me, Amanda Simmons, no later than at close of the meeting in August. During our September meeting I will then give you a filled out form from another member. Next comes the fun. Bring a gift for your Secret Sister to our October, November and December meetings. If you can't make it to the meeting but would still like to participate you can print out a form from our website and return it to me at the August meeting. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to reach out to me via text [317-409-1386](tel:317-409-1386) or email aspurlin75@yahoo.com. This is such a fun way to share your love of quilting with another member and who knows you may even meet a new friend.

Merry Christmas!
Amanda Simmons

Mudsock Guild Bus Trip

We are headed to Madison Wisconsin for [The Great Wisconsin Quilt Show](#). We are leaving the morning of Sept 3rd and will return the evening of Sept 5th. Times will be confirmed closer to the date. As we travel north we will stop for a quilt shop and lunch in Illinois. Then motor on to Madison to settle in at the

Wyndham Garden in Fichtburg, WI for our stay. We plan to attend the show both days, Thursday and Friday, leaving on Friday to travel back home. We might also plan a stop on the way home for more shopping! Cost for transportation will be \$115.00, the tickets are \$15.00 for both days, the room cost is \$125.00.

We will start taking sign ups at the May meeting. You will need to pay for the transportation and ticket costs when you sign up, so \$130.00 in cash or check made payable to Mudsock Quilters Guild. The checks will be held until July in case anyone finds out they are no longer able to go. But after the July meeting, cancellations will not be allowed. At that time we will give you the name, from a possible wait list, to contact to sell your spot to them.

For your room reservation, please contact Wyndham Garden at 608-274-7200. They have a block of rooms, doubles and a few singles, held for our stay. Please mention Mudsock Quilters Guild when reserving your room.

If you have any questions, contact Chris B, my info can be found on the Current Members list. As we refine our itinerary and have more information available we will send out emails to update those who have signed up to travel.

Chris Behme

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,

July '25



[FILE](#)

[Link to YouTube instructions](#)

The July Block of the Month is the **Disappearing Log Cabin** in black/white/red. Instructions are available in the BOM section of the Mudsock website or click on "file" above. You may also email Martha Ross at mross0519@gmail.com and she will send the instructions to you.

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**.

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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