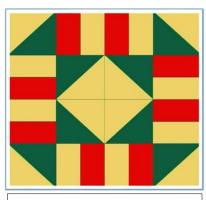
# Mudsock Messenger

Guild Meeting: 2nd Monday of each month at Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 13450 East 116th Street, Fishers IN. www.mudsockquiltersguild.org



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> Martha Ross Newsletter Editor

## **President's Letter**

September was a blur. Little did we know at our last guild meeting what was about to unfold. That afternoon and the following morning, texts, emails, and phone calls began regarding the need to vacate the Community storeroom. I am so grateful for the quick action of the executive board – difficult decisions were made unanimously, and a clear action plan was set. On September 29th, we emptied the last bin of fabric and officially closed the storeroom doors.

We are grateful for the vision and years of service from Diane Dimpfl, Laurie Farthing, Linda Garzynski and Sally Sandilands for running the storeroom for us. Thank you. Quilts will be distributed at Community on Christmas Day.

Thank you to Chris Behme, Laurie Farthing, and Martha Ross for organizing the donations and fabric sale to clear out and close the storeroom. And thank you to the many other members who helped with the process. We apologize if you were accidentally missed in the emails. If you missed the sale, there will be several tables of fabric at the upcoming quilt show in November.

Unsold fabric was donated to charities with whom we've supported or have connections through our guild members, including the Women's Prison, Threads of Love Ministry (associated with Our Lady of Mount Carmel), and Project Linus of Hamilton County/Comfort and Joy quilts. Each charity was grateful for the donations, noting that they either lacked fabric or were running low on supplies. See the article below to learn more about their work.

#### What's next?

- A charity committee is being formed. Stay tuned for more information. Keep making quilts we will continue distributing them to charities.
- Quilt Show Our charity quilts will be displayed as planned on November 8th. We will evaluate the future of the show after the start of the new year.

I hope you enjoyed the Quilt Connection Sampler Platter. You can still view it through October 9th. See the previous emails for the link as we are not allowed to publish it on our website. We will continue to watch for guild opportunities. I would like to hear your feedback!

We are all volunteers, each of you are needed. Your time and talents are always welcome. Just ask how you can help, and we'll match you with something that works for you.

Happy Quilting, Cheri

# **Member Spotlight**

The Mudsock storeroom has now officially closed. We extend a heartfelt Thank You to Diane Dimpfl, Laurie Farthing, Linda Garzynski and Sally Sandilands, for their years of dedication in keeping the storeroom organized and running smoothly for the Mudsock quilters. Your time and efforts have supported countless quilting projects and enriched our guild community – we truly appreciate everything you've done!

Though the doors are closed, the spirit of the storeroom will live on through the quilts, memories, and friendships it helped create. Thank you, *Diane, Laurie, Linda and Sally*!



Diane



Sally, Linda, & Laurie



\* We have a winner from the Great Wisconsin Quilt Show!

Congratulations to *Becky Mathison*, with custom quilting by *Carlene Clark*, for taking 2nd place in bed quilts, machine quilted category.

Do you know a Guild member who deserves to be in the spotlight? Please let us know. We'd love to feature them in Member Spotlight in an upcoming issue.

# **Storeroom Closure, Quilt Contributions**

As noted, the Storeroom at Community North is now officially closed. Community Hospital gave us very short notice to vacate the space for their new tenants. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped organize, sort, pack, and distribute the hundreds of pounds of fabric we had collected over the years. It was a tremendous effort, and our members truly stepped up.

#### Fabric Donations

After meeting our own needs, we were able to donate fabric to many deserving organizations. Each group expressed genuine appreciation for the contributions from Mudsock Quilters Guild. See below for information about the charitable organizations that received donations.

#### Keep Quilting!

This is not the end of our charity work. Many organizations still welcome and need our quilts. If you missed the Storeroom sale, don't worry as there will be a large booth at the November 8th Quilt Show with many fabrics available.

#### Finished Quilts

Bring your finished quilts to the October 13th meeting. Laurie, Linda, or Sally will be available before the meeting, during break, and after the meeting to collect finished quilts. Please tag each quilt with your name and the name of the quilter. The quilts will be stored for the November 8th Quilt Show.

#### **Looking Ahead**

Please hold onto quilts finished in November and December as we prepare plans for 2026.

Thank you to all the Mudsock members for your generosity, creativity, and continued support!

# Charities the Guild donated fabric to from the Storeroom

#### Indiana Women's Prison

The women at the Indiana Women's Prison create guilts for a variety of purposes, including:

- Quilts for volunteers who visit the prison
- Dog beds, quilts, and bedrolls for the homeless
- Quilts for children
- Items sold at fundraisers to support volunteer organizations

They have a large sewing room with several donated machines and volunteers help teach quilting. Mudsock members are welcome to tour the sewing room by appointment (maximum of 10 guests per tour). Lynn Hupp, our Mudsock contact, can arrange tours and has also helped pick up and deliver fabric over the years. Thank you, Lynn!

#### Threads of Love

Threads of Love, a ministry of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, shares talents through sewing, crocheting, knitting, quilting, and cutting. They make:

- Sewing: Burial gowns for miscarried or stillborn babies, sleeper kits, bibs, burp cloths, Pack-n-Play sheets, and lap quilts for senior homes.
- *Hand Sewing*: Hugga baby dolls for the Trinity Free Clinic and character pillows for children going into the hospital for surgery.
- *Crocheting/Knitting*: Blankets, newborn bonnets, prayer squares for the parishioners for Lent, cowls for senior living homes, angels for various uses, and hearts for lap quilts.

- Quilting: Baby blankets and guilted lap guilts for senior living homes.
- *Cutting*: Kits for other volunteers to sew. These items are made as gifts of love for marginalized individuals, as part of the Matthew 25 Center associated with Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Mudsock has donated flannels to this ministry over the years. Thank you to Becky Morello, our guild contact, for picking up and delivering the fabric.

#### Project Linus of Hamilton County/Comfort and Joy Quilts

Project Linus provides warmth, comfort, and a sense of security to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or in need through the gifts of new handmade blankets, quilts, and afghans created by volunteer "blanketeers." The local Project Linus chapter partners with Comfort and Joy Quilts to share resources that are appropriate for adult quilts, including the elderly, nursing home residents, and others in need.

Mudsock members have participated in sewing and donating to this charity. You are invited to join their next charity workday.

- Who: Hamilton County Project Linus
- What: Winter Day Workday
- Where: Noblesville 1st United Methodist Church (Enter Door #7), 2051 Monument St. Noblesville
- When: Saturday, December 13, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Contact/Info: Julie C. at https://www.projectlinus.org/chapters/index.php?state=IN#tgt

# <u>Guild Meeting, October 13th, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. at Cornerstone Lutheran</u> Church, Fishers IN

Barb Triscari, member of the Studio Art Quilt Associates (SAQA), and Featured Artist for the Quilters Guild of Indianapolis (QGI) Quilt Show that was held in September, will present her work. She is also the Chair of the upcoming Sacred Threads Art Exhibit (Oct 30-Nov 9). Learn more about Barb's artistry at <a href="https://www.beadanddyehappy.com">www.beadanddyehappy.com</a>.

#### **Guild 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 name tag.
- Sit next to someone new or that you do not know and invite them to lunch.
- Bring \$1 cash donation to Cornerstone and cash for Steals & Deals shopping.

# Calendar of Events

Oct 13	Monthly Mudsock Guild Meeting, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Fishers
Oct 20	Charity Sew-in, Community Health Pavilion, Noblesville
Oct 22	Delaware Sew Bee, Delaware Township Trustee's Office, Fishers (last one this year)
Nov 7	Mudsock Board Meeting, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Fishers
Nov 8	Mudsock Quilt Guild Quilt Show at Cornerstone Lutheran Church. Fishers
Nov 10	Monthly Mudsock Guild Meeting at Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Fishers

Nov 11	One Block Wonder Workshop, Community Health Pavilion, Noblesville
Nov 11	Veterans Day QOV Quilt Award Ceremony, East Room, Fishers Library
Nov 20	Charity Sew-in, Community Health Pavilion, Noblesville

Dec 5 Mudsock Board Meeting, Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Fishers Dec 8 Monthly Mudsock Guild Meeting and Christmas Party (see below)

#### Event notes:

There will be <u>no</u> Delaware Sew Bee days in November or December due to the holiday season. Visit our website calendar for more event details. <u>www.mudsockquiltersquild.org/calendar</u>

# **A Few More Event Details**

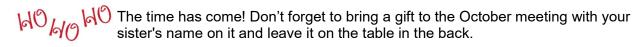
#### <u>December 8th – Mudsock Christmas Party</u>



We're getting excited for our Warm and Quilty Christmas Party!

Please note the location change from last year – this year's party will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 777 Sunblest Blvd, Fishers. This festive event is exclusive to members. More details will be shared soon, so mark your calendars and get ready to celebrate together!

#### October - December - Secret Santa Sister



If you can't make the meeting in October, please let me know either by text (317-409-1386) or email (aspurlin75@yahoo.com) and I will let your sister know to expect two gifts in November.

Also, if you don't receive a gift from your sister at the meeting let me know and I will reach out to her to remind her to bring your gift next time.

Thank you, Amanda Simmons

#### October 22nd – Delaware Sew Day

9:30 am – 3:00 pm, Delaware Township Trustee's Office, 9090 E 131st Street, Fishers, IN. Please join us at the Delaware Township Trustee's Office for a personal sewing day. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month. Bring your machine, sewing supplies, and lunch, or plan to visit one of the nearby restaurants. To show our appreciation for the use of their Kirkendahl room we ask that you bring an item to donate to their Food Pantry. This will be our last sewing day of the year due to the holidays. If you have questions, please contact Chris Behme at <a href="mailto:christoperund-chri

# **Heart Pillows**

I will be collecting heart pillows as usual at the October meeting. We are so close to meeting our goals. Here's where we stand:

- Community North, 134 pillows collected (goal 150)
- Schwartz, 186 pillows collected (goal 250)

Thank you, Julie Putman

# **Scarves for Magdalene and Eternity**

Many thanks to Cheri, Ellen and Chris for pre-embroidering fabric to make comfort dog scarf kits for Magdalene and Eternity. Kits may be picked up at the back of the chapel near the Membership table. Completed scarves may be returned at the November meeting.

Thank you, Mary Boyden

# **Mudsock Quilt Guild Quilt Show - November 8th**

mark your calendars! Our Mudsock Quilt Show is coming up on Saturday, November 8th, from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm at Cornerstone Lutheran Church, Fishers.

We'll have over 300 beautiful quilts on display, all made by our members. Each quilt will be gifted on Christmas Day to patients at Community North and Heart Vascular Hospitals.

#### Raffle Quilts

One of the highlights of the guilt show will be the raffle featuring several guilts, including these.









#### Vendors

Along with the beautiful quilts, quilt raffles, and other quilty raffles, you'll enjoy shopping with these wonderful vendors.

Knife/Scissor Sharpening by Better Edges Christmas Ornaments by Jamie Gaetano Embroidery and Craft by Janet's Embroidery & Crafts Greeting Cards by Handmade Cards by Karrie
Toffee and Crafts by Sue's Quilting and Crafts
Vintage Linens by Patches
Jewelry by Soozi's Crafted Jewelry
Lla Lla Designs/LLD Tees by Mudsock Merch and Gifts
Fabrics by Mudsock Steals & Deals

Don't miss the chance to shop, browse, and support these vendors!



Please help us spread the word — invite your friends, family, and the quilting community to join us for this special Mudsock Quilt Guild event!

# Quilt Show Volunteers Needed

Please consider signing up to help at our Quilt Show! We need volunteers to assist in many tasks. Every extra set of hands makes a big difference. Here are the slots to be filled:

- Pick-up quilts & transport to quilt show
- Lay out guilts before the show
- Vendor setup-up assistance (help with tables before the show)
- Welcome table hand out and collect tickets/vote for favorite quilts
- Welcome & greet guests
- Sell Raffle tickets
- Vendor pack-up assistance to take down/return tables to storage (after the show)
- Remove safety pins and bag up quilts after the show
- Load bins/return to storeroom on Monday, Nov 10th

← Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to help with the quilt show! Additional volunteer sign-up sheets will be available at the October meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Linda Burdett by text at 317-770-9242.

# **October Birthdays**



Carol Yedlick 10/1 Anna Griffin 10/3 Cindy Hall 10/9 Beth Billheimer 10/10 Julie Donnelly 10/11 Audrey Nelson 10/11 Pat Adams 10/12 Sue Flaty 10/15 Pat Osborn 10/17 Laura Johnson 10/18 Allyn Baker 10/21 Laurie Farthing 10/22 Ann Ricciardelli 10/25 Judy Reed 10/28

# **Membership**

We have 254 Mudsock members. There were 148 members at the September meeting. Two new members joined in September – Katrina King and Mary Ann Thompson. Welcome to Mudsocks!

# **Mudsock Charity Donations**

Scarves for Magdalene	15	Children's Charities	124
Heart Pillows	320	Community & Other	307
Quilts of Valor	22	Blocks of the Month	270

## **Programs Committee**

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November 10-11 – Mary Strinka will be visiting us at the November 10th guild meeting and showcasing her unique creations and fun techniques. She is known for thinking outside the box! Mary will also lead our final workshop of the year, One Block Wonder, on November 11th at Community Health Pavilion North. Sign-ups began at the September meeting.

#### Programs for the remainder of 2025

November - Mary Strinka; Workshop - One Block Wonder

December – Holiday Party

# **Quilt Sampler Platter**

Did you miss the quilt connection sampler platter broadcast? You can still watch it through October 9th. The link was sent to all members on Monday, September 29th.

# **Quilts of Valor**

Quilts of Valor (QOV) held two sew days in September at Always in Stitches. Several quilt tops were started, and numerous pillowcases were completed.

A big thank you to members Stephanie Coy-Lykes and Mary Ann Yedinak for helping at our booth at the Noblesville American Legion. Their efforts helped us share the QOV mission with many people, and we anticipate new nominations as a result of this outreach.

#### **Upcoming Presentation**

Our next QOV presentation will be on Veterans Day, November 11th at 2:30 p.m. in the East Room at the Fishers Library. All are welcome to attend.

#### Stay Connected

Did you know Mudsock QOV has its own Facebook page? Follow "Quilts of Valor-Mudsock QOV". We use it to post upcoming events, presentation photos, and other communications.

Thank you to all who participate in honoring our veterans through Quilts of Valor. For questions, ideas, or to get more involved, please reach out to *Ruth Ann Gapen, Melody Bartrom, or Sandy Metzger.* 

## **Block of the Month**

Block of the Month (BOM) is a fun and simple way to learn new piecing techniques while contributing to our members' quilts. Each month, the BOM Committee chooses a unique block pattern for participants to make at home and bring to the next meeting.

Everyone uses the same free pattern and works with fabrics in the designated color scheme. At the following meeting, all completed blocks are displayed, and a raffle determines who gets to take them home to create a quilt. With enough participation, we could have 3-4 winners!



The October Block of the Month is Steppingstone to Fall. Instructions can be found in the BOM section of the Mudsock website. For complete details, visit <a href="https://www.mudsockquiltersguild.org">www.mudsockquiltersguild.org</a> or click on this link Stepping-Stone-to-Fall.

# Thank You to Cornerstone Lutheran Church

We are grateful to Cornerstone Lutheran Church for allowing us to hold our Guild meetings at their facility at no charge. Their generosity provides us with a welcoming and comfortable space to gather each month.

To show our appreciation, we kindly ask members to consider bringing non-perishable food pantry donations or making a \$1.00 contribution at each meeting. Thank you for helping us express our gratitude.

# <u>Mudsock Quilt Guild – Bad Weather Policy</u>

In the event of inclement weather, our meeting schedule will follow the Hamilton Southeastern Schools closures and delays.

- If Hamilton Southeastern Schools are CLOSED due to weather, there will be NO Mudsock Quilt Guild meeting.
- If there is a 2-hour delay, the Guild meeting will proceed as scheduled.

Please use your best judgment and stay safe during winter weather conditions.