# Starlight Express

## Starlight Quilters Guild

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**On Facebook at www.facebook.com/StarlightQuiltersGuild/**

**August 20, 2024**

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## From the President

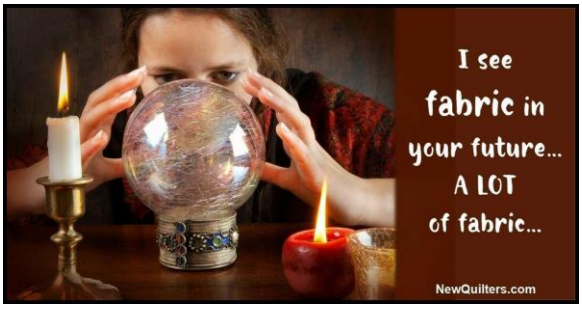
*Sewing on the Go*

Do you take your sewing or quilting along with you on vacation? Or on business trips? I usually have some hand work to take with me on short trips or long weekends. But when it comes to longer trips – a week to 10 days – I like to pack up my Featherweight and take a project with me for those rainy days or in the evening.

This past week we've been vacationing in Grand Lake, Colorado. I had cut several Santa Stockings using my AccuQuilt GO! before leaving home so I was all set to go. I don't have many children's fabrics in my stash, so I stopped by the quilt shop in Grand Lake to see what they had. Luck was with me because not only did they have children's holiday fabrics, but they were also on sale! When the shop owner heard that I was purchasing the fabric for my guild charity project she gave me a huge discount on top of the sale price.

So here I am, on a rainy afternoon, sewing Santa Stockings in the beautiful Rocky Mountains. I hope you will all join me at our next sew day to make more Santa Stockings. The view might be different, but the fun of sewing together will make up for the view. Happy Stitching!

***~Donna di Natale***
***President***





**STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD**
**Treasurer's Report**
**August 2024**

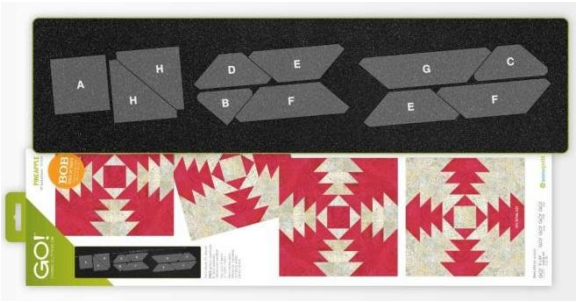
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| | Beginning Checkbook Balance | **$** | **18,807.79** | |
| | CD's at Capitol Federal | | **16,130.00** | |
| | Petty Cash | | **60.00** | |
| **Cash Balance** | | | | **34,997.79** |
| **Income** | Membership Dues | | 140.00 | |
| | Bucket Babes | | 102.00 | |
| | Retreat Registration Fees | | 715.00 | |
| | Interest from CD's | | - | |
| | Total Income | | | 957.00 |
| **Expenses** | July program | | 379.48 | |
| | Meeting Facility Rental | | 230.00 | |
| | Storage Expense | | 114.00 | |
| | Contribution to Stitching Change | | 500.00 | |
| | Accuquilt Expense | | 181.50 | |
| | Quilt Expense | | 101.95 | |
| | Paypal fees | | | |
| | Total Expenses | | | 1,506.93 |
| | Ending Checkbook Balance | | **18,257.86** | |
| | CD's at Capitol Federal | | **16,130.00** | |
| | Petty Cash | | **60.00** | |
| **Cash Balance** | | | | **$ 34,447.86** |

**~Barbara Dietz**
**SQG Treasurer**

# ACCUQUILT NEWS

One of my favorite dies is the Pineapple. It looks great as a 2 or 3 color block but is also fun to use with scraps. It makes a 10" finished block which can be used as a table runner, lap quilt, or bed quilt. The die works with the Guild's Go cutter but also with the Go Me which several of you own. As always, contact me at any time to arrange checkout of the AccuQuilt or any of the dies, or to ask for a demonstration of how it works. Be sure to return the dies when you finish. Happy Quilting!

***~Cheryl Tomson***
***Accuquilt Manager***






# SQG August Program

## Reeze Hanson



Reeze LaLonde Hanson, a native of northern Ohio, grew up sewing garments and home decor items. One of five siblings, life on the LaLonde farm was demanding and Reeze learned to sew at age 8 and has continued sewing ever since. An accomplished dressmaker, Reeze majored in Theatre in college and became a professional costume designer and teacher for the first 15 years of her professional career. Then her career took a dramatic turn when she completed her graduate work, gave up the theatre to teach speech and communication studies, and to raise a family.

Reeze continued to sew as a custom dressmaker doing commission bridal and formal wear, but soon discovered quilting and dressmaking was abandoned! During the next 15 years she moved from being a novice quilter to a seasoned professional with her own pattern design company, Morning Glory Designs, which began in 2007. With more than 100 patterns on the market and a dozen more published in recent magazines and books, Reeze has gained a regional and national reputation as an accomplished quilter, designer and teacher, as well as an entertaining Guild speaker.

Reeze lives in Ottawa, Kansas with her husband, critters and fabric stash. Reeze retired from college teaching in 2015 after nearly 40 years as a professor. Now Reeze has a busy schedule of traveling and teaching quilt classes both nationally and internationally. She is well known in the area for teaching and lecturing widely on computer aided design using EQ8.

Now as a professional pattern designer Reeze produces patterns for new fabric lines for Northcott, Paintbrush Studio, Island Batiks, Windham Fabrics, Timeless Treasures and Robert Kauffman, including panels! Reeze will be sharing her samples of panel patterns and ideas for us to enjoy.

***~Mary Honas***
***Programs Chair***

## August's Fat Quarters are PEACH

I think of peach pie, peach as a color in the sunset or early morning dawn. Peace trees, baskets of peaches, peach jelly or jam. This is a girly color. Oh yeah, there's always Peach Schnapps. What will you choose as September fat quarter theme when you win?

***~Jan Ketchum***
***Fat Quarters***



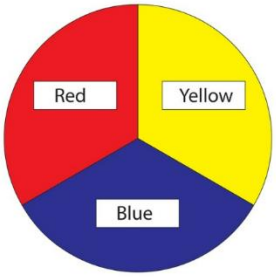
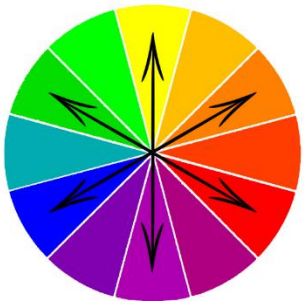
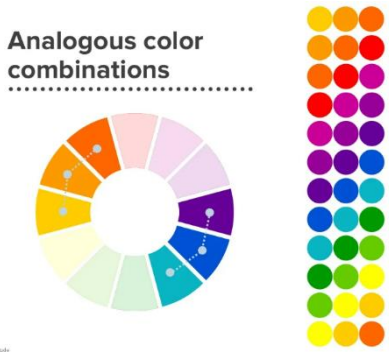




# Experiment With Color

Challenge due date is creeping up on us. October will be here before we know if, so let's review the rules.

- **You must enter your Challenge Quilt in the Quilt Show**
- **Explain the color theory you used in the description section**

| Primary Colors | Monochromatic | Complementary Colors | Analogous Colors |
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1. Make a quilt using one of the above color theories.
2. You may add black and white fabric
3. There are no size restrictions, although you may want to make it 40 x 60, so that it can be donated to Project Linus
4. Your fabric must "read" one of your colors, but it may have other colors in it
5. Quilts will be shown and voted on at the Starlight Quilt Show. You must enter your quilt in the show to have it considered as a Challenge Quilt.

***~Kim Cawthon***
***Challenge Quilt Coordinator***

**Project ♥ Linus**
*Providing Security Through Blankets*
**Greater Kansas City Area Chapter**

SAVE THE DATE! Project Linus KC will be having a Blanket Making Day on Saturday, October 19, from 8:30-3:00 at Aldersgate Methodist Church in Lees Summit. Please continue to bring in your quilts as well as Best Choice labels, as those are collected throughout the year to pay for the labels sewn to the quilts and blankets that are presented. Check the Project Linus KC site for information. https://www.projectlinuskc.org/

# SQG Fall Retreat

We have about 10 spots left for this year's Starlight Fall retreat; be sure to sign up now so you don't miss all the fun, fellowship and inspiration! As a reminder, this will be a "Day Retreat". We will have exclusive access to KC Maker's classroom for 3 full days; no overnight accommodations will be provided. Each quilter will have a dedicated table space to keep their machine and projects set up throughout the weekend. Come join us for great company as you work on your UFOs or perhaps make some holiday gifts! Cost will be $55 per quilter. Four meals are included in the price (dinner on Friday; lunch/dinner on Saturday; lunch on Sunday)

Friday - Sunday; November 1-3,2024 - $55 per person

KC Maker Studio and Fabrics
5327 Johnson Drive
Mission, KS 66205

Signs up will be online using the following link: SQG Fall Retreat Signup
(link is also posted on the Starlight website)

Enrollment will be time stamped; and once we reach capacity at 40 participants; names will go onto a waitlist. Registration will be finalized once payment has been received. Reach out to Donna Holloway if you have any questions!

***~Donna Holloway***
***SQG Retreats***

# "In Stitches" Our 2024 Quilt Show

The quilt show is right around the corner. Don't know about you, but it means I'd best get on finishing up a couple of projects to enter. Here's what's happening:

- The online sign up for volunteers is ready to go. Laura Bogue will be at the next two meetings with laptop to assist you in signing up.
- The online sign up to register your quilts is also operational. Check it out and get those quilts registered as soon as possible.
- We are dedicating an area to cut out kits for the Christmas stockings. If you will recall, that's our charity project for 2024. We will need Christmas fabric. Please donate any extra Christmas fabric you might have. We'd like anything from a fat quarter to yardage. You can bring that to guild both this month and next, and I will collect it.
- Keep on making stuff for the boutique. If you don't know what you make, get in touch with Amy Ubben. It's too soon to start baking but keep that in mind for mid-October.

There are bookmarks to be picked up at guild. These are our only printed means of advertising. Please pick them up and distribute them to your favorite quilt shop, small groups and friends. Also don't overlook posting on social media.

***~Janette Sheldon***
***Quilt Show Chair***

# Gift Shop/Boutique Reminder SQG Quilt Show
# October 18 & 19

The Quilt Show is just around the corner!  I've been slowly collecting items from members at the Guild Meetings. Keep 'em coming!!









Here are some ideas:

- Microwave cozies
- Ready to use quilt labels
- Hats
- Tooth fairy bags
- Baby doll quilts
- Table runners
- Placemats
- Needle books
- Dog collars
- Tote bags
- Drawstring bags
- Gift tags
- Baskets
- Mittens
- Knitted or crocheted items
- Fabric, books, tools, small quilts
- Items made with popular logos (example: Chiefs, KU, KState, MU)
- Pin cushions (ex. mouse, hen, teacup)
- Kids' busy bags (include pencils, stencils, hard surface for working)

All of you are creative people, so I'm sure you can think of some great ideas!

Please plan to bring your items to the September Guild meeting.  After that, I can probably arrange to pick up items or a drop off location as needed.

Again, if you'd like to put a price on your items, go ahead. I very much appreciate your generosity in donating items. If you have any questions, just send me a text (my number is in the directory) or email at amy.ubben@gmail.com.

We will also have a Bake Sale as part of the Gift Shop.  Donations will be gladly accepted all afternoon of Thursday, October 17th, during the quilt show setup and any time during the show.  Details to come.

***~Amy Ubben***
***Boutique Manager***

## New By-laws

Pages eight and nine of this newsletter contain the new by-laws for Starlight Quilters Guild to be voted on at the August meeting. Please read these newly streamlined by-laws that the committee worked on.

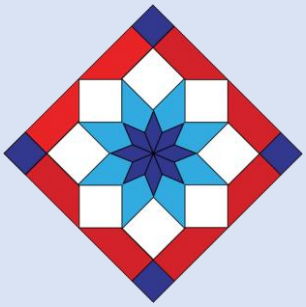
Policies & procedures that were previously in the by-laws will now be their own separate document. That document is currently in process.

***~SQG Board***









**Mark your calendars:**

**August 14-24 –** KC Quilt Crawl

**August 23-24 –** QGGKC Quilt Show

**August 27 –** SQG Meeting

**August 31-Sept. 2 –** Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve's Annual Quilt Display

**September 13-14 –** Twilight Stitchers Quilt Show

**September 28-29 –** Miami County Quilt Show

**October 18-19 – SQG Quilt Show**

**November 1-3 –** SQG Fall Retreat

# Starlight Quilters Guild new proposed by-laws

**The name of the organization shall be the Starlight Quilters Guild**.
The Starlight Quilters Guild is a not-for-profit corporation established under the laws of the State of Kansas.

**The purpose of the organization shall be to:**

- Promote the art of quilt making;
- Educate members and the public through programs and workshops;
- Encourage public appreciation of quilting;
- Serve the community through charitable activities involving quilting.

## Board of Directors

The Board of Directors will be made up of the elected officers.

The elected officers include:

- The President
- The Vice President
- The Secretary
- The Treasurer
- Immediate Past President

Quarterly Board meetings will be held the third Tuesday in January, April, July and October, or as requested by the President.

The members of the Board of Directors will vote and make final decisions for the Guild.

## Elections

The Vice-President will review and recruit new officers annually. The slate of candidates for the Board of Directors shall be published in the newsletter prior to the November meeting.

The Board will be elected and installed at the November meeting by a majority of the members present.

The new Board of Directors will take office in January for a term lasting 12 months.

## Membership

Membership is open to anyone.
The membership year shall be from April 1 through March 31.
The annual membership dues rate shall be determined by the Board of Directors each year during the budget development process. Members joining after October 1 shall pay one- half of the annual membership dues for the remaining membership year.

A Junior Membership is available to members up to 18 years of age.

## Meetings

The Guild will meet the 4th Tuesday in January – October. The meeting date in November will be determined each year based on the Thanksgiving holiday. There is no Guild meeting in December.

In November, the Board of Directors are elected and installed. Each member is entitled to one vote.

Issues presented by the Board to the Guild will be decided by the majority of members present at monthly Guild meetings.

# Amendments

Amendments to the By-laws, proposed by the Board, will be published **electronically and/or** in the newsletter prior to a regular Guild meeting. The amendments shall be voted on by a majority of members present at the next scheduled Guild meeting.

**Guild Committees**

Committee Chairs will lead groups of members to carry out Guild business through Guild Committees. Committee Chairs may present issues or requests to the Board of Directors. The Board will make final decisions.

**Policies and Procedures**

Policies and Procedures will be established by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors will review the policies every two years on the even years. Policies may be updated and approved as needed.

**Disbandment**

If and when membership of the Guild declines to less than 10 members, the Guild may vote to disband. The Board of Directors will decide how to disperse any remaining funds. Notice will need to be given to the State of Kansas.

# Advertisements

**City's Edge Quilt Shop** has classes and more!
**Amy Senatore, Owner**
www.citysedgestudio.com
616 W. Main Street, Warsaw, MO 65355
Mon-Fri 10a – 5p and Sat 9a – 3p

**Custom Machine Embroidery** – quilt labels, towels, gifts, T-shirts, logos, banners, and so much more. Fast turnaround time on orders.
Phone **Judy Brennan,** 913-788-0582

**C & S Creations** – Custom wood working projects. Let us help you with your sewing /hobby room needs. Custom workstations, Featherweight cabinets, ruler holders, scissor racks. **Cheryl & Scott Diebold,**
Phone 913-677-0838

**Machine Quilting** – Edge-to-Edge
Computerized longarm machine quilting by **Elizabeth Brown.** Phone 913-626-7135
Website www.Duelingthread.com

**Rosecliff Quilts** – Provide quilting services which include longarm edge-to-edge quilting for unfinished quilt tops, baby quilts, t-shirt memory quilts and embroidery patches.
Phone: **Stephanie Rector,** 816-560-9863
Email: rosecliffquilts@gmail.com

**Donna's Singer Service** – Does your Featherweight need a good clean and oil? Is it not sewing like it should? I can clean and service your Featherweight including Singer models 15,99, 221, 222, and 301. Reasonable fees & timely service.
**Donna di Natale,** phone 913-451-0283

**Machine Quilting** –Machine quilting, all styles of quilting from simple hand-guided designs to custom creations. Guild members, I will piece your backing at no extra charge!
**Peggy Skaith** 913-341-0525