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Starlight Quilters Guild

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September 17, 2024

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From the President

I say this every month, but "Where did (fill in the month) go? August just flew by. Labor Day lasted a minute, and here we are zooming toward Fall. I'm getting the urge to quilt something I can wrap up in to fend off the chill in the air. Fall knows how to mix colors perfectly -- rust, yellow, orange, and brown work so well together, especially in a Fall quilt with leaves and maybe a pumpkin or two. September also means our quilt show will be here soon and there's much to do before then. Finish quilts to enter. Make useful gift items for the boutique. Invite friends to attend the show. Don't forget to add your name to the quilt show volunteers list at the next guild meeting. According to the bylaws, we will vote on new board members. Amy Ubben is forming a nominating committee that in turn will be contacting current and potential board members. We need good, talented people on the board so please consider saying "yes" when the call comes. If you would like to volunteer now, speak out and save us the task of seeking new members. Being on the BOD is fun and a great way to make new friends.

One last note. We live in interesting times. As I write this, there is an opportunity to put a woman in the Whitehouse. Citizen astronauts are not only on the Space Station but walking in space. Women around the world are fighting for their rights as human beings. Women in the U.S. are fighting for the right to control their bodies. We've come a long way in the last century, but we have a long way to go if we want total freedom. I won't tell you who or what to vote for, just be sure to vote. It is your right and privilege as an American. Until next month, Happy Quilting!

~Donna di Natale
SQG President

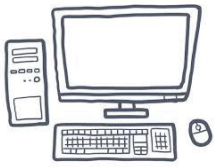


STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD
Treasurer's Report
September 2024

		Beginning Checkbook Balance	**$ 18,292.02**	
		CD's at Capitol Federal	**16,130.00**	
		Petty Cash	**60.00**	
Cash Balance				**34,482.02**
	Income	Membership Dues	35.00	
		Bucket Babes	75.00	
		Retreat Registration Fees	220.00	
		Interest from CD's	-	
		Total Income		330.00
	Expenses	Meeting Facility Rental	230.00	
		Storage Expense	130.00	
		Contribution to Stitching Change	500.00	
		Accuquilt Expense	98.40	
		August Program	511.64	
		September Program	199.00	
		Total Expenses		1,669.04
		Ending Checkbook Balance	**16,952.98**	
		CD's at Capitol Federal	**16,130.00**	
		Petty Cash	**60.00**	
Cash Balance				**$ 33,142.98**

~Barbara Dietz
SQG Treasurer

SQG Website Update



New items on our web page include:

- Quilt Show - links to Volunteer Sign Up and Quilt Entry Forms
- Link to Heartland Quilt Network website on our home page
- Quilting Projects and Tips - Links to YouTube videos (newest additions will be at the top of each subheading)
- Link to the Quilting Hub (located at the bottom of the Quilt Show page) The Quilting Hub is an on-line directory for quilt shows and quilt shops across the country. It's very helpful when traveling and they list our quilt show for free since we include a link on our website.

I strive to keep the information on our website current. If there are incorrect items or updates to add, please send me a note! maidmerriam1@gmail.com

~Janice McKee
Webfumbler

SQG September Program

Eric Drexler of Sulky



Want to give your quilts some "jazz" to make them stand out at the quilt show or on the bed? Then you do not want to miss our September speaker, Eric Drexler, of Sulky. Eric will show us how to use all those fabulous, brilliant colors of Sulky threads to embellish our quilts. Everyone in attendance will receive a goodie bag of Sulky products in addition to Eric's fun and funny presentation.

~Donna DiNatale

September Fat Quarters are FALL

Everyone loves fall…

Have a ball…

Your stash calls…

Congratulations to August's winner of the fat quarters, Theresa Wurtenberger-Benson!

~Jan Ketchum
Fat Quarters



Project Linus Update:



There were 10 Project Linus quilts turned in at the August meeting.

And from the PL website, information about the Best Choice labels:

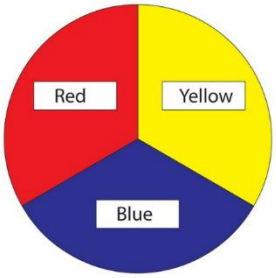
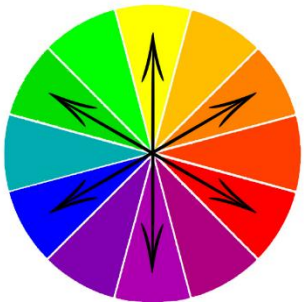
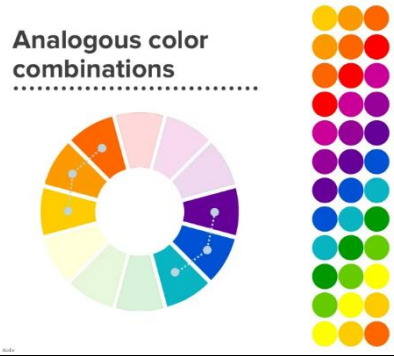
Exciting News -- We just were able to turn in 5000 Best Choice Labels!!! Continue to save Best Choice labels, we receive $15 for every 1000 labels we turn in. You should only save Best Choice UPC codes. We don't collect any other brand…we have received a few Always save and others but we don't collect those. Please turn your labels in envelopes with your blankets.

~Mary Honas

Your Time is Running Out to 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
			

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

AccuQuilt News

I'm happy to report that we now have a refurbished *AccuQuilt Go!* cutter to replace our broken one. Use either it or your own *Go! Me* to make a Hunter's Star quilt. Blocks finish at 12" and look great in either 2 colors or using scraps. We will have opportunities to cut Santa Stockings using the AccuQuilt at upcoming workshops or at the Quilt Show. Directions for sewing these are in the Activities, Community Service section of our website. 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. I'm especially looking for the return of the 3 ½" and 4 ½" strip dies and the Angel. Happy Quilting!

~Cheryl Tomson
Accuquilt Go! Manager





"In Stitches" Our 2024 Quilt Show

Your quilt show is right around the corner. **Deadline for entering quilts is September 23rd**, and there is no deadline to volunteer.

Except there is. We are in desperate need of assistance in loading/unloading, setting up and tearing down the racks. If there aren't enough warm bodies to do that work, we will be required to pay to have it done. It's not that difficult and doesn't take that long. Please help us. Getting someone to white glove, sit at the table taking money as people come in the door or even working the boutique - those jobs are usually easy to fill but are also necessary to put on the show. We've made it easy for you to volunteer. Just go to the *Sign-up Genius* and put your name down.

Christmas fabric is still being collected to make kits for the stockings. Remember this is our charitable project for the year. If you have some to spare, please bring it to the next meeting. I'll be collecting it. Also, a big shout out and thank you goes to Willie McCallum who donated a TON of Christmas fabric.

Remember our only two means of advertising the show are the distribution of the bookmarks and social media. Please do your part.

~Janette Sheldon
Quilt Show Chair

SQG Fall Retreat

We still have a few spots left to join the fun at this year's Starlight Fall 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: https://forms.gle/YqKzUyn1RVnHLqdp6
(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

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

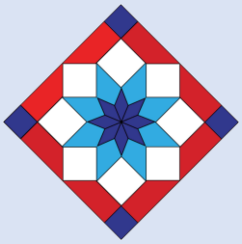
Boutique Shop at the Starlight Guild Quilt Show, October 18-19

We're getting down to the wire here in our preparations for the Quilt Show. Just a little over a month away! Please plan to get any items we can sell in the Boutique to me at the September Guild meeting on Tuesday, September 24th. If you'd like to price your items, that's great! Otherwise, I'll price things as I get them. If you have fabric to donate, please measure and mark yardage if you have time.

For the Bake Sale, please plan to turn in baked goods at the Guild Show site, the Abdallah Shrine Temple at 5300 Metcalf, any time between noon and 4:00 during setup on Thursday, October 17th, or after 9:00 a.m. on Friday, October 18th, or Saturday, October 19th. Please package your items into sellable portions. For example, if you donate cookies, please put 2-3 of them in a baggie. If you are not able to do this, don't worry, I'll take care of it. Suggested baked goods: cookies, brownies, small loaves of bread, snack mixes, fudge. We will price items as we get them.

Thank you for your contributions!

~Amy Ubben
Boutique Manager



Mark your calendars:

September 20-21 – Nitetime Needlers Quilt Show

September 23 – Deadline to enter quilts in the SQG Show

September 24 – September Guild Meeting

September 28-29 – Miami County Quilt Show

October 18-19 – SQG Quilt Show

November 1-3 – SQG Fall Retreat

November 9 – Blue Valley Guild de-stash sale

BVQG Invitation to Non-Members to Participate in our Destash Sale

Blue Valley Quilters Guild is having a De-stash Sale on **Saturday, November 9, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**, at Village Presbyterian Church on Antioch. About 25 of our own members will be selling their quality quilting and crafting items and we are inviting members of your guilds to join in! We have room for 10 non-members to participate. Please share the following invitation and details with your membership through your newsletter, email blasts, on your guild's private Facebook page and at your meetings. Of course, your members are all invited to come and shop the sale! Admission is free.

- Quilting and Crafting Items ONLY
- Table Rental (60" diameter round table) @ $20.00 per Table; Limit 2 per person
- Room for ten non-members to register. Tables will be reserved on a first come basis.
- FOR NON-MEMBER TABLE RESERVATIONS, CONTACT Gayla Spurlock at bvquiltguilddestash2024@gmail.com Include your name, best phone number for easy contact, email address and the number of tables you wish to reserve (2 table limit per person). Gayla will reply to you and tell you how to pay for your reservation. Once your payment is received your reservation is confirmed and Gayla will send you information on set-up times.

~Gayla Spurlock, BVQG DeStash Sale Chair



2024 Community Service Project

Your board of directors voted to make Santa Stockings for the Johnson County Christmas Bureau as our 2024 Community Service Project. Last year the Bureau distributed 3,000 stockings in Johnson County. This year they hope to distribute 4,000.

I am challenging the guild to make **300 stockings** by our November meeting. To this end, the guild has purchased the Santa Stocking die from AccuQuilt and will be cutting and sewing stockings at sew days and at the quilt show. There is also a pattern available for those who want to get a head start or cut out stockings on their own time. The pattern is available on our website under Activities and a few paper copies will be available at guild meetings. Our first Cut & Sew Day will be Saturday, October 5, at the Merriam Plaza Library (same location as the Merriam Community Center). Check Starlightquilters.com and our Facebook page and chat for information on future Cut & Sew days.
This project is a great way to use holiday fabric from your stash. It takes about 1/2 yard (18 inches) by width of fabric to make two Santa Stockings. Use a coordinating or solid fabric for the cuff. Stockings are distributed to children and teens so choose your fabrics appropriately. Pre-cut lining will be available at Cut & Sew days, or you may make your own.

~Donna di Natale
SQG President

2025 Starlight Quilt Guild Officers & Chairs

We are currently working on filling positions for next year. We need someone who would like to be Vice-President of the Guild.

We also need to know if anyone who is currently a chair of a committee does NOT want to continue next year.

I am working with a committee to prepare detailed guidelines for each position and I will review those with each volunteer. I will have an orientation meeting for all officers and committee chairs in early January so we can all get to know each other and people can ask any questions they may have.

I so much appreciate all of the time and effort that goes into running this Guild. A lot of volunteer hours! It's a lot of work, but should also be a lot of fun and, I hope, an opportunity to make new friends who share a love of quilting!

Thanks,

~Amy Ubben
2025 SQG President

Christmas Fabric needed for Stitching Change



As you make Christmas stockings for the Johnson County Christmas Bureau, please consider donating some of that Christmas fabric to Stitching Change. The refugees who are learning to sew at Stitching Change use the Christmas fabric to make gift bags. The bags they make and sell create supplementary income for the women who make them.

You can learn more about the organization at stitchingchange.org.

Please bring your leftover fabric to the September and October guild meetings. Minimum size: pieces at least 12” by 8”. Barbara Dietz will collect the fabric and see that the fabric gets to Stitching Change. If you have questions, contact Barbara at bjdietz@swbell.net.

~Barbara Dietz
SQG Treasurer



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Email: rosecliffquilts@gmail.com

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Donna di Natale, phone 913-451-0283

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Peggy Skaith 913-341-0525