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Starlight Quilters Guild

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From the President

Fall always urges me to make a quilt with fall-colored leaves on it. Someday I will do this, but for now, I'm making Santa Stockings. Some quilting projects take priority over others. Last week, I spent five days in the hospital wishing I had a sewing machine there so I could get some projects done. I felt pretty helpless since I was only able to move as far as the IV line would let me. I did have some hand work with me, so my time wasn't completely wasted. **A few reminders for October**:
Have you made or are you making items for the boutique? Check last month's newsletter for suggestions from Amy. She is taking books and magazines. Please deliver them to Abdullah Shrine during set-up, along with your other projects. Feel free to put a price on your donated items. Have you signed up to work before, during, or after the show? You do not need to be a member to volunteer. If you know some strong, energic young men looking to impress a bunch of older women, bring them on! Register online or contact Donna Holloway or Janette Sheldon for details of when and where. We are going to be cutting and sewing Santa Stockings during the show. Please sign up to sew online or send me an email. See details later in this newsletter.
Consider being a board member or committee chair/co-chair. There is no better way to get to know people and make new friends than by volunteering to serve the guild.
I can't help but think of all the people in Florida, Georgia, and the Carolinas who have lost everything. I'm sure some of them were quilters, and while their stash is probably low on the loss list, you can imagine finding your sewing machine covered in mud and your fabric simply washed away. There are groups organizing to send quilts to people in need but really, what many need right now is food and water. Please donate if you can. The need is real. MSNBC has a list of twelve organizations that are helping in the various states and nationally. Click here to see the list for hurricane relief or scan this QR code:

SCAN ME

~Donna di Natale
SQG President



STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD
Treasurer's Report
October 2024

	Beginning Checkbook Balance	**$**	**16,952.98**	
	CD's at Capitol Federal		**16,130.00**	
	Petty Cash		**60.00**	
Cash Balance				**33,142.98**
Income	Membership Dues		-	
	Bucket Babes		101.00	
	Retreat Registration Fees		275.00	
	Interest from CD's		205.39	
	Total Income			581.39
Expenses	September Program		-	
	Meeting Facility Rental		230.00	
	Storage Expense		130.00	
	Insurance		612.85	
	Total Expenses			972.85
	Ending Checkbook Balance		**16,356.13**	
	CD's at Capitol Federal		**16,335.39**	
	Petty Cash		**60.00**	
Cash Balance				**$ 32,751.52**

~Barbara Dietz
SQG Treasurer

AccuQuilt GO! News

The AccuQuilt has been busy lately cutting all the stockings the guild is making for Johnson County Christmas Bureau. I hope you have picked up kits to sew. Also, our newest die is the Flying Geese, finishing at 3" x 6". Make some blocks in honor of fall migration or use it to easily create any of the many patterns that incorporate this shape. Contact me for a demonstration of how to use the cutter or to check out the cutter and any of the many dies owned by the guild.





~Cheryl Tomson
Accuquilt Manager



SQG October Program

Amy Bradley, Amy Bradley Designs

Amy was born in Medicine Lodge, Kansas. Starting at age 9, her Grandma Ree taught her to sew, knit, and cross stitch. Amy graduated from Kansas State University with a degree in fine arts/graphic design. She began quilting in the 80s. She started her business with her Dazzling Dogs quilt pattern in 2002. Amy's daughter, Ashley, joined the business in 2003. Her son Adam worked part-time for the business while attending The University of Kansas. Amy's mother, Dorothy, is a valued color and fabric consultant who attended many Quilt Markets. In 2004, Amy designed her Quilt Diva pattern which has remained one of the most popular. In 2008, Amy's first grandchild was born. Her grandchildren are a joy and an inspiration for many of her designs including Princess, Pirates, and Pillowcases. Amy currently lives in Lawrence, Kansas. After years of working in her basement, Amy has been blessed to transform a little stone house in the country into her sewing studio. Her absolute favorite thing is to see photos of the quilts you make from her designs. Hearing from quilters about the fun they have working on the patterns and the smiles on their faces when they see their finished quilts makes it a truly rewarding job.
For her guild talk, Amy shares the story of how she became a quilt designer. She talks about where she gets her quilting ideas and inspiration. Most importantly, she shows a lot of quilts!
See her designs here, at Amy Bradley Designs.

~Mary Honas
Programs Chair



Final Reminders for the "In Stitches" Quilt Show



If you have items you would like to put in the Quilt Show Boutique, you can drop them off at the Abdallah Shriners building while we are setting up on Thursday afternoon, October 17th.

If you can donate Bake Sale items, please drop them off on Friday morning, any time after 9:00 am.

~Amy Ubben
Boutique Manager

There will be no Show & Tell at the October meeting. We will need this time to award the nearly 50 ribbons from the Quilt Show. Thank you for understanding.

~Janette Sheldon
Quilt Show Chair

SQG Website Update

You may notice a few new links on our website. At the bottom of the homepage, there is a link to the Heartland Quilt Network (heartlandquiltnetwork.com). We are a member guild of this group, and all of our members can log in using the same login and password. This is not a secret, though many people are unaware of our membership. The login can be freely shared within our membership. It is: Username "Starlight", Password "StarlightQuilters". Specific login information is used to see how many people log in from each member guild.

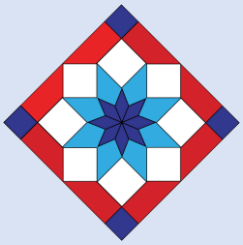
At the bottom of the Quilt Show page, there are two links that were added as reciprocal courtesies for free quilt show publicity. These are:

- QuiltingHub.com - with listings for quilt shows, shops, and guilds across the country
- MSQG.org (Missouri State Quilters Guild) with tons of additional area information on area guilds, shows, and resources.

The Quilting Hub is particularly useful if you are traveling and want to find quilt shops or join meetings when you are away from home. The same could be true for the MSQG site if you are traveling in Missouri. Enjoy!



~Janice McKee, Webfumbler



Mark your calendars:

October 18-19 – SQG Quilt Show

October 22 – October SQG meeting

October 31 – Deadline to enter the KCRQF Showcase Challenge

November 1-3 – SQG Fall Retreat

November 9 – Blue Valley Guild de-stash sale

November 26 – Guild Meeting (note the change, the 4th Tuesday in Nov., not the 3rd)



Starlight Needs YOU

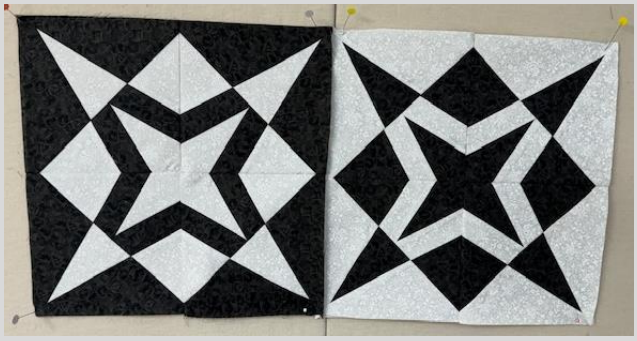
I would appreciate it if someone would step forward to help with our Community Service project for next year. We also need to fill our Guild Challenge position, our Workshops chair, and our Membership chair. We have nearly all other positions filled, so thank you to those who have volunteered. If you are interested in a committee, but have not contacted me, please still do so as it would be great if we could have a couple of people in some of these positions. It lightens the load and helps you get to know other Guild members. We have lots of exciting plans for next year, great speakers lined up and some fun activities. I look forward to getting to know all of you better.

~Amy Ubben
Vice President

2025 Opportunity Quilt

Starlight Quilters Guild 2025 Opportunity Quilt will be made by all of us—the members of the guild who would like to participate. We will be making a simple paper pieced block to help keep the blocks uniform in size. Samples are pictured below. You will be given the paper pattern as well as the pattern pieces for you to cut out. The fabric will come from each member's stash. The blocks will be black and white. The blacks can have a bit of grey or white, but no other color. It needs to read black. Likewise, the whites can have a bit of grey or black but must read white. White means white or off white, but not cream. There will be kits with specific instructions you may pick up at the October meeting. Remember, this is **OUR** quilt for display at the festival.

~Janette Sheldon and Suzanne Andrews
Opportunity Quilt Chairs





Show Sew Santa Stockings

Yes, we will be sewing up a storm of socks during the quilt show. Stockings will be cut ahead of time and during the show. All you need to do is stitch.

Please bring your sewing machine, red/white/green thread, and a positive attitude. Sign up online via the volunteer link or just show up. Tell the greeters at the door that you are there to sew. I will be there the entire time, so don't make me sew alone.

~Donna di Natale
SQG President

Thank You from Stitching Change

"When I started Stitching Change almost ten years ago with just two sewing machines and two volunteers, I didn't know what it would become. Through our work at Stitching Change, our students have made positive changes in their lives and they are contributing to their families and communities and becoming leaders in their schools, churches, and families while our leadership team, staff members, and volunteers are transforming and learning how to work in diverse cultures.

Thank you for your continuing support! We do this together. I am very grateful for your generous donation."

Sincerely,
Rakmi Shaiza, Founder and Executive Director

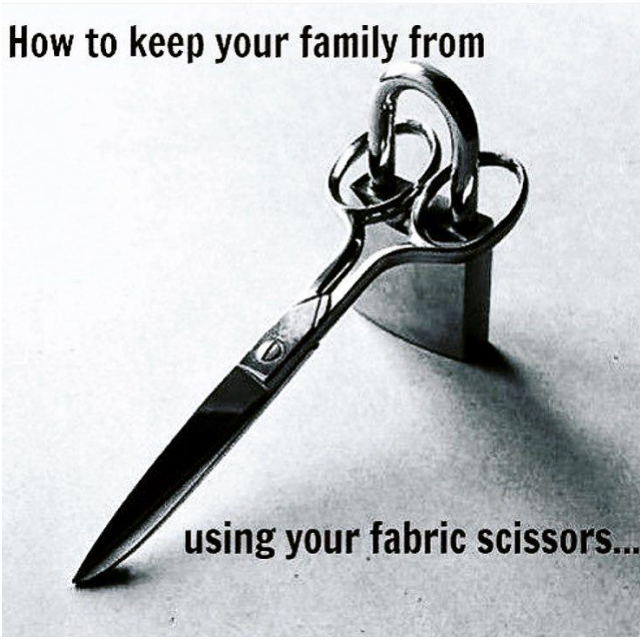
Outgoing President's Gift

Donna has worked very hard this year, and we all appreciate her efforts. We are collecting monetary donations towards a contribution in Donna's name to World Central Kitchen, an organization providing food and water to hurricane victims in Florida and Appalachia.

There will be a donation box at both the October and November meetings. Thanks for contributing!

~Amy Ubben
SQG Vice President







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