

Starlight Express

Starlight Quilters Guild

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May 2019

Starlight Quilt Guild

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Opportunity Quilt Tickets: position open

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Guild Project: Connie Passaro

Project Linus: Lea Robrahn/Mary Honas/Opal Yarnell

Project Warm Embrace: Donna Di Natale/Renee Arnett

Quilt Show

Shirley Lewis, Connie Passaro, Beverly McCreery,
Karen Edwards and Cheryl Tomson

President's Message

May 2019



One of the best things about belonging to a quilting guild is developing warm friendships with some really great people. When one of our own is no longer with us - well, there's a very big hole in our lives. And that's what has happened to those of us lucky enough to have known Sandy Fey.

Sandy was one of a kind. She was energetic, creative, always helpful and cheerful. Mother, grandmother and wife to Marc for over forty years, she had a heart as big as all outdoors and was never one to shirk responsibilities. She was our guild's president in 2016, and a long standing member of the small group called Grim Rippers.

Did you know she had dual citizenship with the United States as well as Canada? Did you know she took belly dancing lessons? Did you know she loved to travel the world?

As an avid quilter, Sandy acquired a lot of fabric, tools, machines - you know, all those things we all collect. Her friends have put together some of it to sell at our May guild meeting. All proceeds will go to breast cancer research.

Please join us on the 28th, our normal guild meeting time, for an old fashioned ice cream social. We'll have a little bit of educational stuff going on, but primarily just come and enjoy each other. None of us are here forever.

Janette Sheldon

May Meeting

NO FREE TABLE

The fund raising sale in honor of Sandy Fey will be in it's place.

BRING MONEY instead!!!

All proceeds go to support breast cancer research.

The next SQG guild meeting is Tues, May 28th, 7 PM
Overland Park Lutheran Church 7810 W 79th St. Overland Park KS

MAY GUILD MEETING RECIPE

Learn something new about quilting + Eat yummy dessert treats = A FUN TIME!!!

A fun guild meeting is planned for you this month! Join us on Tuesday, May 28 to learn something new, socialize with other quilters, and enjoy yummy desserts. Two short schoolhouse demonstrations "on stage" will be featured followed by an opportunity to visit with each presenter for one-on-one demos and Q & A.

FACT: Cutting fabric more quickly and with greater accuracy will allow you more time to sew. Leslie Ahlert, owner of Stitch On in Lawrence, will demonstrate the Accuquilt GO! fabric cutter and show you how easy it is to use. She'll also share several basic tips for using the Accuquilt cutting system. You'll become inspired by several project samples made in the Accuquilt Club hosted at Stitch On. They are certain to get your creative wheels turning for ways to incorporate using Accuquilt with your next future quilt project.

Check out the Starlight website on the Accuquilt resources owned by the Starlight Quilters Guild and available for use by SQG members at starlightquilters.com/accuquilt_info.

Cheryl Tomson is in charge of Starlight's Accuquilt supplies and will be on hand to answer questions and show you all the guild's supplies available for you to use.

FACT: You can make a quilt with no cutting or raw edges!!! Donna diNatale, quilter extraordinaire, will show us how easy it is to use a package of 10" squares (Layer Cake) and a package of 5" squares (Charm Pack) to make a 50" x 60" quilt with no cutting or raw edges! Finish the quilt using 108" wide backing and 2 1/2" strips (Jelly Roll) all without cutting anything! Impossible? You won't want to miss Donna's amazing demonstration! Seeing is believing!

Don't forget to bring your sweet tooth and enjoy cake and ice cream. Gluten-free dessert will be available too!



Hospitality Committee

No birthday treats are needed this month. We are having an ice cream social instead!

Your greeters this month are Becky Edson and Janet Ruby.

STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD			
Treasurer's Report			
April 30, 2019			
	Beginning Checkbook Balance	\$ 14,625.37	
	Petty Cash	60.00	
	Certificate of Deposit	6,093.19	
	Cash Balance		\$ 20,778.56
Income			
	Bucket Brigade	201.00	
	Edyta Sitar Program	2,105.25	
	Guild Quilt Show- Vendors	280.00	
	Hospitality / Welcome	17.61	
	KCRQF Advance Sales	871.00	
	Membership	3,040.00	
	Total Income		\$ 6,514.86
Expenses			
	Bank Service Charge	5.60	
	Banking - Admin	43.94	
	Community Service Project Warm Embrace	10.00	
	Door Prizes	23.32	
	Edyta Sitar Program	1,546.50	
	Fixed Assets	55.97	
	Hospitality / Welcome	6.35	
	Insurance	210.00	
	KCRQF Advance Sales	871.00	
	Library	58.34	
	Newsletter	21.06	
	Other Expense- Meeting Setup	160.00	
	Program - Speaker	350.00	
	Rent	225.00	
	Retreats	2,928.00	
	Total Expenses		\$ 6,515.08
	Ending Checkbook Balance	\$ 14,625.15	
	Petty Cash	60.00	
	Certificate of Deposit	6,093.19	
	Cash Balance April 30, 2019		\$ 20,778.34
Submitted by Sue Howard			



Sale of Sandy Fey's Quilting Collection

Our May 28 meeting will feature a sale of much of our former president Sandy Fey's quilting collection. This includes her 1951 Centennial edition Featherweight sewing machine with several attachments. There are a number of complete block-of-the-month sets as well as many kits, patterns and books. Fabrics include over a hundred fat quarters, other precuts, additional fabric lengths and a group of fabrics she just bought on her trip to Australia and New Zealand. She took many classes so there are rulers and notions purchased for each of them. Sandy loved a variety of fabrics, especially bright and cheery ones, so her collection will bring a smile to your face. Things are reasonably priced and all proceeds will go to Susan G Komen for the Cure in her memory, so please contribute to the cause by buying some of her collection.

Fidget Project Update

Thanks to all who have made a Fidget Quilt for this year's Guild Project! We have 19 turned in. There are instructions and tips on the Starlight website if you are not familiar with this project. Come to the side room where snacks are available during guild meetings and you can view samples of these quilts to get your creative juices flowing. Come to a free sew day sponsored by the guild and work on a Fidget Quilt there. All sorts of notions and add-ons will be available plus textured fabrics to make the quilt very tactile to Alzheimer and dementia patients. Please consider supporting this project! They're fun to make!

Questions? Email cpfromkc@gmail.com or phone 913-710-4265. Connie Passaro



Fat Quarter Exchange - BRIGHTS

Janice McKee was the lucky winner of the 8 rose fat quarters in April. Now ladies, eight fat quarters is pretty slim pickin's! May's fat quarter exchange is brights, a fabric that everyone has in their stash. If not, then buy a fat quarter to exchange and brighten up your stash with a win! We LOVE participation!!!

Janette Sheldon

May Baskets - What will May bring for you?

That bunny at the April meeting really filled our baskets! May will not be outdone by that bunny as she is a feisty gal. She brings rain, flowers and yes, buckets to put them in. So, you ask, what does May have in store? Well, you will just have to visit the Bucket Babes to find out. She has given me a few hints though, and they may have you seeing red.....or make you a basket case.....or have you calculating the meaning of fabric....or maybe just make you feeling complete. What will May bring for you?



I guarantee a chance at fun and super prizes because one little dollar will give you a chance and five will get you six lucky chances. Come early and the Babes throw in a few extra just for fun. It will be hard to beat that bunny that raised \$201 at the April meeting, and only one fat quarter bundle was purchased by the guild, the remaining were all donations from members of the best bunnies (oops, I mean quilters) ever. Thank you all for your donations, purchasing tickets and just making this so fun. The Babes refuse to ever give up this job!



Project Linus

Due to space limitations, this month Project Linus guidelines for quilts can be found on the Starlight Quilters website at starlightquilters.com/project_linus. Thank you!!!

Edyta Sitar Trunk Show May 20th

Starlight is partnering with Blue Valley Quilt Guild to present a trunk show and workshop by Edyta Sitar. The trunk show will be on **Monday**, May 20, at the **Johnson County Arts & Heritage Center**, 8788 Metcalf Avenue, Overland Park, KS 66212.

The trunk show is free to Starlight and Blue Valley members, but you must register due to limited space. Each guild is allowed 150 attendees. Member registration begins March 26 at the guild meeting, and closes April 30. If you're a member of both guilds, please register only once. Remaining seats after April 30 will be offered to the public at \$10 each.



Color My World

Starlight Quilters Guild Show
October 4 & 5, 2019

Color My World Quilt Show in October

I hope everyone is gearing up for the Starlight quilt show on October 4th and 5th. By gearing up, I mean making quilts to enter, planning on volunteering, figuring out what to bake for the bake sale, working on boutique items..... the list goes on!

Keep in mind there's a new category this year called "Sew What?". Anything not a quilt can be entered into this category as long as it involves a needle and thread and fabric.

Thanks for all you do and are going to do!

The Grim Rippers - Beverly McCreery, Cheryl Tomson, Connie Passaro, Karen Edwards, Shirley Lewis

Community Services Committee UPDATE

Co-Chairs: Mary Honas, Donna diNatale and Renee Arnett

We received a very nice thank note from Stitching Change, the 2019 recipient of the annual Starlight Quilters Guild \$250 donation to a charitable organization in our community that supports sewing and quilting. Here's an excerpt:

Dear Starlight Quilters Guild,

Thank you for your donation. Your support helped us to upgrade some of our classroom supplies. We are fortunate to have the continuing support of churches and organizations like yours who have brought us closer to our goal of providing our women with higher-level sewing skills and consistent work and income!

In 2018, our women have made more than 1500 items consistently creating income for 8 women in addition to providing around 15 women free sewing classes and a nurturing community. Many of our women have started to take on leadership roles and now contribute ideas to our group. One of our group leaders recently said, "I didn't know that I had the skills to be a leader until I came to the Stitching Change group. Thank you for helping me find that quality in me!"

If you want to receive our updates, please follow us on our Stitching Change Facebook Page. Thank you all so much for supporting the Stitching Change group. I'm deeply grateful!

*With warm wishes, Rakmi Shaiza, Founder
Stitchingchange.com Helping women empower themselves*





Community Service – Past, Present and Future. PLEASE READ!!!

Starlight members are a warm and giving group of quilters. Each year, the guild provides quilts and other hand-made items to local organizations through the Community Service Committee and the Groups Project.

In 2018, Starlight Quilters Guild agreed to support Project Warm Embrace as a community service organization in addition to Project Linus. Starlight had supported Project Linus since 1997, contributing an average of ~400 quilts each year to local hospitals, and the board felt that members had room in their hearts and hands to support a second worthy cause. Thus in 2018, Starlight Quilters Guild delivered 174 quilts and 603 Dream Bags and 37 pillowcases to Project Warm Embrace for foster children in Northeastern Kansas. These donations were not only from Starlight members but also from many Prairie Point Fabric & Quilt Shop customers who made significant contributions that resulted in our impressive year's efforts. The guild continued to support these two organizations in 2019, and two area quilt shops have joined us in this support, Prairie Point Quilts and First City Quilts, by collecting quilts and Dream Bags from their customers.

The guild's By Laws mandate that \$250 be donated annually to a charitable organization, with input and/or vote by the members. The By Laws also state that the Community Service Chair(s) identify community service projects, such as Project Linus and Project Warm Embrace, based on membership interest.

For the past two years, the Community Service Committee has been led by Mary Honas, Renee Arnett, and Donna di Natale. Both Donna and Renee will be stepping down from the committee in 2020, so the Board is asking for a new member or two serve on the committee. The board is also asking for member input regarding organizations to be served.

There are many community service organizations in want and need of our contributions of quilts, pillowcases, Dream Bags, placemats, etc. This year, we would like Starlight members to nominate and vote on which organizations they would like to support.

Please send nominations to Donna di Natale, dinatale@att.net. Please include the name, address and/or website address, the type of project to be donated, and why you feel Starlight should support the organization. Donna will put together a list of the nominees. The list will be printed in the October newsletter and the members present will vote at the October meeting. The top two organizations (most votes) will be announced in the November newsletter and at the November meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact one of the committee members or email Donna di Natale.



Exchange Project (aka Round Robin)



If you are participating in the project exchange (round robin) please remember to bring your row or block for the second hand off. You will pass your "seed" row or block to the next person in your group. You will receive a block or row to work on before the next meeting. You have one month to complete your turn. Again bring your completed work to the next meeting to pass on to the next person in your group. If you need additional information it is available on the website under "Exchange Project".



Project Warm Embrace

Co-Chairs, Renee Arnett & Donna diNatale
http://starlightquilters.com/project_warm_embrace

Project Warm Embrace is a Kansas initiative to make quilts (45x60 or larger for youth and teens) and Dream Bags for children in foster care living in Kansas.

Thank you to all the Starlight Quilters listed below who participated in the Project Warm Embrace **TAKE IT MAKE IT** guild challenge by taking one or both of the Villa Rosa patterns (Gemini or Cloud Nine) and making a quilt(s). At the May guild meeting, one of the participating SQG quilters will win a quilting treat! The quilters are:

Renee Arnett, Lois Bozarth, Dolores Boring, Carol Cleary, Charlya Cooley, Victoria Foley, Pam Jenkins, Kathy Kosednar, Becky Larma, Willie McCallum, Joan Putman, Marsha Reeves, Cheryl Tomson, & Margaret Welch.

A total of **28 quilts were made**; some are still “in progress” at the time of press to get binding added. 22 of the quilts were made and donated by SQG members. Prairie Point customers Cheryl Blackburn, Diane Korich, Sue Marchetta, Lisa McBee and Donna Weir donated six quilts. Three awesome SQG members (Janette Sheldon, Becky Larma and Janette Luehring) volunteered their machine quilting talents using donated batting and quilted fifteen of the quilts!

Thank you all SO very much! Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE NEXT PROJECT WARM EMBRACE SEW DAY !!!

Call Prairie Point at (913) 268-3333 and sign up for this FREE Project Warm Embrace Sew Day Monday, June 24 from 10am - 5pm!

Bring your own supplies to make a Dream Bag or donation quilts. Prairie Point also sells kits for Dream Bags!

Questions? Email Renee rarnett03@gmail.com or Donna diNatale@att.net.



Let's Sew!!!

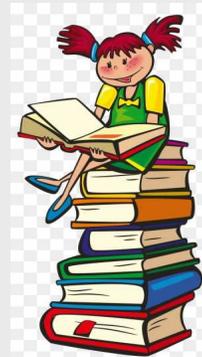
SQA Sew Day
Saturday May 18th, 9am - 3:30pm
Monticello Library Community Meeting Room
22435 W. 66th Street, Shawnee, Ks.

Project Linus (get your kit at Harper's), Project Warm Embrace, Fidget Quilts, Hanging Sleeves for KCRQF quilts, or your own project.
Come out and sew with us!
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Project Warm Embrace Sew Day
Monday, June 24 from 10am - 5pm
Prairie Point Fabric & Quilt Shop
12116 W 95th St.
Lenexa, KS 66215
NOTE: New store location
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Fall 2019 RETREAT
Unity Village, Lee's Summit, MO
November 1, 2, 3.
Contact Donna Holloway
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Spring 2020 RETREAT
Cedar Crest Lodge - Pleasanton, KS?
April 3, 4, 5
Contact Donna Holloway



Library Corner

More books have been added this month. The new “**Classic to Contemporary String Quilts**” presents a modern take on string quilting. A donation of 3 volumes of “**Quiltfolk**” features history and stories of quilters from Louisiana, Michigan, and Utah. “**Hope’s Journey**” covers reproduction quilts and stories of bygone days. “**No Time on My Hands**” is a memoir from the matriarch of a pioneer Nebraska family and “**The Quilter’s Legacy**” is an addition to our collection of books by Jennifer Chiaverini. In June we’ll add a number of quilting books from Sandy Fey’s collection.



KCRQF is nearly here. You know the drill. You've heard it from me before. We need you to have a great time doing all the things on the left side of the list. And we need you to help Starlight Quilters Guild by doing the things on the right side of the list.

Fun things to do at KCRQF

- Classes and Truck Shows
- Ricky Tlms' Concert
- Appraisals
- Auction Quilts, Vendors, and QUILTS!

Things Starlight needs you to do

- Quilt Registration workers – In-Take and Return
- Machine Ambassador
- Opportunity Quilt Booth
- White Glove

If you place an order for Festival Merchandise in March, you should be able to pick up your order at the May 28 Meeting.

What to do with those KCRQF Quilt Show Entries...

Thank you Starlight Quilters for submitting your quilts to hang in the KCRQF. The next step is to get a hanging sleeve and label sewn onto the quilt. Quilts can be turned in at the May Sew Day (5/18) or the May meeting (5/28) to Pam Avara.



Color My World

Starlight Quilt show is closer than we think! October 4th and 5th.

The Boutique Babes are having a **CRAZY KITCHEN COOK OFF!** Please bring a kitchen item for the boutique. A few ideas.....

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| Hot Pads | Table Runners | Place mats |
| Napkins | Aprons | Microwave Cozy |

Be creative!!! Let's kick off the boutique with Kitchen Items!

Peggy Skaith and Pam Lanza

**2019 Guild Challenge
ROUND AND FOUND**

This year's challenge is quite simple:

ROUND

the outer edge must be curved and

FOUND

something you have found that deserves a special place in this quilt.

Minimum diameter is 12"
Maximum diameter is 24"

What is inside the circle is up to you!
Start imagining!



Are You Getting Round?

A round Guild Challenge, that is. When you are out enjoying the spring weather, don't forget to look up, down, and all around for a found object to include. Round and Found is this year's fun Guild Challenge. Remember, the project must be round -- no angles -- between 12" and 24" in diameter, and it must include a found object. How simple is that?

If you have a question about the Group Challenge, contact Donna di Natale at dinatale@att.net.

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616 W. Main Street Warsaw, MO 65355 Mon-Fri: 10a-5p; Sat: 9 am-3 pm

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