



# Starlight Express

## Starlight Quilters Guild

www.starlightquilters.com

November 2012

### Presidents Message

By Kim Cawthon

All year, Janice Craig and I with the rest of the quilt show committee stressed over planning the 2012 quilt show. Our biggest obstacle was finding a venue. Janice and I contacted dozens of locations that wouldn't commit to our date, were too expensive, not guaranteed to be standing in October and may or may not have electricity or water if they were. But we soldiered on. It was Janice's idea to contact the VFW in Lenexa. And it turned out to be a good move. Peggy Skaith quietly worked all year to stock the boutique. Jackie Evans built on what she learned the previous year and did a wonderful job with publicizing the show. Jean Turvey recruited vendors, a nice mix from the previous year and a few new vendors. But all best planning could not have made the show a success without the help from all our members. A great quilt show needs great quilts, and we had that in spades. It also needs volunteers to help with the set-up and tear down. Members brought bake goods, wore white gloves, and sold opportunity quilt tickets. The venue, with its small stage, led to the idea of making Quilts Of Valor during the show. Donna DiNatale worked for months to collect quilt blocks and Mary Honas worked her troops harder than any drill sergeant to complete three quilt tops.

So I want to thank everyone for all the hard work, for the great quilts and great cookies. Most of the Quilt Show committee plan to do a three-pete. I think we can take and build on our success, so start planning your entries for next year. We have had a few suggestions that I believe we will implement next year. I think there will be more entry categories. If we stay at the VFW, we need to find a way to add to the existing light. We have a year to plan, so let us hear from you. We simply can't do this without your help.



### November speaker-

### Su Bunch of Piece Keepers

Shirley Lewis

We are very fortunate to have Su Bunch and her husband, Dwayne, as our November speakers. Their lecture is "Keeping the Piece" - Blended Quilts. The quilts they will show mimic quilts from the 1800's and are described as "elegant, scrappy" quilts. They will discuss the history of some of the fabrics and why these quilts are so unique. And as a special bonus - WE CAN SHOP! They will have a collection of fabrics to purchase, including some not typically seen in quilt shops that will remind you of French designs from the 1800's. They will have fabrics from Moda called CHATEAU ROUGE, and CINNAMON AND SPICE, plus other items for us to enjoy. There will be a \$5 charge for non-members, so invite your friends to this fun night.



You can check out their website at [www.piecekeepersonline.com](http://www.piecekeepersonline.com).

I just can't wait!

### Quilters Wisdom

I've never met a fabric I didn't like.



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| <p><b>Starlight Quilt Guild gives back to our community</b></p> <p>Every year, Starlight Quilt Guild makes small donations to one or two charitable causes.</p>   |   |   |                              |
|    | <p><b>Johnson County<br/>Christmas<br/>Bureau</b></p> |   | <p><b>FOOD<br/>DRIVE</b></p> |
| <p>This year, the board decided to donate the majority of our funds to Johnson County Christmas Bureau. The donation of \$150 to the Christmas Bureau will provide Christmas gifts for a family of four in Johnson County. If you would like more information, contact Rosie Brinker.</p> |   | <p>We ask that all members bring non-perishable food items to the November meeting. These items will be left with Country-side Community Church along with a small cash donation to be used in their food bank.</p> |                              |

## 2012 Quilt Show

A huge "THANK YOU" goes out to everyone who participated in this year's quilt show, "Every Quilt's a Gift"! We changed the date and location to keep our rent affordable and had a very successful show. After expenses and income were all added up, we made approximately \$1800 for the guild to be used for speakers and operating expenses.

Planning will begin very soon for next year's show. We would like to have more people involved in planning. If you're interested or just have ideas, please contact Kim Cawthon or Janice Craig.

Winners from the viewer's choice ballots are as follows:

**Category 100 Wearables/Purses/Misc.**

First Place: Cathedral Window Pillow, Sandy Ralston

Second Place: A Bloomin' Bag, Sue Sharpe

Third Place: Anna's Tote, Mary Honas

**Category 200 Small Quilts**

First Place: Spiral Table Runner, Pieced and Quilted by Lois Bozarth

Second Place: T. Rae Cottontail, Appliqued and Quilted by Bernadine Farrow,

Third Place: Pink Vase on a Table, Appliqued and Quilted by Alex Thompson

**Category 300 Medium Quilts**

First Place: Yosemite Spring, Appliqued and Quilted by Shirley Lewis

Second Place: Birthday Quilt, Pieced by Janice Craig, Quilted by Peggy Skaith

Third Place: All Around the Town, Appliqued and Quilted by Bernadine Farrow

**Category 400 Large Quilts**

First Place: Accomplishment, Pieced by Carol Cleary, Quilted by Carol Cleary & Mary Jo Crider

Second Place: Cinnamon Stitches, Pieced and Quilted by Joyce Verstraete

Third Place: I Cant Believe it Didn't Make a Dent in the Stash, Pieced and Quilted by Janette Sheldon

**Best in Show:** Accomplishment, Pieced by Carol Cleary, Quilted by Carol Cleary & Mary Jo Crider

## Suzy Scissorhands



Dear SQG Friends,

For those of you who didn't do all their Christmas shopping at the Quilt Show Boutique, it's time to make that list and check it twice. If there is a quilter (or 2 or 3) on your list, the big question is:

**What to get a quilter for Christmas?** Here are some suggestions.

**New Quilter or Wanna Be Quilter:** We all know that in order to succeed at something new we first need the proper tools. In my book, this means Carol Doak's book *Your First Quilt Book (or It should be)* (\$15-22), a rotary cutter/mat/ruler set (\$30-50), and three 1-yard pieces of fabric (\$20-36). If this is more than you want to spend, go for the book. Another excellent book for new quilters is Kathy Delaney's *The Basics: An Easy Guide to Beginning Quiltmaking* (\$25).

**Intermediate Quilter:** A quilter can never have too many rulers, so a really nice, easy-to-read ruler is always a welcome gift. Long rulers (~24") with 30, 45, and 60-degree marks are must-haves. I love the rulers made by Creative Grid. They range in price from \$5-30.

**Advanced:** all experienced sewers treasure a really nice pair of scissors. Gingher is a brand that most everyone recognizes for their quality. My favorite pair of scissors is a Gingher 5". It has very sharp points, equally sharp blades, and the size fits nicely into my sewing kit. If you are purchasing for a left-handed quilter, be sure to selected left-handed scissors.

I hope you find these suggestions useful. Perhaps you want to add something from this list to your letter to Santa. Which reminds me...I'd better get started on my list!

Happy Quilting  
Suzy

## Do you like hand embroidery?

Linda Clatterback

Or other types of hand work? Well, we have a small group for that! We meet once a month, usually on a Friday afternoon, at a home near 91<sup>st</sup> and Nall. If you like redwork, or twilling, or any other kind of hand work, you're



welcome to join us. Call Linda Clatterback, 913-649-7236 or email Beverly McCreery - [bkmccreery@gmail.com](mailto:bkmccreery@gmail.com) or email Sandy Ralston at [sandy.qlt4fun@gmail.com](mailto:sandy.qlt4fun@gmail.com).

## Project Linus

Lea Robrahn, Mary Funk

**549** blankets for Project Linus! Wonderful! Our blankets serve children in need in this area. While we are among the most prolific in the area, the need is great. Please consider making another blanket before the end of the year. Of our kits, the fast and easy include: Lili's Hug, Simple Gifts and Quick Quilts. I'll have kits and batting at the November meeting.



## 2013 MEMBERSHIP DUES

It's that time again to start planning for the 2013 year with Starlight Quilt Guild. Membership dues are only \$25. Stop by the membership table for a renewal form and make sure you won't miss out on any of the fun.

## Pictures

To make our roster complete for next year, I need to take a picture of the following members. Please stop by the Membership table and I'll snap one.



Lindsay Lawing  
Sheila Lynch

## Membership

Marilyn Carr

### Welcome New Members

Lindsay Lawing  
Suzy Maxwell



### October Attendance

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Members     | 79       |
| New Members | 2        |
| Guest       | <u>2</u> |
| Total       | 83       |

## Tip-

Store your quilts in pillowcases or fabric bags, which allow them to breathe. Never store quilts in plastic bags

### Thank You!

Opal Yarnell

Thank you to the following people who volunteered to be greeters for the 2012 Starlight Quilters Guild meetings:

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|-------------------|----------------|
| Carol Cleary      | Karen Vertin   |
| Jackie Stoaks     | Lois Bozarth   |
| Becky Edson       | Lisa Souza     |
| Ruth Ann Bonin    | Freda Smith    |
| Cyndy O'Rourke    | Jeanne Poore   |
| Connie Lutz       | Janice Craig   |
| Jackie Rudolph    | Sharon Lopez   |
| Renee Arnett      | Susan Jarsulic |
| Dorothy VanBooven |                |

### Quilts of Valor

Donna DiNatale

Again I want to thank everyone who worked on Quilts of Valor before, during and after the show. You are all winners! Two of the tops completed during the show are with quilters and the third one will be soon. We have both signed and unsigned blocks to sew, and I'm expecting more signed blocks in the next few months. After the holidays we will hold a QOV sew day so watch the newsletter and SQG website for dates and information.

### Fat Quarter Drawing— November "We Need Stripes"



### Do you have a Birthday This Month?

Well, Happy Birthday! Please bring a snack or dessert for the Hospitality Table to share. Fellow SQG members will be deliriously happy to share your goodies! No doubt someone will beg for your recipe. This month's birthdays are:

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| Cecelia Annisy     | Ginny Nelson      |
| Deborah Carnes     | Kathleen Purduski |
| Toni Caro          | Jackie Rudolph    |
| Cheryl Dvorak      | Peggy Skaith      |
| Jackie Evans       | Lisa Souza        |
| Patti Groover      | Susan Stevenson   |
| Marcia Lichtenauer | Laurene Way       |
| Connie Lutz        |                   |
| Barbara McCartney  |                   |
| Virginia Meeker    |                   |



### December Birthdays:

|                   |                  |
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| Linda Clatterbuck | Beverly McCreery |
| Carol Crouse      | Beverly Renner   |
| Arlene Eberhart   | Sharon Slusher   |
| Mary Funk         | Karen Tanyi      |
| Fran Garrett      | Sandy Teeple     |
| Lyn Heilman       | Ellen Wallbridge |
| Lorna Larson      |                  |

### Fons & Porter Love of Quilting

New and re-newed subscriptions to *Fons & Porter Love of Quilting* magazine are available for just \$15 through Starlight Quilters Guild. Sign-up sheets will be available at the November and January meetings. Cash or check. Please make checks payable to Starlight Quilters Guild.



### "Kaw River Quilting Bee" on display at the Tim Murphy Art Gallery

Discover one of the City's hidden treasures...the Tim Murphy Art Gallery. Located on the third level of the Irene B. French Community Center (5701 Merriam Drive), this gallery features rotating art work by local and regional artists. The latest exhibit, "Kaw River Quilting Bee," will be on display through December 8, 2012. For a preview of featured works and gallery hours, visit [www.merriam.org](http://www.merriam.org).

**2013 Programs**

**Jan 22 Kelly Ashton, *The Pleasures and Pitfalls of Working with Fabric Pre-Cuts***

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*Beyond Words: Visual Stories by Annie Helmericks-Louder*

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Renewal

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## 2013 Events Calendar

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## Communications-

Let us know of any concerns, deaths, triumphs, or if someone needs help with something. This way we know what is going on with our fellow members and can send cards, etc. Contact one of these members:

- Rosie Brinker---913-268-8819 or [rosie474@aol.com](mailto:rosie474@aol.com)
- Shirley Lewis---913-722-5486 or [sll849@aol.com](mailto:sll849@aol.com)
- Barbara DeMack---913-485-3966 or [barb-stoys4u@hotmail.com](mailto:barb-stoys4u@hotmail.com)



## Tip-

Using fabric for a specific quilt: If you buy fabric for a certain quilt pattern but cannot find all of the fabrics necessary to start the quilt, put the pattern and the fabrics you have already in a basket or container. Then, when you find the remainder of the fabrics, you have not cut into any of the fabrics already designated for that pattern.

## Advertisements

**FREE! Post your AD HERE!** If you are a guild member in good standing and would like to run your **FREE** ad, send your information to the newsletter editor. See back page for details.

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**Machine Quilting.** Custom Quilting by Peggy Skaith. [especiallyquilts@att.net](mailto:especiallyquilts@att.net) or 913-341-0525

**Machine Quilting by Julia Day.** Is your piecing ready to transform? Call for your consultation today

**Machine Quilting:** longarm custom or overall quilting. Award winning quilter. 2 WEEK TURN AROUND TIME! Holidays are coming quick! Lindsay Lawing -The Protege Quilter 816-888-9964 [ProtegeQuilter@gmail.com](mailto:ProtegeQuilter@gmail.com)

## Blog-

For those of you who are interested in quilts, especially old quilts, Donna DiNatale has started a new blog that will talk about some of her quilts. She will include information about collecting and caring for quilts, old and new. She'd love to have you follow along and provide comments. Here is the link: <http://heartlandquilts.blogspot.com/>



## Singer Featherweight For Sale

Just in time for Christmas. I have 2 that I am selling. One was made in 1940, the other in 1953. The older one shows some wear on the gold decals, but they both sew like a dream. For more information and prices, email me at [dinatale@att.net](mailto:dinatale@att.net), or call me at 913-541-0283. Guaranteed delivery in time for Christmas!



Donna DiNatale

**"FIND US ON FACEBOOK"** <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=106359079270>



### Membership In-

**formation:** Membership, New or Renewal, \$25.00. Your annual dues bring the newsletter chocked full

of information and news of upcoming events to your e-mail or home; provide a lending library of quilting books available to members; and other benefits too numerous to mention!

**Meeting Date and Time:** Monthly guild meetings are held 6:30-9:00 PM every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, January-October at **Countryside Christian Church, 6101 Nell, Mission, KS.** The November meeting date is determined each year based on the Thanksgiving holiday. There is no De-



**Changes:** If you have moved, changed your name, e-mail address or telephone numbers (home, work, or cell), please bring them with you to the next guild meeting or mail them to Starlight Quilters Guild, PO Box 9362, Shawnee Mission, KS 66201

### Newslet- ter Dead- line:

Articles are due the 5<sup>th</sup> of the month. E-mail your article to Sandy Fey [sandyfey@kc.rr.com](mailto:sandyfey@kc.rr.com) (913-432-0855), Margaret Welch at [mwelch5@kc.rr.com](mailto:mwelch5@kc.rr.com) (913-432-4515), and Lueanne Christensen [lueanne@gmail.com](mailto:lueanne@gmail.com) (913-359-3969)



### Meeting Cancellation:

SQG meetings will be canceled if the Shawnee Mission School District cancels classes. Monitor announcements on TV and radio when bad weather threatens.

### NEXT SQG MEET-

**ING! Tuesday, November 27, 2012 6:30 PM**—Meet friends, gobble some goodies, bring some boutique items or tickets, sign up to volunteer!

**7:00 PM— Su Bunch of Piece Keepers, Keeping the Piece—The Sixteen elements of a Blended Quilt**



Remember to bring:

- Nametag
- Show and Tell
- Library Books
- Goodies (if it is your Birthday)
- Fat Quarter

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