

# STARLIGHT EXPRESS

Starlight Quilters Guild  
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October 2016

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Retreats: Donna Holloway  
Project Linus: Lea Robrahn  
KCRQF Rep: Sandy Fey

## President's Message – Sandy Fey



Fellow Quilters,

I want to thank all the women who contributed to making our “Color Play” quilt show such a huge success. Kim Cawthon and Janette Sheldon were the Co-Chairs. Tina Darrow and Sue Howard organized and ran the Boutique. Mary Funk ran the Bake Sale. Jackie Evans did the publicity. Ruthann Bonin organized the bed turning and Donna di Natale got our vendors. We brought in over \$5000 before expenses so, along with our Bucket Brigade drawings, should have a pot of money for our programs next year. I also need to thank the rest of you who volunteered your time to help set up, take in the quilts, sit at the various desks, white glove the quilts, tear down the show and spend your money at our Boutique or at the vendors. We received a lot of positive feedback and I think people enjoyed themselves.

This month will be our pot luck dinner. The guild will supply the meat and plates/silverware, but we need YOU to fill in the gaps. We will again have you bring something depending on the first letter of your last name. The breakdown is as follows:

A – D - Desserts (I like these best so they come first in my book!)

E – O - Salads – All kinds of fruits, vegetables, beans – we need variety

P – R - Breads – Can be rolls, biscuits or bread

S – Z - Appetizers – Chips, crackers, cheese, dips

We would like to begin serving at 6:30. It may be a push for some of you, but it takes a while to get through the line usually.

People were a little hesitant at first last year when we “assigned” seats according to color, but they found it a good way to meet new people. We will try it again this year.

After we eat, the program will be to (briefly) share your favorite tool that you use when you are sewing, quilting or doing handwork. You might bring two that you could talk about because there are bound to be duplicates!

Finally, we need some volunteers to come at 6:00 to begin setting up the tables. We will also need cleaner-uppers after it is over. If you can spare a few minutes on either end, I know I will appreciate it! Sandy

**NEXT BOARD MEETING:** Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30, Godfather's Pizza, 7002 Johnson Drive, Mission, Kansas (next to Sherwin Williams).



OCTOBER 25, 2016 - POT LUCK - 6:30



**'FOCUS ON QUILTING TOOLS'**

The Guild will provide the meat. Bring your favorite appetizer, bread, salad or dessert according to the first letter of your last name as Sandy has listed in her president's message.

Also, bring your favorite *quilting tool* for discussion as part of our program.

**2016 Starlight Quilters Challenge**

**Margaret Welch**

**Starlight Quilt Guild 2016 Challenge Winners**

Congratulations to the winners of our challenge with the magazine page inspiration. We had 9 participants who presented quilts. Thank you to all of you who made a quilt.

The winners are:

**Shirley Lewis** who won the **first and second prize/ribbon**. She received a gift certificate for \$25/\$15.

**Lisa Souza** won the **third place prize/ribbon**. She received a gift certificate for \$10.



**BUCKET BRIGADE**

**Deb McCurnin and Beverly Renner**



Did you see all those smiling faces at our last meeting carrying off their winnings in their own "take home" containers? That could be you too this month! Again, we'll have bucket prizes in their very own container. We will surprise you with what we plan on filling them with, but you know the bucket brigade, it will be all kinds of fun! So bring your dollars (no need to spend all your money on Halloween candy) and take a chance that you too will be smiling with all the winnings you will be taking home. Remember \$1.00 a chance and \$5.00 will get you 6 tickets. If you come and buy early you will receive bonus tickets with your purchase.

Last month was a huge success thanks to all the buyers and donors that make this possible. Thank you for your generosity and fun spirit. No wonder we are known worldwide as the best guild ever!

## PROJECT LINUS



Starlight members have made a total of **471 blankets** for Project Linus. Fabulous! Only 54 to meet our goal of 525 for the year. If you need to do your Project Linus contributions for the year, pick up a kit or two at the meeting. There are also plenty of fleece blankets available to finish. If you take a kit, make a kit... or two! The next Harper's Work Night is Tuesday, November 1 from 6pm to 8 pm. Call to reserve your space: 913-648-2739. Keep turning in the Best Choice UPC labels. Best Choice labels from Price Chopper raise money to pay for the Project Linus labels affixed to all our donated blankets.

Recommended sizes for blankets:

- Baby blanket 36 X 36
- Child and teen 40 X 60
- Fleece blankets should be at least 36 X 45 and doesn't include fringe

When making your Project Linus donations, please remember:

- Fleece blanket should be a single layer.
- Project Linus does not wash blankets prior to donation to facilities, so please use new material without musty or strong odors. If you prefer to wash, please use unscented detergent.
- If you have cats or dogs, please use a masking tape roller on your blankets before you donate them. Please!
- Do not use soiled or stained fabric in your donations.
- Please check and double check your blankets for pins!
- If you would like to attach your name and email address, please do so with a safety pin.
- Please do not attach ribbons, buttons or anything that could be considered a choking hazard.
- No metallic thread, due to government regulation, may be used in our blankets.
- Please make sure there are no holes in your finished project larger than 1" in diameter. Little toes and fingers get caught in them.
- Tying quilts? Please only use cotton crochet thread or embroidery thread to tie. Yarn can come apart and be a choking hazard.

**Lea Robrahn**

### LIBRARY CORNER

Linda Clatterbuck, Cheryl Tomson, Connie Passaro



Come and browse the guild library, return books and check out a book or more before the potluck dinner at the October 25<sup>th</sup> meeting. The library has been cleaned out of our older and less popular editions which means more room and easier browsing to find the perfect book to inspire your next project! For those of you who enjoy a good read while not quilting, we have two new fiction books by Jan Cerney. Check out [The Birdcage Quilts](#) (2016) or [Mystery of the Missing Quilt](#) (2016). We also have added [Golden's Journal: 20 Sampler Blocks Honoring prairie Farm Life](#). The authors are Christina DeArmond, Eula Lang and Kaye Spitzli from Quilting Bits and Pieces Shop in Eudora, KS.

The library is here to enhance your guild membership. Check out a book to learn a new technique or just to see what you like and don't like in quilts or simply to be inspired. Let us know if there is a particular title you'd like us to order. Also, consider writing a short review of a book from our library that could be included in the newsletter. It would be a welcome addition to Library Corner!

## COLOR PLAY 2016



You know that saying about it takes a village? Well, it applies to quilt shows as well. Hats off to all of you who helped make our 2016 quilt show a success. I started counting up the volunteers who worked this year, and after I hit 100 jobs filled, I quit. Needless to say a pot load of you worked not only at the show but also you contributed items to the boutique and bake sale. Thank you: - not only to you, but to your family members who helped as well.

In all we had 115 quilts entered by a total of 50 quilters; plus those used in the bed turning. Megan Leong, a long time educator in design and fiber, judged our quilts early Friday morning for the **color play theme**. **First prize** went to Leslie Holmes - Me Casa is Su Casa or We All Live Downstream. **Second prize** went to Susan Stevenson - Convocation. And **third prize** went to Janette Sheldon - To Love. All other awards were by viewers' votes. They were as follows:

<b>Small Quilts</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> : Shirley Lewis: Butterflies	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Shirley Lewis: Gnu Balance, Inc	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Sue Howard: Fall on the Ridge
<b>Medium Quilts</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> : Janette Sheldon: To Love	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Peggy Skaith: Pittsburg State Gorilla	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Marilyn Carr: Holiday Ladies
<b>Large Quilts</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> : Carol Cleary: Seriously Crazy	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Sue Howard: un-named	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Marilyn Carr: Appalachian Barns
<b>I did it all</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> : Donna Holloway: Is that your 30's Retreat Quilt?	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Janette Sheldon: Log Cabins & Circles	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Janette Sheldon" Left Overs.
<b>Group Projects</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> : Kim Cawthon: I think that I shall never see	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Janette Sheldon: Rowdy Round Robins Ops 5	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Janette Sheldon" Colorado Friends
<b>Miscellaneous</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> : Sue Howard: un-named	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Opal Yarnell: Flowerpots	3 <sup>rd</sup> : Marilyn Carr: Sewing Machine Cover

We purchased additional racks, both for the boutique and to hang quilts. We added the bed turning, headed by Ruthann Bonin, which was a great success. And of course we had the bake sale organized by Mary Funk. We are busy analyzing what we did right, and what we did not, so that the next quilt show can be even better. A survey will be available soon for your comments.

Attendance and finances will be presented to the board this month and thereafter announced to you at guild.

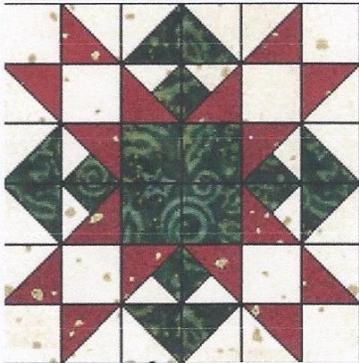
And now I want to add my own two cents. I want to also tell you hats off goes to Kim Cawthon, Tina Darrow, Sue Howard, Donna di Natale and Jackie Evans. We've worked all year to put on this event. You all need to give them a hearty round of applause.

### Janette Sheldon



This is the final block in this series. Next month we will know if this series cast an omen or not. The November newsletter will include instructions for putting your quilt together.

### BLOCK 9 CHRISTMAS STAR



Finished block size: 12"

*Christmas in the White House is a special time for the First Lady. The official White House tree (there are many in various rooms) is installed in the Blue Room. Since Jackie Kennedy's reign, the First Lady has been responsible for choosing a theme and decorating the tree. The decorations are then hand made by various organizations, again chosen by the First Lady. While Michelle Obama has been in the White House children living on military bases around the country have made the decorations.*

#### Supplies

*Be sure to label your squares as you cut them*

Lights:

- (8) 2 1/2" squares
- (8) 2 7/8"
- (2) 3 3/8" squares

Mediums:

- (8) 2 7/8" squares

Darks:

- (4) 2 1/2" squares
- (4) 2 7/8" squares
- (2) 3 3/8" squares

#### LET'S SEW

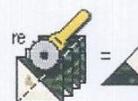
##### Half Square Triangle Units

1. Draw a diagonal line on the back of the four 2 7/8" Light squares.
2. Lay a Light square on top of a 2 7/8" Medium square, right sides together.
3. Sew a scant 1/4" on each side of the drawn line.
4. Cut apart on the drawn line and press open. Press seam toward the Medium fabric. Trim to 2 1/2" square. Make 8
5. Using four 2 7/8" Light squares and four 2 7/8" Dark squares, make 8 Light/Dark units following the instructions given above.



##### Quarter Square Triangle Units

1. Draw a diagonal line on the back of two 3 3/8" Light squares.
2. Lay a 3 3/8" Light square on top of a 3 3/8" Dark square, right sides together.
3. Sew a scant 1/4" on each side of the drawn line. Open and press seam toward the Dark fabric.
4. Using the 45-degree line on your ruler, cut each half-square triangle unit on the diagonal to make 8 quarter-square triangles.
5. Cut the 4 remaining 2 7/8" Medium squares in half diagonally to make 8 triangles.

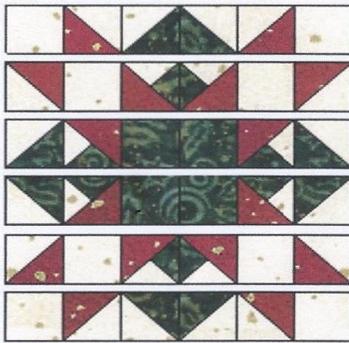


6. Sew a Medium triangle to a Light/Dark quarter square triangle, as shown. Trim to 2 1/2" square. Make 8.



**Assemble the Block**

1. Following the diagram, sew the units together into rows, and then sew the rows together to complete the block. Pay special attention to the direction of the diagonals in the various units.



Submitted By Donna di Natale



Don't forget to bring ornaments for the Festival of Trees to the October guild meeting. Many thanks to everyone who have donated so far. We are hoping to create a Christmas tree loaded with unique ornaments. So, there is plenty of room for your contribution. We are looking for black and white handmade ornaments, especially miniature quilt blocks. Gold ornaments and knitted or crocheted ornaments are also welcome. We are also in need of white lights. The tree will be on display at the Holiday Boutique at the Overland Park Convention Center Nov. 3-6. If you have questions, please contact Heather Braman at [heatherbraman@yahoo.com](mailto:heatherbraman@yahoo.com) or [913-558-5891](tel:913-558-5891).

**KUDOS**

To our members who wer Row By Row Winners!

**Marsha Reeves** turned in her Row By Row at the Lil Red Hen Quilt Shop in Paola, Kansas.

**Lois Bozarth** turned her Row By Row in at Quilters Haven in Olathe, Kan. This is the second year that Lois has been a winner!





### Holiday Postcard Exchange

Would you like to participate in a holiday postcard exchange with other Starlight members? Participants will be required to make and mail a 4" x 6" postcard to every member of the group. Postcards must be made of fabric and/or wool. They can all be alike or all different. If interested, email Donna di Natale at [dinatale@att.net](mailto:dinatale@att.net). There will also be a sign-up sheet at the October meeting.



Do you have a birthday this month?  
October birthdays are:

**Heather Braman**  
**Tina Darrow**  
**Cindy Edgar**  
**Bernadine Farrow**  
**Kathy Hurley**  
**Jules Kellogg**  
**Kathy Kosednar**  
**Sharon Lopez**  
**Janette Luehring**  
**Kristi Orr**  
**Jean Turvey**  
**Pat Wineland**  
**Beverly Zavadil**  
**Paula Zurga**  
*Enjoy your day!*

VISIT SQG website ([starlightquilters.com](http://starlightquilters.com)) for additional information on programs, Linus Quilts, aprons, the quilt show, past newsletters, 'show and tell' pictures and more!

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**October 15** (9 -6) & **16** (10-5) Maple Leaf Quilters Quilt Show, Baldwin Intermediate Center (school on Hwy 56 west edge of town), Suggested donation, \$2.00.



Fall Retreat Unity Village, Lee's Summit, MO on October 28, 29, and 30th, 2016. Contact: *Donna Holloway* (913 402 7559); or [DONNALHOLLOWAY@YAHOO.COM](mailto:DONNALHOLLOWAY@YAHOO.COM).



*Thursday, June 15* 10:00am – 6:00pm  
*Friday, June 16* 10:00am – 6:00pm  
*Saturday, June 17* 10:00am – 5:00pm  
Classes are online now. Registration begins in January. <http://kcraf.com/>

### Greeters for October

**Mary Funk**  
**Jackie Rudolph**

If you are unable to attend your month, please exchange with another person or call:  
**Opal Yarnell at 913-384-1585.**  
**Thank you for volunteering!**

### Advertisements

**Machine Quilting** - Machine Quilting by Karen - Let me help you finish all those tops! Low pricing, full Long Arm services – all over designs or custom quilting 913-638-4625 Karen Huffman or email me at [karen7315@gmail.com](mailto:karen7315@gmail.com).

**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! [EspeciallyQuilts@att.net](mailto:EspeciallyQuilts@att.net) or 913-341-0525 Peggy Skaith

**Machine Embroidery** - Perfect Stitches Embroidery, Chris Haubein. Custom embroidery for corporate, church, sport or club logo's. Quilt labels, wedding & baby gifts. 913-908-4481, [www.psemb.biz](http://www.psemb.biz)

Check out Amy Senatore's website for her quilt shop (**City's Edge**), classes and more. <http://www.citysedgestudio.com/>  
**616 W. Main Street**  
**Warsaw, MO 65355**  
**Mon-Fri: 10a-5p; Sat: 9 am-3 pm**

### NEXT SQG MEETING!

Tuesday, October 25, 2016  
6:30 PM - Social  
7:00 PM - Meeting Program:  
**POT LUCK – Meat will be provided.**  
Bring an additional dish.  
Don't Forget:  
• Nametag  
• Library Books  
• Linus Quilts  
• Aprons  
• UFOs  
• BOM  
• Show and Tell

**SQG Meeting Date and Time:**

Monthly guild meetings are held 6:30-9:00 PM every 4th Tuesday, January-October at **Countryside Christian Church, 6101 Nall, Mission, KS.**

The November meeting date is determined each year based on the Thanksgiving holiday. There is no December meeting.

**Newsletter Deadline**

Articles are due the 9<sup>th</sup> of the month. Email your article to Jackie Rudolph ([jrudolph019@gmail.com](mailto:jrudolph019@gmail.com)). All members are invited to submit articles.

**Changes:** If you have moved, changed your name, e-mail address, or telephone numbers (home, work, or cell), please bring that information with you to the next guild meeting and give that information to our Membership Chair, Donna di Natale, or mail it to **Starlight Quilters Guild, PO Box 9362, Shawnee Mission, KS 66201**

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