



Starlight Express

Starlight Quilters Guild

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== February ==

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Welcome Quilting Friends! When this guild was established, the group of women who came together had a vision for this guild and I was reflecting on who we are 41 years later. The By-Laws state our purpose is to promote quilting, educate members and the public, encourage appreciation and serve our community. These are our core directives and serve us to this day.

Once while on vacation I met a fellow quilter from Ireland. We swapped stories of our respective guilds and I told her of our dynamic group of different abilities, styles, and experience. I learn something at every meeting, and while I am not the best artisan in the guild, I have gifts to impart. The Irish quilter had a different story. They didn't want to invite anyone else into their group so her group was dying off and now only a handful of people were left. How sad that their experience and expertise were not passed down and that the light of quilting was slowly being extinguished.

Virtual meetings have offered us a unique opportunity to reach people who normally would not be able to participate. If you know of someone who would be interested in our meetings, invite them. There are many guilds who aren't meeting during the pandemic. They may be thirsty for inspiration. This month we are having a Show and Tell meeting which is perfect for showcasing our variety of skills and the diversity of our guild. We are starting a Block of the Month — what a great way for a new quilter to get to know us.

Virtual Sew Day and Fabric Bingo are also opportunities. I am so grateful to Shirley Lewis who reached out and invited me to attend a meeting. It turns out Shirley has recruited several members. I'm not that special. I have grown because of that.

Pam

**Until further notice, the church will be unavailable for our meetings.
Our February meeting and program will be February 23rd at 7pm via Zoom!
The Zoom link and info will be sent out by email.**

STARLIGHT MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - ASHLEY SCOTT

Stats: Ashley was born in Corpus Christi, Texas and now lives in Leavenworth, Kansas. She works at Enterprise Fleet Management.

Other hobbies or interests: knitting and working out.

First quilt you ever made? Irish chain.

What do you do with quilts you make? Usually give them away as gifts.

Lots of projects or one at a time? Lots of projects.

Neat as a pin or anything goes? Definitely neat- messy freaks me out.

I'm currently obsessed with: finishing the list of quilts I've made for this year and losing weight on noom

The best piece of quilting advice I've received? Quilting is therapy. Don't make it stressful worrying about perfection and stay away from those that do. Ain't nobody got time for that! – Church small group leader.

My go to snack for a full day (or night) of quilting is: moscato d'asti and Nick&Jake's shrimp and grits.

When I just can't get a quilt to come together, I: put it down and do something else

My go-to color combination is: teal black and white.

My favorite part of making a quilt is: piecing.

On my playlist while I'm quilting is: Gladys Knight, Anita baker, Leela James, anything Hamilton, and anything jazz or old school.



**No one can see your mistakes
on ZOOM!!!!**

STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD			
Treasurer's Report			
January 31, 2021			
	Beginning Checkbook Balance	\$ 14,424.06	
	Petty Cash	60.00	
	Certificate of Deposit	6,114.40	
Cash Balance			\$ 20,598.46
Income			
	Membership	105.00	
	Total Income		\$ 105.00
Expenses			
	Alex Anderson Program	700.00	
	Total Expenses		\$ 700.00
	Ending Checkbook Balance	\$ 13,829.06	
	Petty Cash	60.00	
	Certificate of Deposit	6,114.66	
Cash Balance January 31, 2021			\$ 20,003.72
Submitted by Dana Switzer			

2021 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!!!

It's time to renew your membership for the 2021 Guild year starting in April.
Remember, you can pay online by Paypal or by check.

Membership year is from April 1 through March 31. You may join at any time.

Our membership dues for 2021 are \$35 per year. As part of the membership, PDF newsletters are emailed to members January thru November and are always available on the Starlight website .

There is an additional \$13 surcharge per year for a paper newsletter mailed to you via the US Post Office (\$48 total per year). This charge covers the cost of paper and mailing.

Go to the Starlight membership page on the Starlight website to see online options for payment at starlightquilters.com/SQG/index.php/membership/.

To pay by check, please mail a check via US Mail for the appropriate dues amount to:

Michele Fix
6615 Ridgeview
Shawnee, KS 66217

If you have any questions, please email Michele Fix at her membership email address StarlightGuildMembers@gmail.com.

FEBRUARY PROGRAM

YOU ARE THE STAR!!!

The Starlight Quilt Guild's February meeting will be a show and tell for all our members! The Programs committee agrees that one of the best parts of our in person meetings is that we get to see each other's quilts. This month we will do the second best thing to in person, that is a slide presentation of members quilts and their story.

Please join us for a fun, fun evening!!!



2021 CHALLENGE - GAMES



GAMES

Childhood Games you Played with your Friends A 2021 Quilt Challenge



The Games Challenge is amazingly simple. Create a quilt that represents games we played as children. The quilt must be made using one of the following. We're on the honor system, but item must be identified:

- An item from the share table
- An item from your stash that's more than 5 years old
- An item from a friend's stash

Quilts must be 24" or more, but 48" or less on any side.

Completion date is September 28, 2021. A Quilt Show entry form must be completed to enter your challenge quilt in the 2021 Gem of A Quilt Show.

Kim Cawthon



2021 OPPORTUNITY QUILT

Have a heart, do your part!!! Tickets sales for Starlight's 2021 Opportunity Quilt are well underway. It's a beautiful red and white quilt! Each guild member is asked to purchase or sell \$20 worth of tickets. Due to COVID, we're implementing a COVID style approach to marketing our Opportunity Quilt this year. Don't delay, buy/sell your tickets today. Details are in the January SQG Newsletter.

"Chance to Win" Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5

PayPal option for payment is NEW this year <http://starlightquilters.com/SQG/index.php/opportunity-quilt/>

100% of proceeds fund educational speakers and programs for Starlight Quilters Guild members.

Drawing will take place at the October 26, 2021 guild meeting.

Quilt was made and machine quilted by longtime SQG member Peggy Skaith, owner of Especially Quilts.

Feel free to contact me at 913-262-0908 if you have any questions.

Thank you for supporting the Starlight Quilters Guild!

Renee Arnett



BLOCK OF THE MONTH 2021

While we're not able to meet in person, I thought it would be fun to kick off the New Year with a block of the month! In February we revealed the 1st Block. We had a Zoom workshop for the block and I thought I was a real hit! Everyone seemed to really enjoy themselves.

We will continue the Zoom Workshops as the BOM continues. Our next workshop will be Friday, March 12th at 7pm. Watch your Starlight email for the Zoom invitation!



The directions for the February block has been posted on our [Starlight Quilters Guild Chat](#) in the Files Section.

Since this is my first host, I'm taking baby-steps. We are starting with a Lap Quilt! If a lap quilt isn't for you, maybe you can join along and donate to our SQG Cancer Center Project. I've purposely put together blocks which will be within the (45 x 50 inch) guidelines of the Cancer Center Project. If you prefer a larger lap quilt for yourself, you can add a border.

Any questions – don't hesitate to contact me. Looking forward to brighter New Year!

Tina Darrow

FROM THE ARCHIVES

March 26, 1994

Starlighters invite all interested quilters in the area to join us at this month's meeting to hear our guest speaker, Moneca Calvert, from California... Ms. Calvert will present "An Emerging Quiltmaker," an encouraging and inspiring personal history. After more than 40 years of quilting, Ms. Calvert still finds personal creativity very fulfilling and an absolute necessity for health and happiness... Her Glorious Lady Freedom won Grand Prize in the 1985 Great American Quilt Contest, and her Hearts quilt made the cover of the February QNM (Quilters Newsletter Magazine).



HOW MANY MASKS DID YOU MAKE???

Grand Total of 4101 Facemasks made by Starlight Guild Members. Wow! That's amazing! The new CDC guidelines now recommend people wear 2 masks due to the new variant of the virus. Back to the sewing table. Thank you for keeping people safe!



The top mask makers so far are:

Wanda Schmieding 500	Jan Kahlfeldt 256
Carla Orner 350	Pat Monaghan 250+
Becky Edson 300+	Mary Honas 200
Judy Danz 300	

FUNNY STUFF FROM MARY FUNK

Only a Quilter...

Only a Quilter would spend more hours sewing several hundred buttons on a quilt to embellish it, but wouldn't take five minutes to replace a button on a pair of pants.

Only a Quilter would give the gift of a wedding quilt two months after the birth of the couple's second child.

Only a Quilter would put hundreds of dollars worth of fabric into her fabric stash because she might find a use for it someday, but wouldn't replace a 50-cent needle on her sewing machine.

Only a Quilter would let three late-arriving patients go ahead of her at the doctor's office because she is on the verge of completing a block.

Only a Quilter would rush to finish a gift quilt, but not so it's done in time for the recipient's birthday. No! So it's don't in time for Show and Tell.

Only a Quilter would make a special quilt to give to her son, who would then have to attend so many quilt shows just to see it.

Only a Quilter would use freezer paper in the production of something to keep warm.

Let's Sew!!!

With the COVID-19 situation, cancellations, venues, dates and times are all subject to change.

BINGO NIGHT!!!

1st Friday, March 5th at 7pm
Watch Email for Zoom Invitation
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Block of the Month

2nd Friday, March 12th at 7pm
Watch Email for Zoom Invitation
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Starlight Zoom Sew Days

2nd Saturday, March 20th
9am to 12pm
Watch Email for Zoom Invitation
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2021
Kansas City Regional



Quilt Festival
June 17-19, 2021

Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival

June 17 to 19, 2021
Thur Fri 9am-6pm, Sat 9am-4pm
Overland Park Convention Center
6000 College Boulevard
Overland Park, Kansas 66211
<https://kcrqf.com/>
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A Gem of a Quilt Show

Lenexa Community Center
13420 Oak St,
Lenexa, KS 66215
913.477.7100
Friday-Saturday
Oct 1st & 2nd, 2021




KU CANCER CENTER COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

Remember, the Community Service items you have made for the KU Cancer Center are going to them!!! For more about our delivery schedule, contact Deb McCurnin or Janet Wikle.

Thanks to all of you for all that you have done! KU Cancer center appreciates all our hard work!!!

The Charity Chicks

http://www.starlightquilters.com/sqg_cancer_center_project

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

CANCER CENTER



Quilt sizes for The University of Kansas Cancer Center

Width – between 40 & 45"

Length – between 45 & 50"

BINGO! BINGO! BINGO!



Fabric Bingo was a success! Next game will be on Friday March 5 at 7:00pm. Instructions for making your Bingo card are on the Starlight web site at www.starlightquilters.com/events_and_retreats.

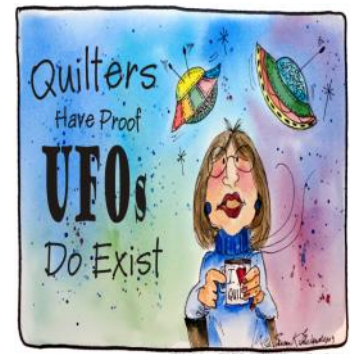
February Bingo winners were Pam Avara, Donna Holloway, Jan Skillman, Mary Beth Schrader and the grand prize (\$25 to Overbrook Quilt Connection) went to Blackout Queen Janice McKee. Congratulations! Watch your email for the Zoom invitation for our March Bingo! - Pam Lanza

UFO CHALLENGE

We are off with a bang finishing UFOs! Anne Doherty, Carla Orner, Karen Edwards, Pam Avara, Sue Howard, Cheryl Tomson, and Janet Winkle have finished a total of 11 UFOs since the beginning of the year! I'm still accepting UFO lists until the end of February. Let's finish some quilts!

Pam Avara

<http://pamela.avaraarts.com/>



ACQUQUILT GO! UPDATE

The Accuquilt Go! cutter and dies are available for your use while you are staying at home. Just contact Cheryl Tomson to arrange safe social distance pickup at her home in Lenexa. Contact Cheryl at 913-991-8523.



PROJECT LINUS

We are accepting donations at Harper's! Quilts are going to KU Medical Center and St Luke's downtown as well as Ronald McDonald House. We hope COVID is over soon so we can get back in Children's Mercy. We have also teamed up with Sleep in Heavenly Peace who make beds for children who don't have blankets. We are providing twin size blankets for these beds.

There still are no work nights scheduled yet but I'm hopeful for them to resume later in 2021!

Mary Honas

Project ♥ Linus



Quilt Sizes Needed

40 x 40 up to

50 x 60

Please note, TWIN size
also needed



Mark your calendars! The Festival is scheduled for June 17, 18 and 19 at the Overland Park Convention Center! To learn more visit kcrqf.com/

It's time to register for your classes! There are so many instructors to choose from and a variety of techniques being taught. Don't miss getting into your favorite. kcrqf.com/festival-classes/

If you'd like to purchase tickets and save the processing fee, pre-order them now! You can also purchase a t-shirt and pins. Check out this link to place your order: <https://bit.ly/2021kcrqfGuildPreOrder> Payments should be made to the Starlight Guild and are due in March.

KCRQF UPDATE FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVES

It's time to decide on which quilt(s) you want to hang in the 2021 Kansas City Regional Quilt Show! The deadline for entry is MARCH 15th.

- All quilts must be quilted by hand or machine - no tied quilts
- Must be a minimum of 24 inches and not bigger than 96 inches on any side
- If you said you would hang your Ruby Red Challenge quilt you will still need to fill out an entry form.
- The deadline for entry is March 15th.

To enter, please fill out an entry form on the Starlight Quilters Guild website and send a photo of the quilt to SQGFestival2021@gmail.com. The photo will be used for identification purposes only. Pam Avara and Donna Holloway are SQG Quilt Registration Representatives and can be reached at this address. Please DO NOT enter your quilt on the Festival website.

Pam Avara

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Advertisements

City's Edge Quilt Shop has classes and more! Amy Senatore Owner. www.citysedgestudio.com
616 W. Main Street Warsaw, MO 65355
Mon-Fri 10a - 5p and Sat: 9a - 3p.

Custom Machine Embroidery - quilt labels, towels, gifts, T-shirts, logos, banners, and so much more. Fast turnaround time on orders. Phone **Judy Brennan**, 913-788-0582.

C & S Creations - Custom wood working projects. Let us help with your sewing/hobby room needs. Custom workstations, Featherweight cabinets, ruler holders, scissor racks. **Cheryl & Scott Diebold**, phone 913-677-0838.

Donna's Singer Service - Does your Featherweight need a good clean and oil? Is it not sewing like it should? I can clean and service your Featherweight including Singer models 15, 99, 221, 222, and 301. Reasonable fees & timely service. **Donna di Natale**, phone 913-451-0283.

Machine Quilting - Computerized Edge-to-Edge machine quilting by **Pam Avara**, 816-204-7287.

Machine Quilting - Edge-to-Edge computerized longarm machine quilting by **Elizabeth Brown**. Phone: 913-626-7135. Website: Duelingthread.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! **Peggy Skaith** 913-341-0525.

