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Starlight Quilters Guild

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from the President

Happy New Year, Starlight Quilters!

I hope everyone is having a great 2023 so far. I've been

taking advantage of the colder days to spend more quality time with my sewing machine. Piecing is my favorite part, so I am trying to make more time for quilting so that I can make a dent in my UFO pile.

Rather than make a resolution for the year, I'm setting monthly goals for myself, as some months are busier than others. How do all of you handle your projects?

Is anyone else excited about the Accuquilt workshops that Tina Darrow has scheduled?

I've been reviewing the die list and my stash trying to think about where to start. This month's meeting program looks very helpful, too. It will be great to hear about steps we

can take to make sewing a more pleasant and comfortable experience.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at our January meeting on Zoom.

Have a safe & warm winter!

(And Go Chiefs!)

*~Suzanne Andrews
President*

2023 Starlight Quilters Guild Sewcials!

Let the Workshops begin! We'll start out the New Year with our very own Accuquilt Go! Cutter.

Have you used the Guild AccuCutter before? If not, now is your chance! **January 28th**, starting at 9:30am, the AccuCutter will be at the Blue Valley Library, large conference room. It's time to get acquainted with a Guild perk!

On the Starlight Quilters Guild <https://www.starlightquilters.com/> under the Library tab, is our AccuQuilt page. Here you will find a list of dies which include links for projects. Find a project that interests you – if you don't want to start a big project, find a block you like and try making a baby quilt, table topper or table/bed runner. Print your pattern (a free feature) from the AccuQuilt website – if you're not able to print, let me know.

Email me (tdf5970@gmail.com) to let me know your die choice. Now the really fun part - pick out your fabrics!

If you plan to participate – I need to know. I want to make sure I have all the dies we need for those showing up. If we have many who participate, we may schedule times so you're not waiting to use the cutter. There may be some who want a specific cutting time, due to other obligations.

*Please note – if you're cutting for a queen size quilt, we may ask you to cut half at the first schedule day and the rest on the 2nd cutting day. We want everyone to have a chance to cut what they need.

We have a second cutting day scheduled for **February 11th**, Antioch Library, starting at 9:30AM. If you can't make the first date or need to cut more, we'll have another day available for us.

Any questions, don't hesitate to contact me - tdf5970@gmail.com

Tina

Upcoming dates:

March 4, 9:30am-12:30pm – Library TBA, *Beginning Foundation Paper Piecing* with Janette Sheldon. If you've ever wanted to learn foundation paper piecing, this is the class for you!

April 1, 9:30am-11:30am – Library TBA, *Advanced Foundation Paper Piecing* with Janette Sheldon. Lecture-type workshop, instruction on how to draw your own paper pieced project from anything.

**~Tina Darrow
Workshops**

New Member Tip: Sign up for a workshop and learn something new!

January Program

Rose Parr



Rose has been sewing for 40 years, quilting for 30, and personal training for more than 15.

She holds certifications in:

- Ergonomics
- Holistic Nutrition
- Arthritis Pain Management
- Home Economics
- Personal Training

She lives in Guelph, Ontario, Canada with her husband David. Their claim to fame is having run an illegal daycare operation when they had four children under the age of four. Now that's efficient.

Rose enjoys speaking to quilt guilds both virtually and in-person. She is a professional longarm quilter and a regular contributor to Canadian Quilter Magazine. Her book " Sew Healthy & Happy, Smart Ergonomics, Stretches & More for Makers" is now available to pre-order from Amazon.

*~Kathy Keehn, Janette Leuhring, Donna diNatale, Victoria Foley
Program Committee*

Do YOU Have a Program Idea?

The Programs committee, Kathy Keehn, Donna di Natale, Janette Luehring, and Victoria Foley, would like all members to share their input for upcoming programs and speakers for the 2023 SQG year!

Thank you in advance for your suggestions!

~The Programs Committee



No Treasurer's Report this month.



KCRQF Updates

- ❖ Class information is available NOW. Registration for classes, tickets, and merchandise sales will begin **January 15**.
- ❖ New Feature for KCRQF 2023— “Early Bird Tour” of the Judged Quilts on Thursday morning.
- ❖ Judged Quilt information is posted on the website.
- ❖ Signup for jobs at Festival will be available on the website -- more information on this soon!
- ❖ Keep checking the website -- kcrqf.com



We still have Board Positions Open.

***We need a Vice President
A Treasurer
And Opportunity Quilt Coordinators.***

***A little bit of work from many makes the
Guild run.***

***If you are interested, please reach out to
Suzanne.***

Hello and Happy New Year from the Charitable Giving committee!

We had a great 2022 and can't wait to make 2023 even better! As you know our 2022 charity was Ronald McDonald House here in metro Kansas City. They mostly serve the families with kids who need specialized care at Children's Mercy Hospital. We accomplished a lot for them donating 76 pillowcases and 16 quilts! Their motto is a "Home away from Home" and anyone who has had a child in the hospital knows it means a lot to see that the community cares. Thank you so much for those donations that made their world a little more friendly and bright. We were also able to donate \$250 to them as well as another \$250 to The Sewing Labs.

Looking forward I seek to serve the group and what kind of giving and doing that you would be interested in. So I want to ask "How do you like to give?" Do you enjoy making projects to give (like pillowcases/quilts, etc.), do you prefer to buy things to give (socks/handwarmers for unhoused, etc.), or do you prefer acts of service (giving your time to help in person at organizations)?

Beyond those questions is do you prefer a year long give/do as you can or would you prefer a shorter term (every 3-4 months new project)? Please feel free to let me know how you feel/what I can do best to serve the group as well as our community. One suggestion so far has been to make blocks for Quilts of Valor and I have attached the information, if we each make even 1 block it adds up! I am happy to gather blocks and mail them together at the next in person meeting.

Thank you so much once again, Bonnie Leigh

Support Quilts of Valor – 2023 National Block Drive

In 2022, the Quilts of Valor Foundation received over 6,000 blocks that were then made into quilts and presented to worthy military veterans and service members.

This year's block pattern is a 12 ½" (unfinished) Split Back Star block, designed and written by Kim DiJoseph. You may make as many blocks as you wish. This could be a fun project for small groups or a few friends. You can find a link to the instructions for the block on our website

<https://starlightquilters.com/SQG/index.php/qov-2023/> or on the Quilts of Valor website www.govf.org.

Blocks should be shipped to:

Quilts of Valor

Attn: 2023 Block Drive

525 Richland Avenue

St. Mathews, SC 29135



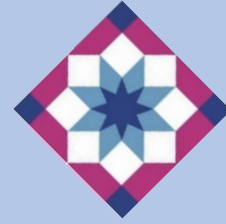


Funnies with Mary Funk

Kids say the funniest things...

While working for an organization that delivers lunches to elderly shut ins, I used to take my 4 year old daughter on my afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day I found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As I braced myself for the inevitable barrage of questions, she merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this!"

Six year old Lucy and her mother attended church on Sunday morning and she was greeted by the pastor when she left. He said, "That's a lovely dress with ribbons, bows and lace." Lucy replied, "I won't wear it again for a while. My mom said it was a bitch to iron."



Upcoming Events

January 24 – Guild Meeting

January 28 – Guild Sewcial

February 11 – Guild Sewcial

February 28 – Guild Meeting

City's Edge Quilt Shop has classes and more!

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Website www.Duelingthread.com

Rosecliff Quilts – Provide quilting services which include longarm edge-to-edge quilting for unfinished quilt tops, baby quilts, t-shirt memory quilts and embroidery patches.

Phone: **Stephanie Rector**, 816-560-9863

Email: rosecliffquilts@gmail.com

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Donna di Natale, phone 913-451-0283

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Peggy Skaith 913-341-0525