

# Starlight Express

## Starlight Quilters Guild

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### From the President

Hi everyone,

Well, it's the end of August! The summer just flew by! My grandson had his first day of high school last week, and my granddaughter started college! What the heck!! When did they get through kindergarten?!! Speaking of time flying, I need to hunker down and get my striped quilt done for the quilt challenge! I thought I'd be done by now!

But I *have* been busy working with our program and workshop chair-ladies to line up interesting speakers and workshops for next year and welcome input from everyone! Speaking of.....

WELCOME, WELCOME TO ALL THE NEW MEMBERS THAT HAVE JOINED THIS YEAR! We are so happy to have you in our guild. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me and I'll try to answer your questions or find someone to put you in touch with. Also, if you have any desire to serve on the board or a committee please let me know. We are putting together our team for next year and new faces and new ideas are always welcome. See you next week!

Happy quilting,  
Amy

~Amy Ubben  
SQG President



**STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD**  
**Treasurer's Report**  
**July 2025**

	Beginning Checkbook Balance	\$	8,450.79		
	CD's at Capitol Federal		16,904.89		
	Petty Cash		60.00		
<b>Cash Balance</b>				<b>25,415.68</b>	
<b>Income</b>					
	Membership Dues		140.00		
	Bucket Babes		139.00		
	Retreat		1,170.00		
	Workshop Fees		75.00		
	<b>Total Income</b>			<b>1,524.00</b>	
<b>Expenses</b>					
	Meeting Facility Rental		230.00		
	Storage Expense		130.00		
	Holly Messinger - Progam		324.36		
	Heartland Quilt Network		25.00		
	Paypal fees		9.45		
	<b>Total Expenses</b>			<b>718.81</b>	
	Ending Checkbook Balance		9,255.98		
	CD's at Capitol Federal		16,904.89		
	Petty Cash		60.00		
<b>Cash Balance</b>				<b>\$ 26,220.87</b>	
	<b>Submitted by Barbara Dietz, Treasurer</b>				

## August Fat Quarters Theme: **HOLIDAYS**

Our stash is full off holiday joy.

What to choose, oh boy. 🧑🏻

Will it be red,green, gold or white like snow,

All the colors of lights that glow? 🎄

*Remember to bring your entry of one fat quarter per entry of this month's theme, HOLIDAY. Last month's winner won 7.25 yards of fabric!*

**~Jan Ketchum**  
**Fat Quarters**



## August Program

**Andrea LeBeau**  
**Lakota Star Quilts**  
**“Wichapi Owinza”**



Andrea is an enrolled member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe from South Dakota. Andrea has been creating Lakota Starquilts since 2011 and has made over 400 star quilts since. She started her sewing journey as a teenager making Native American Regalia starting the business name “Dancing Dreams Native Designs.” Andrea became more interested in making star quilts in 2011 and began to teach herself. She felt it was important as a Lakota woman to become a Lakota quilt maker because of the history of the Lakota Star quilt. In 2015, Andrea created the Facebook group “Starquilt tips and Tricks.” Andrea’s goal was to provide a space to others for learning as she did not have others teach her how to make Star Quilts. To date, there are over 9,000 members of the group, both learners and longtime quilt makers and it is still active. She has also spent time teaching individuals privately on how to make Star Quilts.

Andrea’s favorite thing about making star quilts is seeing the process start as simple cut fabrics to a beautiful piece of art. She also enjoys creating color schemes for the star quilts.

Andrea will be sharing the history of Lakota Starquilts, also known as Lone Star Quilts, and the significance of the quilt in the Native American community.

*~Mary Honas  
Programs*



## 2025 Starlight Quilters Guild Fall Retreat



Signups have been brisk for our 2025 Starlight Fall retreat - we only have 7 spots left! Our group will have exclusive access to KC Makers large classroom for 3 full days; no overnight accommodations will be provided. Each quilter will have a dedicated table space to keep their machine and projects set up throughout the weekend. Come join us for great company and inspiration as you work on your UFOs or perhaps make some holiday gifts!

Cost will be \$65 per quilter. Four meals are included in the price (dinner on Friday; lunch/dinner on Saturday; lunch on Sunday)

Friday - Sunday; November 7-9, 2025

KC Maker Studio and Fabrics

5327 Johnson Drive

Mission, KS 66205

Signs up will be online using the following link: <https://forms.gle/Cije43oFeEsV6Aa18>

(link is also posted on the Starlight website)

Enrollment will be time stamped; and once we reach capacity at 40 participants; names will go onto a waitlist. Registration will be finalized once payment has been received. Reach out to Donna Holloway if you have any questions!

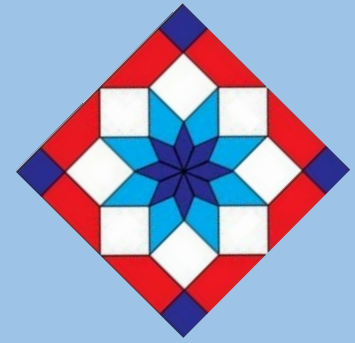
*~Donna Holloway  
Vice President*

## Welcome New Members!

Maureen Huckaby  
Celeste Karasek

Our membership total stands at 97.

*~Diane Phillips  
Membership Chair*



## Mark Your Calendars:

Through August 23 - KC  
Quilt Crawl

August 26 – Starlight  
Quilters Guild meeting  
Featuring Andrea LeBeau

October 10 – SQG Caravan  
trip to Missouri Star in  
HAMILTON, MO

## @accuquilt® News

The guild's newest die is Cleopatra's Fan. It makes a 12" block with gently curving shapes reminiscent of a flower. Make a classy table runner or an interesting wall hanging or throw. Free patterns are available at [Accuquilt.com](http://Accuquilt.com) or imagine your own combination of blocks. The Accuquilt cutter will be available at all the guild sew days; let me know which dies you'd like to use. A list of the dies owned by the guild is available on our website. Contact me for a demonstration or to check out our Accuquilt cutter and/or any of our many dies to use at home.

*~Cheryl Tomson  
Accuquilt Manager*



102°...TOO HOT  
TO QUILT, YET  
THE CAT STILL  
INSISTS ON  
BEING IN  
MY LAP.







## Community Service News



- At the July meeting, 10 Children's Activity Bags and 13 Walker Bags were collected for a total of 94 Children's bags and 82 Walker bags!! I have Sewing Labs tags available (they have been out of the tags for several months) and will bring them to the next meeting with example bags of where to attach them. Until then, I am sending out a big hug for all the generosity and willingness to make hospital stays a little easier. Thank you!
- Pam Lanza

*~Pam Lanza  
Community Service*

## 2025 SQG Challenge

How are those stripes coming?  
Remember, no rules. Just make  
it read stripes.

*~Janette Sheldon*



## Project ♥ Linus

Thank you to the following for Linus Quilts donated:

Shirley Lewis - 2  
Peggy Skaith - 2  
Kim Cawthon- 1  
Marsha Reeves - 4  
Cheryl Tomson - 2  
Beverly McCreery - 2

That is a total of 14 for the month of July. A total of 69 quilts have been donated in 2025. I had no idea that many Linus quilts would be made so far this year. Anxious to what our year end total will be. The need is great!

Another big thank you goes out to Mary Bognich for the batting and fabric she donated. We are in need of both and would appreciate any donation. We are looking for a list of longarmers who would be interested in quilting a Linus quilt if they are provided with the top, batting and backing. If available, see me at the next meeting so I can compile a list.

*~Kate McCabe  
for Project Linus*

**Quilters aren't greedy—we're just  
materialistic.**

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