



Starlight Express

Starlight Quilters Guild

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May 2015

Starlight Quilt Guild Officers and

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- President: Jackie Rudolph
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- Opportunity Quilt Tickets: Connie Passaro
- 2015 KCRQF: Janette Sheldon
- KCRQF Volunteer Chair: Laura Carr
- Retreats: Donna Holloway
- Linus Quilts: Lea Robrahn
- Past-President: Janette Sheldon

President's Message— Jackie Rudolph

The KCRQF is right around the corner: June 19th – 21st! I hope everyone has taken the time to sign up for a class or two and have already bought a ticket to attend the event. This is going to be a really big event for all involved and a first for all of us.



At our April guild meeting I mentioned that at our last KCRQF meeting we were one of eight guilds that had at that time placed an ad in the KCRQF book that will be sold at the festival. However, Starlight Quilt Guild was the only guild offering a coupon. Our ad was designed by Donna di Natale.

I should have also mentioned that the quilt festival assigned the number of volunteers that each guild, depending on their size, was required to have present at the show. Our assigned number was 38. I am proud to report that Laura Carr gave a list of 41 volunteers! In addition, we have twelve members who have volunteered to work in the guild booth.

Thanks to all of you who either volunteered to work at the festival or who volunteered to work in the guild booth, and to those who helped do to other things such as recording our quilts that will be shown in our assigned area on the floor of the show and to those who will be taking or picking up the quilts. It is going to be a great event and I am so glad that so many of you have volunteered to participate.

While I am on the subject of volunteers, I do want to mention again that this is an unusual year for our guild because of the KCRQF. Looking forward to next year, our quilt guild will need volunteers in many capacities as we go back to what would be our normal schedule of activities.

We will be looking for volunteers to head up and organize: the Opportunity Quilt, Quilt Show, Boutique, Membership, Newsletter, and Website, just to mention a few. These positions can be done by one person, or two, or more. If you have an interest in any of these positions, ask the person who holds or has held that position, what it all entails. They could mentor you for that position for next year.

Just as the KCRQF could not happen without volunteers, Starlight Quilt Guild depends on its volunteers to make it go.

I hope you will consider volunteering in some capacity next year. Jackie

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**Kelly Ashton
60 Degrees of Inspiration**

We are glad to have Kelly Ashton with us again. Kelly resides in Overland Park, KS with her husband, and their miniature schnauzer. In addition to her quilt-making passion, Kelly enjoys singing with the Kansas City Women's Chorus, reading, sipping coffee by the fire, being mesmerized by the ocean, cooking, playing pinochle and spending time with family and friends.



Paint Chip Challenge 2015—Margaret Welch

Have you found your paint chips yet? Then have you found your 3 fabrics? You can make any type of quilt you like just as long as it is 30 inches or less on any side. Do you have a favorite block? Make a small quilt with it. You can look at quilt patterns and choose any section of the pattern to use your 3 fabrics. Benjamin Moore paints have a lot of paint chips with lots of names. J's have been a problem—you might try Walmart and also Sherwin Williams (I am told that Sherwin Williams has a book that you can look at to find your initial and then get the chip from their display. Hope everyone is having fun and has been "challenged".

Bucket Brigade Back in Action



The bucket brigade is at it again! This month the theme is "April Showers Bring May Flowers." We have all kinds of great raffle prizes in store for you. No need to bring an umbrella or a garden hoe. Just bring money and checkbooks so that you can take a chance on fantastic items. Also, the donations that you have shared are the best ever. There will be complete quilt kits, fabrics, books, patterns, notions, and even quilt squares that are ready to be made into lasting memories for all of your loved ones. They will thank you for years to come. You will be a legend; think about it. Just in case you want to start looking in your stash, the following months will be the following themes: June: "Make a Splash", July "Big Bang," and August "Hot fun in the Summer-time." Remember, we could not do this without you. Thank you so much for your donations and the purchase of your raffle tickets. Last month was the best ever!! So, visit the bucket brigade at the next meeting and you may just be the lucky winner.

Quilt Festival

The Quilt Festival is almost here. If you are working or just attending the show, please remember to wear your great [Starlight Quilt Guild t-shirt](#). Also if you are working the show, please leave your purse in the car; the festival is not responsible for stolen items. Since we have wrist bands you can leave and re-enter the show anytime on that day. I will send out the volunteer dates and time sheet the first of June as a reminder. Enjoy the show. Laura Carr

Starlight Quilters Guild 2015 Group Project

1 Million Pillowcase Challenge

The awesome quilters of Starlight Quilters Guild turned in 45 amazing pillowcases at the March meeting. Whoo hoo! We are nearly one-third of the way toward our goal of 200.

If you are wondering what kind of pillowcases to make, we could use more made for children or teens. Sports themes, bright colors, and kids prints will make great cases to donate to Johnson County CASA. But of course we want pillowcases of all kinds.

The formula is 27 – 9 – 3. The main case is 27" x WOF; the cuff is 9" x WOF folded in half; the trim (optional) is 3" x WOF folded in half. If you use a 3" trim it is a good idea to top stitch the loose edge to the case to keep it from rolling back. I prefer to start with a 1 ½" strip folded in half. This narrow trim does not need to be stitched. In either case, press the trim toward the case. You can also use extra wide rickrack in place of trim. Just tuck it in so that about half of the rickrack is expose on the outside.

Post Card Kits

There are still plenty of kits left to make post cards for us to sell at the Festival. Each kit contains enough for two cards. Let your imagination go wild. Return them to Marilyn Carr by May to be stamped on the back.

Greeters for 2015

Your greeters this month are Karen Edwards and Karen Huffman. If you are unable to attend your month, please exchange with another person or call Opal Yarnell at 913-384-1585. Volunteers are needed for the Food Table. Please sign up at the Greeter's Table. Thanks for volunteering!

Starlight Guild Board Meeting—6:30 pm on Tuesday, July 21st in the Antioch Library. All members are welcome.

STARLIGHT QUILTERS GUILD—2015 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

FRAME SHOT—By Amy Senatore and Donna di Natale
Block 4: Goose Frame

Finished size: 56" square; Finished block size: 12" square

Fabric Requirements:

Focus Fabric: 1 – 6 1/2" square (center square)

Fabric 1 (cream/light): 1/4 yd or 1 FQ

Fabric 2 (blue/dark): 1/8 yd or 1 FQ

Fabric 3 (peach/medium): 1/8 yd or 1 FQ

Terms:

SQ - square

WOF – Width of Fabric (selvedge to selvedge)

HST – half square triangle

QST – Quarter Square Triangles



Cutting instructions

Center Square: - 1 – 6 1/2" (previously cut)

Fabric 1 (light):

2 – 3 7/8" squares, cut diagonally to make 4 HST
 4 – 2" squares

4 – 2 3/8" squares, cut diagonally to make 8 HST

Fabric 3 (peach/medium):

1 – 2" x 16" strip; recut into 4 – 2" x 2 1/2" rectangles and 8 – 2" squares

2 – 4 1/4" squares, cut diagonally twice to make 8 QST

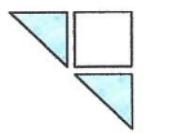
Fabric 2 (blue/dark):

1 – 2" x 16" strip; recut into 4 – 2" x 2 1/2" rectangles and 8 – 2" squares

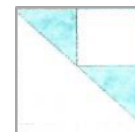
8 – 2 3/8" squares, cut diagonally to make 16 HST

Sewing Instructions—Corner Unit:

1. Sew a Fabric 2 triangle to each side of a 2" Fabric 1 square to form a triangle. Press seams toward the triangles. Make 4.



2. Sew the long side of a Fabric 1 triangle to the section made in Step 1 to make a Corner Unit. Press the seam allowance toward the large triangle. Make 4.



Side Sections—Flying Geese

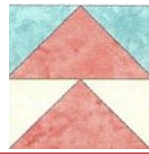
Patch A: Draw a diagonal line from corner to corner on the reverse side of two 2" Fabric 1 squares. Lay one square on one side of a 2" x 2 1/2" Fabric 2 rectangle (right sides together). Make sure the diagonal line points toward to center top. Sew on the diagonal line. Flip open to make sure the seam is going in the right direction. Trim the seam to 1/4" and press toward the center. 2. Repeat on the opposite side. Make sure the line points to the center top. Make 4.



3. **Patch B:** Repeat the steps for Patch A using two 2" Fabric 2



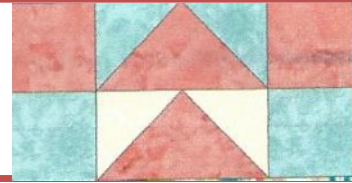
4. Sew a Patch A to a Patch B, as shown. Make 4.



Strip Sets—5. Make a strip set using the 2" x 16" Fabric 2 and Fabric 3 strips. Press the seam allowance toward Fabric 2. Cut units into 2" x 4" pieces. Makes 8.



Side Unit Assembly—6. Sew a strip set to each side of a flying geese unit paying careful attention to the placement of the colors in the strip sets. Make 4.



Block Assembly—1. Sew a Corner Unit to each end of the Side Strip. Make sure the geese are flying in the right direction. Make 2.



2. Sew a Side Unit to each side of the Center Square with the geese flying in the right direction.



3. Sew a unit from Step 1 to the top and to the bottom of the center unit in Step 2 to complete Block 3. Press the seam allowances away from the center.



Don't forget to bring your block to the **June** meeting for a special drawing.



Library Corner—Linda Clatterbuck, Cheryl Tomson

Our May speaker will be Kelly Ashton talking about her new book. We will have that new book – “Hexagons, Diamonds, Triangles, and more” which talks about using specialized rulers. We also have another book – “Quick Quilts with Rulers” by Lintott. We have two other books – “Quick and Easy Hexie Quilts” by Rhodes, and “Star Quilts Outside the Box” by Edie McGinnis. McGinnis’s book has old KC Star blocks that finish to hexagon size.

Jenny Doan is so popular. We have her newest Block Magazine – Winter 2015. Does anyone have back issues of “Block” magazine, that they would like to donate to the library, so more people can see it? We would appreciate it. Bring them to the library table.

Also, we’re hoping to find a third person to be on the library committee. If you’re interested, talk to Linda or Cheryl at the library table.

Now the new donations –Three DVD’s-- one is “How to Sew Art the Easy Way” (2015) which comes with a book; and one by Kathy Delaney – “The Art of Appliqué. Also, “Fast and Free” - a DVD about free motion machine quilting. There are two newer fiction titles by Ann Hazelwood – “Jane Austen Quilt club” (2014) and “Quilted Lilies” (2015). For those who like modern quilts –“ Paper Pieced Modern Quilts” (2015) by Garro; “Cozy Modern Quilts” by Schaefer (2012) and “Color Play” by Wolfrom. We also added “A Very Veggie Garden” by Bea Oglesby and “Grandma’s Best Full Size Quilt Blocks” by Better Homes & Gardens.

For those looking for advanced books -- there are “The Ancient Art of Applique” by Browning, and “Masterful Machine Pieced Quilts” by Biddick. Even if you’re not ready for advanced work, these books are wonderful to look at.

Perpetual Calendar

We will be selling a Perpetual Calendar which we have named a Forever Calendar at the KCRQF. It’s a calendar that has only the month and dates on it which will be perfect for writing Birthdays and Anniversaries or other important dates to keep you organized. Each month has a colorful quilt block and it’s the perfect size to keep on your desk or next to the phone. Marilyn Carr will be selling them at the back of the room at our May meeting.

KCRQF Booth

There are only a few weeks until the Festival and we need lots of items to sell for 3 days. Our table is only 6 feet so we are concentrating on post cards, Christmas ornaments, doll bags, small boxes, and luggage tags. Please give them to Marilyn Carr at the May meeting. If you are unable to complete it by May, we’ll make arrangements to get them to the Festival.

Starlight Quilters' Guild



Upcoming Programs

2015 Programs

May 26, 2015 Kelly Ashton

60 Degrees of Inspiration

June 19-21 2015

Kansas City Regional Quilt Festival

June 23, 2015 Kathy Pflam

Play with Fabric

July 28, 2015 Pot Luck

Quilts and Food

August 25, 2015 Barb Eckmeier

"Something Blue"

September 22, 2015 TBA

October 27, 2015 Nedra Bonds

Community Quilts

November 17, 2015 Deanna Hudson

Rose Cottage Quilts—My Quilting Journey

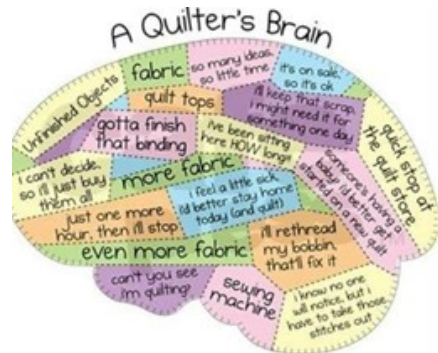
2015 MEMBERSHIP —Marilyn Carr

April Attendance

Members 106

New members 2

Total 108



Advertisements

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

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Do you have a birthday this month? Enjoy your day! Please bring a snack or dessert for the Hospitality Table to share.

May's birthdays are: Renee Arnett, Marilyn Carr, Karen Edwards, Sue Howard, Cyndy O'Rourke, Lea Robrahn, Kathy Rogers, Ann Schriver, Amy Senatore, Jackie Stoaks, Lila Taylor and Suzanne Waithaka

June's birthdays are: Toni Anderson, Kim Cawthon, Michelle Cour, Cheryl Diebold, Sandy Fey, Karla Filo, Vicki Kerkvliet, Jan Ketchum, Terri Oberle, Jeanne Poore, Cassie Schwarz, Freda Smith, Alex Thompson and Opal Yarnall





Membership Information:

Membership, New or Renewal, \$25/year. Your annual dues bring the newsletter chock-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 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.



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



Newsletter Deadline:

Articles are due the 9th of the month. E-mail your article to Sandy Fey sandy.fey93@gmail.com (913-432-0855).

NEXT SQG MEETING!

Tuesday, April 28, 2015

6:30—Social

7:00 PM— **Kelly Ashton—60 Degrees of Inspiration**

Remember to bring:

- Nametag
- Library Books
- Dessert if it's your birthday
- Money for Raffles
- Things for the Share Table
- Linus Quilts
- Pillowcases

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