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## BOONESLICK TRAIL QUILTERS' GUILD

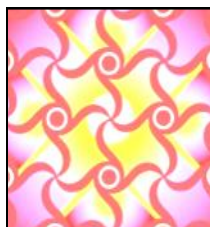
### CEO's Message



Welcome to beautiful December! This poinsettia wall hanging is so special. Our wonderful friend, Suzanne Henage, created the gorgeous poinsettias and then invited me to do the thread work/quilting. What an honor--and how wonderful it was to co-create with lovely Suzanne. And it is a perfect symbol of December holidays. Friendships are a treasure in our life, creating quilts is a treasure in life, and when the two are combined, that is **extreme life**.

Our holiday chapter meetings are coming up. We will enjoy our day auction, food, show and tell, announcements, and more--but, this year, let's make our central focus for both chapters to honor the opportunity we have as members of our guild to simply **be together**. Because, more than all the benefits we share as members of BTQG, being together and inspiring each other is the most valuable gift. Life is a magnificent thing, my friends.

— Mindy Smith,  
CEO



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**Fairview UMC**  
**Doors Open: 5:00 pm**  
**Potluck: 6:00 pm**

### A Message from Mona —

In November we enjoyed a fine presentation by Jenny Chicone. Her projects were lovely and I learned a number of things about Sashiko stitching-

Our holiday luncheon is on December 1st. The guild will provide soups; members will bring side items or desserts to go with the soup. (If your dish requires a serving utensil, please bring one.)

We will also have our silent and live auctions which fund our Sit 'N Sew sessions. Bring something suitable for either. Possibilities include precuts, kits (un-started or partially made), décor items, gift baskets you've assembled, gift certificates for your services (binding, quilting, organizing, baking, gift wrapping, making quilt labels, driving someone on a museum visit, quilt show trip or shop hop, etc.). If you're downsizing (or soon will be), this is an opportunity to find a good home for an item or two while supporting your guild. Pay by cash, check, or charge card.

Doors will open at 10 to give our auction volunteers time to prepare your donations for the auction, so bring those before 11. Table decorators will be at work, as will our buffet table volunteers. We will plan to eat at noon. We have a number of new members, so invite one or two to join your table. It's always a great time to shop, eat, and visit with your quilt friends. Thanks to our volunteers for helping with this meeting.

Barb will have some kits for Marketplace that you can work on over the frigid months ahead. Remember that our January and February meetings will be via Zoom, now is the time to pick up a project or two. See you soon and happy holidays!

— Mona Stevenson,  
Day Chapter President

Join us for the Starlight Piecemakers Holiday Celebration on Thursday, Dec. 4th. Doors will open at 5:00 pm with our buffet line forming at 6:00 pm. Bring a side dish or dessert (and any serving utensils needed) and join the fun!

Show 'N Tell will begin after dinner.



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### Treasurer's Report Period: 7/01/2025-6/30/2026

Martha Eberhard, Treasurer

#### Guild's NET ASSETS FY 2025-2026

Cash 10/31/2025	\$29,499.72
(General Ledger)	
CD's (3)	\$19,906.69
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$49,406.41</b>

**Number of Members      147**

#### FY2025-2026 (07/01/25-06/30/26) Year-to-Date Summary of General Ledger Financial Transactions To-Date

Beginning Cash (G/L) Balance July 1, 2025	\$27,313.73
YTD Deposits	\$9,115.00
YTD Expenses	<b>(\$7,755.46)</b>
Net Income Subtotal	\$1,759.54
<b>Ending (Cash) Balance on 10/31/2025</b>	<b>\$29,073.27</b>

**Membership Directories  
are available for pick up  
at each of the  
December meetings.  
Pick yours up when you  
sign in.**

### Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

November 10, 2025

Appletree Quilting Center

#### Motions for Newsletter at the November 10, 2025 board meeting

- Minutes were approved by acclamation.
- Treasurer's report was approved by acclamation.

Martha Eberhard moved that the entrance fee for the 2026 Quilt Show be set at \$5, Mona Stevenson seconded and the motion carried.

Maggie Walter moved that the Board not meet in December, Barb Nixon seconded and the motion carried.

— Janet Sapp, Secretary

# DECEMBER 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Day Chapter  Silent Auction Turn in: 10-11 am Silent Auction: 11:00 am Lunch: Noon Live Auction: 12:30 pm	2	3	4 Starlight Holiday Potluck  Doors Open: 5:00 pm Potluck: 6:00 pm Show 'N Tell after dinner	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 	22	23	24	25 	26 	27
28	29	30	31 			

## Calendar Contacts: (For email addresses, consult the directory)

Day Chapter: Mona Stevenson 573-698-2019  
 Starlight Chapter: Marilyn Beissenherz 573-424-0924  
 Guild's Calendar: Donna Puleo 573-808-6079

### Guild Interest Groups on Calendar

Needlework: Mona Stevenson 573-698-2019  
 SASH\*: Becky Wolpert 417-773-4419  
 or Linda Karns 573-825-2020  
 Sassy Stitchers: Peggy Brothers 573-819-6682  
 Small Wonders: Karon Huggler 573-489-6373

Please note that not all interest groups may meet every month. You are welcome to ask the contact people at right for information or questions about any of these friendly groups.

\*Short Attention Span Happy Quilters!

## Membership News

**Please update your directory:**

**Renewed:**

Laura Eggeman, 1712 Mizzou Place, Apt. 5A, Columbia MO 65201, (573) 239-2210

Sarah McLane, 7900 E McLane-Dailing Rd., Centralia MO 65240, (573) 999-5367

## Retreat with Us!

If you haven't already, it's time to get your 2026 retreat registration completed and sent to Janet Sapp by December 1st to reserve your spot and confirm your Secret Sister participation. For your convenience, we are again including in this newsletter the registration, Secret Sister, and the t-shirt order forms.



And, Martha and I would love to see you in either the fabric bowl or the fabric origami class....or both!

As noted on the registration form, you may pay your retreat fee in full, or you may pay \$100 by December 1st with final payment due January 5, 2026.

If you are unable to attend the retreat, you may still order a t-shirt; just complete the form and send it with your check to Janet.

Retreat is so much fun and it creates wonderful memories.....we are looking forward to being with you there!

— Mindy Smith,  
Retreat Chair



**Marketplace News:** Many thanks to everyone who has already turned in marketplace items! We all have a busy holiday season coming up but keep Marketplace in mind starting in January. If you come across any easy, useful, fun, and/or gift items to make, please let me know! Also, we will be taking donations of books, newer magazines, patterns, kits, notions, and other quilting/sewing supplies. Thank you! Barb Nixon



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Margaret Dunsmore	12/1	Bonnie Wakefield	12/15
Nancy Toalson	12/3	Donna Burris	12/17
Jeanne Grossman	12/6	Lisa Kile	12/19
Linda Rexroth	12/13	Tanya Parmele	12/23
Jeannie Sanchez	12/14	Sarah McClane	12/29
Debbie Schultz	12/14		



## 39<sup>th</sup> Annual BTQG Winter Retreat

### BTQG STARS AND STRIPES SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL RETREAT

The Lodge of Four Seasons

Lake Ozark, Mo

Saturday, February 21-Monday, February 23, 2026

Retreat Fee: \$265

(Single room fee is \$375 )

Please join us for a week of non-stop quilting, fun,  
and fellowship.

No cooking or cleaning allowed!!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to participate in the "Secret Sister" gift exchange: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate if you would like to take one of the following classes. Supply lists and instructions to be provided in retreat packets.

\_\_\_\_\_ Fabric bowl, with instructor Martha Eberhard. No cost for class.

\_\_\_\_\_ Origami fabric flower wall hanging, with instructor Mindy Smith. No cost for class.

Roommate/s Request: \_\_\_\_\_

ADA-Accessible Room: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Mobility Needs for Proximity to Sewing Room : YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Food Allergies (please list): \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Medical Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Register by December 1, 2025, to ensure your secret sister participation.**

- Retreat fee may be paid in full or paid in installments with final payment due January 5, 2026.
- If you choose installments, first payment must be \$100 to reserve your spot by December 1, 2025.
- **Mail completed forms to Janet Sapp, 13003 S Clinkenbeard Rd., Ashland, MO 65010**
- Contact Mindy Smith at 573-864-3936 or [mindy@missouri.edu](mailto:mindy@missouri.edu) with any questions.

Amount paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Check No: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## Secret Sister Information Sheet

The Secret Sister activity is optional, but a lot of fun. The idea is to pass anonymous little gifts or tokens to your secret sister throughout the weekend and one larger gift to be delivered on Sunday morning. The idea is not to spend a lot of money and try not to spend over \$20 the “big” gift. Wrap the big gift with your secret sister’s name on the outside and include a card with your name inside the package.

\* Please turn in the big gift at the retreat registration table when you arrive. \*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of years you’ve been quilting: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you prefer hand or machine quilting: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite fabric colors: \_\_\_\_\_

Least favorite fabric colors: \_\_\_\_\_

Fabric types you enjoy or collect (i.e. solids, theme, batiks, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite characters (i.e., Garfield, Minions, Snoopy, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite animals/pet: \_\_\_\_\_

Things you like to collect: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your favorite comfy clothing/footwear: \_\_\_\_\_

Any other hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Snacks and drinks: \_\_\_\_\_

Food allergies or flavors you don’t like: \_\_\_\_\_

Things you have TOO Many/Don’t Like:

Other helpful information: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Guild members who know you and could help if needed: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions or comments regarding secret sister activity, contact:  
Donna Puleo – [puleod@missouri.edu](mailto:puleod@missouri.edu) – 573-808-6079

## Booneslick Trail Quilt Guild Retreat 2026 T-Shirt Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Color:           Red \_\_\_\_\_           Blue \_\_\_\_\_

Sleeve Length:           Short Sleeve \_\_\_\_\_   Long Sleeve \_\_\_\_\_

Size:

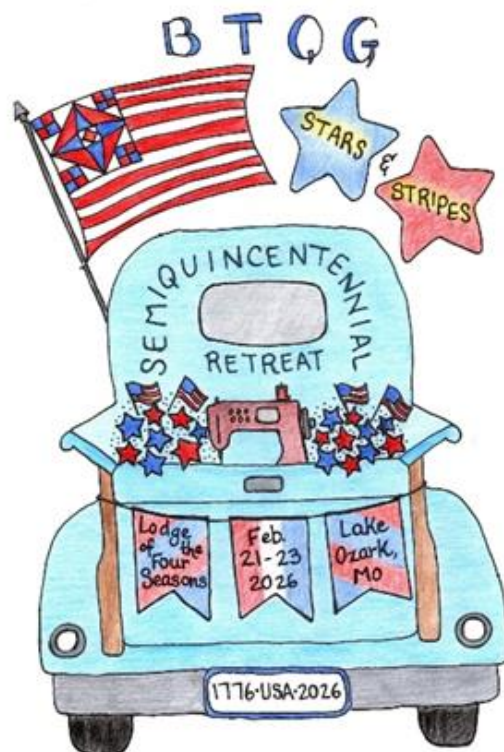
Small \_\_\_\_\_   Medium \_\_\_\_\_   Large \_\_\_\_\_

XL \_\_\_\_\_   2XL \_\_\_\_\_   3XL \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost:**           Short Sleeve - size Small through XL: \$20, size 2XL and 3XL: \$23  
                  Long Sleeve - size Small through XL: \$24, size 2XL and 3XL: \$27

Mail your check (payable to BTQG) and order form to:  
**Janet Sapp, 13003 S Clinkenbeard Rd., Ashland, MO 65010**

**T-shirt order deadline: January 26, 2026**



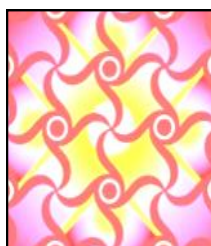
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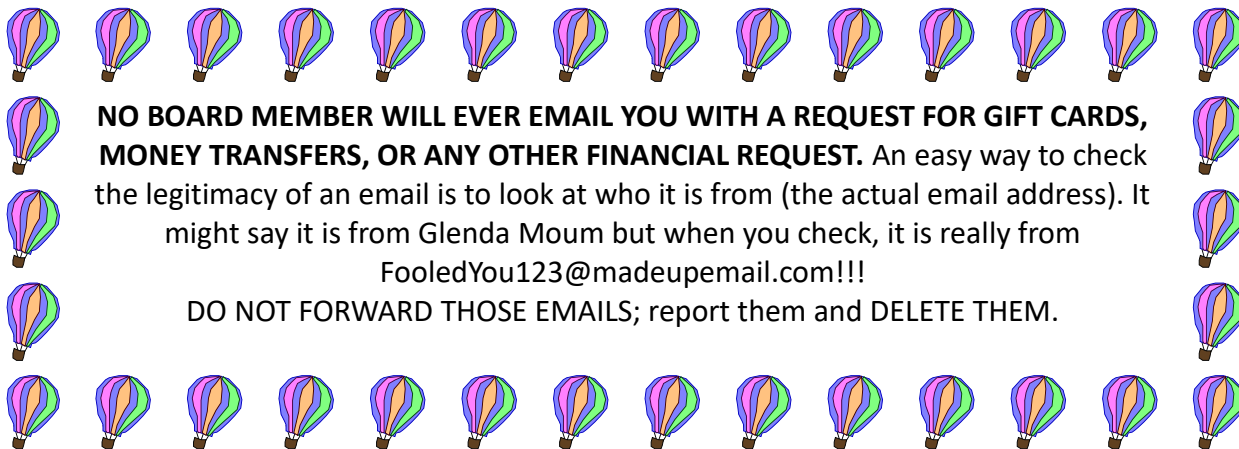
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**NO BOARD MEMBER WILL EVER EMAIL YOU WITH A REQUEST FOR GIFT CARDS, MONEY TRANSFERS, OR ANY OTHER FINANCIAL REQUEST.** An easy way to check the legitimacy of an email is to look at who it is from (the actual email address). It might say it is from Glenda Moum but when you check, it is really from FooledYou123@madeupemail.com!!!

**DO NOT FORWARD THOSE EMAILS; report them and DELETE THEM.**