

# Quilt-A-Gram



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## BOONESLICK TRAIL QUILTERS' GUILD

### CEO's Message

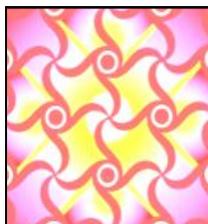


Welcome March! This is a vase of flowers that I created in a quilt for a friend some years ago. But I thought I would bring it back just to remind you to be patient just a bit longer.....spring is looming and the hummingbirds will be back soon!

Each time I sit down to write this article, the foremost thing in my mind is always how very important--how valuable BTQG is. Our guild provides quilters a place where we can be together.....together in a safe, inspiring environment. Our quilts are important, our speakers' programs are important, our quilt shows, our classes, are all important.....but THE most important piece of our guild is you, the creators of quilts. We love to make our quilts, and we love to see all our quilts.....but it isn't about the quilts, it's about the quilters. And that's the reason I love volunteering and serving you. It is a lovely feeling to know that the time I donate to this guild is going toward providing a place for you to be together. Serving on the board isn't about authority and control, it is simply another way of contributing to the warmth and welcome we all enjoy; a way of adding your voice, your ideas, your presence to this important organization. Stepping into a role can take a bit of courage, but it's deeply rewarding. You become part of something we all love.

Our board this year has been steady, collaborative, and kind. We've worked together with respect and clarity, and that's the tone we want to continue. If you choose to serve, you won't be stepping into conflict -- you will be stepping into a room of wonderful quilters, all with the same goal of keeping our guild healthy, kind, and strong. Every voice adds something unique to our guild. If you have ever wondered whether you might have something to offer, I want to encourage you--you do! Your presence matters. Your creativity matters. And your willingness to serve would be a gift to us all. And if you've served in the past, consider stepping in again--your experience is valuable. As we prepare the slate for next year, I invite you to consider stepping forward. Not out of obligation, but out of the enjoyment of being part of something important, meaningful, and shared. If you feel a small nudge of curiosity or courage, follow it. BTQG is a safe place to grow, to contribute, and to be a part of something lovely.

— Mindy Smith, CEO



**Day Chapter**  
**Sit N Sew — 9:30 am**  
**Meeting — 1:00 pm**  
**Monday — March 2nd**  
**Fairview UMC**



**Starlight Piecemakers**  
**Meeting — 7:00 pm**  
**Thursday — March 5th**  
**Fairview UMC**

#### *A Message from Mona —*

Our meeting is early this month, so don't let it slip by. You won't want to miss our own **Nancy Forsythe** showing art dolls she has made over the years. Lovely, humorous, amazing are just a few of the adjectives that come to mind. The detailed faces, tiny hands, wonderful garments will delight. Let's show her a great turnout.

Our first Sit N Sew of the year provides an opportunity for service to a local nonprofit. COMO CraftCycle receives donations of craft supplies and equipment, then resells them at a reduced price. Its director, Lisa Groshong, says "we consistently receive LOTS of quilting cottons in every size from multiple yards to small scraps, from brand new, uncut yardage to bizarre leftovers...to minimize waste, we try to use even the smallest pieces..." She will bring tubs of fabric to sort, press, roll, and price. If you see something you like, she'll sell it to you on the spot. Come early to catch up with your quilting friends while helping a worthwhile local organization.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

— Mona Stevenson,  
 Day Chapter President

#### *A Message from Kat—*

It's March and we're meeting in person on Thursday, March 5; doors open at 6:00 pm. Our Speaker will be **Raymond K. Houston**, an accomplished quilter. He started quilting in high school and is mostly self-taught.

Check Raymond's Facebook page, *Nacho Grandma's Quilts*. He specializes in unique, modern quilts featuring woven Celtic knot appliques and symmetry-based designs. Raymond Houston, a noted male and Black instructor, uses a single patch method to create complex, large-scale knotwork, including his "Love is Love" piece.

I look forward to seeing Raymond's body of work and reconnecting with all of you.

— Kat Reece,  
 Starlight President

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

**Martha Eberhard, Treasurer**

## BTQG Board of Directors 2025-2026

### Executive Board Members (Elected Officers)

CEO	Mindy Smith	<a href="mailto:mindy@missouri.edu">mindy@missouri.edu</a>
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Starlight President                Kat Reece            [Kathryn.reece24@gmail.com](mailto:Kathryn.reece24@gmail.com)

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State of Missouri                        Alice Leeper          [alice@aliceleeper.com](mailto:alice@aliceleeper.com)

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

Cash 1/31/2026	\$40,612.09
(General Ledger)	
CD's (3)	\$19,958.03
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$60,570.12</b>

**Number of Members                      152**

### 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	\$22,983.08
YTD Expenses	<b>(\$9,684.72)</b>
Net Income Subtotal	\$13,298.36
<b>Ending (Cash) Balance</b>	<b>\$40,612.09</b>
on 1/31/2026	



## Board of Directors Monthly Meeting February 9, 2026, Meeting Minutes, Appletree Quilting Center

Motions for Newsletter at the January 12, 2026, board meeting:

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

Due to circumstances beyond her control, Marilyn Beissenherz had to resign as Starlight President. Kat Reece was approved to complete Marilyn's term as Starlight President.

— Janet Sapp,  
Secretary

March 2026						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> Sit N Sew 9:30 am Day Chapter Mtg. 1:00 pm Fairview UMC	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Starlight Chapter Mtg. 7:00 pm Fairview UMC	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> 	<b>9</b> Board Meeting 10:00 am Appletree Quilting Center	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> Small Wonders 1:00 pm DBRL  Newsletter Articles Due	<b>12</b> Sassy Stitchers 9:30 am DBRL	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> SASH 2:00 pm Appletree Quilting Center	<b>17</b> 	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Needlework 1:00 pm Martha Eber- hard	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				

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

<b>Day Chapter:</b>	Mona Stevenson	573-698-2019	<b>Guild Interest Groups on Calendar</b>
<b>Starlight Chapter:</b>	Kat Reece	573-619-7928	<b>Needlework:</b> Mona Stevenson 573-698-2019
<b>Guild's Calendar:</b>	Donna Puleo	573-808-6079	<b>SASH*:</b> Becky Wolpert 417-773-4419 or Linda Karns 573-825-2020
			<b>Sassy Stitchers:</b> Peggy Brothers 573-819-6682
			<b>Small Wonders:</b> 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

#### New Members:

- **Vicki Burkhardt** 9250 E Little Creek Rd., Centralia, MO 65240, (573) 682-0144, burkhardt0144@gmail.com
- **Diane Harvey** 1325 Stonehaven Ct., Boonville MO 65233, (417) 773-7303, diane@naturephotographyadventures.com
- **Dana Vukadinovich** 408 N State St., Christopher IL (618) 927-0922

### Your Ad Here!!

Members are welcome to submit ads for items they want to sell or give away. Just submit your information to BTQGnews@gmail.com by the newsletter deadline (always listed on the Guild calendar). You may also send your information to the Guild’s Facebook page (those items must be approved before posting, so remember to allow for a slight delay).



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Cindy Bryan	3/4	Margaret Heller	3/13
Aisha Kareem	3/4	Carol Fresenburg	3/14
Lora Brinkman	3/6	Linda Hancik	3/24
Lisa Jennings	3/6	Marilyn Wooldridge	3/24
Marcy Crump	3/7	Christine Relyea	3/26
Nancie Hawke	3/7	Catherine Duffy	3/31
Emily Cassidy	3/11		

### Freedom of Expression 2026 Quilt Show Update

The quilt show committee has been hard at work, and I'm pleased to share information on the special presentations and workshops that Patti Cantu and Jackie Berry have put together for us. All sessions will be free of charge and will be held in the CUMC's sanctuary. Offering sessions on both days allows for plenty of opportunity for quilt show volunteers to attend.

Time	Friday, Oct 23	Saturday, Oct 24
10:00 am	Missouri Quilt Museum Bed Turning	Patti Cantu The Bird Workshop
11:00 am	Jackie Berry Art Quilts	Missouri Quilt Museum Bed Turning
1:00 pm	Marilyn Smith Bed Turning	Jackie Berry Art Quilts
2:00 pm	Marilyn Smith Spirals Workshop	Marilyn Smith Bed Turning
3:00 pm	Carol Sexton Arbitrary Applique	Marilyn Smith Spirals Workshop

Our raffle quilts are finished **and they are beautiful**. The Sassy Stitchers Interest Group completed a gorgeous appliqued batik quilt called "Rhapsody", a pattern by Dawn Heese, and quilted by Trina Pratt. The Needlework Interest Group hand embroidered stunning pumpkins in fall colors, and the quilt is called "Pumpkins Galore." This was quilted by Barb Sanders and Lauri Murphy. Raffle tickets will be available in March and will sell for \$1/ticket or 6 for \$5.

The quilt challenge is underway. Willie Morris and Mona Stevenson have shared wonderful renditions of their favorite book, and several others have shared their plans. Guidelines for the quilt challenge can be found on the [guild webpage under the Quilt Show tab](#). Solicitations for membership demonstrations and for silent auction items will begin in March. And, as always, keep those marketplace items coming!

### Marketplace Musings

I am looking forward to seeing what items you have been making this winter! It will be good to be meeting in person again. We will be using Day Chapter Sit N Sew time to make some marketplace goodies. In April, Marty Webster will teach us how to make playing card holders, a helpful item for little kids, or really anyone who enjoys playing cards but finds it hard to hold them. In May, Willie Morris will teach us how to make little collapsible thread-catchers, so cute and handy. A supply list for each class will be available in the April and May newsletters. I plan to have some turtle mop kits for check-out at the March meetings. We appreciate so much all the lovely items you make for the marketplace. Keep on stitchin'!

—Your Marketplace Committee:

Barb Nixon, Kat Reece, Mona Stevenson, Hank Botts

## **CHECK IT OUT – BTQG’s library is a treasure-trove for members**

Did you know the Booneslick Trail Quilters’ Guild has a library? And that it stocked with loads of books and magazines and other publications just waiting for you to come check them out?

### **Here’s what you need to know:**

The library is always open before each day and starlight chapters’ meetings.

Monday hours start at 9:30 a.m. – the same time as Sit N Sew – and continues until the meeting starts at 1:00 p.m.

Thursday hours start at about 6:00 p.m. and continue until the meeting begins at 7:00 p.m.

During those hours every member is free to browse the selections, which are stored in lockers inside the storage room. Just mosey inside and scan to your heart’s content. If you want to borrow an item, be sure to check it out at the desk. It’s in front of the double doors to the storage area.

Frankly, the filing order has been erratic, and the library materials have outgrown the space.

Anna Mary Hughes is this year’s BTQG librarian, and she’s determined to get it on track. The first order of business is to complete the alphabetical ordering. (Books are filed by the last name of the author. )

The next step will be to determine if the guild really needs to keep all these materials or if we can shed some of them.

I volunteered to assist Anna Mary in these efforts, and I’m usually sitting next to her at the check-out desk. Feel free to ask us for help, and we will do our best to be of assistance.

**IN THE MEANTIME, if you’ve had a library book checked out for longer than three months, please return it at the next meeting.**

—Submitted by Maggie Walter, past CEO  
and a tremendous fan of libraries.

## Upcoming Area Quilt Shows

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### Quilts as Art

March 2nd through April 3rd, Monday through Saturday, 9:00 am to 7:00 pm  
 Evelyn Jorgensen Art Gallery  
 Moberly Area Community College  
 101 College Ave., Moberly, MO



### Presentations on March 6 -

- 10:00 am - Presentation by Jackie Berry "Art Quilts"
- 1:00 pm - Walk and Talk with Jean Brueggenjohann and Jim Reese
- 2:00 pm - Bed Turning, Marilyn Smith
- 3:00 pm - Spirals Workshop, Marilyn Smith

Reception 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm March 6th. Contact Patti Cantu for more information (573)489-0457, [pjdcan2@yahoo.com](mailto:pjdcan2@yahoo.com)

PS: Honey Stitch Quilt Shop is located in downtown Moberly at 111 N 5th St., open Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday through Friday.

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### St. Louis Modern Quilt Guild Show

March 14, 10:00 am—5:00 pm  
 March 15, 10:00 am—4:00 pm  
<https://stlmqg.org>

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### Hannibal Piecemakers

2026 Quilt Show March 27-28, 2026

#### Quilted Treasures

<https://hannibalpiecemakers.com/view/quiltshow.php>

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### Ozark Piecemakers

Quilt Show June 11-13, 2026

#### Stitching History

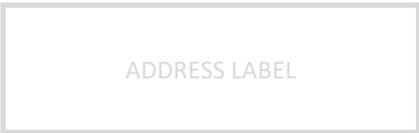
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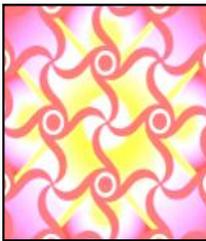
### Rooster Creek

Quilt Show July 9-11, 2026  
 St. Andrew Catholic Church  
 400 St. Andrews, Holts Summit, MO

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**For Daylight Sit N Sew—**



**Join us beginning at 9:30 am as we help sort and price fabric for CoMO CraftCycle, a local nonprofit organization. We will need a few irons and pressing surfaces to whip the fabric into shape plus some cutting mats and rotary cutters.**

