



The Quilting Press

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President's Message

Dear Members,

We are finally moving into the warm weather, flowers blooming and green grass, at least for a while.

The retreat in April at Sunset, TX was a success, at least according to what I've been told. I'm glad it was a good experience for those I've talked to. Sorry I didn't make it but I will make the next one. I think it is nice to have more options for retreats. Guild members can now have 3 possible retreats in a year so we can plan which retreats we want to attend. For those who have not yet been to a retreat, they are great fun, the food is good and the friendship is always great. Plus it gives you a chance to work on UFO's.

I missed this month's meeting and the speaker, Sara Moe. I would have liked to have heard about the Winding Curves and see samples.

Remember the Quilt Show is just over a year away. We have tickets to sell and quilts to finish for the show. The Show Committee needs volunteers!!! Please offer your services; I'm sure there is something for everyone. Let's make this the best show ever.

See you at the Guild meeting. Take care and be safe.

Thank you,

Kathleen Poole
President, IGQ



Memorial Day

Memorial Day is celebrated on the last Monday in May and commemorates the men and women who have died in Military service for the United States. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day and it is traditionally seen as the start of the summer season.

Minutes from the April Meeting

Minutes from April 18, 2013 Irving Quilt Guild Meeting

Meeting called to order by Vice President Julie Beck at 7:00pm.

Correction: Treasurer's Report; "We have a CD that matured Feb. 15, 2013.

Correct spelling: Sonya Bilbry - Sonya Bilbrey; Donna Reed - Donna Reid.

Janie Merritt presented two donation quilts; one was an Angel Quilt made by Donna Reid to the Irving Foundation and the other was a Keeper Quilt made by Carol Cook to Baylor Medical Center.

Sunshine and Shadow - Jerry Bowen fell, and has a possible cracked shoulder.

Rally Day - Janie Merritt: Cannot attend but she will have tickets and meal ticket at next month's meeting. She asked for a volunteer to help.

Scholarship - Virginia Bobbitt presented our 2013 Scholarship recipient - Kevin Ortez, an Irving High School student. He showed some of his watercolors and some shirts he designed and sells.

Volunteer Points - Tonya Terry keeps track of them, see her about your total.

Program - Julie Beck introduced Sara Moe. She presented "Get Out of Your Box".

Carol Cook asked for volunteers to make 5" square blocks for a Quilt of Valor booth at the Rally. This is in an effort to raise funds to offset the cost of shipping the donated quilts. She distributed instructions for the blocks.

The Food Hostesses for the May meeting will be those with their last name ending with the letters A through G.

Fat Quarter Lotto next month – Pastels or floral print

Door prizes were drawn for.

Meeting adjourned.

Upcoming Events

May 10 – May 11- Quilters Guild of Arlington Quilt Show – “All Things Green” will be held at the Bob Duncan Community center, 2800 S. Center Street, Arlington, TX 76014

July 13- TAQG Rally Day will be held at the Mimosa Lane Baptist Church, 1233 Belt Line Road, in Mesquite, TX

July 19 – July 20 – Ellis County Quilt Show, “A World of Color” will be held at the Midlothian Conference Center, 1 Community Drive, Midlothian, TX 76065

Newborns in Need

The count of items donated in April was 205 in receiving blankets, and 10 hats. Thanks so much to Virginia, Nan, Susan, LaCora, and Jerry for all your hard work last month. **Please if you have Receiving blankets that have been out for several months PLEASE, get those back to me at the May meeting. He Newborns program is in need of everything they send out to be returned on monthly basis so they can full fill the needs they have.**

The Newborns in Need program provides all the fabric, so if your stash is short and you want to earn volunteer points- see me. If you would like any special amount of receiving blankets or quilts please email me or call and I will bring them to next meeting.

Small quilts are 2 for 1 hour

Surging the receiving blankets 10 for 1 hour

Hats, diaper shirts and booties are 10 for 1 hour

If you have any questions, please contact me.

We thank you – and the Newborns in Need thank you.

To see more about this national organization go to <http://nin-dac.blogspot.com> or www.newbornsinneed.org

LaCora McSwain 972-255-6233 lmcswain@mcsfiresecurity.com

TAQG Rally Reminders

Lunch tickets will be available at the May guild meeting. The tickets are \$10 and you have the choice of chicken salad sandwich or tuna salad sandwich or roast beef sandwich boxes.

Our guild's contribution to the goodie bags will be Fat quarters. These can also be turned in at the next meeting. They just need to be folded. I will add our label to them before they are turned in.

Pre rally day basket raffle tickets will also be available at the guild meeting along with the rally day pin for purchase.

Thanks – Janie Merritt



Raffle Quilts

I want to thank all of the ladies who sat with the quilt at Quilters Dream during the Spring Shop Hop. We sold \$104.00 that didn't come out of OUR pockets. It was fun sitting with a friend and talking and selling.

So THANK YOU!!!

Gail Walsh 972-259-3949 or gwalsh36@hotmail.com cell: 214-707-2591.

Off into the Sunset...

A scandalous book could be written about what all went down at Sunset Retreat this weekend but just like Vegas...what happens there stays there! But you all know WHO you are and WHAT you did... I'm just sayin'....

A crazy bunch of women descended on those poor unsuspecting ladies at Sunset and took over their new facility. They re-arranged tables (how odd) and swapped bedrooms until they had their "nests" just the way they wanted. We filled the fridge with our favorite beverages and started sewing and filling design walls with our creations. As folks arrived they were impressed with the size of the work area and loved the bedrooms so separated from the work area. Judy staked her claim on the TV room and it became her bedroom of sorts. The patio area was enjoyed by many each afternoon for impromptu happy hour and throughout the day for small breaks in the action. The great weather was a blessing and the fountain added to the relaxation. We were fed in grand style with Chicken Fried Steak, Enchiladas, and smoked Pork Loin for dinner along with fattening desserts with every meal. All this prompted many walks around the parking lots and up and down the country roads. I gained 5 lbs. AGAIN!! Ugh...why does going on retreats mean we have to gain weight?

Everyone had a fun time I think... so I decided to go ahead and make reservations for the same weekend in April of 2014. So if you want to come and check out this friendship retreat you are more than welcome to join us in Sunset Texas next year. This is not taking the place of the March Guild Retreat at Compass Centre. This is really not a "Guild function" but just a group of friends going on another adventure. Please don't confuse the two and think that we're doing away with Compass Centre because there are those that love Compass Centre too much to ever want to change. This is just another option for you. As the time gets nearer, I will let you know and we can start making plans. FYI....Janie was talking about margarita machines...

So, until next year...may all your seams be a quarter inch!

Carol Cook

The TAQG Rally Day

When: Saturday July 13, 2013 - Registration begins at 9 AM. The Program starts around 10AM

Where: Mimosa Lane Baptist Church (1233 Belt Line Road, Mesquite, TX).

Admission: Admission is free with your guild name badge or I.D. card; if you forget, the sign-in desk people will have our guild roster to check your name off. You may bring non-guild members, but admission will be \$25.00 for guests.

Lunch: approximately 1 hour for lunch- During the lunch break you have another opportunity to bid on mini quilts, purchase more raffle tickets, and purchase Sue Reich's wares. A drawing will be held for the pre-rally day raffle basket and the rally day raffle basket. Door prizes will be drawn throughout the day and the program will be over around 3:00 p.m.

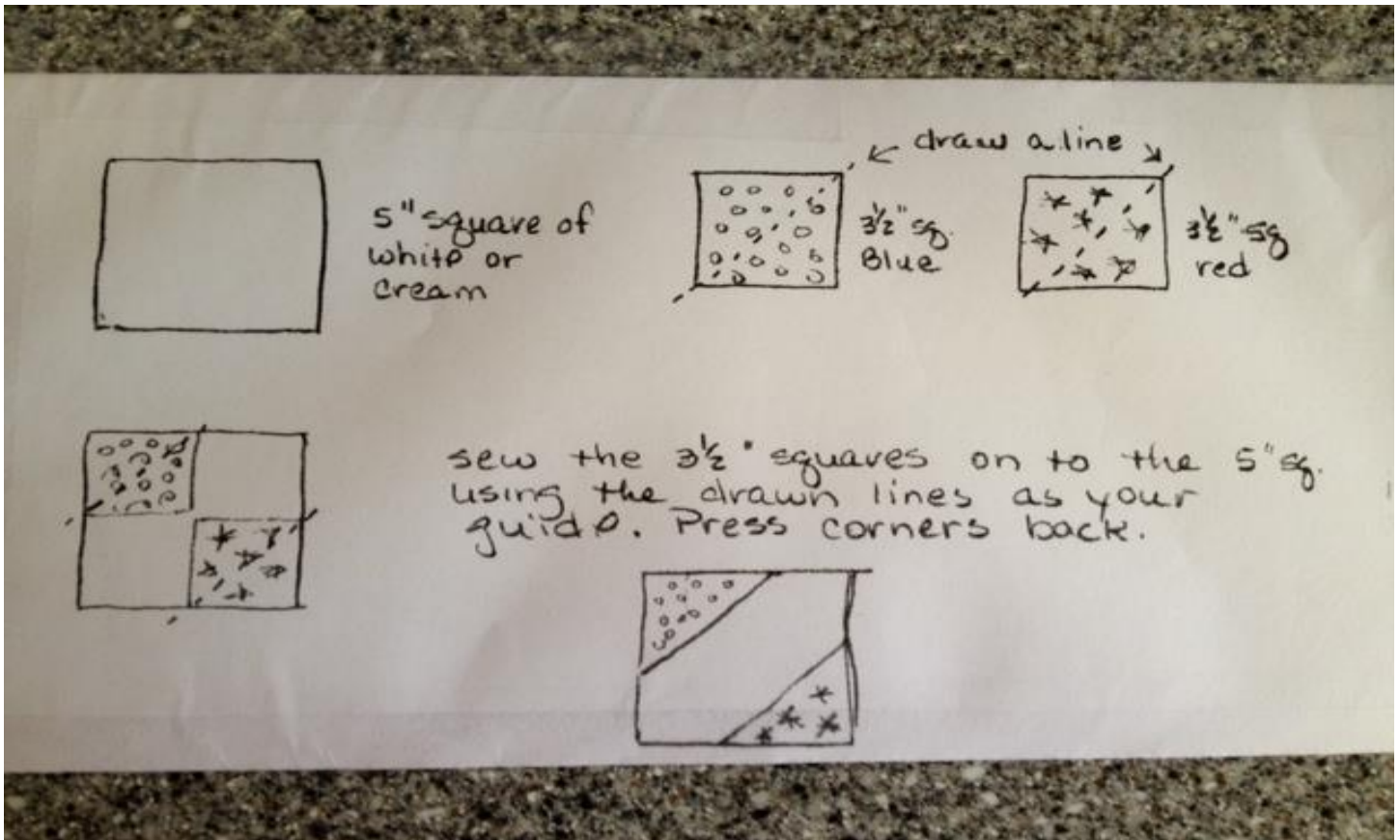
- Note: There will only be 500 goodie bags so arrival at 9 a.m. should ensure that you receive one. You will have until 10:00 a.m. to check out the other member guilds Raffle Quilts and purchase tickets.
- Suggestions: Bring address labels with your phone number to quicken the 'fill-in' process.
- On arrival - Take time to bid on the Mini Quilt Silent Auction, purchase Rally Day pins and purchase Raffle Basket Tickets and find your seat. The program will start promptly at 10:00 a.m. with speaker *Sue Reich*.

For more information- go to www.texasassociationofquiltguilds.org

Quilt of Valor

I want to have a booth for Quilts of Valor at the TAQG Rally Day. But I need blocks for people to sign to help raise funds for mailing our quilts. I am asking you to please make a block or two (or three) like the ones in my diagram below. Please return them to me by the June Guild meeting. They are simple to make and won't take much fabric at all. Please keep the colors in Reds, Blues and Creams or white for the background. Thank you for your continued help!

Carol Cook



Fifty Dollar Program

Just a reminder to you that we have a \$50 program! This program is from January – November 2013. First you must earn 48 points anyway the Irving Quilt Guild allows you to earn them. You earn one chance in the drawing for the \$50 for every 8 points earned after the 48 for turning in quilts. These points can be for the top or quilting. These quilts are Angel Quilts, QOV, Keeper Quilts and Newborns in Need. Everyone's chances are the same as everyone else. At the November and December meetings I'll have the chances that everyone earned. We'll draw a name at the December meeting. Lori Vauble is the first person to earn 8 points past the 48. She has one chance already in for being the first.

The purpose of this program is to provide incentive to get more charity quilts turned in.

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2014 Quilt Show Miniature Quilt Auction

Quilts will be donated to the IQG for sale to the highest bidder at the Miniature Quilt Auction at the 2014 Quilt Show.

The quilt must have a label (IQG, maker and quilter name and date) and sleeve for hanging. These quilts will be judged and three to five ribbons will be given in this category.

Miniature Quilt sizes:

They can be as small as **6 inches** square and as large as **24 inches** square. They do not have to be square, just be between these measurements.

Due Date: April 30, 2014

Any technique may be used to make your miniature quilt. Paper piecing seems to bring more money at past shows. So you might give it a try. We want to encourage new and different techniques to challenge our guild to be the best we can be.

There are lots of free patterns on the internet and lots of books for Miniature Quilts.

If you have any questions or need help in any way please contact me!

Kristi Wilson at 972-554-0962 Kristi@lot40.com

Evelyn Banks 972-254-5290 424-896wgb@verizon.net



Enjoy quilting with your friends at Linda's Retreat. Located on 33 acres in Sadler, Texas, we are set up to accommodate 12 people. For complete information go to www.createatlindasretreat.com or contact Linda Gray at 817-456-4090.

Friendship Groups

Guild members are cordially invited to join a sewing group for fellowship, growth and stitching.
Most groups have room for new members.

Material Women

(Third Monday - 6-9 pm - Holy Family Church)

Material Woman

We meet at Holy Family gym. Sometimes we work on personal projects and sometimes on a group project. It's time for another group Angel Quilt. Come join us.

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Frayed Knots

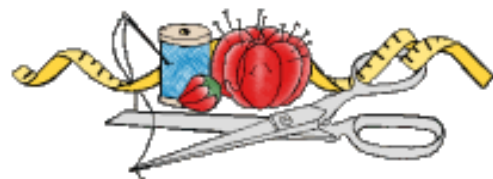
(Second Monday – 6 - 9 pm - Jaycee Park, 2018 Puritan)

The Frayed Knots will meet the second Monday at Jaycee Park 6-9p.m. The next meeting will be April 8 beginning at 6:00p.m. Please feel free to join us!

If you have any questions, please feel free to call.

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott
972-986-7890



Threadpickers

Due to the closing of Googly Eyes, Threadpickers must temporarily suspend our meetings until a new meeting place is selected.

If you know of a daytime meeting location which may be free or very low cost, contact Cynthia Gladden at 972- 790-9024.

Please watch this space for further news.

Cynthia Gladden
972-790-9024

The Fancy Stitchers

[machine embroidery]

(Last Tuesday – 6 pm - St Mary's Anglican Church, 635 North Story Road)

We have a show and tell; discuss techniques, projects, and a long-term project for those interested in taking part. At the present we have a "Challenge Project" using the same embroidery design. This should test our imagination. New members are always welcome.

Sandra Barton
972-871-1125

Friends are Like Threads of Gold in the
Quilt of Life!

Programs & Workshops

Thanks to all of the members who stayed 'overtime' to finish our meeting this month. Needless to say we should use more strategic planning when we have more than 2 guests in one evening.

Sara Moe of Sew Inspired gave a great presentation of how to use curved piecing to make elegant quilts. In case any of the members want to order her templates she can be reached at smoe@sewinspired.com. I purchased one of the sets tonight but it remains to be seen if my curved piecing looks as perfect as hers does. I can't help but think there must be a large learning curve (pun intended).

Next month we will be hearing from Deborah Brizendine of "Quilt Among Friends" about paper piecing. She will offer a workshop to be held at the Jaycee Center for the Arts on 5-19 from 9:30-4pm at a fee of \$20 per person. I do not yet have info on which pattern she will be teaching so we will send out an email blast when we have more information. Please watch for it.

Julie Beck

We extend a special THANK YOU to The Old Craft Store in Carrollton, and Sara Moe for their generous donations to our Door Prizes Program for our Guild meeting in April.

We appreciate this very much!!

Angel Quilts

Angel Quilts are my favorite. There might be one or two ladies that didn't know. Today I delivered 16 Angel Quilts. This is something I can do only because you work so hard making great looking quilts. I always get new ideas when I look at your quilts. Before you turn in your quilts please look at the binding. When we machine stitch the binding on, sometimes it doesn't cover the batting. I fix these before turning them in but don't like to have to. Always make sure if someone quilts for free that it's marked on the form so they get their points too.

Susan Holt won the free 4 point Angel Quilt!

Thank you. Donna Reid donna@acdenterprises.com

Angel Quilt Measurements / Points Earned

Small Quilt = 4 Points -any quilt with a total measurement of 90" up to 119". **Large Quilt = 8 Points** – any quilt with a total measurement of 120" or more. Please refer to the IQG 2013 Membership book for additional information.



Officers 2013

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OPEN

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Janie Merritt

Membership:

Nancy Norris

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LaCora McSwain

Newsletter:

Ginny North

Nomination:

OPEN

Parliamentarian:

Kristi Wilson

Quilt Show:

Susan Turk

Janie Merritt

Quilts of Valor:

Carol Cook

Raffle Quilt:

Gail Walsh

Membership Information

The Guild's annual dues are due at the November meeting. All members are required to wear their current membership card as their name badge. A 50¢ fine is charged if not worn at the meeting.

Active Members:

Under 65	\$25
65 or Older	\$20

Charter Members:

Under 65	\$20
65 or Older	\$15

Junior Members (10-17): \$20

Membership

Current Members	96
New Members	0
Meeting Attendance	59
Guests	3

Officer's Meetings

The Officers and Committee Members meet the second Thursday of each month at Oakview Baptist Church (north entrance) at 1004 South Story Road, Irving. We meet at 6:00 and everyone is welcome.

Long Arm Machine Quilters

Judy Doggett	972-445-1110
Liza Faust	972-785-2442
Pamela McWilliams	972-912-9805
Janie Merritt	972-790-3134
Linda Scott	972-986-7890
Bonnie Sloan	972-252-8067



May Birthdays

2	Mae Harless
6	Vivian Isbell
9	Cynthia Jauregar
16	Barbara Coughlin
16	Ginny North
21	Brenda Barry
28	Susan Turk

May Fat Quarter Lotto- Pastels or Floral Prints



Irving Quilt Guild

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Please submit all newsletter contributions, letters, reports, black & white photos, prepaid advertisements, etc. to the editor. All ads must be prepaid, camera ready, and fit the size requirement. Ads received after the deadline will be included in the next month's publication. Deadline for publication is the third Thursday of each month for the following month's issue.

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1/2 pg (7X4.5) \$11/mo; \$29/3 mo; \$56/6 mo; \$110/yr.
Full pg (7X9.5) \$21/mo; \$56.50/3 mo; \$107/6 mo; \$210/yr.

MAY 2013			
5/9/13	Officers Meeting	6:00 PM	Oakview Baptist Church
5/16/13	Guild Meeting	6:30 – 9:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
5/18/13	Deborah Brizendine	9:30 am – 4:00 pm	Jaycee Park
2nd Monday	Frayed Knots	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Jaycee Park
2nd Thursday.	Threadpickers	10:00 am – 2 pm	Googly Eyes
3 rd Monday	Material Women	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Holy Family Church
Last Tuesday	Fancy Stitchers	6:00 – 9:00 pm	St. Mary's Angelica Church

IRVING QUILT GUILD MISSION STATEMENT

Promote fellowship among persons interested in all aspects of quilt making. Preserve our quilt-making heritage and traditions. Participate in quilt-related projects that are of service to our community.

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May Meeting Reminders:

- Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts
- Workshop Show and Tell
- Food And Drinks A - G
- Rally Day Fat Quarter
- Quilt of Valor Blocks
- Raffle Ticket Money
- Fat Quarter for Lotto