



The Quilting Press

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President's Message

Dear Members,

Did you know that Mary Ellen Hopkins who wrote the book "It's ok to Sit On My Quilt" commented that any red went with any red! After looking at those gorgeous quilts last night I do believe her. Wow, what a show for us. Ya'll do such beautiful work. Can't wait to see what we get for the show.

Speaking of the show, please do get your entries in to LaCora as soon as possible because a lot of planning goes in to the display of the quilts...knowing how many she will get, the categories, etc. It's not just going in and hanging quilts wherever.

I am looking forward to seeing what ya'll come up with this year. You outdid yourselves in 2012 but knowing quilters there will be some really awesome quilts this year. Don't forget the theme this year "Stars over Texas". Sign-up sheets will be coming out soon for workers for the show. Be sure to sign up early to get spot you want.

The angel quilt program seems to have gotten a very good start this year. With a workshop coming up next month there should be a lot to show at our April meeting.

A big round of applause and thank you to Susan Turk for the Membership books this year. Thank you, thank you, thank you, for your hard work on this project.

I hope that someone out there is considering taking over the Raffle Quilt. Remember you have all year to make the quilt and you really don't have to make the quilt by yourself. Others will be happy to help in that. It does entail a little work in setting up places to show and sell and getting members to "sit" with the quilt, but as you saw last night, when the "cry" went out there was a good response. So please, please, someone help us out here.

Take care and see you at the next meeting.

Barbara Martin

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Minutes from the February 2014 Meeting

The Meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m.

The minutes from the last meeting were approved as printed.

Sunshine & Shadows: There were no guests at the meeting. Cynthia Gladden reported that Mae Harless had foot surgery and was doing fine. Donna Reid is in Washington D.C. to see her new granddaughter, Jane Marie.

Barbara Martin announced the Quilt show in Duncan Ok, March 28-29th. The Texhoma One Stop Shop Hop in Wichita Falls March 28-29th.

Tonya Terry presented Kathy Poole with her President's quilt top and a project bag.

Gail Walsh read a thank you note from the Arlington Guild for allowing them to bring their raffle quilt and sell tickets. She needs volunteers to sit with the quilt at Quilters Dream February 27 and some members volunteered. She also along with Barbara Martin announced that a Raffle Committee Chairman is needed and the 2015 quilt needs to be made this year.

Cynthia Gladden reported about TAQG Rally Day July 12th, with lunch tickets for 10.00. The speaker will be Pat Speth "Nichol Quilts". She asked the members to donate at least 20 5 inch squares each for goody bags. We will have a workshop in April to finish cutting and bagging the squares. If you haven't cut the squares and can't be at the workshop bring the fabric to the April meeting.

Janie Merritt (standing in for LaCora McSwain), received several quilt show entries and announced they were online at the website. The entry deadline is April 17th.

Kristi Wilson announced that miniature quilts are due by April 30th. The size is 6x6-24x24. She already has some miniatures that were donated for the silent auction at the show.

Virginia Bobbitt announced that the scholarship committee has 6 applications and the committee will meet and decide by the middle of March for the recipient.

Sue Gray announced the March 13th-16th retreat has 32 people going. The cost for three days is 245.25.

Julie Beck went over the programs for 2014 and on the months that we don't have a workshop we can have a sit and sew day, as long as she has 5 people that want to come. She also asks the guild about having Brenda Jeschke back in April 2015 for a workshop. The guild picked Piece and Design with cost around 30.00. The August 2014 speaker will be Tana Mueller and the cost will be 35.00.

Nancy Norris handed out the membership packet that included the membership book, raffle tickets, and a show entry form.

Carol Cook reported that Cynthia Chaffee regional chairman for Quilt of Valor will be at the Dallas Quilt Show. She asked that we go by her booth and say hello. The demand for overseas quilts are decreasing and some are now being sent to rehab centers since there is a need for them at the centers.

Carol Cook announced the April Retreat with the cost of 225.00 for three days. She will take the money at the March meeting.

February Meeting Minutes cont.

Susan Turk handled the Collection of Angel quilts since Donna Reid was out of town. She also handled the Angel Quilt Drawing.

Several members signed up for UFO Challenge.

Shawn Carr announced the color for the March Fat Quarter Lotto is green.

Show and Tell, Door Prize, Fat Quarter Lotto was held.

The members to bring food in March will be S thru Z.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08p.m.

2014 Quilt Show Miniature Quilt Auction

We want to thank everyone for the little quilts that have been turned in so far. We have until April 30th to get yours turned in for the show. Thank you so much for your hard work, talents and donations to help support our Guild. I am really starting to enjoy working on miniatures. I hope you are too!

I will be working on them at Compass Centre Retreat in March. If you going and need a pattern or any help just ask!

If you have any questions or need ideas please contact me, Kristi Wilson 972-554-0962 or Kristi@lot40.com , and or Evelyn Banks 972-254-5290 or 424-896wgb@verizon.net

Miniature Quilts

Size: Between 6 inches and 24 inches

Due Date: April 30, 2014

Technique: Any quilting technique and miniature pattern.

Must have label (IQG, maker, quilter and Date) and a 2 inch sleeve on the back for hanging.



St. Patrick's Day is celebrated by the Irish and Irish at Heart in big cities and small towns alike with parades, "wearing of the green," music and songs, Irish food and drink, and activities for kids such as crafts, coloring and games. It's a time for fun. Some communities even go so far as to dye rivers or streams green!

**THANK YOU to Arlington Sewing Machine and Carolyn Evans
for the generous donations to our Guild's Door Prize program!**

2014 Quilt Show STARS OVER TEXAS

Calling all Members!

Yes, I am going to throw down the challenge to all members!

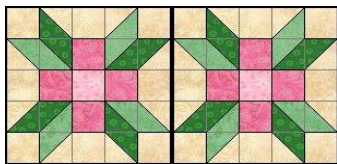
We need your quilts for the Quilt Show. If all active members put in at least 2 quilts, we will have over 100+ quilts which would be a wonderful show. I attended the Bear Creek Show last weekend and they only had 60+ quilts. Even though it was enjoyable, I didn't feel that I got my money's worth for the entry fee. Not finished with your quilt? That's fine, take a picture of the pattern or your unfinished quilt.

There are 3 months left until the show and for the next Guild meeting, I would like to see at least a total of 80 quilt entries turned in.

Without quilts, there is no show.

Susan Turk 817-251-5868

Janie Merritt 469-644-2867



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Programs & Workshops

Hello Ladies (and Gentleman),

I would like to restate the two programs we will have this year and their requirements.

On July 19 we have Mary Massey teaching "Not Your Gramma's Log Cabin". This class will cost \$30 per student with a 10 student minimum for class to meet. I don't know if she has a pattern to sell to do this class.

On August 21 we have Tana Mueller teaching "Let's Color!" This class will cost \$25 per student with a minimum of 10 students for class to meet. The pattern kit for the one block we will learn in this class is \$10.00. There will also be books and supplies sold at discounted pricing for the entire quilt using this pattern. Of course she has other books and projects to sell, too.

WORKSHOPS –

Be sure to mark your calendars for the April Workshop - Rally Day Goody Bag Cut Up! - April 19th

We also have open workshop times for May, June, and September. If you would like to have any workshops during these times just let us know. If there are 5 people interested in coming for a Saturday workshop I am happy to get the key and hold the rooms open.

Bonnie Sloan has suggested a pillow case Workshop for September to help with Blue Christmas. This sounds like a great project for us! Do we have 5 interested people so we can make this a final plan? I will ask for a show of interest at the next Guild meeting.

Julie Beck

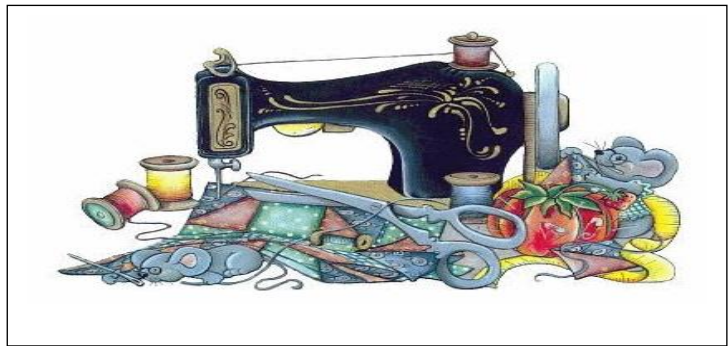
It's Sunset Again in April

Yes...we're doing it again. It was so much fun last April that I made reservations again for April 10 – 13, 2014. That is a Thursday through Sunday at Sunset Retreat in Sunset, Texas. This is not the Guild's retreat in Compass Centre. I think that is in March. This is just folks who want to do something different. This place holds 50 people so there is plenty of room. They serve dinner on Thursday and lunch and dinner Friday and Saturday and finish with a brunch on Sunday. They are also running a special this year. If you come on Thursday your weekend rate is \$225.00 for all three nights. If you come on Friday it's the regular \$175.00. If you come on Saturday it will be the regular \$87.50. That is a 37.50 savings if you come Thursday!

But I'm telling everyone early so you can make decisions and start gathering your money. The final payment is due at the March Guild meeting. Last year we had 25 folks plus a few local ladies from the Sunset area. It was fun and relaxing. We were able to take advantage of the patio area and sip our beverages of choice and chitty chat in the sunshine. I hope you come and join us too.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Carol Cook



Newborns in Need

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



The count of items donated in January was 516 Receiving Blankets, 80 hats and 10 Quilts. Thanks so much to Sandy Beissel, Delores Crook, Judy Doggett, Yolanda Garcia, Virginia Glasgow, Susan Holt, LaCora McSwain and Gail Walsh for all your hard work.

- *Small quilts are 2 for 1 hour
- *Surging or rolled hem on the receiving blankets are 10 for 1 hour
- *Hats, diaper shirts and booties are 10 for 1 hour

If you have any questions, please contact me. I thank you – and the Newborns in Need thank you.

LaCora McSwain
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972-255-6233



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.

Raffle Quilt

I want to thank the ladies who signed up to sit with the quilt at Quilters Dream on Feb. 28th and March 1st. It will take the pressure off of me to always be there. Thanks!

Gail Walsh

Compass Centre Retreat

Hello to everyone!!

Last night's meeting had a lot of information in it. But my area is the March Retreat. At this point we have 32 people signed up to go to spend the weekend. I didn't ask about preference of rooms this time, because I am always being told to "get out of my box" and that is what I am helping you do this time. I assigned rooms the best way I could to get the people together with the ones they wanted to room with and then had to make some adjustments as we added and deleted people who changed their mind about coming. It should all be fine because we really don't spend much time in our rooms anyway. For some reason we seem to think this is a marathon sewing weekend and stay glued to our machines.

ARRIVAL TIME IS 12:00 NOON or after, not before. We must give Melissa and her staff time to straighten up from the group before us. Please respect this deadline. Be sure to eat lunch before you come because that will not be furnished the first day and it is a long time till dinner. For all of the new comers, there is a refrigerator available for our use if you have soft drinks or snacks that need to be kept cool. Breakfast is available if you fix it: Toast, waffles, bagels, oatmeal, etc. with juice and milk furnished. For you coffee drinkers, enjoy. I won't be making it for you because then you wouldn't be able to drink it as I have been told in the past.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone there. If you didn't finish paying up at the meeting, please bring your money or checks to retreat and we will take care of it there.

See you at Compass Center March 13th thru 16th !

Sue Gray

Friendship Groups

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

Frayed Knots

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

The Frayed Knots will meet Monday March 10th. at Jaycee Park at 6:00p.m.

Each of us are working on our monthly projects: angels, bird houses, and Christmas.

We have a wonderful time seeing the finished blocks each month and no two are alike.

It's not too late to join us, or if you just want to visit the group,.

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

Happy Quilting,

Linda Scott
972-986-7890

**HAPPY SAINT
PATRICK'S DAY**

Material Women

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

We learned another new pattern using the 9- patch and made 3 Angel Quilts. Win- Win! I've had several requests for us to make String Quilts. Next month that is what we will do. We'll combine the strips we've been saving and see what we come up with. You know you have strips you saved. Come join us.

Donna Reid 972-986-2161
donna@acdenterprises.com

Threadpickers

(Second Thursday - 10am – 2 pm - Angels and Moore)

The Threadpickers have a new home. We now meet at Angels and Moore in downtown Irving.

Our meeting days and times remain the same. If you are looking for a friendly daytime group, please meet with us at Angels and Moore, second Thursday of each month, from 10 am to 2 pm.

Brown bag your lunch and a drink or choose one of the restaurants in downtown Irving. Bring a project to work on and be ready for a couple of hours of friendship and good conversation.

For more information, contact me!

Cynthia Gladden
972-790-9024

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

**Good news from our neighbors to the west, the Bear Creek Quilt show.
The Best of Show and First Place winner was quilted by our very own Bonnie Sloan.**

Congratulations Bonnie!

Angel Quilts

Another month, and more Angel Quilts for the kids. In February we had more quilts turned in. I thank you!

Make sure you get a light red slip for every Angel Quilt you turn in. You work hard, so get your chance at winning the 4 points.

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 2014 Membership book for additional information.



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I can be reached at 972-790-5088. If I am out, please leave a message.

Shirley Davison

Volunteer Programs

IQG sponsored events and programs count toward volunteer points. These programs include but are not limited to:

- Angel Quilt Project
- Keeper Quilt Project
- Newborn in Need
- Quilts of Valor
- Raffle Quilt Program

All members are given equal opportunities to participate in all events and programs.

Should you have a suggestion for additional volunteer point opportunities, please submit your idea in writing to the 2nd Vice President.

For additional information regarding Volunteer Programs, please refer to the IQG 2014 Membership Book.

Officers

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Barbara Martin

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Sue Gray

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Janie Merritt

Membership:

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Cynthia Gladden

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 for each year become 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	92
Meeting Attendance	61
Guests	0
Total attending	61

Scholarships:

Virginia Bobbitt

Evelyn Wray

Mary Ann Slimp

Sunshine & Shadow/ Welcoming:

Cynthia Gladden

TAQG:

Cynthia Gladden

Webmaster:

Susan Turk

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	214-912-9805
Janie Merritt	972-790-3134
Linda Scott	972-986-7890
Bonnie Sloan	972-252-8067



March Birthdays

2	Ethel Rains
5	Janis Boylson
5	Nancy Norris
12	Joyce Chalfant
15	Ken Moore
18	Suzann Rogers
22	Jerry Nallon
31	Judy Poole

March Fat Quarter Lotto

Green and Beige



Irving Quilt Guild

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Full pg (7X9.5) \$21/mo; \$56.50/3 mo; \$107/6 mo; \$210/yr.

March 2014			
3/13/14	Officers Meeting	6:00 PM	Oakview Baptist Church
3/20/14	Guild Meeting	6:30 – 9:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
2nd Monday	Frayed Knots	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Jaycee Park
2nd Thursday	Threadpickers	10:00 am – 2 pm	Angels & Moore
3 rd Monday	Material Women	6:00 – 9:00 pm	Holy Family 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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March Meeting

Reminders:

- Show and Tell
- Fat Quarter for Lotto
- Angel Quilts
- Newborns in Need Items
- Quilts of Valor
- Retreat Money
- Food And Drinks – S-Z