

The Quilting Press

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President's Message

What a great January meeting! I hope everyone enjoyed it as much as I did. The February meeting should be a lot of fun with the Valentine's bag and who doesn't like a valentine's treat/fabric. The charm squares should come in handy with projects thru out the year.

The 48 Hours Appreciation Class was fun and we should have a lot of colorful quilts from this project. I want to thank Donna for the great class and the delicious lunch.

I am very excited to announce that Suzanna Fox is the new chairman of the Scholarship Committee. Sue Gray, Cynthia Gladden and I will round out the committee. I know Suzanna will do a great job. I would like to thank Virginia Bobbitt for all the years she has chaired the committee. She has done a wonderful job. Thank You, Virginia and get well! We miss you at the meetings.

I want to thank Lori for the "Half Stash Challenge". I need to work on my half square triangles and this is a great way to improve on that technique. I am to throw some purple in the quilt, hopefully I can make it look like Jenny Beyer when she puts those colors together (I wish).

I hope everyone that is going to retreat has signed up. Shawn certainly made it entertaining for us. The retreats are always a lot of fun and some actually get quilt tops completed.

I hope everyone has a great month and gets lots of piecing done.

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott



48 Hour Class

Thank you again for working so hard to make someone else's life a little better. But I guess that's what all quilters do isn't it? Beverly Ingram taught the 48 Point Appreciation Class. As always, fun was had by all. And some sewing got done too. Of the 36 ladies who earned the class, 27 were able to take it. It's always amazing you can make the same pattern and the color change makes a totally different quilt. We'll show you our quilts in May. Yes ladies this year.

Donna Reid

General Meeting Minutes January 21, 2016

Call to Order Time: 7:00 pm

Minutes from December were approved as read.

Sunshine & Shadows -	Susan Holt said that Cynthia Aguilera's brother passed away, Pam Hendricks husband passed away and Barbara Martin recently had another episode, but no information was available on her condition.	
	Susan also welcomed 3 guests.	
New Business:	Linda Scott recognized January birthday members, gave each a lapel decoration and encouraged all members to individually wish them birthday greetings.	
Angel Quilts	Donna Reid stated that the goal for 2016 is 300 quilts. She encourages every member to make one or more donation quilts.	
Workshops	Donna Reid reminded all participants that the 48 hour workshop will be held Saturday. Please refer to past newsletters for cutting instructions.	
Programs	Lori Vauble introduced the ladies from Creative Cottage Retreat facility.	
Retreat	Shawn Carr distributed a sheet of paper with information about the guild's March retreat with a form to fill out at the bottom. Shawn started taking deposits for the retreat and will continue to take money at the February meeting.	
Scholarships-	Linda Scott asked for volunteers to chair and work on this committee.	
Door Prizes/Lotto	Connie Angeles awarded the door prizes. The Fat Quarter Lotto was won by Suzanna Fox. The February lotto color will be red.	
Hospitality	Sandy Biessel said that food for next month will be provided by those with last names ending in A through F.	
Additional Business:	Lori Vauble explained the Half Stash Challenge. The quilt must be constructed of 1/2 square triangles and must be blue and one other color. Purple may be added if desired. Members who are interested in participating need to pay \$5.00. Upon completion of the challenge at the June meeting, the winner will receive this money. All who paid the entry fee at tonight's meeting received the complete instructions for the challenge.	
	Linda Scott encouraged all members to participate in February's Valentine Party. There will be a "Decorated Bag Contest" and members should bring treats or 5" squares for all. Our average attendance is about 60.	

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

March Retreat

Bring your money to finish paying for the Compass Centre Retreat in March! We have 3 spots left if for some reason you change your mind and decide to join us for a great weekend of fun, friendship and lots of sewing!

Questions?

Call me at 469 585-9368.

Shawn Carr





LOVE THY BABY... need to get your Volunteer hours done?

As we start a new year would you consider do some small quilts and or Receiving blanks for us? Love Thy Baby provides all the fabric so if your stash is short and you want volunteer hours please consider doing blankets for us.

We provide all the fabric needed all you have to do is surge or a **rolled hem** on the 36 x 36 flannel. Small quilts 36 x 36 are completely put together all you have to do is do the quilting on top in the ditch or meandering.

Thanks to all the ladies that have been taking on the small quilts to do free motion quilting on them, they are looking great and giving you lots of practice. Thanks so much for all your hard work.

*Small quilts are 2 for 1 hour

*Surging or rolled hem on the receiving blankets 10 for 1 hour

*Hats, diaper shirts and booties are 10 for 1 hour

Please remember to bring all your receiving blankets, small quilts and hats back to our next meeting. Please make sure you return them in the white bag that you took them in along with the tag on the bag.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

I thank you – and Love Thy Baby thanks you.

LaCora McSwain 972-255-6233 or Imcswain@argylesecurity.com



Programs & Workshops

February 2016:

Our "Valentine Decorated Bag" contest.

Prize will be awarded for best decorated bag.

Bring 5" charm squares or special treats for guild members..

Bring your Valentine Quilt for Show & Tell

Donation Workshop on February 20th at the JC Park Large (new ideas for this workshop)

Stay tuned for more details.

March 2016:

Stitchin Heaven Travel will be joining us to discuss their many travel adventures.

Mae Harless will begin the work on our 2017 Raffle Quilt & has reserved the date of March 19th @ the Garden & Arts House to start this Quilt. Please mark your calendar to attend..

April 2016:

Sharon Wilhelm will be our Speaker in April..

Our workshop will be PAPER PIECING a Starburst pattern. Reserve your spot early for the April 23rd workshop at the JC Large room...She is a great speaker & teacher - you won't want to miss her...

Until we stitch again,

Lori Vauble 1st VP

100 and Going Strong!

Mary Ellen O'Gorman will be 100 years old on Tuesday, February 2nd! A founding member (#25) of the guild and the oldest living member of the Irving Quilt Guild, would love to hear from guild members I am sure. Heritage House is throwing a party in her honor (Feb. 2) that afternoon starting at 2:30! Visitors are welcome. Her address is: Heritage House, 1150 Whitley Rd, Keller, TX 76248. Use that address for cards and put her name on the card:

Mary Ellen O'Gorman, Room #316



at our February Guild Meeting



White Bags were provided at the January Meeting (Hope you got one) Make sure your name is on your Decorated Bag. Bring your Decorated Bag to the February Guild Meeting.

Prize for the Best Valentine Bag.

Bring a Valentine Treat and /OR 5" Charm Squares for all of your "Valentine Guild Members" Please make sure "Treats" are individually wrapped.

Bring your "Valentine Quilt" for Show & Tell.



Angel Quilts

Last year we turned in 301 Angel quilts to Scottish Rite Hospital. I would like to make the goal for 2016 the same, 300. It will take a lot of work. I had a blast last year making my quilts and taking all you turned in, to the hospital. The popcorn machine is calling my name. Whenever I get fabric offered to us for Charity quilts I'll gladly accept it and bring it to the meetings. Please take as much as you can use. I've seen the beautiful quilts you make from this fabric.

The year is off to a good start. I delivered 25 Angel Quilts turned in at the January meeting. Every month it's good to see another quilt quilted by the lady who made the top. Angel quilts are perfect practice for learning. The kids are forgiving as somethings we are not. Do your best but give it a try.

Gail Walsh won the points from the Lite Red raffle but asked us to draw another name. Susan Turk is happy because her name was drawn. Congratulations to both.

Thank you to everyone!

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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 Membership book for additional information.

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 February 8th at 6:00 at Jaycee Park.

The first meeting of the New Year is always special because you are starting a new quilt top. Seeing the color choices of everyone are also a lot of fun and when you look at someone else's choice it is " why didn't I think of that color scheme"? A new project is always exciting... so we begin our journey with the "Twisted Robin".

We will be showing more of our blocks in February, so if you would like to join our group it's not too late. We would love to have you.

If you have any questions about our meeting or projects, please feel free to call me.

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott 972-986-7890



Threadpickers

Threadpickers meets at Saint Mark's Episcopal Church which is at the corner of 6th St. and O'Connor on the second Thursday of each month, from 10 am to 2 pm.

If you are looking for a friendly daytime group, please meet with us at St Mark's! You can "Brown Bag" your lunch and bring your 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

Material Woman

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

We meet at Holy Family Church at 6:00 P.M. on the third Monday of each month.

Gail taught us a pattern using 6 coordinating fabric and white. We coordinated our talents and finished an Angel Quilt top.

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



President: Linda Scott Vice President: Lori Vauble

2nd Vice-President: Shawn Carr Treasurer: Jerry Bowen Secretary: Cynthia Gladden

Chairpersons

Angel Quilts: Donna Reid Audit: Sue Grav **Door Prizes/Fabric Lotto: Connie Angeles** Historian: Nancy Norris **Hospitality:** Sandy Beissel **Keeper Quilts:** Janie Merritt Love Thy Baby: LaCora McSwain Membership: Nancy Norris **Newsletter Editor: Ginny North** Nomination: Susan Holt **Parliamentarian: Ginny North Quilt Show:** Carol Cook Janie Merritt **Quilts of Valor:** Carol Cook

Information

The Guild's annual dues are due at the November meeting for the following year. 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.

Dues are \$30.00 per year.

Membership

Current Members	85
New Members	04
Meeting Attendance	53
Guests	03
Total attending	56

Raffle Quilt: Mae Harless Scholarships: Suzanna Cox Sunshine & Shadow/ Welcoming: Susan Holt 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

Alice Cruz	402-660-1140
Janie Merritt	972-790-3134
Linda Scott	972-986-7890
Bonnie Sloan	972-252-8067



February Birthdays

- 1 Jerry Tollett
- 2 Thenia Haynie
- 2 Mary Ellen O'Gorman
- 7 Virginia Bobbitt
- 9 Martha Seeber
- 12 Charlotte Armstrong
- 21 Michelle Maurice



Irving Quilt Guild

The Quilting Press newsletter is published monthly for the Irving Quilt Guild, a not-for-profit 501(c)3, volunteer organization founded in 1998.

Newsletter Deadlines

Please submit all newsletter contributions, letters, reports, black & white photos, prepaid advertisements, etc. to the editor at <u>mandgnorth@sbcglobal.net</u>. 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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February 2016					
2/11/16	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church		
2/18/16	Guild Meeting	6:30 – 9:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church		
2/20/16	Workshop	9:00 – 3:00pm	Jaycee Park		
2nd Monday	Frayed Knots	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Jaycee Park		
2nd Thursday	Threadpickers	10:00 am – 2 pm	Saint Mark's		
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.

Please visit our website to learn more about the IQG!

www. IrvingQuiltGuild.com



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February Meeting Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts
- Love Thy Baby Items
- Food And Drink- A F
- Retreat \$\$
- Workshop
- Fabric for Fat Quarter Lotto- RED