



The Quilting Press

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President's Message

The February meeting was so much fun, I felt like a kid at a Valentine's party. I hope everyone enjoyed themselves. The bags were so pretty with the different decorations.

I am trying to reorganize my sewing room; so far I have not made much progress. I hope to have it completed soon. I get the old magazines out, start looking at them and lose track of time. My advice would be not look at the magazines, just put them in a container to bring to the guild. Fabrics left over from quilts I have made: I reminisce about the quilt I made with the fabric and do not get it cut up in 5 inch squares, 2 ½ strips or layer cakes which were my original goal.

Spring is almost here, that is a good time to plan a new quilt with all the pretty fabrics they introduce in the springtime. Hopefully you are planning that next beautiful quilt to show us in the coming months.

Have a good month working on UFO's or planning a new quilt.

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott



Compass Centre Retreat

Our Compass Centre Retreat is just a short time away! I can't wait... It is going to be awesome!

March 10, 11, 12 and 13th

Please remember the retreat house will not let us unload and set up until 12 noon on the 10th. Please plan your arrival for that time. Don't forget your phone chargers, cords for machines, projects and anything else that makes you comfortable.

Looking forward to having a great time! Please call me if you have any questions! Stitching Our Lives Together One Retreat at a Time,

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General Meeting Minutes

February 18, 2016

Call to Order Time: 7:00 pm

Minutes from January by Cynthia Gladden approved as read

Sunshine and Shadows: Susan Holt reminded members that Mary Ellen O'Gorman turned 100 years old this month. Susan also welcomed two guests.

February birthdays were acknowledged and gifted.

Raffle Quilt: Mae Harless distributed raffle tickets with pictures of the quilt. The raffle quilt was also displayed so that members could get a close up view of the quilt.

TAQG: Cynthia Gladden went over details of the 2016 Rally to be held July 9th. She encouraged members to attend and will make available lunch tickets, pins, t-shirt orders and more at subsequent meetings.

Scholarships: Suzanna Fox related the committee's meeting with Irving Schools Foundation director Crystal Scanio to address previous problems with distribution of scholarship funds and to choose the 2016 recipient. The committee changed criteria to: female, 3.0 GPA, fine arts interests and preference for AVID enrollees. Suzanne also told of the Award Banquet in April and the Auction Gala in November. The guild can place a quilt in the auction and designate the proceeds to be used in funding the guild scholarship.

Retreat: Shawn Carr announced the March retreat at Compass Center is almost full. If any more members were interested in going, please contact Shawn to make sure space was available.

Angel Quilts: Donna Reid presented the quilt for the winner of the light red raffle. She also said there was free fabric on the table for use in angel quilts.

Programs/Workshops: Lori Vauble reminded members the Saturday workshop this month is to work on any project for volunteer hours or points. She also related the March program will be Stitchin' Heaven's Travel Department which will go over the travel opportunities available. March workshop will be to work on the 2017 raffle quilt. The April program will be a reschedule of Sharon Wilhelm with accompanying workshop. Lori encouraged members to sign up for this workshop on paper piecing.

Door Prizes/Fat Quarter Lotto: Connie Angeles awarded door prizes and said that the March Fat Quarter Lotto would be green in honor of St. Patrick's Day.

Hospitality: Sandy Beissel announced that food for next month is letters G through M.

Additional Business: Evelyn Moore has discount tickets for the Dallas Quilt Show available. A Quilt of Valor was presented to Darlene Farmer for her years of service in the Navy. Valentine Bag winners for the best decorated bag were Susan Turk and Wanda Rolf.

Meeting Adjourned Time 8:15 pm

Programs & Workshops

March 2016:

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

Mae Harless will be hosting a workshop to get the ball rolling for 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...

May 2016:

Mug Rug Madness Chinese gift exchange..

Until we stitch again,

Lori Vauble 1st VP



Angel Quilts

Jerry Tollett and I were able to take 25 Angel Quilts to Scottish Rite. Then we both treated ourselves to popcorn. All the different colors and your creativity helps make the lives of the kids and their families better. I hope you picked up some of the free fabric Gail and Barbara brought in for us. I did and I already know what to make. Maybe at retreat.

Please remember your labels. It must say Irving Quilt Guild and the year. It would be nice if it said who made it.

Joyce Dugosh won the points from the Lite Red raffle.

Thank you to everyone!

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NEWS from Love Thy Baby

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.

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.

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*Small quilts - 2 will 1 Point

*Surging or rolled hem on the receiving blankets - 10 will earn 1 Point

*Hats, diaper shirts and booties - 10 will earn 1 Point

NEWS FROM TAQG (TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF QUILT GUILDS) JANUARY MEETING

Mineola Quilt Guild really knows how to throw a party! Our TAQG January meeting was held in Mineola. And the local guild really went all out. There were breakfast treats, coffee and other goodies. January is a special meeting in which newly elected guild officers are invited to sit in roundtable discussions with other guilds to talk about how their guild handles the responsibilities of their offices. I went to the Secretaries meeting and found it very helpful. Linda Scott went with me and attended the Presidents meeting. She said she also got some great ideas.

During the general business portion of the meeting, we talked about the new and improved TAQG website, and were introduced to the material for 2016 Rally Day. I have a lot to tell you about Rally.

After a delicious music-accompanied lunch at a local bistro, Linda and I went to Stitchin Heaven and dropped a minor bundle. This store has an amazing amount of fabric. If you can't find it there, it doesn't exist.

Be sure to look at the TAQG website for lots of good information: www.tagg.org

SUNSET RETREAT

Yes...we're doing it again. We had so much fun last April that I made reservations again for April 14-17, 2016. 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 the same special this year as last 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. I will start taking names in February with the payment due at the March Guild meeting. I will need to get all new Registration forms from everyone this year also. This is where you tell them of any diet restrictions or allergies you might have. Please don't spring it on them when you show up! Last year we had great weather and lots of room to spread out. They prepared us some great meals and we left heavier than when we came. 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. We also did some shopping in their little quilt store and managed to clean out a lot of her stock! I hope you come and join us too.

Let me know if you have any questions - Carol Cook



February Meeting Feedback

WOW . . . I thought the Valentine Party was so much fun and the participation was great. I could hardly wait to get home and comb thru my bag to look at all the goodies. Someone counted 57 bags in all.

Congratulations to Susan Turk & Wanda Rolf for making such beautiful bags. There were so many cute ones and great ideas.

We may do this again for Halloween, so keep your eyes open for ideas!

At the Donation Workshop on February 20th JC Park Large, we had a small group of 7. It really nice to have a small group to visit with and you learn something new about your fellow quilters when you join in these workshops.

Lori Vauble 1st VP

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 Monday March 14 at 6:00 at Jaycee Park.

We continue to work on the Twisted Robin; some are further along than others, and of course they will be worked on at the retreats.

Have a great month of sewing!

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

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott
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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
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**FAT QUARTER
LOTTO
MARCH
GREEN**

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.

Each meeting we work together on a different pattern. An Angel Quilt is the made then finished by one of the ladies who worked on it. You learn a pattern that's are great for Angel Quilts or family quilts

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Angel Quilt Goal -

Thank you for reaching the goal last year of 300 Angel Quilts. So far we've turned in 25 in January and 25 in February. Our goal again is 300 so we have 250 to go. Keep working and have fun.

Donna Reid

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QUILTS OF VALOR

The Irving Quilt Guild has proudly joined quilters across the Nation to create quality quilts to honor and comfort our service men and women in all branches of the military. If you wish to participate in this program, you will find more information and requirements printed in our membership directory. Also, there are many free patterns available on the QOV website – www.qov.org.

Should you have additional questions or need more information about this program, please feel free to contact the IQG committee chair.

Thank you!

The Guild extends

A SPECIAL THANK YOU!!

**TO THE FOLLOWING FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE
GUILD'S PROGRAMS:**

OLD CRAFT STORE IN CARROLLTON

QUILT COUNTRY IN LEWISVILLE

GUILD MEMBER DONATIONS

VOLUNTEER HOURS

Through February 2016

Name	Hours Earned
Ann Lawrence	4
Barbara Barry	8
Barbara Coughlin	20
Bonnie Sloan	18
Carrie Sanford	10
Connie Angeles	15
Donna Reid	29
Evelyn Moore	28
Gail Walsh	28
Jackie Wagner	8
Jerry Tollett	17
Joyce Dugosh	20
Judy Doggett	16
Julie Beck	12
Lacora McSwain	10.5
Lassie Smith	4
Linda Cole	12
Linda Scott	6
Lori Vauble	24
Nan Coleman	5
Nancy Norris	8
Patricia Vrla	8
Sandy Beissel	28
Sarah Schacht	12
Shawn Carr	4
Susan Grewing	3
Susan Holt	2
Susan Turk	16
Tonya Terry	11
Virginia Glasgow	5

WAY TO GO LADIES!

Keep turning in those Angel Quilts, Love Thy Baby items, as well as Quilts of Valor!

Officers

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 Gray

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Connie Angeles

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Nancy Norris

Hospitality:

Sandy Beissel

Keeper Quilts:

Janie Merritt

Love Thy Baby:

LaCora McSwain

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Ginny North

Nomination:

Susan Holt

Parliamentarian:

Ginny North

Quilt Show:

Carol Cook

Janie Merritt

Quilts of Valor:

Carol Cook

Dues 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	90
New Members	0
Meeting Attendance	60
Guests	02
Total attending	62

Raffle Quilt:

Mae Harless

Scholarships:

Suzanna Fox

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

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Janie Merritt	972-790-3134
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Bonnie Sloan	972-252-8067



March Birthdays

2	Ethel Raines
5	Nancy Norris
9	Lisa Neidinger
12	Joyce Chalfont
15	Ken Moore
22	Jerry Nallon
31	Judy Poole

Irving Quilt Guild

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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.

March 2016			
3/10/16	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
3/17/16	Guild Meeting	6:30 – 9:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
3/19/16	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
3rd 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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March Meeting

Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts
- Love Thy Baby Items
- Food And Drink - G - M
- Retreat \$\$
- Workshop
- Fabric for Fat Quarter
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