



The Quilting Press

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President's Message

I hope everyone is looking forward to 2017. We have a lot going on in the guild but I know it will be a very productive year.

The quilt show dates are August 24, 25, 26, 2017. I know we gave you a lot of information about the show, I think one of the most important areas of the show is to have beautiful quilts in the show representing the Irving Guild. I know you will produce beautiful quilts as you always do.

Shawn issued a challenge with the block so that should be fun. I wanted to caution everyone that these blocks can't be used as a mini quilt. Mini quilts have smaller pieces that make up the block.

In February we will have t-shirts for you look at and place your order. Some come with your \$12.00, be prepared to love the shirt. This will be one form of advertising so we want to get them early.

Madison my granddaughter is in her first semester of nursing school and received her nursing bag and stethoscope. She was most excited about the stethoscope. She is very determined so I know she will do well.

I hope everyone has a good month and gets a lot accomplished with your quilting.

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott



Valentines Day

Valentine's Day is celebrated on February 14. It is a festival of romantic love and many people give cards, letters, flowers or presents to their spouse or partner. They may also arrange a romantic meal in a restaurant or night in a hotel. Common symbols of Valentine's Day are hearts, red roses and Cupid.

IQG General Meeting Minutes

Date: January 19, 2017

Call to Order Time: 7:00 pm

Minutes from December approved as read.

Sunshine and Shadows: Connie Angeles reported no Sunshine or Shadows. She also said we had no guests in January.

Birthdays: January birthdays were recognized and gifted.

48-hour class: Donna Reid reminded attendees that the class is this Saturday at the Garden and Arts Center on Senter. Please do not bring an iron. Please bring a small mat and cutter and a 10" ruler and have your fabric pre-cut in 10" squares. Donna will open the doors at 8 am. Class starts at 9 am.

North Texas Quilt Festival: Carol Cook reported on the Festival meeting held January 7. Among topics discussed:

T-Shirts for the event can be ordered at the next guild meeting. Cost is \$12.

Tickets for us to sell are coming. We will get 60 free tickets and have ordered 40 more at \$5.00 each. We sell these for \$10 and the guild keeps all profit.

There will be guild booths located within the vendor area. Carol would like ideas for things to sell, i.e., grab bags, mini quilts, etc. These need to be items that will not conflict with vendors' products. Volunteers will be needed throughout the show. Work 4 hours for free admission.

Classes will be offered in sewing and quilting techniques

Guild members must go on line to enter their quilts. A picture of the quilt must accompany the entry.

Dates for the show are Aug. 24, 25, 26. Doors will be open 10am-5pm.

Retreat: Susan Holt gave information on the Spring Compass Center retreat. Dates are March 9-12 and the cost for all three nights is \$261.60.

Programs: Shawn Carr said the speaker for the February meeting is Maria Hall, guild president of Land O Lakes in Lewisville. She will present one block that can be adapted to make many different quilts. She will also talk about batting. Since Maria will not be holding a workshop, the Saturday workshop will be for working on angel quilts.

Shawn said the emphasis for this year's programs will be on learning and improving quilting skills. For instance, the workshop on March 18 will be a class on paper piecing. Shawn welcomes other ideas.

Raffle quilt: Sue Gray has Raffle Quilt tickets available to pick up tonight. At the next meeting, Sue will bring the quilt and those with smart phones can take pictures of the quilt. At this time there are no plans to print photos of the quilt.

Angel Quilts: The winner of the light red challenge is Julie Beck.

Fat Quarter Lotto winner is Sandy Beissel.

Food for February will be letters G through N.

Meeting Adjourned Time: 8:20 pm



Presidents Day

Washington's Birthday is a federal holiday held on the third Monday of February. It originally honored the life and work of George Washington, the first president of the United States. Now, other presidents are also honored on this day, which is why it is often known as Presidents' Day.

Quilt Show Update

We had a meeting on January 7th and it looks like we have lots to tell you about.

There was a wording change to the categories description for Art Quilts. It was mainly just a clearer description of what types of quilts are considered an Art Quilt.

We will have T-shirt samples at the February Meeting. We will place orders for anyone who has the money at the February meeting. The shirts are Teal Blue with the Show Logo on them. The cost will be 12.00 due at the time you order them. This is good advertisement for the show so we need to start wearing them now.

Ticket sales: We were sent a sample picture of what the tickets will look like but the price was less than what was originally told to us. The advance tickets will be 10.00 with a price of 15.00 at the door. We all agreed that asking someone to spend 10 now in order to save 5 at the door seems more lucrative than saying 12 now and 15 at the door. Especially if they have to pay 5.00 to park. SO... we are still hoping to have tickets to sell as soon as February. This is how we make our money so we have to be aggressive at selling those tickets.

The Guild Booth. We think they are planning on the booths being interspersed among the vendors so it doesn't look like a Beggar's Alley. That being said, we will need to make our 10 foot booth look attractive with decorations or something to draw people in. Linda talked about a Grab bag offer with brown sacks filled with 2 ½ in strips or 5" squares. Another idea was selling Pot Holders. Someone saw this at a show and they were selling good. If anyone has any ideas for raising money at the booth please let Sue Gray know. As long as we don't directly compete with another business there we can make money any way we can.

Mini Auction: We need donations. The quilts must be a true miniature, not a 5 inch block with a binding on it. Think of it as any quilt design where the blocks are smaller than 4 inches. It cannot be larger than 24 inches on any side. There will be a Buy It Now price but every day at around 1 or 2 pm there will be a live auction and all those minis on display will be sold. A new group will be put on display for the next day's auction. Also, they are talking about a booth with quilts for sale. These will be quilts that you could donate to the guild and all funds will go to the guild. Let's say you have a finished quilt that maybe you are not real fond of. You can give it to the guild and they will attempt to sell it at the show. If it doesn't sell you will get the quilt back. You just never know if someone won't decide to buy an already made quilt if it's not too expensive and the guild will make more money. Do I think this will really happen??? Stranger things have happened and it's worth a try. Who knows??

Volunteers: They will be needed everywhere. For take in and release, hanging, guild booth, quilt sale booth, Quilt Angels, general help throughout the Expo. There will be a need for scribes and ribbon hanging. If it all works out that we have a Key Note speaker the night before the show opens, we will probably need people for that to make sure everyone stays where they need to be as the Expo area will not be open, just a quilt show preview. There are tons of ways to volunteer and work 4 hours and get in free.

We know there will be classes offered by all sorts of teachers for all sorts of techniques that are not just about quilting. Once the website is open you can start signing up for those. Same with the quilt entries, that also will be on-line. If this happens before our next meeting, we will send out a notice via E-Mail so you can get a jump on signing up or entering or signing up for your choice of Volunteer spots.

If you have any questions or are unclear about anything, please don't hesitate to ask me or Linda. This is such a fantastic opportunity to make money for the Guild and still be a part of a show without all the expenses. We have to get excited and use this chance for all it's worth and at the same time have a great time meeting ladies from other guilds and sharing our labor of love. This is a new experience for all the Guilds involved...we are trying to work out all possible scenarios before the show but we also know that something will end up not working. But we will learn, adjust and make it better next year. Carol

48 point Appreciation class

On Saturday twenty two ladies attended the 48 point class, Flying Geese Diamond Quilt. Janie Merritt and Susan Turk were our teachers. I had a great time visiting with everyone and seeing all of the different colors. Our goal is to show you our quilts at the April meeting. Thank you to everyone who earned point. We all have busy lives but you took time to give to our charities.

Thank you all.

Donna Reid donna@acdenterprises.com



Quilt Show

All quilt entries will be done through the Original Sewing and Quilt Expo website: <http://www.sewingexpo.com/Events/Arlington,TX.aspx>

There will be links for quilt entry, volunteer opportunities, Keynote Speaker and Awards Ceremony and class registration. Quilt Entry submissions will begin February 1, 2017.



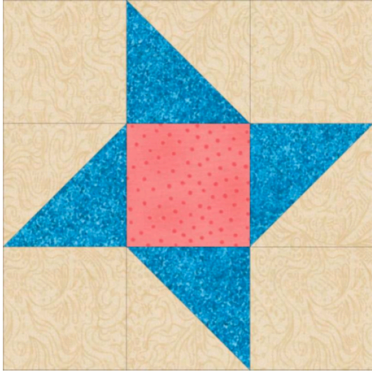
Raffle Quilt

Guild members: I will have tickets for the Raffle Quilt available at the next meeting for you to pick up! I had 15 sets this month but we need lot of help selling them. Please bring you cell phones with you in February to take a picture of the quilt. I will try to get some pictures to have for those that want them.

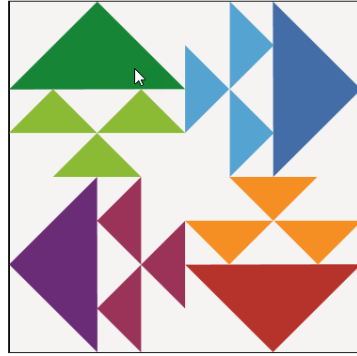
If you need tickets before then let me know and I will make arrangements to get some to you!

Sue Gray

Irving Quilt Guild Challenge



Friendship Star



Birds



Inverted Star

Hi Everyone:

This is our challenge for March. 1 block sewn together and quilted on your machine with a binding.

The Friendship Star is for Beginners. Really easy and a great place to start!

The Birds Block is paper-pieced and is considered Intermediate. A challenge for sure.

The Inverted Star is for those that have mastered all types of things. Good luck!

We will show these to everyone at the March meeting and have these as a reference for a year from now to see how we have improved.

Look forward to seeing great quilting! Stitch in the ditch OR free-motion! I will email all instructions by Feb 1st. Of course, call me if you have any questions.

Stitching our Lives Together, One Challenge at a Time,

Shawn Carr
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1st VP Programs



Sunshine & Shadows

At the meeting 1-19-2017 IQG had 80 members -- 2 of those are new: Jody Smith has rejoined but the only info was her current address -- no phone or e-mail. She sent a Christmas card with her check for \$35 and her address on the check and card. Susan Turk has paid for her sister-in-law in Castroville TX who is meeting her at Compass Center for retreat.

Member attendance at meeting 50

No guests. Hope you feel better soon! Nancy

Angel Quilts

A new year has begun and we start again the climb to reach the 300 Angel Quilt goal. At the January meeting you turned in 30 quilts. Only 270 to go! Barbara Coughlin won the Lite Red points at the Nov meeting and Julie Beck won the Lite Red points at the January meeting. Both ladies have a good start on their points for 2017.

The February workshop on February 18th is an Angel Quilt workshop. I'll have all of the details at the guild meeting. You receive points for the time you are there and points when you turn in your Charity quilt. QOV and Love Thy Baby included. Start thinking about what you're going to make.

Thank you to everyone!

Donna Reid donna@acdenterprises.com



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

Get a FREE Volunteer hour!

Turn in your bag of 50 Receiving blankets or 4 Small Quilts and get for an extra hour. Lassie does so many she would like to give anyone that turns in Receiving Blankets or Small Quilts a free hour.

Would you consider doing 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.

*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 l.mcswain4@verizon.net

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 13th. at 6:00 at Jacee Park.

We had a couple bring completed blocks for the Bonnie Hunter Mystery Quilt and of course one had theirs (Bonnie) completed. It was a beautiful quilt.

We will continue working on this quilt until we have it completed. Then new ideas will be taken for our next project.

We had a fun meeting, so if you need a friendship group, give us a try. You are always welcome.

Have a great month of piecing!

Please call if you have any questions.

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott
972-986-7890

Material Woman

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

At the January meeting we completed an Angel Quilt top. Jerry will finish it and show us. Ladies please bring your block #1 to the Material Woman meeting. The February meeting will be in the Cafeteria. Bring your machines and let's sew together.

Donna Reid 975-986-2161
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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
972-790-9024

Patricia's Cake:

One yellow cake mix mixed as instructed except

1 Can of crushed pineapple or pineapple tidbits in place of liquid in cake mix

1 teaspoon to 1 tablespoon vanilla bean paste

1 to 2 cups pecan pieces

Mix well, pour into Pam sprayed 9 X 13 pan bake as instructed but add about 5-7 minutes to baking time.

Poke holes in cake immediately after removing from oven.

Icing:

1 package cream cheese

1 teaspoon to 1tablespoon vanilla bean paste

2 to 3 cups of powdered sugar

Enough milk to thin slightly

Mix icing well and smooth over top of hot cake.

PROGRAM UPDATES:

Thursday February 16th

Guest Speaker: Maria Hall

President of Land of Lakes Guild

7:00 - 7:45 pm --- break---- rest of meeting

1 Block 13 Quilts

Batting Weights and how they are used

Pay \$5 to join the Paper Piecing Workshop on March 18th

Saturday, February 18th

Angel Quilt Workshop

Location: I will let you know at the meeting of the 16th

Pot Luck Lunch - bring your favorite food to share

9:00 - 3:00 pm

Thursday March 16th

Share your items from The Compass Retreat

Show your Angel Quilts from February 18th

Show your Quilted Block Challenge

Show other things you have completed!

Pay \$5 to join the Paper Piecing Workshop

Saturday, March 18th

Paper Piecing Workshop

Location: TBD

Taught by Guild Members

Thursday, April 20th

Show your 48 Hour Quilt!

Program to be determined



Retreat at Compass Center

March 9-12, 2017

Cost: \$87.20 each night

Let's sew and have a great time! The dress is casual; food is Special. If directions are needed, goggle Compass Center/Mt. Calm. Please let Susan Holt know if you plan to go as Deposit is past. I will need full payment by next meeting.

Sewing is what we enjoy at retreat!!!

Officers

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Linda Scott

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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.

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	89
New Members	0
Meeting Attendance	52
Guests	01
Total attending	53

Fat Quarter Lotto

**BRING A FAT QUARTER AND
ENTER IT IN THE LOTTO. YOU
MAY WIN IT BACK ALONG
WITH ALL OF THE OTHERS
ENTERED!**

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**BRING RED OR PINK COLOR
FAT QUARTER FOR THE
DECEMBER LOTTO!**

HELP!

I am looking for Raffle quilt pictures. I need the following pictures of past raffle quilts.

2002

2003

2004

Thank You!

Judy Poole



February Birthdays

- 1 Jerry Tollett
- 2 Thenia Haynie
- 9 Martha Seeber
- 12 Charlotte Armtrong
- 21 Michelle Maurice



Irving Quilt Guild

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Newsletter Deadlines

Please submit all newsletter contributions, letters, reports, black & white photos, prepaid advertisements, etc. to the editor at judy343@tx.rr.com. 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.



December Meeting

Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts & Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink – G - N
- Fat Quarter for Lotto – red & pink colors

November 2016			
1/9/16	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
1/16/16	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	Saint Mark's
2nd 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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