

The Quilting Press

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President's Message

Soon it will be March and spring will be here. I am ready to plant flowers; even though it has been warm, I am afraid to plant now because I am sure we will have some more cold weather.

I am looking forward to seeing the blocks finished for the challenge. I think the blocks would make a cute table runner if you made all three.

I want to thank everyone for the Angel Quilts, they are so cute and I know the kids will enjoy them. I want to thank Donna for all her hard work with the Angel Quilts.

Now I am getting excited about the show and have my quilt entered. I went with a quilt top completed, that I only have to quilt. I hope everyone is almost or ready to enter a quilt.

I don't have much family news to share with you; two of the granddaughters are playing softball so that means being on ball fields a couple of nights during the week. Of course, there are always those Saturday tournaments. It is a lot of fun to watch them play.

Have a good month of quilting and working on those challenge blocks.

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott



St Patty Day

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. Its a time for fun. Some communities even go so far as to dye rivers or streams green!

IQG General Meeting Minutes

Date: February 16, 2017

Call to Order Time: 7:00 PM

Minutes from January approved as read.

Sunshine and Shadows: Connie Angeles welcomed one guest. It was reported that Shirley Davidson who was a guild member some years ago passed away. Darlene Farmer is at home now after an extensive stay at rehab.

Birthdays: February birthdays were recognized and gifted.

Sue Gray showed off the raffle quilt and asked members with cameras to take pictures of the quilt to be able to show off our work. Sue reminded members to pick up their packs of raffle tickets as soon as possible.

Lori Vauble is taking names for a drawing to attend the Quilt Luminary with Ricky Tims which is scheduled for May 12-13. The tickets are valued at several hundred dollars, so those submitting their names for the drawing should be really interested in going.

Suzanna Fox gave an update of the Scholarship Committee. The deadline for application is complete and the committee will choose the recipient in the near future. We have an opportunity to make additional scholarship funds by putting a quilt up for auction at the IISD Gala in November. Suzanna would like to form a committee to choose a pattern, collect fabrics and construct the quilt by November. If any guild member is interested, please contact Suzanna.

Susan Holt said the retreat in March has only 13 people signed up. If you are interested in going, please contact Susan immediately. Susan also keeps track of volunteer hours and reported an amazing 318 volunteer hours were recorded in January.

Donna Reid showed off the Angel Quilt whose points will be awarded to the light red winner. Please remember to fill out the light red paper to accompany your Angel Quilt. Donna also said the workshop this Saturday will be dedicated to work on volunteer quilts. It will be held at JC Park, small room. Later in the meeting, Donna awarded the points to Gail Walsh.

Carol Cook is asking for quilts for "Defenders of Freedom" distribution. The quilts will be needed before May 12.

Linda Scott will have tickets to the Quilt and Sewing Expo to be held in August. These will be available after the Dallas Quilt Show. Members will sell these show tickets.

Our speaker this month was delayed due to an unfortunate car accident on her way to the meeting. Maria Hall started her program somewhat late, but soldiered on despite a sprained wrist. We enjoyed her program titled "One Block, 13 Quilts". Maria has also experimented with a variety of battings and shared her findings on that subject.

Connie Angeles awarded door prizes and announced the winner of the Fat Quarter Lotto is Shawn Carr. March Fat Quarter Lotto will be green.

Food in March is M through Z. Meeting adjourned 8:50 PM



Sunshine & Shadows

Update on speaker from last week;

Maria left our meeting and went to the ER. Her left wrist was not broken but extremely bruised. Her nose was extremely bruised. Then she went to see her regular doctor yesterday. He sent her for a CT Scan and MRI. She has a concussion.

She said she is on the mend and appreciated our kindness.

The car was a total loss.

Shawn

Quilt Show

All quilt entries will be done through the Original Sewing and Quilt Expowebsite: 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

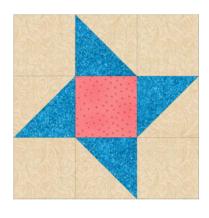
If you need tickets before then let me know and I will make arrangements to get some to you! Sue Gray

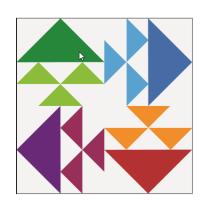
January Volunteer Hours

Barbara Barry	16	LaCora McSwain	4
Julie Beck	32	Donna Reid	18
Sandy Beissel	8	Cindy Smith	12
Shawn Carr	8	Lassie Smith	32
Barbara Coughlin	16	Jerry Tollett	20
Judy Doggett	17	Susan Holt	29
Anne Lawrence	4	SusanTurk	48
Sue Gray	8	Lori Vauble	28
Susan Grewing	12		
Thenia Haynie	6	Total hrs.	318



Irving Quilt Guild Challenge







Friendship Star

Birds

Inverted Star

"Quilt a Block" Challenge. Bring yours and we will show everyone what you learned.

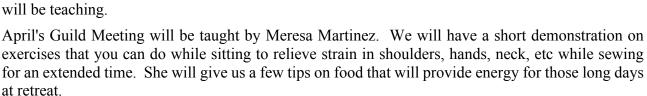
Frisco Quilt Guild will be selling tickets for their Raffle Quilt.

Bring \$5 if you want to sign up for the Saturday Workshop. Paper Piecing for Beginners to Experts. First 20 to pay and sign up, (we have the Jaycee Arts Small Room). Potluck signup for lunch on that Saturday March 18th.

Supplies needed:

Scraps (15-20 different colors) of 1/8 yard pieces or fat quarters Sewing Machine **Cutting Board** Rotary Cutter Pins Other ordinary sewing supplies Wooden fabric creased type tool No irons.... we have the ones for the Guild Patterns will be furnished

Carol Cook, Lori Valuble, and Judy Poole will be teaching.



Looking forward to a great evening showing those Quilted Blocks, Angel Quilts, Quilts of Valor, and Retreat Projects and then Paper Piecing on Saturday.

Stitching Our Lives Together One Program at a Time,

Shawn Carr 469 585-9368 shawncarr33@gmail.com 1st VP Programs



Angel Quilts

Another great delivery to the children at Scottish Rite Hospital. You turned in 35 Angel quilts! Every month we get closer to the 300-quilt goal. We need only 234 by November. It was so nice to see a couple of ladies turn in their first Angel Quilt. Also we had a couple of ladies quilt their own. Everyone did a great job. As a reminder to all of us these quilts will get a lot of loving and a lot of washings. As you quilt, the space between quilting should be no large than the width of your hand. This includes both directions. If you don't do it already please consider machine stitching your binding. For the same reasons hand sewn binding will become undone.

Gail Walsh won the Light Red raffle. Congratulations!

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

Defenders of Freedom Presentation

May is when my friend has his cook-out for the Defenders of Freedom Organization. He donates his home and great BBQ for a bus load of Veterans, many with injuries, as a thank you for their sacrifice. Last year I handed out 13 Quilts of Valor from the Houston area but this year I have asked you ladies to help me with QOV donations. Many have responded and I am sure I will end up with an excess of 12 quilts to award this year. How exciting is that?? I will get to tell the crowd how my friends in Irving did all this for them. So if you are close to finishing or planning on one, you still have a few months to get it done. I still need the pillowcases so the guys don't get the quilts dirty before they get back home. I hope to have pictures of the recipients for you to look at also. I want to thank you for the efforts you are putting out for this. I and they will appreciate it.

Carol

Reminders for Quilt Show!!

I know it seems like you have plenty of time but the show is only 6 months away. And with registration ending way before that we need to get serious about those quilt entries, mini quilts and even Quilts for sale booth. I am getting excited to get down to the nitty gritty and be done with the planning because I can't wait for you ladies to blow the socks off these other guilds with your talent. You have always amazed me with your beautiful entries and I put your quilts up against anybody else's with pride.

Also, T-shirts will be on sale again at the next meeting before we send in the order. So bring your money for that also. \$12.00 each regardless of the size.

Go on line and register your quilts early to make sure you get a spot.

Carol

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 13th. at 6:00 at Jacee Park.

We are still working on the Bonnie Hunter mystery quilt. That should be finishing soon. We will be on to another project.

Feel free to come by and visit with us, discover what we will be working on next.

Have a great month of piecing! Please call if you have any questions. 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

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

We saw how our block #1 all look great and so diff in our individual fabric choices. Block #2 is due in March. Bring your fabric to die cut for the center of your new quilt. Lots of choices. I'm leaning towards the car.

Donna Reid 975-986-2161 donna@acdenterprises.com



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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.

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!



BRING GREEN COLOR FAT QUARTER FOR THE MARCH LOTTO!



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

2002

2003

2004

Thank You!
Judy Poole

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	76
New Members	0
Meeting Attendance	56
Guests	01
Total attending	57

March Birthdays

1	Ethel Rains
5	Nancy Norris
9	Lisa Neidinger
12	Joyce Chalfant
15	Ken Moore
22	Jerry Nallon
31	Judy Poole



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	Dead	lines

Please submit all newsletter contributions, letters, reports, black & white photos, prepaid advertisements, etc. to the editor at judyp343@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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1/4 pg (3.5X4.5) \$5.75/mo; \$15/3 mo; \$29/6 mo; \$57/yr.
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.

November 2016					
3/9/16	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church		
3/16/16	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

HAPPY ST PATRICKS DAY

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March Meeting Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts & Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink M Z
- Fat Quarter for Lotto Green colors