

The Quilting Press

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President's Message

The program on exercise was very helpful and a lot of fun to participate with the speaker. Some were having way too much fun.

The angel quilts and quilts of valor were as usual very pretty. I want to thank everyone that helps with those programs and turns in such beautiful quilts.

Donna and I will be delivering the show tickets to the quilt shops that are selling them for us. I just hope we do not spend too much money during these deliveries. I will be going to the new quilt shop in Mesquite and I really want to see what kind of fabrics they have.

Nancy and Suzanna are coming up with some great ideas for our membership drive. Next month be sure and write down your ideas, I am sure they will get some wonderful ideas from the membership.

I want to thank everyone for your quilt entry (entries). You are talented and make beautiful quilts so please share with us at the show. I never worry about volunteers for the show, you have always volunteered and helped in anyway you could. So a big thanks ahead of time for your service to the guild.

Now for my family news, my oldest granddaughter Jordan is graduating from Oklahoma State May 12th. We will be going to Stillwater for the graduation and spending the weekend with her. She will be working on her masters so she will still be at Oklahoma State for another year. I hope everyone has a great month!

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott



Mother's Day

Mother's Day in the United States is annually held on the second Sunday of May. It celebrates motherhood and it is a time to appreciate mothers and mother figures. Many people give gifts, cards, flowers, candy, a meal in a restaurant or other treats to their mother and mother figures, including grandmothers, great-grandmothers, stepmothers, and foster mothers.

Memorial Day

Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formally known as Decoration Day and commemorates all men and women, who have died in military service for the United States. Many people visit cemeteries and memorials on Memorial Day and it is traditionally seen as the start of the summer season.

IQG General Meeting Minutes

Date: April 20, 2017

Call to Order Time: 7:00 PM

Minutes from March approved as written

Sunshine and Shadows: Connie Angeles reported that Mae Harless lost her mother last week. Connie also said that Jody Rhea broke her shoulder.

Birthdays: April birthdays were recognized and gifted.

Carol Cook relayed information about the August Sew and Quilt Expo. Carol reminded members the deadline to enter quilts is May 1. The entry needs to be accompanied by a picture of the quilt, although the quilt does not need to be completed until later. We also will be participating in the mini-quilt auction. For our booth, we are making potholders and other crafts. Please read the complete report further on in this newsletter.

Donna Reid has a quantity of show tickets. We are being given 60 free tickets which we will sell for \$10 netting the guild \$600. In addition, we are buying up to 125 additional tickets at \$5 each. At a \$10 sale price, we remit \$5 and keep \$5. If we sell all the tickets, that is an additional \$625 to the guild.

Lori Vauble is in charge of collecting mini-quilts for the show. Please be aware these are not "one block" quilts. These are to be true miniaturized quilts. Specifications are given on line.

Suzanna Fox gave an update on our IISD Scholarship winner who is Elena Kahn. Suzanna will be meeting with Elena at a congratulatory breakfast put on by IISD.

Cynthia Gladden went over details for the July 8 TAQG Rally. The featured speaker is Cynthia LeBlanc Regone who will be giving a morning and an afternoon lecture. There will also be a mini-quilt auction, raffle basket, door prizes and more. The event is at Mimosa Lane Baptist Church at 1233 N. Belt Line, Mesquite. Please see Cynthia to schedule workshops, buy pre-Rally Day Raffle tickets, lunch tickets and other goodies.

Shawn Carr distributed Second Quarter program and workshop information and encouraged members to attend the free how-to workshop this Saturday.

Shawn introduced our speaker – Adrian Brown will demonstrate stretching and workout exercises particularly useful for quilters to get the kinks out after hours at the sewing machine. Adrian gave out a booklet "Seated Exercises for Older Adults".

Donna Reid announced the winner of the light red challenge is Sandy Beissel.

Door prizes were awarded. The winner of this month's Fat Quarter Lotto is Susan Holt. Next month's lotto will be Red White and Blue for Memorial Day.

Food for next month is G through N.

Meeting Adjourned Time: 8:45 PM



2017 North Texas Quilt Festival Mini Quilt Auction:

We need approximately 15-20 TOP Quality Mini Quilts for our Quilt Show Auction. I will have more details as we get closer but Ladies please start working on a Mini Quilt for this Auction. I am confident we can provide some beautiful Mini Quilts, I have seen some in the past so I know we have the talent in our Guild.

Please remember we are competing with 5 other Guilds.

The Quilts must be a true Mini Quilt with each block being about 4 inches. Quilts that do not qualify as a Mini Quilt will be sold in our General Store Booth.

Mini Quilt Rules:

Mini quilts must be 24" square or smaller Label to include name and Guild Name Hanging Sleeve

Please call or email me if you have any questions and I will start taking entries as soon as you get them done. All entries should be turned in no later than our JULY Guild Meeting. I appreciate your help & ALL proceeds from this Auction will go to our Guild for our Mini Quilts.

Thanks, Lori Vauble

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

Quilt Show Tickets

When you are ready to purchase your advance tickets for the North Texas Quilt Festival let me know. The price of admission at the door is \$15. Advance ticket price is \$10. You know you're going to the show so why pay the higher price? If you can sell tickets to your friends or maybe you're going on a retreat let me know and I can give you tickets. You will be responsible for these tickets but you can pay for them after they're sold. The Irving Quilt Guild makes money from the sale of these admission tickets. Thank you to the ladies who've already bought or picked up tickets.

Thank you!

Donna Reid donna@acdenterprises.com



Workshop

The April Meeting was definitely different with our chair exercises by Adrienne Brown from Schultz Elementary! I hope everyone had a fun time.

Then on Saturday at our Roundtable Learning Workshop, 19 ladies and 5 Teachers were in attendance. Everyone learned something new and enjoyed the morning making new friends!

In May, Carol Morrisey will be presenting a program called Quilting: A Fine Obsession.

She will have new patterns and goodies for sale. Susan Turk will speak for a few minutes to tell us about the Quilt Symposium by Ricky Tims that she attended.

The Saturday Workshop will be at the Jaycees Park and we will be making scrap sacks for the Quilt Show in August! Please bring some of your best scraps cut as follows:

1 ", 2 1/2" and 5" squares.

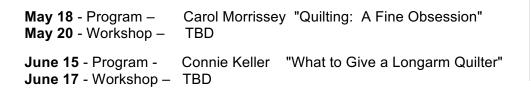
We will be ironing and sorting and packing in bags for the Quilt Show in August. These will sell for \$1-\$2 per sack which means pure profit for the Quilt.

We will also have the Arlington Quilt Guild with their Raffle quilt and tickets.

Stitching our Lives Together One Program at a Time,

Shawn Carr 469 585-9368 <u>shawncarr33@gmail.com</u> 1st VP Programs







Angel Quilts

You turned in 25 quilts that we took to Scottish Rite. This brings our total delivered to 105. Yeah!! Thank you all for using your many talents on this project.

Several quilts have already been turned in using the free wide backing fabric. Keep using it. They look great. Can you explain to me why I enjoy cutting fabric into pieces and sewing it together to make a top but hate sewing fabric together to make the back wide enough? Don't get me started on piecing the batting. I can do it I just don't like it for some reason so I put it off. Luckily, I have some of my wide fabric left.



Sandy Beissel 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 <u>50 Receiving blankets or 8 Small Quilts</u> 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 36×36 flannel. Small quilts 36×36 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 <u>I.mcswain4@verizon.net</u>

Update on the Quilt Show!!!

Entry Deadline is on top of us!! May 1st!!! If you're waiting on a picture to register your quilt, you can take a picture of what you have done, even if it's a few recognizable blocks. Go ahead a register your second quilt if you have one but they will notify you if they are charging your account.

Because we reset the width of the viewing areas from 10 feet to 8 feet we can now fit just under 400 quilts so our allotment went up to 40 quilts for our guild. I would LOVE to see 40 quilts from 40 different people.

We still need Mini quilts for a fundraiser. And Pot Holders or any other sewn craft that is good quality and marketable for the shoppers. Our Guild booth needs to be attractive to draw people in to shop and to buy Raffle tickets.

We are going to use our Keeper Quilts in the "Quilts for Sale" booth. If you have any other quilts at your house and you want to donate to the cause then you can certainly do that. If they don't sell then you will get it back after the show. If we sell our keeper quilts then we will need to make some replacements and that way you can earn your points toward your 48-hour class. We are not sure how this booth will go over and may not have it for future shows but we're trying everything we can to make money.

There will be a speaker, Meg Cox, on Thursday night that we are selling tickets for. There are only 250 seats available for that and they are selling them on line also. Get yours early if you want to attend. The quilts will not be available for viewing in the main hall but there will be a few hanging by the stage area. They will also be announcing the big winners at this event. And they are trying to get a door prize from Babylock.

Take the handouts to your work and hand them out to husbands with wives that sew. I think I could have already sold tickets if I had them to these men. Talk to everyone about this show. We have to drum up as much business as we can to prove we are a good risk for F & W to take on. They are saving us thousands of dollars by footing the bill for the venue, pipe and drape, judges, ribbons, advertising and now we are even getting prizes!! F&W is committing 1500.00 in awards and they are seeking additional from the vendors.

Volunteers are of course needed for all days from take in to take down. We roughly estimated 30 per day. Some days more. If you want a particular job or need a sit down spot then sign up early. Remember: 4 hours of volunteering gets you in the show that day for free. All you have to pay for is parking. Carpooling is recommended. 4 people in a car earns the driver free admission. The riders can split the parking or the driver could pay since she gets in free. There are ways to make this cheaper...buy early tickets, volunteer, Volunteer each day...get in each day free. Take classes...you get discounts for taking classes. Ladies I can't stress enough to you how much we are getting out of this venture. Our show used to have expenses of close to 8 or 9 thousand dollars. And that was in a small space with issues. We are now in a huge convention center that is costing us zero dollars except for entry fees and allowing us several ways to make money for our guild. It is all in our hands as to how much we make. Without your total support and efforts it won't be successful. If we try hard on our show, we lighten our financial burdens for the guild membership.



Also, I am agreeable to delivering anyone's quilt for the day of take in if you need it. I realize that some people work and the idea of driving to Arlington at quitting time isn't feasible. Even if we are going to be there until 8:00pm. You need to let me know early because I might work on that Monday and I now work right next door to the convention center and in the Ranger Stadium parking Lot. So, I will not be going home after work that day. However...that does not mean I will be carrying them back home after the show on Saturday...you need to arrange for that one yourself. Before you jump all over this offer, there is no way I can keep these quilts lying flat trying to prevent wrinkles or creases. They will be in my car in August heat all day long. Take that into consideration. One person can also drop quilts off for several people if need be. Talk amongst yourselves and work that out.

All of the Guilds involved are working very hard to make this show successful for years to come. This first year will be a trial and error year but we are hoping we have covered all possibilities. If something doesn't work we might not do it again. If we think of a better way, we will change it. But we are building the groundwork and hopefully making this a smoothly run operation for the ladies that take this over in the future. It is a win- win situation. So let's enjoy the adventure and have a good time at our show. Lots of other guilds are watching and wondering how they too can do something like this or if we are going to fall flat on our faces. Or why weren't they included. We have a reputation of being a fun group and active. That is one of the reasons they asked us. What I have found with the ladies on the committee is they are dedicated to making this work because we are all suffering the same fate of losing our quilt shows due to expenses or lack of venues.

We need your quilts. That is the most important thing right now. Don't let us down. I don't want to give up all our quilt space to a larger guild if we can't get enough commitment. Don't NOT enter because you are afraid of competition. It's not about the ribbons but about showing off your talent and skills. I put your quilts up against any I have seen at the Dallas show any day. You ladies underestimate yourselves and just how good you are. Every Show and Tell has beautiful quilts in it that are good enough to hang in a show. Don't you think that all these other guilds have the same unsure people in them thinking they aren't good enough also??? YOU ARE GOOD ENOUGH!!! I have seen them...I know you can do it. Take your picture and register your quilt. Then start looking for next year's entry. That show will be in June instead of August.

Thank you, Ladies. You are the best!

Carol



The deadline is upon us!!! Ladies we desperately need your entry in the Quilt Show! We only have 15 total so far and that is counting people willing to enter a second or 3rd quilt. We need to fill up 40 spots or we have to give them up to another guild to fill. Please don't make us do that!!

Support Your Guild

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

The Frayed Knots will meet Monday May 8 at 6:00 at Jaycee Park.

We will be working on UFO's until we start our next project. We haven't decided about our next project. If you have any ideas, be sure and come to present them to the group.

We had a very good show and tell at the last meeting. I look forward to next month to see what is brought for show and tell.

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 6^{th} 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 worked on our 3D pattern. Anyone who took home blocks to make remember to bring them to the next meeting. Also bring your block 4. Or bring any project you're working on. Everyone is welcome to join us.

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Officers

President: Linda Scott Vice President: Shawn Carr 2nd Vice-President: Susan Holt Treasurer: Jerry Bowen Secretary: Cynthia Gladden

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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 RED, WHITE & BLUE COLOR FAT QUARTER FOR THE MARCH 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

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	44
Guests	01
Total attending	45

May Birthdays

- 2 Mae Harless
- 9 Cynthia Jauregar
- 9 Jeannie Persyn
- 16 Barbara Coughlin
- 16 Ginny North
- 27 Susan Hyde
- 28 Susan Turk



Irving Quilt Guild

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Please submit all newsletter

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May 2017			
5/11/16	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
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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 c service to our community.

Please visit our website to learn more about the IQG!

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March Meeting Reminders:

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