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President's Message

Fall is here (hopefully we won't have anymore extreme heat), and we can decorate with our fall quilts, table runners and other fall decorations. I love this time of the year it is cooler but not cold.

I hope we can make Donna's goal of 300 Angel Quilts. Maybe we have the spirit and energy to produce a few more angel quilts by November. Let's have one more surge of angel quilts so we can meet our goal for this year. Also, if we need hours to get into the 48 Hours Appreciation class this is our last chance.

Colby, my granddaughter is graduating in May and was accepted at Oklahoma State and Texas A & M. Has decided to attend Oklahoma State University. She decided on OSU. I know she will love going there like her sister. Aren't grandkids a joy to watch them grow and expand their world?

I encourage everyone to contribute to the Blue Christmas at our November meeting. We do not want to disappoint the firemen and the children that have a need. I will enlist the help of my granddaughters when picking out the teenager gifts.

I hope everyone has a great month, the lull before Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Have a great month quilting!

Happy Quilting!

Linda Scott



Thanksgiving Day

Thanksgiving Day in the United States started as a way of giving thanks to food collected from a good harvest or problems that were fixed. It originated in 1621 and was a religious festival, but is now largely secular. It is now a holiday on the fourth Thursday of November.

IQG General Meeting Minutes

Date: October 19, 2017

Before meeting was called to order, Linda Scott presented a keeper quilt to the Salvation Army. They will use this quilt in their fundraising efforts.

Linda suggested we take 30 minutes to look over the garage sale items on display and make our purchases.

Call to Order Time: 7:25 pm

Minutes from September approved as read.

Sunshine and Shadows: Connie Angeles welcomed three guests. She also reported that Jerry Tollett was feeling better after her back surgery. Please keep in your thoughts Carol Cook's husband who is in the hospital, and Alene Winn who is undergoing surgery on Monday. Susan Turk announced she is going to be a grandmother.

Birthdays: October birthdays were recognized and gifted.

In preparation for voting for 2018 officers, Susanna Fox asked for a nomination from the floor for Secretary. Cynthia Gladden nominated Ginny North for the position. Ballots were handed out for the slate of officers.

Evelyn Banks reminded members that Blue Christmas is in November.

Elaine Doell asked for donation of fabrics to make stuffed animals for Parkland children.

Donna Reid thanked everyone for their angel quilts. While we may not make this year's goal of 300 quilts, every quilt is appreciated.

Shawn Carr asked members to take bags of fabric strips. The strips are to be used on 8" foundation squares to make string blocks. Please make these diagonal. Strips cut in 1½ " width are desired. The blocks will be sized and assembled to make quilts for sale at next year's Expo.

Suzanna Fox announced voting results for the guild board:

President Shawn Carr
First VP Julie Beck
Second VP Susan Holt
Treasurer Cynthia Gladden
Secretary Ginny North

Susan Holt said our next retreat at Compass Center will be March 15-18, 2018. This is not in conflict with the Dallas Quilt Show. Susan emphasized we must have a minimum of 24 members to sign up for the retreat. Please mark your calendars!

Shawn Carr gave a preview of the November meeting: Bear Creek Guild will be here with their raffle quilt. The firemen and police will be here to receive the Blue Christmas gifts. We will have a speaker also. The meeting is jam packed and may go beyond 8:30 pm.

Connie Angeles drew the winner of this month's Fat Quarter Lotto – Elaine Doell . November Fat Quarter Lotto will be blue.

Food for November is A through G.

Meeting adjourned: 7:55 pm.



Angel Quilts

After taking the October Angel Quilts to Scottish Rite Hospital we've delivered 218 quilts. Not quite the 300 goal I would like to reach but very good. Let's finish the Angel Quilt tops you know you have and turn them in next month. Maybe it's just me who has the tops waiting to be quilted. November is the last month to earn points toward your bar with the year, 24 and the 48 point Appreciation class.

Just a quick reminder on size. The length and width on a small Angel Quilt equals 90" or better. A large is 120". Small is 4 points and large is 8. If you're close but not quite there add a border.

Jackie Wagner won the Light Red raffle.

Thank you to everyone!

Donna Reid donna@acdenterprises.com



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

Love thy Baby Points have increased.

Would you consider doing some small Quilts, Receiving Blankets, Hats, Booties or Diaper Shirts for us?

Love Thy Baby provides all the fabric so if your stash is short and you want volunteer hours please consider helping 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 1 for 1 Point
- *Surging or rolled hem on the receiving blankets 10 for 2 Points
- *Hats, Diaper Shirts and Booties are 10 for 2 Points.

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 and fill out the return slip.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

I thank you – and Love Thy Baby thanks you.

LaCora McSwain 972-255-6233 or I.mcswain4@verizon.net

BLUE CHRISTMAS 2017

The Irving Quilt Guild will be collecting gifts for Irving children at the meeting on **Thursday**, **November 16**th. NEW <u>unwrapped</u> gifts, canned food or cash are needed. We will have firefighters from the Irving Fire Department attending our meeting. If you want to check out this organization, go to

Irvingpoliceandfirebluechristmas.org

The following list includes the most needed items.

- *ANYTHING for a teenage girl
- *Books for teens, both boys and girls
- *Bicycle helmets for children 12 and under.
- *Art supplies for all ages, but especially for older children and teens.
- *Games and puzzles for older children and teens.
- *Cash, or checks made out to Blue Christmas, will help to buy the food given to the families. **Gift cards are not accepted**.

*Canned food, especially protein like tuna, spam, chili, and other non-perishable food items. Stuffed animals or other plush toys are **not** needed at this time

A NEW gift for any age child will be appreciated, but the items for older children and teens are the most needed.

Thank you for your generosity over the years.

Evelyn Banks 972-252-5290



The local Salvation Army is looking for sewing supplies (notions, thread, fabric, etc.) for the ladies that come there and are learning to sew or make small quilts. If you have any supplies you would like to share, I am collecting them for their use. Anything you can share will be greatly appreciated.

Give me a call or bring to one of the meetings.

Jerry Bowen 214-356-3097 Jnbd3434@aol.com



Book Club Selection

Turkey Trot Murder

(2017) (Book 24 in the **Lucy Stone** series) A novel by <u>Leslie Meier</u>

It's late autumn in Tinker's Cove, Maine, and the last surviving flowers on Lucy Stone's porch have fallen victim to the first frost of the season. But as the part-time reporter learns, this cold November morning will claim more than potted plants . . .

Besides the annual Turkey Trot 5K on Thanksgiving Day, Lucy expects the approaching holiday to be a relatively uneventful one - until she finds beautiful Alison Franklin dead and frozen in Blueberry Pond. No one knows much about Alison, except that she was the daughter of wealthy investor Ed Franklin and struggled quietly with drug addiction. Police blame her death on an accidental overdose, but Lucy can't understand what terrible forces could lead a privileged woman to watery ruin . . .

Alison's funeral service is just as puzzling. Many believe Ed's young - and very pregnant - new wife, Mireille, divided the family, leaving Alison to wither on the vine. Did Mireille truly adore her stepchild as Ed claims, or did she pit father against daughter for personal gain?

As a state of unrest descends on Tinker's Cove, Lucy is thrown into a full-scale investigation. Now, in a race against time, Lucy must beat the killer to the finish line - or she can forget about stuffing and cranberry sauce . .

Hamburger Three Bean Soup

1 lb. Hamburger

1 pk. Taco seasoning

1 pk. Ranch Dressing mix

2 14.5 ozs. cans of Beef Broth

2 cans of original rotel

2 cans Kiddney Beans

2 cans Ranch Style Beans

2 cans Black Beans



In a Large Soup pan crumble and brown hamburger salt/pepper to taste. Drain grease, return to pan on medium/high burner. Add dry ingredients and stir. Add broth, rotel and beans (do not drain) stir and bring to a boil. Cover pan and simmer on low for 30 minutes. Serve with grated cheese and tortilla chips.

Enjoy!

Kristi Wilson

Below is our program for November:

Guest Speaker

Tina Hilton
Turtle Hand
Art Fabric for Artistic Creations
Unique Batik, Artisan Dyed & Art Panels

Blue Christmas

Bring toys, food or cash.

Teenager gifts are needed the most
No stuff animals needed



SCRAPS and SQUARES

If you took a bag of scraps at the meeting - first of all - thank you.

- #1. Start with an 8" x 8" square piece of fabric (muslin, or white or beige cotton).
- #2. Cut all strips to 1 1/2" width before sewing.
- #3. Lay the first piece down and right side up diagonally
- #4. The second piece is place faced down, sewn on one side and then opened and ironed towards the edge.





- #5. Continue placing a strip face down, sew, fold towards the edge and then iron.
- #6. Complete other side until the entire square has strips sewn and ironed.
- #7. DO NOT SQUARE UP leave as is.
- #8. Continue until you run out of scraps. If you have some scraps that are in the same color as the bag, you can add to complete a square.

DEADLINE: bring back to January meeting

We will appreciate everything you can complete. I will bring more scraps in the November meeting.

Thank you.

Shawn Carr



Retreat at the End of the Road

If you don't mind driving about an hour and a half out of town towards Athens, TX down Hwy 175, you will find a small hidden gem of a retreat house. If you are looking for woods, solitude and some wild critters you will enjoy this place. If you have a small group of 6, you will fit comfortably here. Although it can hold 8 people, it will be tight with little work space to spare.

My usual adventure crew decided to give me another chance on exploring small venue retreats. Probably because this one has a great web-site with pictures and a Facebook page so there shouldn't be any surprises like in the past. We arrived on a Thursday morning using the directions from the web-site and easily found this unusual modern designed house in the deep woods...literally at the end of a road. We eagerly started unpacking gear and food. They do not provide food but the kitchen has everything you could possibly need including spices, foil, some condiments in the fridge and a bottle of wine to enjoy. There was a grill on the covered patio so we were golden! I love to grill. The view was wonderful with plenty of patio seating for taking breaks and enjoying the view.

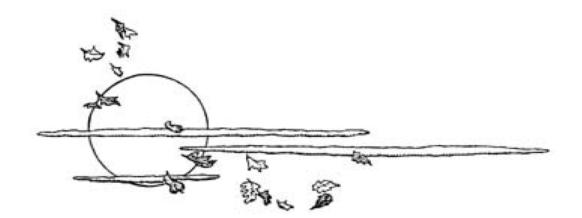
Deer visited in the early morning and evening. We even had a visit from a herd of wild pigs on Saturday night which I tried to scare off because they were so noisy and destructive. The owners are on property nearby so you're not alone in the woods. They will do anything they can to make your stay a good one. We went in town to the local quilt shop and of course spent money. We had lunch at a place off the square in town called Railhead Café that had a waiting line out front. It was good also. The retreat house is only a mile out of Athens so it was a quick trip then back to work.

This place is doing so well that they are starting to book up with repeat visitors so if you want to try it out, I suggest you hop on the calendar soon. I really enjoyed the place. The quiet and peace of it renewed my soul and spending time doing what I love is also great. You have to listen to the owners I-Pod player they have set up. Their playlist is eclectic and for me brings back memories from high school and other times. It was hours of off key sing-alongs and laughs.

I didn't want to leave...but they made me...

Carol Cook

PS: I heard dueling banjos!!!!!
Judy



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 November 13th at 6:00 at Jaycee Park.

We are still working on scrappy nine patches to exchange at our Christmas Party. They will be with a cream (no darker than a brown paper bag) with whatever color you chose for the rest of the nine patches. The mystery will be seeing the different settings for these nine patches. This should be a fun revealing of quilt tops.

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 Oct meeting I showed an Angel Quilt with a lamb on it. At the next Material Woman meeting we'll work on these. Please come join us. Bring 50- 3 ½" squares of white fabric for the body. These can be any white or off white. I use scraps but if you bring one fabric you can swap with the other ladies. I'll have the pattern and some background fabric to get us started. We meet at Holy Family in the gym building at 6:00. Everyone is welcome to join us. Join us in our project or bring your own.

Donna Reid 214 435-4148 donna@acdenterprises.com

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

48 Hr. Volunteer Workshop

Connie Angeles - Evelyn Banks Barbara Barry - Julie Beck —
Sandra Beissel - Jerry Bowen —
Shawn Carr - Linda Carr —
Nan Coleman — Carol Cook —
Barbara Coughlin - Judy Doggett Suzanna Fox - Sue Gray —
Susan Grewing - Theynia Haynie Susan Holt - LaCora McSwain —
June Page - Judy Poole —
Mickie Ray — Donna Reid —
Bonnie Sloan -Cindy Smith —
Jerry Tollett - Susan Turk —
Lori Vauble - Gail Walsh

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Connie Angeles

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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 BLUE COLOR FAT QUARTERS FOR THE NOVEMBER 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 77
New Members 0
Meeting Attendance 44
Guests 03
Total attending 47

November Birthdays

1	Jodi Rhea	
2	Belynda Dean	
2	Barbara Barry	
4	Nancy Watts	
8	Mickie Ray	
8	Yolanda Garcia	
9	Kristi Wilson	
19	Pam Chenault	
19	Dena Bartlett	
28	Jackie Wagner	





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 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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/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.

October 2017				
11/9/17	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church	
11/16/17	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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November Meeting Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts & Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink A G
- Fat Quarter for November is blue colors