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# President's Message

Greetings to Irving Quilt Guild members.....

I look forward to being President for the upcoming year! I hope you find time to sew and share your ideas with everyone to make this Guild the envy of the DFW area during 2018.

My hopes for IQG is to have some great programs, fun workshops, fantastic results from the Quilt Show in June and build new friendships as we move through the year. I think our community building ideas with the Membership Team will be very productive as well! There is one in March and we all should be able to contribute something and make it awesome!

Winter is here. It is a great time to quilt. Fix some hot tea, or coffee, crank up the music, and start your quilt for the Quilt Show! It will be due before we know it since the show is the first part of June.

I will be quilting as I finish Seasons 5, 6 and 7 of Downton Abbey. It is so good!

We as a group will make this year fantastic! You get out of it what you put in. If you have suggestions, please let me know. Happy January and Happy 2018!

Shawn



A thousand pardons – we were having so much fun at our Christmas Party that we forgot to hand out the "Perfect Attendance" awards. This will be done at the January meeting.



#### New Year's Day

New Year's Day falls on January 1 and marks the start of a new year according to the Gregorian calendar. It marks the end of New Year's Eve celebrations in the United States and gives many Americans a chance to remember the previous year.

#### **IQG** General Meeting Minutes

Date: December 21, 2017

Call to Order Time: 7:00 PM

Minutes from November approved as read.

Sunshine and Shadows: Connie Angeles welcomed three visitors and celebrated two new members. Connie also announced that Susie Rodgers had hip replacement; Shawn Carr asks for prayers for her mother and father-in-law; Charlene Adair and Alene Winn recently lost their mother.

Birthdays: November birthdays were recognized and gifted.

Linda Scott reminded members to turn in their raffle tickets to Sue Gray. A drawing will be held at the end of tonight's meeting for the quilt.

Donna Reid thanks all members for a very successful year of Angel Quilts. There is popcorn at the tables to say thank you. Susan Turk has information on the 48-hour quilt project.

Gail Walsh, who won last year's raffle quilt, donated the quilt to the Youth Group of Holy Family Church. The group sold raffle tickets and generated \$1850 for their efforts.

Shawn Carr set aside meeting time for Secret Santa gift exchange. Many lovely gifts were exchanged among those participating.

Susan Holt presented the President's Quilt to our outgoing president, Linda Scott.

We all played a game at our tables. Everyone received a stocking stuffed with sweets. There was one special stocking containing \$10 which a person at each table won.

The centerpieces at each table were awarded to a member sitting at the table.

Sue Gray held the raffle guilt drawing. The winner was Charlene Adair.

Meeting adjourned 7:35 PM.



### **Angel Quilts**

We turned a total of 241 Angel Quilts this year. That's 241 children who received a gift from us. It's so nice to see the creativity you put into these quilts. Thanks you!

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.

Donna Reid

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## NEWS from Love Thy Baby

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  $36 \times 36$  flannel. Small quilts  $36 \times 36$  are completely put together all you have to do is do the **quilting on top in the ditch or meandering**.

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

<sup>\*</sup>Small quilts are 1 for 1 Point

<sup>\*</sup>Surging or rolled hem on the receiving blankets 10 for 2 Points

<sup>\*</sup>Hats, Diaper Shirts and Booties are 10 for 2 Points.

#### "TEXAS THEMED FOLK ART AND CRAFTS"

#### **SUNDAY MARCH 11, 2018 - 1 TO 4 PM**

Your Help and Expertise is Needed! – If you are interested in participating, please contact Suzanna Fox at 805-391-0704 or smf62014@hotmail.com. We need ideas for several make and take projects to do with the families, help cutting out and putting together kits, at least four sewers and someone to demonstrate a quilting project. Once we have a team in place, we'll pick a date and time to get together and formulate a plan. THANK YOU!!!

#### QUILT SHOW IN THE FOCUS GALLERY AT THE IRVING ARTS CENTER

June 16<sup>th</sup> through July 8<sup>th</sup> 2018

A great opportunity to show off our Quilts and Guild to the City of Irving. This will take place after the Sewing and Quilt Expo. We will need approximately 20 Quilts for this exhibit. The hope is that some of the Quilts exhibited at the Expo will travel on to the Irving Arts Center.

Thank you – Suzanna Fox

#### Just a reminder! There is still time to sign up for the Bus!

#### Heart of Texas One Stop Shop Hop - January 5 and 6 - Waco, Texas

Quilters Dream is sponsoring a bus on Friday January 5 and a bus Saturday, January 6. Call <u>817-481-7105</u> to reserve your seat. Cost is \$40 which includes your admission into the hop. (If we fill the bus - we can drop the price lower!) The hop is at the Waco Convention Center and will feature more than 40 quilt shops, including Quilter's Dream.

Grab a buddy and sign up. You will spend more on gas driving yourself. So join in the fun and relax and let someone else do the driving.

Michelle Lewis Email Committee Chair Bear Creek Quilt Guild www.bearcreekquiltguild.org



#### **Book Club Selection**

#### The Camel Club

(2005) (The first book in the **Camel Club** series) A novel by David Baldacci

It exists at the fringes of Washington, D.C., has no power, and consists solely of four eccentric and downtrodden members whom society has forgotten. Their simple goal is to find the "truth" behind their country's actions.

One man leads this aging, ragtag crew. He has no known past and has taken the name "Oliver Stone." Day and night, Stone and his friends study wild conspiracy theories, current events, and the machinations of government, hoping to discover some truth that will hold America's leaders accountable to its citizens. Yet never in Stone's wildest nightmares could he imagine the conspiracy the Camel Club is about to uncover...

After witnessing a shocking murder, the Club is slammed headfirst into a plot that threatens the very security of the nation, full of stunning twists, high-stakes intrigue, and global gamesmanship rocketing to the Oval Office and beyond. Soon the Club must join forces with veteran Secret Service agent Alex Ford, who becomes an unwilling participant in one of the most chilling spectacles to ever take place on American soil. It's an event that may well be the catalyst for the long-threatened Armageddon between two different worlds, and all that stands in the way of this apocalypse are five unexpected heroes.

In THE CAMEL CLUB, bestselling author David Baldacci paints a frighteningly vivid portrait of a world that could be our own very soon, and the few people who have a chance to stop the chaos...

#### ~Crescent Sausage Bites~

#### Ingredients:

1 lb. sausage (pork or turkey)1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese2 packages crescent rolls

Dash salt & ground black pepper



In a saute pan, brown sausage; drain. Add a dash of salt and pepper. Blend in cream cheese until the cream cheese is melted.

Unroll one package of crescent rolls and place on a baking sheet. With your fingers, gently press the seams together to seal them. Spread the sausage mixture evenly over the crescent roll dough, leaving about a 1/2-inch border along the edges.

Unroll the remaining package of crescent rolls and place on top of the sausage mixture.

Press the edges together to seal. Gently press the seams together.

Bake at 375 degrees for about 20 minutes, or until crescent roll dough is golden brown.



#### Quilt of Valor Quilts Needed



We are again participating in the Defenders of Freedom Bar-B-Que in the spring.

If you want to give a quilt for this purpose I will need it by the April meeting. We had 18 quilts last year and I would love to top that this year. I have finished 6 so far and hope to get a few more done. Gail and I had a great time talking with these service men and women from all the wars and conflicts. They were able to enjoy live music and have great food in a relaxing atmosphere. You could visibly watch them unwind and talk with other people in the same situation as them. And when Gail and I started handing out those quilts and they saw what they were getting, it was heartwarming how they appreciated what the Irving

Guild was doing for them. I always tried to tell them a little bit about the maker so they would have a more personal idea of who would do this for them. And they were grateful for the award. We got lots of hugs and thanks from the men and their wives.

I posted pictures from last year's event on our website. I hope you go there and you can see the picture of who was awarded the quilt you made. And we will be doing that again so think about getting your hours in with a QOV and thanking these brave people who sacrificed so much all of us.

Thank you all for all your help.

Carol

Hello, my sweet sister has recently been moved to a memory care facility, so we're trying sell her Bernini 830 with fancy Koala cabinet quilters table. I don't know where to start! She made many amazing quilts on this fancy machine. It's been 5 years since she last quilted, and nobody else in the family knows how to use it. photos of the machine and table, offering interested parties to come to Carrollton to check it out and make an offer? This could get a great deal on a once-expensive machine & specialty quilters table.

Thank you.

Debbie Doyle
Debbie\_doyle@verizon.net



#### Quilt Show dates- June 7,8,9, 2018

Registration opens on-line on January 8<sup>th</sup> and closes March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Quilt check in is Monday June 4 from 12-4. Please note this is during the day instead of evening hours. If you work but have a quilt to turn in- we will help you or you can get someone to drop it off for you.

Pick up is Saturday June 9- 5:45 to 7 pm after the show.

Basic rules are pretty much the same with just a few changes in the category descriptions or divisions.

Important things to remember:

We are accepting quilts made in the last 5 years...could have been in another show just not last year's show. That should help everyone enter a quilt.

Nothing larger than 96 wide. Very important because they will not fit on the poles we have.

Hanging sleeve of minimum 4 inches wide FINISHED. If you have a quilt longer than 90 inches you need to put the sleeve there or add a second sleeve at 90 inches to keep your quilt off the floor.

Mini quilts will be handled differently because of the overabundance. Each guild will have a set number they can enter and the guilds will set the "Buy it Now" price. As soon as we hear the final numbers we will let you know. But go ahead and make a mini now and have it done.

All of this info is on the guild website for you to print off and reference later if needed. If for some reason you can't figure something out, let us know so we can discuss it early enough to help you. We are here to help you any way we can.

This was a great money maker last year. Ladies if we keep trying we can duplicate the results this year. We need you to enter your quilts (ours are prettier) and sell tickets and make a few minis for the auction. We will of course also have the Guild Booth as a money maker so think of items we can sell. Any quilts for sell will be done in the booths only. Start early and don't get caught up in a last-minute rush.

Next year I will also be running a booth for Quilts of Valor. I will need volunteers to sit in that booth throughout the show and answer questions and get blocks signed. Which is another thing ...we will need more blocks for signing as this show has lots of visitors.

If you have any questions please ask us. Thanks

Linda and Carol



Martin Luther King Day is a federal holiday held on the third Monday of January. It celebrates the life and achievements of Martin Luther King Jr., an influential American civil rights leader. He is most well-known for his campaigns to end racial segregation on public transport and for racial equality in the United States.

# **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 January 8 at 6:00 at J C Park.

Most of the Frayed Knots will be working on the Bonnie Hunter mystery quilt starting Black Friday so we won't start a new project until the mystery quilt is finished.

Everyone have a blessed Christmas and New Year.

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<sup>th</sup> 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)

Our December meeting we went to Olive Garden. We had a great time. The January meeting will be January 8<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome.

Donna Reid 214-435-4148 donna@acdenterprises.com

#### 48-point Appreciation class

This class will be held on January 20<sup>th</sup>. If you have earned 48 points or more you should have received the fabric requirement sheet. I have them if you need one.

34 ladies made the 48-hr. class

Thank you to all for all you do.

Donna Reid donna@acdenterprises.com

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

Happy New Year!

#### **Officers**

**President:** 

Shawn Carr

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:

Julie Beck

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President:

Susan Holt

Treasurer:

Cynthia Gladden

Secretary:

**Ginny North** 

# 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 NO COLOR FAT QUARTERS FOR THE JANUARY LOTTO!

# HELD!

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

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Thank You!
Judy Poole

#### 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.

#### Chairpersons

**Angel Quilts:** 

Donna Reid

Audit:

Wanda Dunn

**Door Prizes/Fabric Lotto:** 

**Connie Angeles** 

**Historian:** 

Nancy Norris

**Hospitality:** 

Sandy Beissel

**Keeper Quilts:** 

Janie Merritt

Love Thy Baby:

LaCora McSwain

Membership:

Nancy Norris/Suzanna Fox

**Newsletter Editor:** 

Judy Poole

**Nomination:** 

#### Parliamentarian:

#### **Quilt Show:**

Carol Cook

Janie Merritt

#### **Quilts of Valor:**

Carol Cook

**Raffle Quilt:** 

Linda Scott

Linda Scott

Scholarships:

Suzanna Fox

Sunshine & Shadow/

Welcoming:

**Connie Angeles** 

TAQG:

Cynthia Gladden

Webmaster:

Susan Turk

#### **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 79
New Members 1
Meeting Attendance 52
Guests 03
Total attending 55

# January Birthdays

2	Evelyn Banks		
6	Wanda Wyatt		
9	Linda Cole		
13	Patricia Vrla		
20	Anne Lawrence		
27	Bonnie Sloan		





#### **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 <a href="mailto:judyp343@tx.rr.com">judyp343@tx.rr.com</a>

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			
1/11/18	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
1/18/18	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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#### **January Meeting Reminders:**

- Items for Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts & Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink A-F
- Fat Quarter for January none skipping this month