



The Quilting Press

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President's Message

Another month has come and gone with us still not being able to meet. I hope everyone is doing well and staying busy. I have inquired with the church to see if and when they will let larger groups meet. I know it will not be in September since they are limiting the number in bible study to fifteen.

I miss seeing you ladies each month and seeing the beautiful quilts shown each month. 2020 has certainly been a year we will not forget anytime soon. Hopefully, we can get the election and COVID-19 behind us so 2021 will be a better year. We can work on quilts and other projects while we are home and when we do meet, we should have several fun meetings catching up with everyone.

The quilt shops are open now, so I hope you have visited some of them. There are some beautiful fall and Christmas fabrics out there. I am getting ready to start Holiday Lodge by Moda for my Christmas quilt. I am also going to make an Ohio Star in Christmas colors. I want to complete them so I can use them this Christmas.

My well wishes are with each and every one of you and hoping you have a good month of piecing. Do not hesitate to call if you have any questions or concerns.

Happy quilting,

Linda Scott



Halloween is not an official holiday. Government offices and businesses are open as usual and public transit services run on regular schedules. If you drive around in late afternoon or evening, it is important to keep a careful lookout for children who are unaccustomed to being out on the street after dark. If they are wearing dark costumes or masks, they may be less easy to see than normal. They may also be excited and dart out unexpectedly from between vehicles or behind bushes..

Angel Quilt Show and Tell



Columbus Day, which is annually on the second Monday of October, remembers

Christopher Columbus' arrival to the Americas on October 12, 1492. This holiday is controversial because the European settlement in the Americas led to the demise of the history and culture of the indigenous peoples.

Angel Quilts

This month I was given another 22 Angel Quilts. They are at my house waiting for Scottish Rite to accept them. I know it'll be soon and we'll be ready. If you have Angel Quilts made and want to get them out of your way I'll take them. You can bring them over. If I'm not home have them in a bag so they don't get dirty and put them by my door. It faces the neighbor so no one sees what's there.

If you've never made an Angel Quilt think about making one. If you have made one how about making another!

The sizes of the Angel Quilts are Length plus Width must be at least 90" for a small quilt worth 4 points. Length plus Width of 120 or more is a large quilt worth 8 points. Please remember to measure your top before you quilt it.

Thanks to all for your continued support.

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

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 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 Point

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.

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2020 Mystery Quilt Challenge – Assemble Units

Susan Turk



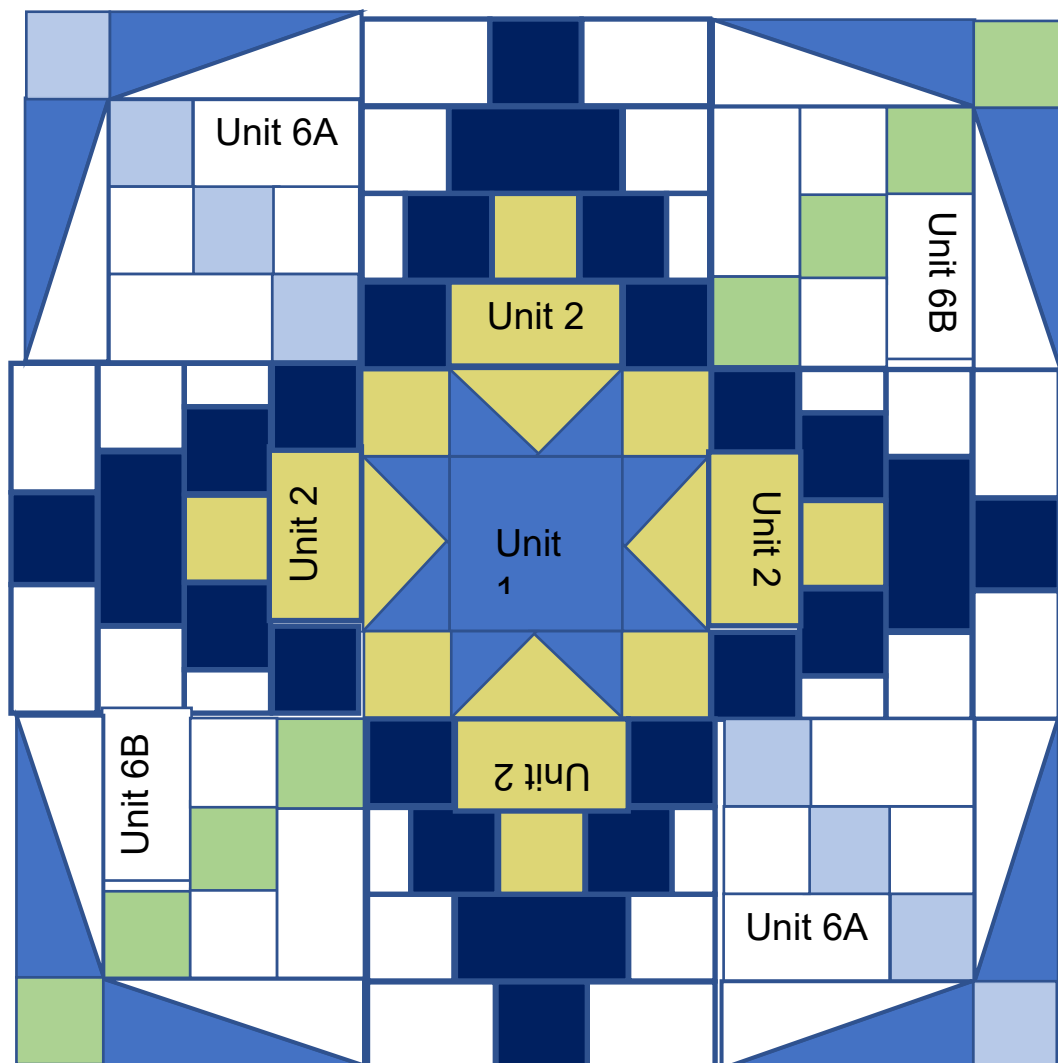
Summary:

Assemble units into Blocks and sew blocks together.

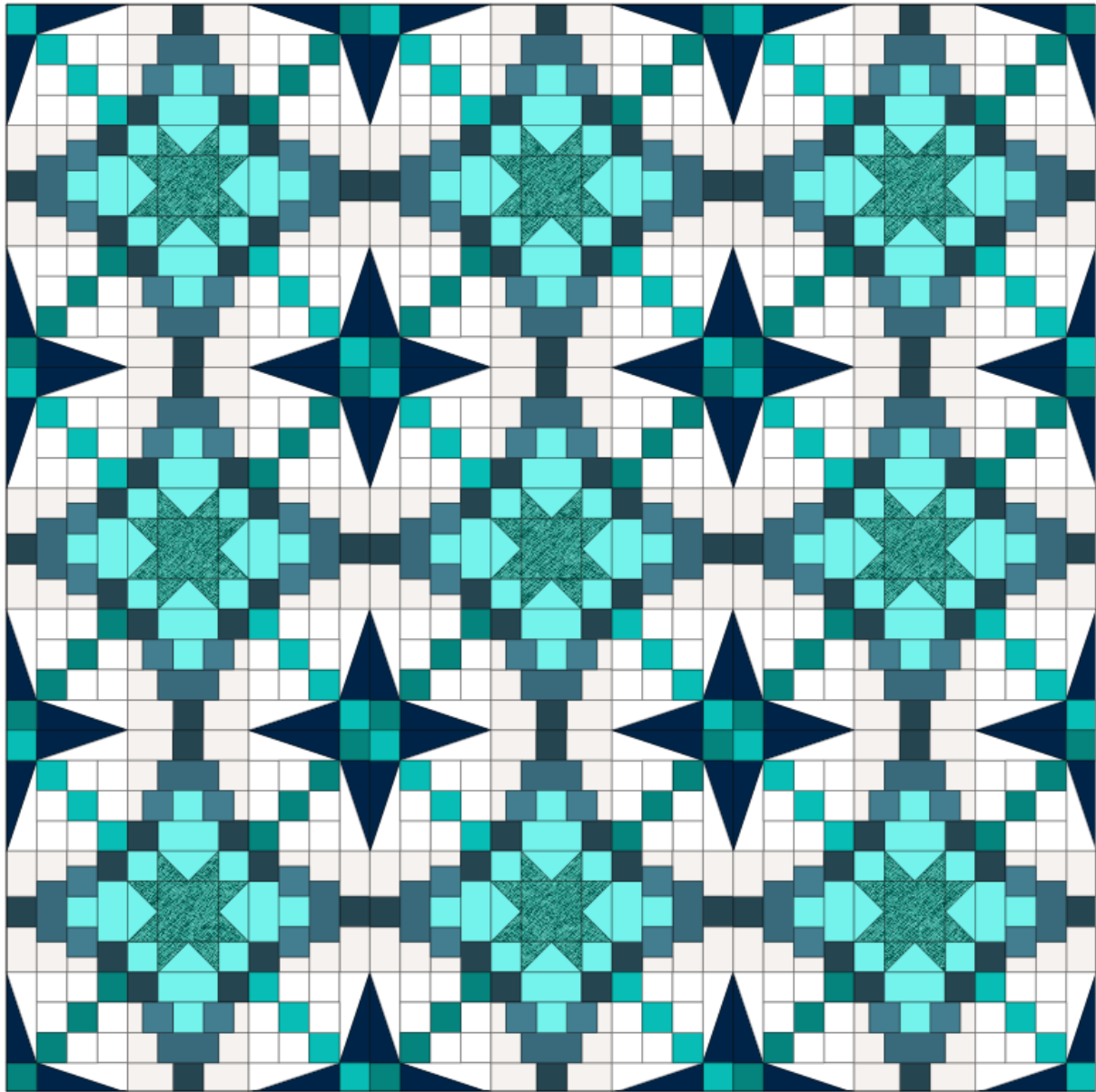
Detail Instructions

Units 1, 2, 6A and 6B

Assemble Block according to diagram. Sew blocks together 3 across and 3 down (total of 9 – see next page) to create your quilt top. Add borders as you like.



*** If you have any questions, please email Susan Turk (susanturk182@hotmail.com)



Murder Past Due

(2010)

(The first book in the Cat in the Stacks Mystery series)

A novel by Miranda James

There's a cat in the stacks...

...and he makes the purr-fect partner for a librarian-turned-sleuth.

Everyone in Athena, Mississippi, knows librarian Charlie Harris-and his Maine coon cat named Diesel that he walks on a leash. They also know his former classmate-turned-famous bestselling novelist, Godfrey Priest.

But someone in Athena took Godfrey off the bestseller lists- permanently, and with extreme prejudice. Now, Charlie and Diesel must browse through the history section of the town's past to find a killer.

Friendship Groups

Guild members are cordially invited to join a sewing group for fellowship, growth and stitching.

Most groups have room for new members.

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

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Material Woman

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

We meet at Holy Family Church. Our meeting time is 3:00 but until the church opens we can't meet. Each meeting we have a pattern to learn and work on together. You're always welcome to bring your own project to work on. All are welcome.

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Frayed Knots

(Second: Monday 4:30PM – 6PM)

We meet at Jaycee Park Large Room on the 2nd Monday of the month at 1:00pm to sew and around 4:30 we have a meeting, and we usually leave by 6 unless someone wants to continue sewing until 11PM. The next meeting will be in August, co-vid virus permitting, and Irving City opens the building for use. I will send out an email when we are able to meet.

I hope everyone is working on their frayed knots exchange blocks. I plan to start mine at retreat. Procrastination is my biggest problem. I have cleaned most of my sewing room, found a quilt top from 2011 from Quilters Dream block of month that just needed borders to finish and I even found the finishing kit that I had bought. It is now finished and ready to go to the quilters. Now I just need to get busy on all the quilts that I need to do bindings on.

Feel free to join us if you can. If you have any questions about Frayed Knots, please feel free to call me.

Sue Gray

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Cowboy Caviar

Makes 8 servings

Prep Time: 10 minutes

Total Time: 1 hour 10 minutes

Ingredients

- 3 cups seeded and diced Roma tomatoes (about 1 pound Roma tomatoes)
- 1 – 15-ounce can corn kernels, rinsed and drained
- 1 cup seeded and diced bell pepper, any color (about 1 medium pepper)
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup red onion or shallot, small diced
- 1 – 15-ounce can black beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 – 15-ounce can black-eyed peas, rinsed and drained
- 1 jalapeño, seeded and minced (optional)
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup chopped cilantro (about $\frac{1}{2}$ bunch fresh cilantro)
- 1 to 2 avocados, sliced (optional)

DRESSING

- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice (about 1 lime)
- 1 teaspoon honey
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 1 clove garlic, pressed or minced
- 1 to 2 teaspoons salt, or to taste
- $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon freshly ground black pepper, or to taste



Directions

1. In a large bowl, add the diced tomatoes, corn kernels, diced bell pepper, diced red onion, black beans, black-eyed peas, and minced jalapeño. Stir to combine.

Cucumber, Onion, and Tomato Salad!

3 Tomatoes, 3 cucumbers, 1 onion, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup apple cider vinegar, 1 teaspoon of cracked pepper, 2 table spoons of sugar (TOTALLY YOUR CHOICE... Me, I say without), 2 teaspoons of salt, 1 cup of water, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup of olive oil, mix well...that's it.

Let it chill for 1-2 hours... That simple.

1. In a small bowl, add the olive oil, red wine vinegar, lime juice, honey, cumin, minced garlic, salt and black pepper. Whisk the dressing ingredients together until well-combined.
2. Pour the dressing into the large bowl over the veggies. Add the cilantro and stir to combine. Taste and adjust the seasoning, if needed.
3. Cover and chill for at least 1 hour, or overnight to blend flavors.
4. Serve chilled or at room temperature, with sliced avocado or corn chips, as desired.

Chef's Tip If including the avocado, wait to slice until ready to serve, so it does not turn brown in the meantime.

Masks

Thank you everyone who made masks for the Salvation Army and Saint Vincent DePaul. They were so amazed we made them. Covid is ongoing. If you want to make more, they'll use them. If you want to make Angel Quilts, I'll take them. So many choices.

Stay safe.

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Defenders of Freedom Picnic 2020

The picnic went off without a hitch on Monday September 14th. They changed it to a Monday because they had to do the golf tournament on Tuesday. The bus arrived and the party started. The band was back and the music was playing when they got off the bus. There were about 21 new veterans and the rest of the guys had been here before. Because of COVID the WWII guys couldn't attend. We had one sweet man who was from the Korean War who came to play golf with the guys and I gave him a quilt also. In all I gave out 25 quilts and they LOVED THEM!! This year a lot of the sponsors stopped by the picnic just to see what all the fuss was about and they stayed the whole time also. There was brisket, pulled pork, chicken and sausage with all the usual fixings. The weather was perfect so a raging game of corn hole was started. I have posted the pictures on my Facebook page and sent some to Susan Turk to see if we can get them to the Guild website. If you "Like" the Defenders of Freedom Facebook page you can see the pictures the guys took themselves, the ones from the golf tournament, the picnic and also from the treatment center some of the guys went to while here. These guys truly loved getting the quilts and there were oohs and aahs over each quilt as it was unfolded.

I can't thank you enough for all your efforts toward this organization. These guys are so humble and sweet. The next picnic is still scheduled for May of 2021 which is less than a year away. I have 2 quilts left at my house and that's it. Please keep these men and women in mind as you sit and sew and maybe make a quilt or two for them. We will need them for sure.

Thanks for all you do. Hope to be able to see you in person soon.

Carol Cook

BLUE CHRISTMAS – 2020 VERSION

Blue Christmas is a project of the Irving Fire Department and the Irving Police Department. Although we may not be able to have a meeting in November, I hope you will still be generous in giving gifts for **Irving children**. Last year Blue Christmas provided gifts and food for 400 Irving families. The kids and families are selected with help from the Irving ISD. **NEW unwrapped gifts**, canned food or other non-perishable food, and cash are needed. Your donations can be delivered to ME, at my house, or I will come to your house to pick them up.

The website is **irvingbluechristmas.org**. Scroll down the home screen to "Make a donation." Click on "Donate toys and food." This gives a list of items needed.

The Facebook page is **Irving Police and Fire Blue Christmas**. Several blue Christmas events are listed for October and November where donations may be dropped off.

The following list includes the most needed items.

- *ANYTHING for a teenage girl
- *Books for teens, both boys and girls
- *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. A NEW gift for any age child will be appreciated, but the items for older children and teens are the most needed.

Evelyn Banks 972-252-5290

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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.

Membership

Current Members	73
New Members	0
Meeting Attendance	0
Guests	0
Total attending	0

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.

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October Birthdays

3	Julie Beck
3	Sarah Poole
6	Donna Reid
6	Rene` Ross
7	Debbie Weiblen
9	Barbara Martin
11	Lori Vauble
16	Deborah Kay
23	Marie Carr
28	Judy Doggett
28	Shane Poole
30	Joyce Dugosh



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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\$29/3 mo; \$56/6 mo; \$110/yr.

Full pg (7X9.5) \$21/mo; \$56.50/3 mo;
\$107/6 mo; \$210/yr.

October 2020			
10/8/20	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
10/15/20	Guild Meeting	6:30 – 9:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
2nd Monday	Frayed Knots	4:30 - 6:00 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](http://www.IrvingQuiltGuild.com)



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October 15 Meeting Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
 - ❖ Angel Quilts
 - ❖ Quilt of Valor
 - ❖ Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink – ???