



The Quilting Press

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President's Message

Another month has come and gone; I continue to pray everyone is well. I am hoping 2021 is a better year for everyone.

We are going to have a Zoom general meeting in November, so look on You tube for how to be in a meeting. I am going to have to learn about this. Please plan to join us on the 3rd Thursday at 7:00 P.M. for the meeting. We will only have a speaker, no show and tell, and probably not a business meeting. If you need help the Board will try to help you, please let us know if you do need help.

TAQG no longer exists, it has been dissolved, we received \$227.00 from them. They have been in the process of dissolving these last few months and now it is finalized.

We did not have any Na's (hope this is spelled correctly) for the officers keeping their position for next year so we will keep the same officers for next year.

We have also heard that the Dallas Quilt Show has been cancelled for 2021. Just wanted to let everyone know.

Have a good month of piecing and will see some of you at the retreat.

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.

Angel Quilt Show and Tell

Sandy Beissell received fabric from Darlene Farmer's estate and made these beautiful Angel Quilts.



Use return address labels.

They are great for identifying rulers, mats, rotary cutters and other small tools you take with you on retreats and workshops. If they are left behind, the finders will know how to contact you!

When you finish a big project, reward your machine with a nice cleaning.

Also, refold and store unused or leftover fabrics. File the patterns and tools that were needed. Refill bobbins replace rotary blades if needed and restock any supplies that were used up. A quick tidy of your sewing space will leave it ready for a new project!

HOW MANY SQUARES IN A FAT QUARTER?

6 1/2".....	6
6".....	9
5 1/2".....	12
5".....	12
4 1/2".....	16
4".....	20
3 1/2".....	30
3".....	42
2 1/2".....	56
2".....	99

How many strips can I get from 1 yard of fabric?

Strip size:	# strips:	Strip size:	# strips:
1.5"	23	4.5"	7
2"	17	5"	7
2.5"	13	5.5"	6
3"	11	6"	5
3.5"	10	7"	5
4"	8	8"	4

Angel Quilts

We did it, we did it. No, we haven't donated 300 Angel Quilts YET but Wednesday we turned in 143 quilts. Our total so far this year is 190. Yeah!! Scottish Rite is open for the children. They allow one person to accompany the child. The children need our quilts more than ever. I filled my husband's Jeep, my car was too small, and met Stephanie at the front door. When you have Angel Quilts ready contact me and we'll get together.

Since the Angel Quilts are turned in, I picked Lite Red Raffle tickets and the extra sail boat/checkerboard ticket. I emailed each winner to ask which thank you prize they choose, 4 points, batting or \$20.00 certificate good towards having an Angel Quilt quilted. Keep making Sail Boats and Checkerboard quilts because I'll have another drawing. Congratulations to everyone.

Lite Red winners: Suzanna Fox, Sandy Beissel, Susan Grewing and Gail Walsh.

Sail Boat/ Checkerboard winners: Maria Prez, Evelyn Banks, Anne Lawrence and Susan Doe.

Remember add one length and one width to get the size. A 90" quilt is small worth 4 points while 120" is large for 8 points.

Wear your face mask and wash your hands. Clean hands are good for our fabric as well.

Donna Reid 214 435-4148 donna@acdenterprises.com



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.

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



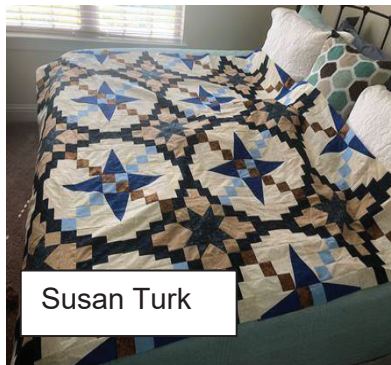


2020 Mystery Quilts

Thank you so much for sending me your pictures of your completed quilt tops. Continue sending them to Susan Turk via email.



Anne
Lawrence



Susan Turk



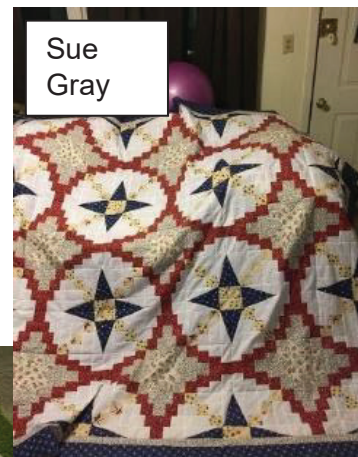
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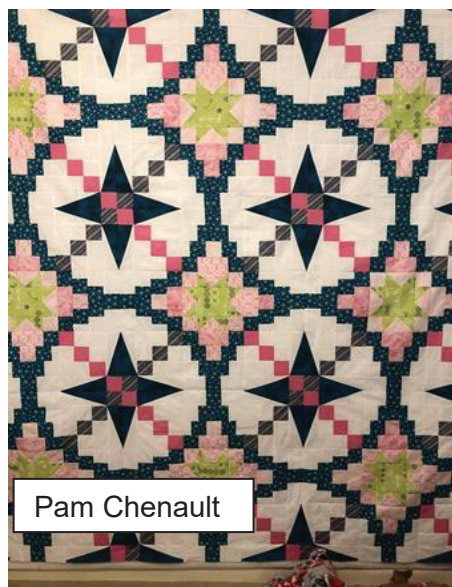
Jerry



Carol



Sue
Gray



Pam Chenault



Connie Angeles



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.



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've changed the time of Material Women. Our meetings are at Holy Family in the Gym building now from 3-6 or when we get tired of socializing. We work on new patterns usually making an Angel Quilt but not a requirement. You can bring something you are already planning to do. Holy Family campus is closed. When they open, we're ready to sew. All are welcome.

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Frayed Knots

(Second: Monday 4:30PM – 6PM)

One of these days we will meet again at Jaycee Park 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 after the first of the year when the City opens the facilities again. But until then we need to figure out if we want to get together to exchange our blocks and/or have dinner. Let me know what you think.

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 been busy finishing quilts and am taking several projects to retreat just for that purpose. 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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Happy Trails

Patricia Vrla is moving to Fate, TX. to be closer to family. Her son has scouted nearby Quilting stores and Guilds. Patricia has been a member of our Guild since 2013. We will miss her wonderful deserts, her beautiful quilts and most of all we will miss her. Happy Trails Patricia!

The Best Chicken Soup You'll Ever Eat

The BEST chicken soup you'll ever eat is the best homemade nourishing healthy soup when you're feeling under the weather. Packed with anti-inflammatory ingredients like ginger, turmeric, garlic. This is the BEST CHICKEN SOUP RECIPE EVER!

Prep Time 10 minutes

Cook Time 35 minutes

Total Time 45 minutes

Servings 6 servings

Calories 269 kcal

Author Monique of AmbitiousKitchen.com

Ingredients

- 1 tablespoon avocado oil or olive oil
- 6 cloves of garlic, minced
- 1 yellow onion, diced
- 2 large carrots, thinly sliced
- 2 celery stalks, roughly chopped
- 1 tablespoon fresh grated ginger
- 1 tablespoon fresh grated turmeric (or 1 teaspoon ground turmeric)
- 6 cups low sodium chicken broth
- 1 pound boneless skinless chicken breast or thighs
- 1 teaspoon freshly chopped rosemary
- 1 teaspoon freshly chopped thyme, stems removed
- ½ teaspoon salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup pearl or Israeli couscous
- 2/3 cup frozen peas (optional, but recommended)

Instructions

1. Place a large dutch oven or pot over medium high heat and add in oil. Once oil is hot, add in garlic, onion, carrots and celery; cook for a few minutes until onion becomes translucent.
2. Next add in grated ginger and grated turmeric. Saute for 30 seconds to let the spices cook a bit, then add in chicken broth, chicken breast, rosemary, thyme, salt and pepper.
3. Bring soup to a boil, then stir in couscous. You'll want the chicken to be covered by the broth so make sure you stir them down to the bottom.
4. Reduce heat to medium low and simmer uncovered for 20-25 minutes or until chicken is fully cooked.
5. Once chicken is cooked, remove with a slotted spoon and transfer to a cutting board to shred with two forks. Add chicken back to pot then stir in frozen peas. If you find that you don't have enough broth, feel free to add in another cup. Everyone likes their soup differently. Taste and adjust seasonings, if necessary. Enjoy.

Recipe Notes

To make vegetarian or vegan: Use vegetarian broth and sub 1 can of drained chickpeas for chicken.



Volunteer Hours:

Please verify your hours. If you see any discrepancies, please email Susan Turk at susanturk182@hotmail.com.

Last Updated : 10/18/2020

2020 Volunteer Hours

Member	Hours	Member	Hours	Member	Hours
Ackerman, Marilyn	0	Fox, Suzanna	49	Perez, Maria	68
Adair, Charlene	0	Garcia, Yolanda	0	Poole, Judy	32
Amador, Cynthia	0	Gladden, Cynthia	5.5	Ray, Mickie	0
Angeles, Connie	0	Glasgow, Virginia	0	Reid, Donna	142.5
Banks, Evelyn	46.25	Gray, Sue	0	Rolf, Wanda	0
Barry, Barbara	0	Grewing, Susan	50	Ross, Rene'	0
Bartlett, Dena	0	Harless, Mae	0	Schacht, Sara	20
Beck, Julie	0	Haynie, Thenia	0	Scott, Linda	0
Beissel, Sandy	141	Henegar, Gayle	0	Shehee, Pansy	0
Bowen, Jerry	48	Holt, Susan	59	Sloan, Bonnie	122
Carr, Marie	0	Hyde, Susan	0	Smith, Mary Sue	0
Carr, Shawn	16	Jauregar, Cynthia	4.5	Sullivan, Jean	20
Chenault, Pam	24	Jones, Debbie	0	Tollett, Jerry	60
Chipman, Ernestine	0	Kay, Deborah	0	Turk, Susan	109
Clary, Joni	0	Larison, Karon	0	Vauble, Lori	62
Cole, Linda	260	Lawrence, Anne	36	Vrla, Patricia	0
Coleman, Nan	46	Martin, Barbara	0	Wagner, Jackie	0
Cook, Carol	48	McSwain, La Cora	52	Walsh, Gail	84
Coughlin, Barbara	20	Merritt, Janie	25	Watts, Nancy	0
Doe, Susan	61.5	Nallon, Jerry	0	Wilson, Kristi	12
Doell, Elaine	0	Norris, Nancy	12.5	Winn, Alene	0
Doggett, Judy	18	North, Ginny	0	Witherspoon, Ann	0
Dugosh, Joyce	0	Page, June	0		

2021 Retreat Dates:

Hopefully, 2021 will look better than 2020. Start planning for next year's retreat and hopefully the centers will be able to handle full capacity.

The dates are:

Compass Centre – March 18-21, 2021

Red Boot – October 14-17, 2021

Happy Retreating,
Susan Turk

Little Bitty Lies

(2003)

A novel by Mary Kay Andrews.

In a suburban Atlanta neighborhood where divorce is as rampant as kudzu, Mary Bliss McGowan doesn't notice that her own marriage is in trouble until the summer night she finds a note from her husband, telling her he's gone-and taken the family fortune with him.

Stunned and humiliated, a desperate Mary Bliss, left behind with her seventeen-year-old daughter, Erin, and a mountain of debt, decides to salvage what's left of her life by telling one little bitty lie.

At first, Mary Bliss simply tells friends and family that Parker is out of town on a consulting job. Then the lies start to snowball, until Parker turns up dead. Or does he?

Mary Bliss's formerly staid existence careens into overdrive as she copes with an oversexed teenager, a mother-in-law with Ethel Merman delusions, and the sudden but delicious shock of finding herself pursued by two men: the next-door neighbor who's looking for a suitable second wife, and a dangerously attractive ex-cop who's looking for the truth about Parker McGowan.

Little Bitty Lies is a comic Southern novel about all the important things in life: marriage and divorce, mothers and daughters, friendship and betrayal, small-town secrets, and one woman's lifelong quest for home-and the perfect recipe for chicken salad.

Quilting Techniques Every Quilter Should Master

Read directions first, cut later. To help avoid mistakes down the line, always read the complete cutting instructions before you begin.

Make the most of your yardage. Cut out the larger shapes before turning to the smaller ones. "Even though I try to be super careful and follow the 'measure twice, cut once' rule, mistakes can happen," says Linda. "If I accidentally miscut a larger shape, it's usually possible to cut a smaller shape out of that oops piece."

Use tools wisely. When rotary cutting, start with the blade about ½" up on the ruler, then cut it back to the tip and then cut forward. "If you always start cutting at the tip, the tip of your ruler will get chipped away from the blade over time and no longer be square,"

Be precise. To ensure points and seams match perfectly, you must cut correctly, sew accurately, and press precisely. "Pressing is an equal part of the three," says Linda. "You cannot skimp on this step. Pressing seams flat, and open is a must." Make sure to press each seam before moving onto the next step.

Press correctly. Pressing is achieved by moving the iron up and down on the fabric rather than ironing, which moves the iron back and forth across the fabric. "Ironing can stretch the fabric and cause the shape to become distorted,"



Officers

President:

Linda Scott

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Shawn Carr

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Linda Cole

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Lotto:

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Hospitality:

Susan Holt

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Janie Merritt

Love Thy Baby:

LaCora McSwain

Membership:

Suzanna Fox

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Judy Poole

Nomination:

Parliamentarian:

Quilt Show:

Carol Cook

Susan Holt

Quilts of Valor:

Carol Cook

Sunshine & Shadow/

Welcoming:

Connie Angeles

TAQG:

Cynthia Gladden

Webmaster:

Susan Turk

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.

Long Arm Machine Quilters

Linda Cole	214-727-4397
Janie Merritt	469-644-2867
Linda Scott	972-986-7890
Bonnie Sloan	972-252-8067
Susan Turk	214-236-7975
Deborah Kay	817-881-0069

November Birthdays

2	Barbara Barry
3	Joni Clary
4	Nancy Watts
8	Mickie Ray
8	Yolanda Garcia
9	Kristi Wilson
16	Susan Doe
19	Pam Chenault
19	Dena Bartlett
26	Merilyn Ackerman
28	Jackie Wagner



Happy Thanksgiving



THANK YOU, JUDY

Every month Judy Poole publishes our newsletter with so much thought and creativity. Besides the guild updates – she includes book reviews, recipes and beautiful artwork. The Guild newsletter keeps us connected in so many ways – and more so during this year of the pandemic. Thank you again Judy!

Suzanna Fox

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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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\$15/3 mo; \$29/6 mo; \$57/yr.

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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			
11/2/20	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
11/19/20	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!**

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november 19 Meeting Reminders:

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