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President's Message

I have talked with Ron the associate pastor at the church, and they are not letting outside groups meet at the church at this time. So, it will be a while before we meet in person.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Easter and gets to spend it with family. I am so ready for spring and planting flowers. I have been wanting to make a spring quilt with lovely spring colors.

Hopefully, your creative juices are flowing, and you are planning your next quilt.

I want to thank the officers and committee chairman's for working so hard to keep in touch with everyone and Susan Turk for setting up our monthly Zoom meetings. I really enjoy the zoom meetings and visiting with everyone. If you need help with getting into a Zoom meeting please let one of know and we will help you.

Be sure and work on your show, as of now the show is still on for August of this year. So, get those quilts ready!

Have a good month of quilting and see you in April.

Happy quilting,

Linda Scott

Happy April Fools Day!

Family Fun Day at Irving Arts Center - March 14, 2021

A BIG VIRTUAL SUCCESS. 75 Kits were made, and 75 kits were handed out. The Guild is a favorite with the families. Thank you, Susan Turk, for making the placemats and selecting the beautiful designs you quilted on them. These are always a big hit with the kids.

The Easter Sunday date varies because it is determined using a calculated lunar calendar. It is the first Sunday approximately after the first full moon on or after the March equinox. Many Christians celebrate Jesus Christ's resurrection on Easter Sunday. It is also a time for decorating eggs or sharing chocolate eggs among friends and family.



IRVING QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 18, 2021

Meeting called to order at 6:55pm by Linda Scott.

The meeting was held on Zoom.

Linda Scott reported that Oakview Church still will not let groups meet. The City of Irving also will not let groups use the city facilities. Until further notice, we will continue to have our guild meetings on Zoom.

Suzanna Fox said that Family Fun Day was a success. We provided 75 activities to be distributed and all of them were used. This is a better record than other participating companies.

Sunshine and Shadows reports:

Marie Carr has moved. Her new address is to come. Over the weekend, Marie took a turn for the worse. Our prayers are with her and her family.

Mickie Ray has been hospitalized for an infection. She hopes to be going home soon.

LaCora McSwain's pastor passed away suddenly. He had led her church for many years.

Nancy Norris talked with Ethel Raines on her birthday. She is 100 years old! And she is feeling fine.

Cynthia Gladden asked for corrections to the February minutes posted in the newsletter. Having no corrections, the minutes are approved as written.

Donna Reid said Thank You to our members for the many Angel quilts which have been donated. So far, we have provided about 100 quilts in 2021.

Shawn Carr introduced the speaker for this meeting, David Ciambro. Mr. Camborne is an author of mystery novels with a quilting theme. His program explained what it takes to be a mystery writer and where he gets his information on the quilts featured in his novels. His books can be found on Amazon.

Meeting adjourned 7:47 pm.



Guild Membership 2021

Just a reminder – your 2020 Membership will be carried over to 2021.

Only new members to the Guild will be charged dues.

Not Yo' Mama's Banana Pudding

BY PAULA DEEN

Ingredients

- 1 (12-oz) container frozen whipped topping, thawed, or equal amount
- sweetened whipped cream
- 1 (14-oz) can sweetened condensed milk
- 1 (8-oz) package cream cheese, softened
- 2 cups milk
- 1 (5-oz) box instant French vanilla pudding mix
- 6 to 8 bananas, sliced
- 2 bags chessmen cookies

Directions

Line the bottom of a 13x9x2-inch dish with 1 bag of cookies and layer bananas on top. In a bowl, combine the milk and pudding mix and blend well using a handheld electric mixer. Using another bowl, combine the cream cheese and condensed milk together and mix until smooth. Fold the whipped topping into the cream cheese mixture. Add the cream cheese mixture to the pudding mixture and stir until well blended. Pour the mixture over the cookies and bananas and cover with the remaining cookies. Refrigerate until ready to serve.

A Catered Murder

(The first book in the [Mystery with Recipes](#) series) A novel by [Isis Crawford](#)

When Bernadette Simmons goes to work for her sister Libby's catering business in New York, it's a recipe for disaster as the two find themselves in the midst of a murder mystery they can really sink their teeth into. It's only been a few days since Bernie and Libby started working together I A Little Taste of Heaven, and already they've got their hands full - baking cookies and slicing rare beef tenderloin to serve at a high school reunion. The dinner has a "Dracula" theme and a very strange guest of honour: Laird Wrenn, a New York Times bestselling author of vampire novels. Libby and Bernie know this will be an evening unlike any other. And they're proven right when Laird pours a glass of water, takes a long sip - and drops stone-cold dead...Now, with murder on the menu and Libby under suspicion, the sisters will have to put their heads together to figure out whodunit - in a mystery that promises to be deadly to the very last bite.

Angel Quilts

Angel Quilt Update

Last month I wined, not in the good way, and you felt sorry for me. Maybe you just wanted me to shut up. I don't care because either way the children at Scottish Rite win. This month you beautiful ladies turned in 63 Angel Quilts. YEAH!! This brings the total Angel Quilt count to 94.

When you have completed Angel Quilts, turn them in to me. We'll get together or you can leave them on my porch which faces the neighbor not the street. Please include a paper with your quilts. I need your name, quilters name if someone quilted it for free so they receive points and the sizes. All of the quilts can be put on one sheet of paper.

The new Angel Quilt pattern is a heart. We'll use this pattern for a bonus raffle all year. Monthly prize is a \$20.00 gift certificate towards quilting on your next Angel Quilt. ANY heart block will do in any color. Look on the IQG web site for patterns. You're quilters. Show your creativity.

In the month of March Maria Perez won the \$20.00 gift certificate towards quilting for her beautiful heart quilt. So many quilts were turned in I decided to award two Lite Red Raffle quilt points. Jerry Bowen and Lori Vauble each will receive 4 points.

Thank you for all of your wonderful and creative work.

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

Thank you.

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

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
972-790-9024



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)

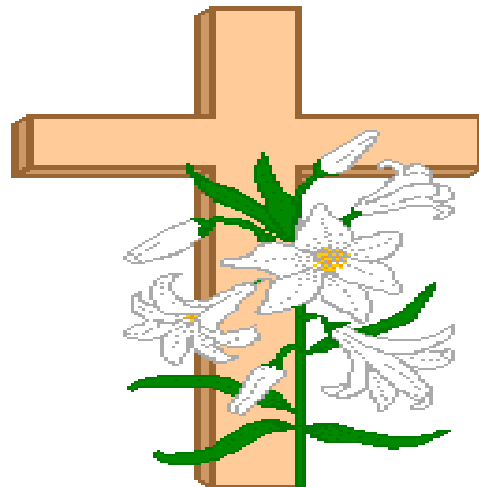
We meet at Jaycee Park Large Room on the 2nd Monday of the month at 1:00pm to sew and around 4:30 when we have a meeting, and we usually leave by 6 unless someone wants to continue sewing until 11PM. Irving City has not opened the building for use. I will send out an email when we are able to meet.

It is nice to have some good weather to enjoy even though we are getting rain every other week.

I know everyone is still in clean-up mode after the ice but keep sewing and thinking about what we should do as a group. I have been busy finishing more quilts and trying to think of a good project to do for Frayed Knots, so everyone please come up with some more ideas to do even if it is just a challenge using our own material that we have on hand to make a quilt.

If you have any questions about Frayed Knots, please feel free to call me.

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Sue Gray 214-850-9517



The following tips are from Simple Simon & Company tutorials. “If you have never tried wool appliqué but have wanted to, give it a go! Here are a few tips and tricks to help you on your way:

If you are new to wool appliqué, start with a small project.

Then, if you enjoy it, continue on to find larger or more complicated projects.

The terms “full” and “felting” basically mean the same thing which is to get your wool ready to work with by washing in hot water and drying on high heat.

When your wool is “full” or felted,” it should not fray, which makes it perfect for raw edge appliqué! No need to turn the edges under.

Serrated scissors work best for cutting wool, because they help to grip, rather than push the wool when cutting.

For a more accurate cut, you can iron freezer paper onto your wool when cutting out your appliqué pieces. (The freezer paper will act like a stabilizer for your wool!) To do this, trace the shape to be cut onto the dull side of the freezer paper. Then, using medium heat, press the freezer paper with the traced side up just for a few seconds to the right side of your wool. Next, cut through both the freezer paper and the wool to get your desired shape. Then gently peel off the freezer paper.

When cutting out shapes of wool, cut just outside your traced image, rather than right on the line.

Rather than pinning wool pieces onto the area where they will be appliquéd, you can use apply fusible backing or glue. (This is all personal preference and those who work with wool usually are pretty loyal to their system. so, find what works best for you! Each method will have it’s pros and cons.)

Don’t worry about stitch perfection. Wool projects lend themselves nicely to projects that are supposed to look more primitive and handmade. so just have fun and don’t beat yourself up over techniques!



Prevent shadows. To avoid shadowing when working with high-contrast fabrics, such as red and white, press the fabric seam toward the darker fabric or press seams open. “I prefer pressing seams open,” says Linda. “It takes a little more time and attention, but the results are definitely worth it.”

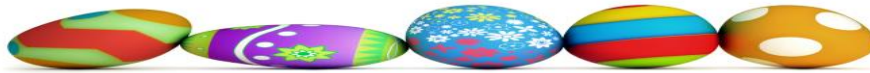
Trim loose threads. “When working with high-contrast fabrics, the back of the quilt top is just as important as the front,” says Linda. She recommends clipping and removing loose threads because “darker stray threads will shadow through the lighter fabric once the quilt is quilted.”

Prevent appliqué from shifting. For machine appliqué, Linda suggests using a small spot of washable fabric glue to hold the pre-fused appliqué shapes in place before pressing them to the background.

Secret Threads: A Virginia Davies Mystery

by David_Camborne

Virginia Davies Clark, the quilt Bee leader, or Queen Bee, as the others in the group called her, are set to expand their Beehive Quilt Bee by inviting newcomer Amanda Radford, a retired engineer, into their group. Amanda is well known for her crafty patchwork and her exquisite, prize-winning quilts. She recently moved from Galveston to Georgetown, Texas. She joined the Quilt Guilds in Georgetown and in Round Rock. Her crafty reputation could perk up the Beehive Quilt Bee's patchwork proceedings, especially as they prepare for the upcoming quilt show. But when they arrive at Amanda's home, they find her dead inside the front door, and a couple of her exquisite, prize-winning quilts missing. But the fact that Amanda had investigated extinct volcanos in Texas, especially one with special diamonds and that she had a contract with the Department of Defense to build a portable super laser caused Virginia to dig deeper. She and her friend Natalie North uncover an espionage ring and illegal arms traders who will kill for the wall hanging, design manual, and the special laser. Virginia's is not one to leave a mystery unraveled. She must stop the killers from establishing a fatal pattern.



North Texas Quilt Festival News – February/March 2021

Dates: August 19-21, 2021

Location: Irving Convention Center

Online Show Entry Forms Due: June 1, 2021

Entry form link: <https://sewingexpo.com/Events/Dallas,TX/NTQFEntryForm2021.aspx>

Your North Texas Quilt Festival Committee is in planning mode and ready for you to get excited about an in-person Sewing and Quilt Festival in August. They will be asking for your beautiful Show Entries, Miniatures for the Auction, and your assistance to putting this event together. Our host, Original Sewing and Quilt Expo, is excited to work with us again to put on a fabulous show with Quilts, Classes and Vendors. They have even added some seed money to the Prize Pool so we can award Cash Prizes to our quilt creators. Get your entries into shape to show us what you have been creating during this past year. Make sure to allocate some of your time to volunteer to help make the event run smoothly. If you have any specific questions or need to reach out to the Committee, use the email NTQFGuilds@gmail.com. We look forward to a great show in just a few short months.

We Won! We Won!

Several months ago, Joann's was asking for nominations for their Handmade Heroes Program, and I submitted the Irving Quilt Guild.

While we didn't get the big prize, they sent us \$100 E-Reward.

Woo-hoo – Suzanna



What's in the Easter basket?

Colour:

the bow red and the basket - brown;
 the Easter Bunny - pink and grey;
 the chicks - yellow and orange;
 the eggs and the flowers as you want.

Can you find these words
 in the word-search below?

chick
 fun - eggs
 daffodil
 chocolate
 flower

basket
 lamb - card
 rabbit - hunt
 easter bunny
 sunday - lily
 dove

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Plan your patchwork pressing so that ALL seams (including diagonal ones) meet others pressed in opposite directions to ensure perfect points

If you get muck like bondaweb on your iron, use a paracetamol tablet to clean it off – hot iron, rub with the tablet, wipe off residue onto kitchen towel. Works like a charm!

When you press a block, let it cool under the weight of a ruler and it will stay flatter.



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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

Long Arm Machine Quilters

Linda Cole	214-727-4397
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Linda Scott	972-986-7890
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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.

April Birthdays

- 7 Ann Witherspoon
- 12 Charlene Adair
- 12 Alene Winn
- 16 La Cora McSwain
- 17 Susan Grewing
- 23 Gayle Henegare



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Risen

Family Fun Day at Irving Arts Center - March 14, 2020

Due to COVID 19 – Family Fun Day will have a different look next year. We will provide the same items as last year (Placemats, quilt pattern puzzles and create a book mark). They will be assembled into kits at IAC and passed out from their location to interested families. A short how-to video will be posted on the IAC website.

I will be contacting our membership in January when I figure out what we will need and to ask for your help. You will receive volunteer hours for your time. Thank you, Suzanna Fox.

Irving Quilt Guild

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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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April 15 Meeting Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
 - ❖ Angel Quilts
 - ❖ Quilt of Valor
 - ❖ Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink – Chocolate (lots of it)

April 2021			
4/8/21	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
4/15/21	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

