

The Quilting Press

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🎤 President's Message

I would like to thank the ones that stepped up to serve as officers next year. You are appreciated and we will help you any way we can.

The quilt show will be behind when you receive this newsletter. I am sure it will be a huge success. I am looking forward to shopping the vendors, I want to thank you if you volunteered during the show and know it was successful because of you. I saw some beautiful quilts during the take in of the quilts. Just bits and pieces but I know there will be some beautiful quilts hanging.

We will have our Angel Quilt workshop in September, please plan to attend so we get closer to making our goal for Scottish Rite. I plan to be there and get some quilts done. It should be a lot of fun.

I will not be at he show on Friday and Saturday, I will be in Kansas City, Missouri. My oldest granddaughter is getting married Oct 9th. We will be at the dress fitting on Friday and Saturday is her wedding shower. I have the 3 quilts ready that I am giving her so I am ready for the shower. I haven't seen her since the pandemic started so it has been a long time. I am so ready to see her and give her a great big hug.

Have a great month of piecing and quilting.

Happy quilting,

Linda Scott





Labor day

Labor Day is annually held on the first Monday of September. It was originally organized to celebrate various labor associations' strengths of and contributions to the United States economy. It is largely a day of rest in modern times. Many people mark Labor Day as the end of the summer season and a last chance to make trips or hold outdoor events.

IRVING QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: August 12, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM by Linda Scott.

Sunshine & Shadows: It was reported that Thenia Haynie had knee surgery and is recovering well. Also, Mickie Ray is still in rehab and is improving.

Minutes from August meeting were approved.

Susan Turk reminded members that the Red Boot retreat is October 14-17. The last payment will be due at the September meeting. Susan also talked about the President's Quilt and handed out packets with some fabric and directions. The minutes cannot include particulars about the quilt since Linda is to be surprised with the finished item. Please contact Susan for information or questions.

Carol Cook and Susan Holt reviewed final information on the quilt show and volunteers.

Suzanna Fox reported that the workshop, "Christmas in July" was a success. There are plans to make this an annual event. Suzanna also said that Family Fun Day for 2022 will be held on March 14. Our event is reported to be the best attended of all Fun Days.

Suzanna encouraged members to check out the Senior Center in downtown Irving. Pick up a brochure and schedule yourself for some fun times.

Judy Poole and her nominating committee have completed a slate for officer nominations. They are:

President	Alene Winn
First VP	Bonnie Sloan
Second VP	Sue Gray
Secretary	Ernestine Chipman
Treasurer	Jerry Bowen
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Alternate nominations from the floor will still be accepted.

Evelyn Banks said that Blue Christmas is still being planned for November 2021. The format is as yet undecided due to the continuing pandemic.

Donna Reid thanked members for the many Angel Quilts donated this year. All donated quilts will be entered for a monthly prize drawing. The first name drawn will choose from either 4 points added to their personal point total, or a certificate for \$20 for a participating long arm quilter to quilt an angel quilt. The second name drawn will receive what the first person didn't choose.

Donna said an Angel Quilt workshop is scheduled for the Saturday after the next guild meeting.

After Show and Tell, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Grandparents Day

When President Jimmy Carter signed the proclamation creating a National Grandparents Day, little did anyone know how it would grow. At the time, Carter said the holiday would recognize "the importance and worth of the 17 million grandparents in our nation." Barely a generation later, there are now more than 70 million grandparents in the United States. That's a lot of recognition. And a lot of gifts, cards, and flowers, too. On September 11, 2020, Grandparents Day will reach its 41st anniversary. Like Mother's Day and Father's Day, it's a time for family celebration, and a chance to honor the important role grandparents play in children's lives.

Angel Quilt Info

Even while preparing for the quilt show you turned in 19 Angel Quilts. Our total of Angel Quilts for Scottish Rite is 201. The panels picked up at the meeting can be made into Angel Quilts this year or next. Even with Covid Scottish Rite has allowed me to bring your quilts to them. This tell us how much of a need there is for the comfort our quilts bring. I'm happy to say they opened the popcorn stand. The seal on the box asks you to wait until you leave the building before you enjoy. It's difficult but I clean my hands in the car then eat popcorn.

When you have completed Angel Quilts, turn them in to me anytime.

At the August meeting Amy Eglintine won the \$20.00 gift certificate towards quilting. The 4 points were won by Maria Perez.

Wash your hands. Clean hands are good for our fabric as well.

Thank you.

Donna Reid 214 435-4148

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Quit Show Booth

Thank you all for making and donating items to sell • in the quilt show booth. Big thanks to the ladies who help set up, take down and work the booth. The Eye Spy squares were a hit. What we sold lots of last show didn't sell this show. I'll never understand how that works. But we still had many items to sell. An estimate of profit from the booth this show is \$1,500. This money will provide speakers if we're ever able to schedule them. We had a several ladies say they would like to visit. I say bring a friend.

Donna Reid 214 435-4148 donna@acdenterprises.com

Susan Hyde



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

Would you consider doing some small guilts 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 guilts 36 x 36 are completely put together all you have to do is do the guilting 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 vou

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Misty's Book Nook

Unwritten by Charles Martin (2013)

Contemporary/Christian Fiction undertones

An actress running from her past finds escape with a man hiding from his future. When someone wants to be lost, a home tucked among the Ten Thousand Islands off the Florida coast is a good place to live. A couple decent boats, and a deep knowledge of fishing and a man can get by without ever having to talk to another soul. It's a nice enough existence, until the one person who ties him to the world of the living, the reason he's still among them even if only on the fringes, asks him for help.

Father Steady Capri knows quite a bit about helping others. But he is afraid Katie Quinn's problems may be beyond his abilities. Katie is a world-famous actress with an all too familiar story. Fame seems to have driven her to self-destruct. Steady knows the true cause of her desire to end her life is buried too deeply for him to reach. But there is one person who still may be able to save her from herself.

He will show her an alternate escape, a way to write a new life. But Katie still must confront her past before she can find peace. Ultimately, he will need to leave his secluded home and sacrifice the serenity he's found to help her. From the Florida coast, they will travel to the French countryside where they will discover the unwritten story of both their pasts and their future.

Blue Christmas 2021

Blue Christmas is in the works for Irving Quilt Guild. I have been in contact with Benny Renaud, an Irving Firefighter who is on the board of the Irving Police and Fire Blue Christmas. He will contact the Fire Department Administration to hopefully approve having a crew from one of the fire stations attend our November 18th Quilt Guild meeting. In the mean time, keep your eyes peeled for items you think Irving children would love to receive as Christmas gifts. We have always tried to provide gifts for older kids, teenage girls and boys. But gifts for a child of any age will be appreciated. I will give you the more specific list in the next newsletter.

Evelyn Banks 972-252-5290

PS – Benny was at our Blue Christmas Guild meeting in November 2019, He and his wife had a baby boy, Elliott, born on August 12, the date of our last Guild meeting.

People who start projects and never finish them are cooler than people who never start projects.



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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 – 3-6 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.

Donna Reid 214 435-4148 donna@acdenterprises.com

Frayed Knots

(Second: Monday 4:30PM - 6PM)

We had our meeting at the Senter East facility on the 2nd Monday of the month at 1:00pm to sew until around 4:30 when we have a meeting, and we usually leave by 6 unless someone wants to continue sewing until 11PM. The address is 206 Chamberlain St, it is the old Senior Center and will have plenty of room to bring your machine to sew. Be sure to bring an extension cord or power strip to plug in.

There were 5 who came to visit and sew for the afternoon. We discussed our project, and showed off our blocks for August, a Block of the Month called Cream & Sugar. I sent out the blocks for September with the August blocks because I thought I would be out of town for September. It is interesting seeing the blocks in all the different colors that we decide to use. There will be some nice quilts out of this project.

If you would like to join us in this project let me know and we will include you in our fun project, it is never to late to start another project.

Our next meeting will be on Sept 13th at the Senter East Facility

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

Sue Gray 214-850-9517



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2021 Fall Retreat – Red Boot Oct 14-17

The fall retreat is fast approaching. It will be at Red Boot Retreat in Hillsboro Oct 14-17 and will cost \$270. Make checks payable to Irving Quilt Guild and either give it to me at the September Guild Meetings or send it to me in the mail at:

Susan Turk 912 Fairway Ranch Pkwy Roanoke, TX 76262

Keep Sewing! Susan Turk



Never put water in your iron!

The iron will last much longer and there will never be any unfortunate leaks or spitting. Use a small spray bottle of water or pressing product instead. A quick spritz with a spray bottle is super effective and easily refilled.

The Texas State Capitol is 15-feet taller than the U.S. Capitol.

Not that it's a contest, but the <u>Texas State</u> <u>Capitol</u> building is bigger than the capitol in Washington, D.C. They're 308 feet and 288 feet, respectively. Featuring a similar dome shape, the two capitol buildings also look oddly alike. The Texas capitol is made out of Texas Hill Country limestone and granite and features a marble statue on the top called the Goddess of Liberty. Sadly, it's only the second-tallest state capitol in the country. Number one is Louisiana, whose 450-foot capitol is also the seventh tallest building in the state.

"If one of the fabric colors in the quilts is white, use a white batting. Do not use a cream or natural-color batting. It will muddy the white fabric once quilted."



Southern Okra Bean Stew

Ingredients

- 4 cups water
- 1 can (28 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1-1/2 cups chopped green peppers
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon Italian seasoning
- 1 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/2 to 1 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- 3/4 teaspoon salt

1 bay leaf

- 4 cups cooked brown rice
- 2 cans (16 ounces each) kidney beans, rinsed and drained
- 3 cans (8 ounces each) tomato sauce
- 1 package (16 ounces) frozen sliced okra

Directions

1. In a large Dutch oven or soup kettle, combine the first 10 ingredients. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, uncovered, for 5 minutes.

2. Add the rice, beans, tomato sauce and okra. Simmer, uncovered, for 8-10 minutes or until the vegetables are tender. Discard bay leaf.



We Did It!!!!!

I hope you all had a chance to visit the quilt show and enjoy the beautiful quilts and venders. There were some fantastic quilts, and I was very impressed with the talent in the Artisan Division. Those people really stepped up their game this year. Maybe having 2 years to work on them helped. We also had several men enter some very creative work. And the Junior division was exciting for the kids, and I watched their faces when they found out about their ribbons. What fun.

There were lots of sewing machine and quilt machine venders this time. That was my downfall as I took a quilting class and then needed gadgets to continue playing with what I learned. It's a vicious cycle. LOL I also visited way too many fabric places, but it's been so long since we've had the chance to go to a show I just had to.

I saw lots of ribbons on Irving Guild quilts and that's great. I heard many compliments on our members showing up and working hard every day. Our happy faces made it easy for people to enjoy their day. We had the most volunteers of all the Guilds. Many thanks for stepping up and going above and beyond for the show. This is not saying there weren't some hiccups and snags, but it was a new venue, and we knew there would be a learning curve. At least now we can work to improve on those and build on what did work.

I am proud of all of you and thankful for all your efforts towards the show. I am not sure of exactly how much money we made but I will let you know as soon as I get the figures. I think just in ticket sales we might have cleared roughly \$650.00. Don't quote me on that for sure. We have to add in T-Shirt sales, Mini-Auction and Guild Booth. So, whatever it ends up being I think it will be more than what a raffle quilt would bring in. So that's a bonus right there.

The next show will be in Plano in October. They are hoping we will support them as they are worried about attendance like we were. So gather your friends and carpool out to Plano. I will be there to support them.

Don't forget to gather your thoughts and be ready to vote on your favorite Irving entry for the Galla Award to be announced at the next meeting. Again, thank you for your entries, you're volunteering and your support for the show. Next show will be August 18, 19, 20, 2022. No time to waste...start dreaming up your next winning quilt!!

Carol Cook

President's Quilt for Linda Scott

Ladies, I can't say too much, but if you have not attended the August Meeting, you missed out on the block packet. If you are interested in making a block, please contact me at 214-236-7975. or <u>susanturk182@hotmail.com</u>

If you received the block packet, please try, and return it at the September guild meeting. It's not complicated and if you are a procrastinator like myself, make the non-scrappy version. I believe it took me less than 5 minutes to do. Please hide this block at the meeting so that prying eyes can't see it.

Thanks! Susan Turk



Officers

President: Linda Scott 1st Vice President: Shawn Carr 2nd Vice-President: Susan Turk Treasurer: Linda Cole Secretary: Cynthia Gladden

Chairpersons

Angel Quilts: Donna Reid Audit: Deborah Kav **Door Prizes/Fabric** Lotto: IOG Team Historian: Nancy Norris **Hospitality:** Susan Holt Keeper Quilts: Janie Merritt Love Thy Baby: LaCora McSwain Membership: Suzanna Fox **Newsletter Editor:** 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.

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

Membership

Current Members	74
New Members	1
Meeting Attendance	33
Guests	0
Total attending	36

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.

As soon as you feel your rotary cutter blade is getting blunt, change it immediately. Always have a spare blade ready!

September Birthdays

- 23 Cynthia Gladden
- 24 Sandra Beissel
- 30 Gail Walsh





Marking dark fabric – Use a sliver of dry soap to mark fabric – the thin piece left at the end of a tablet. Scrape it with a scissor blade to sharpen. It virtually disappears as you sew over it, smells nice, does not damage your fabric and washes out well.

Irving Quilt Guild

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September 2021					
9/9/21	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church		
9/16//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 quiltrelated projects that are of service to our community.

Please visit our website to learn more about the IQG!

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September 16 Meeting Reminders:

- Items for Show and Tell
- Angel Quilts
- Quilt of Valor
- Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink cookies & drinks