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President's Message

Hello my friends. I know that I am not the only one that finds it hard to believe that it is already November and Thanksgiving is this week. I hope that each one of you stop for a minute and count all of your blessings. Mine are too numerous to count and I know that describes you also. I thank each of you that contributed to Blue Christmas for our community. It was great getting to spend a few minutes with our Fire Fighters and to get to know them better and appreciate their humor. We have new Committee Chairs. Jackie, Ginny and Gail thank you for stepping up and helping to make our new year successful and a lot of fun. This is my wish for each of you. My daughter Kathy gave me this card with such a wonderful blessing that I wanted to share. Written by Saint Thesese of Lisieux.

May Today there be Peace within. May you Trust that you are exactly where you are meant to be. May you not Forget the Infinite Possibilities that are born of Faith in yourselves and others. May you use the Gifts that you have received and pass on the Love that has been given to you. May you be content with yourself just the way you are. Let that knowledge settle into your bones, and allow your Soul the freedom to Sing, Dance, Praise and Love. It is there for every one of us.

Alene

December 2022 Newsletter

It's That Time of Year.....Membership Renewal

The Guilds Annual Membership Dues are due at the December meeting for 2023. Dues are \$30.00. You will be asked to review your membership application for any changes. If you are unable to attend the meeting you can mail your check to The Irving Quilt Guild – PO Box 154291 – Irving, Texas 75015-4291. I have received 33 renewals so far. Thank you. Suzanna Fox



Many people in the United States celebrate Christmas Day on December 25. The day celebrates Jesus Christ's birth. It is often combined with customs from pre-Christian winter celebrations. Many people erect Christmas trees, decorate their homes, visit family or friends and exchange gifts.

People celebrate Christmas Day in many ways. In the days or even weeks before Christmas Day, many people decorate their homes and gardens with lights, Christmas trees and much more. It is common to organize a special meal, often consisting of turkey and a lot of other festive foods, for family or friends and exchange gifts with them. Children, in particular, often receive a lot of gifts from their parents and other relatives and the mythical figure Santa Claus. This has led to Christmas Day becoming an increasingly commercialized holiday, with a lot of families spending a large part of their income on gifts and food.

IRVING QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES



Date: November 17, 2022

Meeting called to order by Alene Winn at 7:00 pm

The meeting minutes of October were approved as written in the newsletter.

Jerry Bowen said there is no treasurer report this month.

Sunshine and Shadows: Connie Angeles reported the recent passing of Julie Beck, a long time guild member.

Susan Holt gave information on next month's Christmas party. Meat and tea will be provided. Members need to bring a salad, vegetable or dessert for all to enjoy. We will be playing "Left, Right, Center" so bring several fat quarters to participate in the game.

Judy Poole introduced the slate of officers up for election for 2023.

President: Alene Winn (2nd year of a 2-year term)

First Vice President: Susan Holt

Second Vice President: Ginny North

Secretary: Ernestine Chipman (2nd year of a 2-year term)

Treasurer: Jerry Bowen (2nd year of a 2-year term)

The above officers were elected by acclamation.

Sunshine and Shadows committee will be chaired by Jackie Wagner.

Hospitality committee will be chaired by Gayle Henegar.

Other committee chairs do not change.



Deborah Kay displayed several future workshop ideas on a table. She encouraged members at break to look at the projects and sign a sheet expressing interest in the workshops. A signature does not obligate the member, only shows interest.

Evelyn Banks introduced four firemen from Station 2 who talked about the Blue Christmas event. They said the pancake breakfast put on by the fire and police departments was very successful. They served about 150 people.

Blue Christmas gifts will be sorted and packaged the week of December 12. These gifts serve about 400 families with about 1200 children. The firemen thanked the guild for their generous support.

Show and Tell: Angel quilts and personal quilts were presented. Donna Reid said November was the last month to earn points for 2022. The total number of quilts donated will be about 270 quilts. The winner of the light red raffle was Maria Perez.

After door prizes were awarded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Minutes submitted by Cynthia Gladden in lieu of Ernestine Chipman, who was absent.

Alene adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.



IRVING QUILT GUILD – Board of Directors Meeting – November 10, 2022

Attending: Alene Winn, Sue Gray, Ernestine Chipman, Nancy Norris, Jerry Bowen, Susan Holt, Suzanna Fox, and Judy Poole. Absent: Bonnie Sloan.

Meeting called to order at 2:07 p.m. by Alene Winn, President.

New Officers for 2023: Judy Poole, the Nomination Committee chair started off the meeting by providing the names of the new officers that will be presented at the November meeting: Susan Holt, 1st Vice President (Programs); Jenny North, 2nd Vice President (Retreats) & Parliamentarian; Jackie Wagner, Sunshine & Shadows; Gayle Henegar, Hospitality; Cynthia Jauregar, Quilt Show Volunteers; Shawn Carr, Quilt Show Guild Store. The rest of the officers, chairpersons, and Quilt Show positions will remain the same.

November Meeting: Alene reminded everyone to bring their favorite Fall/Winter/Christmas quilt or table runner for Show & Tell. The Firemen will be there at the very beginning of the meeting to pick up the Blue Christmas donations. Susan Holt reminded everyone to bring their favorite cookies—made or purchased—to the meeting. Suzanna Fox will send out a reminder to all members that membership dues are due at this meeting and also about the cookies and December meeting details.

Christmas Party at December Meeting: Susan Holt, Hospitality Chair, provided details on food and other arrangements—chicken and meatballs for the meat, 32 giveaways for door prizes, Left-Right-Center fat quarters for the game. There will be 4 long tables for food & desserts; white tablecloths on the round tables seating 8 to a table; red napkins, plates & utensils. Sue Gray will provide drinks. Members will be asked to bring vegetables, salads, or desserts.

2023 Quilt Show: Alene reminded everyone to start making quilts today. Donna Reid announced that those items that did not sell in the Guild Store at the 2022 Show will not be in the 2023 Guild Store. Shawn Carr already has some ideas.

2023 Special Anniversary Celebration: Ernestine Chipman gave another report on the meeting that Alene Winn, Susan Holt, Sue Gray, and she had on September 27th with the Director of the Irving Archives and Museum and the Archives Coordinator, for those board members who were not present at last month's board meeting. The November newsletter contains more of this meeting's details under the Board Minutes. There was a lot of discussion on what the anniversary celebration should involve. Suzanna Fox thought that this celebration should include some of the ideas from the 20th anniversary celebration—name tags & invitations, table decorations made by Friendship groups, Presidents quilts hanging in the room. Ernestine suggested that there might need to be separate committees for the celebration and the Museum exhibit.

Programs and Workshops for 2023: Suzanna Fox will complete a member questionnaire, asking for program ideas, that will be on the tables at the next meeting. Susan Holt already has some ideas and has 2 to 3 workshops already set up. One of the concerns has been the location of General Meetings and Workshops for 2023. The City is going to charge \$100 each time that someone wants to use a City facility. La Cora McSwain's church was mentioned. Susan Holt told the Board that she really only needs one large facility for 2023 and that is the one for the Barn Quilt workshop in May. Sue Gray will talk to the preacher at Oakview Baptist about having workshops there. Judy Poole suggested that members pay when they sign up for workshops, no refunds, as a way to recoup any room charges.

The 48-Hour workshop will be January 28, 2023, at Senter East from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thirty-six members already qualify.

Alene announced that Susan Turk has agreed to do another Mystery Quilt challenge. She also suggested Mona Livingston for a program or workshop.

Finance: Jerry Bowen reminded everyone that the 2023 Budget needs to be approved in December. It will be an estimate.

Other Items: It was announced that Julie Beck passed away. Suzanna Fox will put a note in the new Membership Directory. Jerry Bowen suggested should be mandatory for committee chairs to attend the Board meeting. No discussion or vote was had on this matter.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Angel Quilt Info

At the November meeting 22 Angel Quilts were turned in. This brings our 2022 total to 267 Angel Quilts. Thank you to everyone for all of your hard work and using your great talents for good. Remember the small quilts are worth 4 points for piecing and 3 points to the quilter. If you do both you receive both. The size is a minimum of 90 inches. One length plus one width. The large quilt is worth 8 points for the piercer and 6 for the quilter. If you do both you earn both. The size is minimum 120". The quilt must have the top, batting and backing. It must be quilted not tied. There cannot be any buttons or bows attached to the quilt because children receive them.

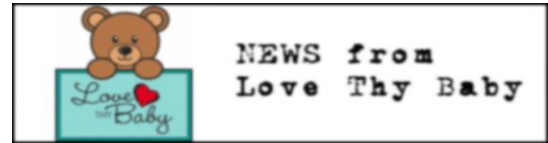
Always remember to write your name on the lite red paper. Maria Perez won 4 points. (She did turn in 7 quilts)

When you have completed Angel Quilts, turn them in to me anytime. I always enjoy being able to deliver happiness to the children at Scottish Rite.

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

Donna Reid 214 435-4148

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LOVE THY BABY... need volunteer points?

Would you consider doing some small quilts and or Receiving blanks for us? Love Thy Baby provides all the flannel to sew if your stash is short and you want volunteer hours, please consider doing small quilts or receiving blankets for us. *We provide all the flannel you need; all you have to do is surge or do 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, meandering or x's.

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.

Flannel Receiving Blankets—50per bag 10 points

Small Quilts—2 points per quilt

LaCora McSwain 972-255 6233 or
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Many Sunday schools, churches and communities organize special events. These can include decorating the neighborhood or a shopping mall, putting up a Christmas tree and planning a Nativity display, concert or performance. A lot of plays and songs have a aspect of Christmas as a theme. Some groups arrange meals, shelter or charitable projects for people without a home or with very little money.



Merry Christmas!

Misty's Book Nook



Home Front by Kristin Hannah (2012)
Contemporary: Women fiction

In honor of Veterans Day and one last past favorite before fingers crossed, I have newer selections for you. All marriages have a breaking point. All families have wounds. All wars have a cost. . .

Like many couples, Michael and Jolene Zarkades have to face the pressures of everyday life—children, careers, bills, chores—even as their twelve-year marriage is falling apart. Then a deployment sends Jolene deep into harm's way and leaves defense attorney Michael at home, unaccustomed to being a single parent to their two girls. As a mother, it agonizes Jolene to leave her family, but as a soldier, she has always understood the true meaning of duty. In her letters home, she paints a rose-colored version of her life on the front lines, shielding her family from the truth. But war will change Jolene in ways that none of them could have foreseen. When tragedy strikes, Michael must face his darkest fear and fight a battle of his own—for everything that matters to his family.

At once a profoundly honest look at modern marriage and a dramatic exploration of the toll war takes on an ordinary American family, *Home Front* is a story of love, loss, heroism, honor, and ultimately, hope.

"Hannah has written a remarkable tale of duty, love, strength, and hope that is at times poignant and always thoroughly captivating and relevant." —*Library Journal* (starred review)

Blue Christmas 2022

Thank you so much for the wonderful, thoughtful gifts you donated for Blue Christmas. I saw so many wonderful things that kids will love to receive – makeup for the girls, lots of cute pillowcases, puzzles, games, art kits, books, and we can't forget the beautiful quilt, and the huge pile of fleece throws. You gave food donations also and your generosity extended to \$\$\$\$. You certainly make an impact on the kids of Irving. We had a fun time with the crew from Station 2, as well as Firefighter Bennie Renaud, who is on the Blue Christmas Board. You asked great questions of the firefighters. My favorite was about their cooking and eating at the fire station. I loved that the captain makes them put their cell phones away during meals.

If you still have something to donate, you can take it to any Irving fire station after Thanksgiving Day or call me and I will pick it up.

Evelyn Banks 972-252-5290



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)

Material Women's meetings are at Holy Family in the Gym building now from 3-6 or when we get tired of socializing. We meet the 2nd Monday of each month. What will we work on? In December we go to Olive Garden. In January we'll meet at Holy Family and work on a pattern we haven't decided on yet. All are welcome.

Donna Reid 214 435-4148 donna@acdenterprises.com

Frayed Knots

(Second: Monday 1:00PM – 6PM)

We will meet again on Dec 12 at **Jerry Bowen's house, 513 Farine St, Irving, 75062**. We will meet at 4:00 until we go home or Jerry kicks us out. We are having Dinner catered by the same Mexican Restaurant as last year and I will be sending an email later to let you know what the cost for each of us will be. No gifts this year but fun visiting with each other. Bring your Pizza box to exchange, this is our first month of our new project.

Beginning January, we will be meeting at a new place. **Grace Point Church** has kindly offered to let us meet in their annex building. **The address is 121 S Story Road, Irving, 75060**. This is 1 block south of Rock Island on Story Road, across the parking lot from Studio South Salon and the Chiropractor office. It is a very nice room. Round tables, with chairs are available. For us shorter people we will need to bring an extra cushion to sit on to make us tall enough to sew with our machines on the table. There is a small kitchen available.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Sue Gray 214-850-9517

The Cut-Ups

The Cut-Ups will be taking some time off for the holidays. We will not meet again until Thursday, February 2, 2023. I will keep you posted as we get closer to that date. I am thankful for you ladies, and for the joy quilting brings to us all.

Evelyn Banks 972-252-5290

Ladies,

I have a first draft list of the committee chairs. Some need partners and some are good to go. Please try to get some of your members to step up and work on a committee to fill the empty spots. We need to get more folks trained in how the show works. Build their interest. Work that is shared is not as hard as doing it on your own and I really believe we are better off with at least 2 people knowing how each position works.

After much searching and thinking I believe I will keep the theme I mentioned at the close-out meeting:

“Soaring to New Heights”

We need to continue to build and improve our show each year. Let that idea of bigger and better or higher and higher give you inspiration to create a theme quilt for 2023.

We discussed some great ideas from QR codes on shop tickets to adding a wool quilt category. We listened to Davenne suggest we only allow Scribe volunteers to work one shift in order to give more people a chance at this. The draw back might be the distance they drive to help out is too great to warrant them volunteering. We will discuss this further when we start the meetings back up. I spoke with Beth, and she is not willing to take the lead for the mini quilt auction but says she could help on it if needed. I left her name on the committee listing until she tells me to take her off.

I need a co-chair for sure. We need a t-shirt person to design, order and distribute the shirts. They will need to work the booth at the show also and make sure the volunteers are trained on all aspects there. We will need a ticket person as we will probably go back to selling tickets in the shops. Look over the different positions available and let us know if you find someone for an open slot.

I want to thank all of you for your efforts this past year. I hope you enjoy the upcoming holiday season. I will check in with you all in January as we will be needing membership numbers and new president changes if there are any. Meantime...spend some time doing what we all love and enjoy your families.

I am here if you have questions...or answers...I like answers to questions better !! lol

Happy Thanksgiving! Merry Christmas! Happy Hanukkah! Happy New Year! Feliz Navidad! etc....etc....etc.

Carol

Points	Updated:	10/22/2022					
Name	Hours	Name	Hours	Name	Hours	Name	Hours
Connie A	90	Judy D	178	La Cora M	72	Kristi W	0
Evelyn B	47.5	Ami E	48	Janie M	35	Alene W	7.5
Susie B	0	Suzanna F	40	Nancy N	20.5	Ann W	34
Barbara B	0	Yolanda G	40	Ginny N	70	Karon L	42
Julie B	0	Cynthia G	11	June P	0		
Sandy B	126	Sue G	48	Maria P	115		
Jerry B	48	Susan G	16	Judy P	36		
Mandi C	0	Lynn H	0	Donna R	119		
Shawn C	0	Mae H	0	Sarah S	57		
Pam C	48	Thenia H	70	Linda S	49		
Ernestine C	0	Gayle H	26	Pansy S	63		
Linda C	309	Susan H	86.5	Bonnie S	280		
Nan C	150	Susan H	0	Jean S	46		
Carol C	143	Cynthia J	6.5	Jerry T	48		
Barbara C	20	Deborah K	42	Susan T	84		
Alison D	0	Anne L	44	Lori V	95		
Susan D	16	Barbara M	22	Jackie W	8		
Elaine D	0	Michele M	0	Gail W	130		

Show Final Results

We have finally finished out the results from the show and everyone has been paid.
As I break it down, I am rounding up the numbers but this is roughly what we made:
Booth sales: \$2300.00
Show Sales: \$972.00



Show sales include T-shirts, bag check, ticket sales and miniature auction (749.00).
These results are very good considering we are coming out of COVID and people are tightening their belts with the economy going bonkers. Of course, none of this would have happened without all the help from all of our members. Your efforts and creativity helped the Guild Booth do outstanding. The Mini auction sales were down but it was like that for all the Guilds. Ticket sales were a big bust so we will be more aggressive next year and start earlier.

It's still better than doing a raffle quilt and trying to sell tickets all year. This is how we make our money to operate during the year, so we need to stay active for this next year and start getting our ideas together.

There will be committee spot openings, but I am waiting on some responses from the other Guilds before I post them. Please think about joining a committee and working with these other Guilds and their members. It's fun to meet new people and see what they are doing at their meetings.

Thanks for all your commitment with the show. We couldn't do it without you.

Carol Cook



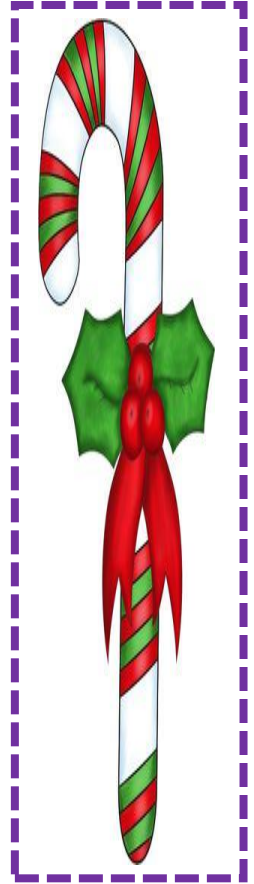
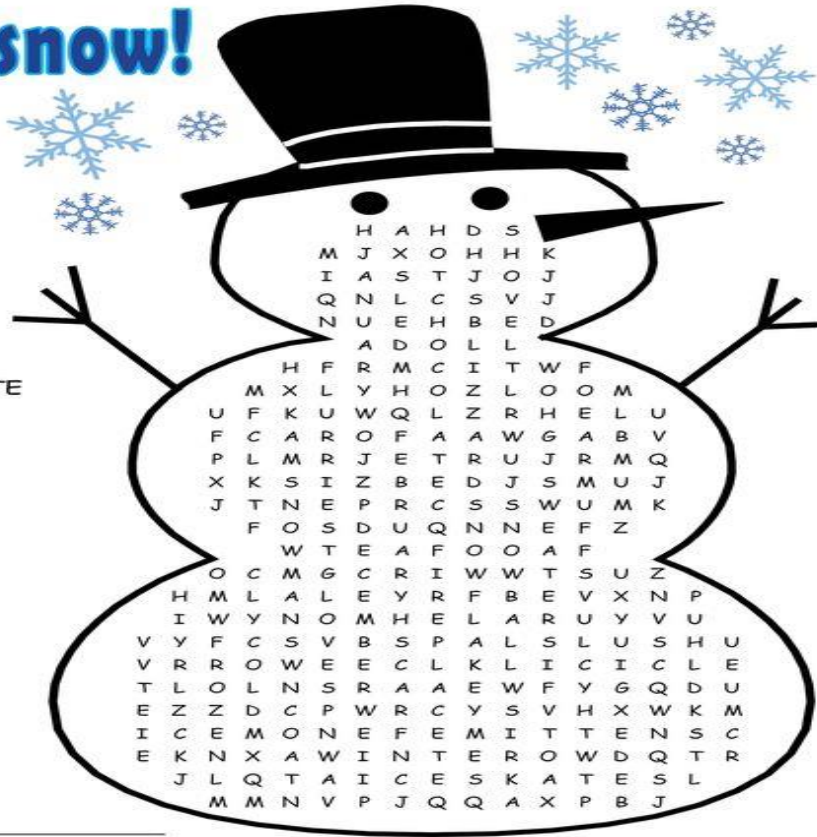
Christmas Word Scramble

Unscramble the letters to find words which have to do with Christmas.
Some of the words have religious meanings, others are secular in nature.

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Groceos _____ | 11. Limesotte _____ |
| 2. Naclorig _____ | 12. Vaniyitt _____ |
| 3. Rats _____ | 13. Gotscink _____ |
| 4. Scunttshe _____ | 14. Virasou _____ |
| 5. Porduhl _____ | 15. Traweh _____ |
| 6. Naast _____ | 16. Gisehl _____ |
| 7. Skagceap _____ | 17. Wamsonn _____ |
| 8. Dressephh _____ | 18. Ejuss _____ |
| 9. Gramen _____ | 19. Stranneom _____ |
| 10. Galen _____ | 20. Scamsthir _____ |

Let it snow!

BLIZZARD
 COAT
 COLD
 DECEMBER
 EARMUFFS
 FEBRUARY
 FIREPLACE
 FLURRIES
 FROZEN
 GLOVES
 HOT CHOCOLATE
 ICE
 ICE SKATES
 ICICLE
 JANUARY
 MITTENS
 SCARF
 SHOVEL
 SLED
 SLUSH
 SNOWBALL
 SNOWFLAKE
 SNOWMAN
 SWEATER
 WINTER



Name: _____

GEORGIA PEACH COBBLER

INGREDIENTS

- 6-8 fresh peaches, peeled and sliced
- 1 stick unsalted butter, melted
- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Juice from 1/2 lemon

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Preheat oven to 375°F.
- 2 Pour melted butter into center of 9×13-inch baking dish, do not spread butter around pan.
- 3 In a separate bowl, combine flour, 1 cup sugar, salt, and baking powder. Slowly pour in milk and vanilla extract, and stir to combine. Pour batter over butter, but do not stir.
- 4 Add brown sugar, peach slices, and lemon juice to a saucepan on high heat. Stir frequently until sugar is completely melted and peaches have released their juices.
- 5 Pour peaches over top of batter. Do not stir.
- 6 Bake for 40-45 minutes or until top of cobbler is a golden in color.
- 7 Serve warm or cold, or with a scoop of ice cream. Enjoy!



Officers

President:

Alene Winn

1st Vice President:

Susan Holt

2nd Vice-President:

Ginny North

Treasurer:

Jerry Bowen

Secretary:

Ernestine Chipman

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Donna Reid

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Deborah Kay

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Susan Hyde

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Hospitality:

Gail Hennagen

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Janie Merritt

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LaCora McSwain

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Suzanna Fox

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Ginny North

Quilt Show:

Carol Cook

Susan Holt

Patrotic Quilts:

Carol Cook

Sunshine & Shadow/ Welcoming:

Jackie Wagner

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.

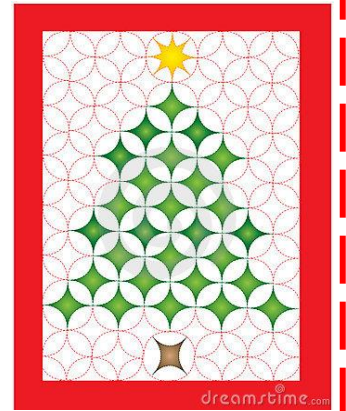
Membership

Current Members	64
New Members	0
Meeting Attendance	34
Guests	1
Total attending	35

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

A Reminder - we are using the west side entrance to the building where our monthly meeting is held. There is a walkway in between the church offices and the building we use. Thank you



December Birthdays

3	Janie Merritt
6	Jerry Bowen
18	Suzanna Fox



Merry
Christmas

JESUS
is the reason for the season!
Merry Christmas!

Irving Quilt Guild

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December 17 Meeting Reminders:

- **Items for Show and Tell**
 - ❖ Angel Quilts
 - ❖ Patriotic Quilts
 - ❖ Love Thy Baby Items
- **Food & Drink** – ---salads, veggies, deserts

November 2022			
12/10/22	Officers Meeting	6:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
12/17/22	Guild Meeting	6:30 – 9:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
2nd Monday	Frayed Knots	4:30 - 6:00 pm	Center East
2nd Thursday	Threadpickers	10:00 am – 2 pm	Saint Mark's
2nd Monday	Material Women	3:00 –6:00 pm	Holy Family Church
4 th Thur4sday 1 st Thursday November	Cut-Ups	5:00 – 7:30 pm	Plymouth Park Baptist 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

