

# The Quilting Press

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## President's Message

Our guild Christmas party was a great success. We had beautiful tables set up for us along with all of the delicious food that members helped provide. Fried chicken was so good along with different meatballs and sauces made by Jerry Bowen. I truly appreciate all of the hard work Susan Holt and her assistants did in providing such beautiful tables and food. Everyone had a lot of fun with game we played with our fat quarters. Sadly, for me I did not win the fat quarters from our group but Cynthia Gladden won the whole kit and caboodle at our table.

I want to thank any and every one that worked in any capacity for our guild this year. Take a bow. You all deserve it. We have great things planned for 2023 and we will need each of our members to get involved to accomplish all that we have planned. As quilters we are so fortunate our founders in Irving laid the groundwork for our guild today. Let us continue to grow and be of service to our community. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Alene

A graphic of the words 'HAPPY NEW YEAR' in a bubbly, 3D-style font. The letters are primarily purple and blue with a green and yellow pattern inside. The text is strung across a thin black line that has small circles at the ends, resembling a string or a banner.

**According to statistics from the National Insurance Crime Bureau, vehicles are stolen on New Year's Day more than any other holiday.** Don't think your old car is safe, either. In 2011, the 1994 Honda Accord was the most stolen car. To discourage car theft, make sure your car is in a populated area and always take your keys.

**Make sure to be surrounded by family or loved ones on New Year's Eve.** The first person you come across in the new year could set the tone for the next 12 months. This applies to couples, as well. If a couple celebrating New Year's together does not kiss, the future of the relationship might be splitsville, so be sure to lay one on your significant other.

New Year's Day falls on January 1 and marks the start of a new year according to the Gregorian calendar end of New Year's Eve celebrations in the United States and gives many Americans a chance to remember the year.

## IRVING QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 16, 2022

This meeting was the Christmas event for the Guild. There was no official meeting business done or Show & Tell, but there were some announcements made.

President Alene Winn announced at 6:30 p.m. that this meeting was a strictly social event and that everyone should go and enjoy the wonderful food that was on the back tables. Everyone agreed that there were some very tasty treats to enjoy.

Suzanna Fox told some funny quilting stories while the tables were cleared. The game of Left-Right-Center with fat quarters was played next which resulted in a lot of laughs and cheers. After that, the following announcements were made.

\*Donna Reid announced that she was using some of her 2022 budget money to give away some \$20 quilting gift certificates to anyone who made Angel Quilts during 2022. The winners' names were pulled from a bag. Winners will hand the certificate to the longarm quilter who will turn it over to the Treasurer for the winners to be paid.

\*Bonnie Sloan showed the finished quilt of the *Crazy Striped Star Quilt* pattern that will be made at the 48-Hour Workshop. She handed out instructions to all those members who earned 48 hours during 2022.

\*Susan Holt made 2 announcements regarding upcoming programs and workshops. The February program will be Annette Plog talking about reproduction quilts. Deborah Kay will conduct the workshop in February on Paper Piecing. Susan had a sign-up sheet for this workshop and several other upcoming workshops.

\*Shawn Carr announced that she will be in charge of the Guild store for the 2023 Quilt Show. She asked for some help in the form of a committee that would help her put the booth together and with ideas for different items to be sold. She suggested that each table elect a team leader to be on this committee.

The fun ended at 8:10 p.m.

This recipe was originally submitted by a past member, Julie Beck, after she brought it to one of our meetings and we all begged her for the recipe. For all the newer members who never had a chance to meet Julie she was a long-standing member from our early years at the Guild. She did excellent handwork and created beautiful quilts over the years. She won many ribbons with her talent. She lost her battle with heart disease a few months ago and will be missed by all the ladies who knew her.

### Sesame Cookies

2 cup soft butter  
1 ½ cup sugar  
3 cups flour  
1 cup toasted sesame seeds  
2 cups shredded coconut  
½ cup finely chopped almonds  
1 tsp vanilla  
Combine ingredients  
Roll into 2 logs and chill  
Slice and bake 300 for 25-30 minutes



## IRVING QUILT GUILD – Board of Directors Meeting – December 8, 2022

Attending: Alene Winn, Sue Gray, Ernestine Chipman, Nancy Norris, Jerry Bowen, Susan Holt, Suzanna Fox, Donna Reed, Ginnie North, Gale Heneger, and Bonnie Sloan.

Absent: Judy Poole.

Meeting called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Alene Winn, President.

The attendees discussed 2 topics--the Proposed 2023 Budget and the results of the Programs/Workshops survey. Some additional suggestions for changes were also part of the discussions.

**Proposed 2023 Budget:** Attendees went through the proposed budget for 2023 fiscal year that the Guild Treasurer, Jerry Bowen, pulled together, line by line, and approved it with some changes, by the end of the meeting.

Income is projected to be \$23,050—a \$50 increase--to reflect an increase in the Family Fun Day Honorarium of \$250 (which Suzanna Fox says that the Irving Arts Center will pay the Guild for this Fun Day) and the increased income from the Guild retreats of \$250. The Income is not expected to increase more because there are fewer members now—projected dues income of \$1, 950 vs. \$2,250 in 2022. Projected expenses will be \$28,235 due mostly to increased costs for Programs, Hospitality, 48-Hour Appreciation, Angel Quilt Committee, Membership Directory, Membership Supplies, the Newsletter, and the addition of the 25-year Commemoration Event, a separate line in the 2023 Budget at \$2,500. Suzanna Fox told the Board that the Membership Directory should be ready in February. Credit card and other transaction fees were added into the other Budget categories rather than as a separate Expenses line.

Jerry Bowen suggested that the Guild might need to have more fundraising events. It was also suggested that more mini quilts be made for the Quilt Show. The Guild made \$780 on them at the 2022 show.

Please contact Jerry Bowen if you have any questions. Please be advised that this is a budget which shows what the Board expects to gain as income and spend as expenses for this upcoming fiscal year.

### ***Programs/Workshop Survey Results***

Suzanna Fox presented the results of the Programs/Workshop Survey that she put on every table at the November General Meeting. Twenty-six members responded to the survey. Results for the following questions are:

\*How Important are Workshops: The majority of respondents felt that the workshops are important.

\*(Should be held) Weekday or Saturday: The majority of respondents preferred a weekday, but 8 of the respondents did not care.

\*What kind of Workshop: The top 4 responses were Embroidery, Barn Quilt, Paper Piecing, and Something We Can Finish.

Susan Holt told attendees that Deborah Kay will be doing 5 workshops for the Guild—one will be on Paper Piecing and one on Barn Quilts.

***Related Suggestions:*** There were 4 made.

\*Committee Chairs should be given some type of recognition at the end of the year, maybe a gift.

\*Publicize the paid speakers more and/or charge non-Irving Guild members \$5 to attend the presentation.

\*Rows of chairs instead of tables for program presentations, especially the paid speakers.

\*An agenda should be created for each General Meeting and a copy of it placed on each table.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

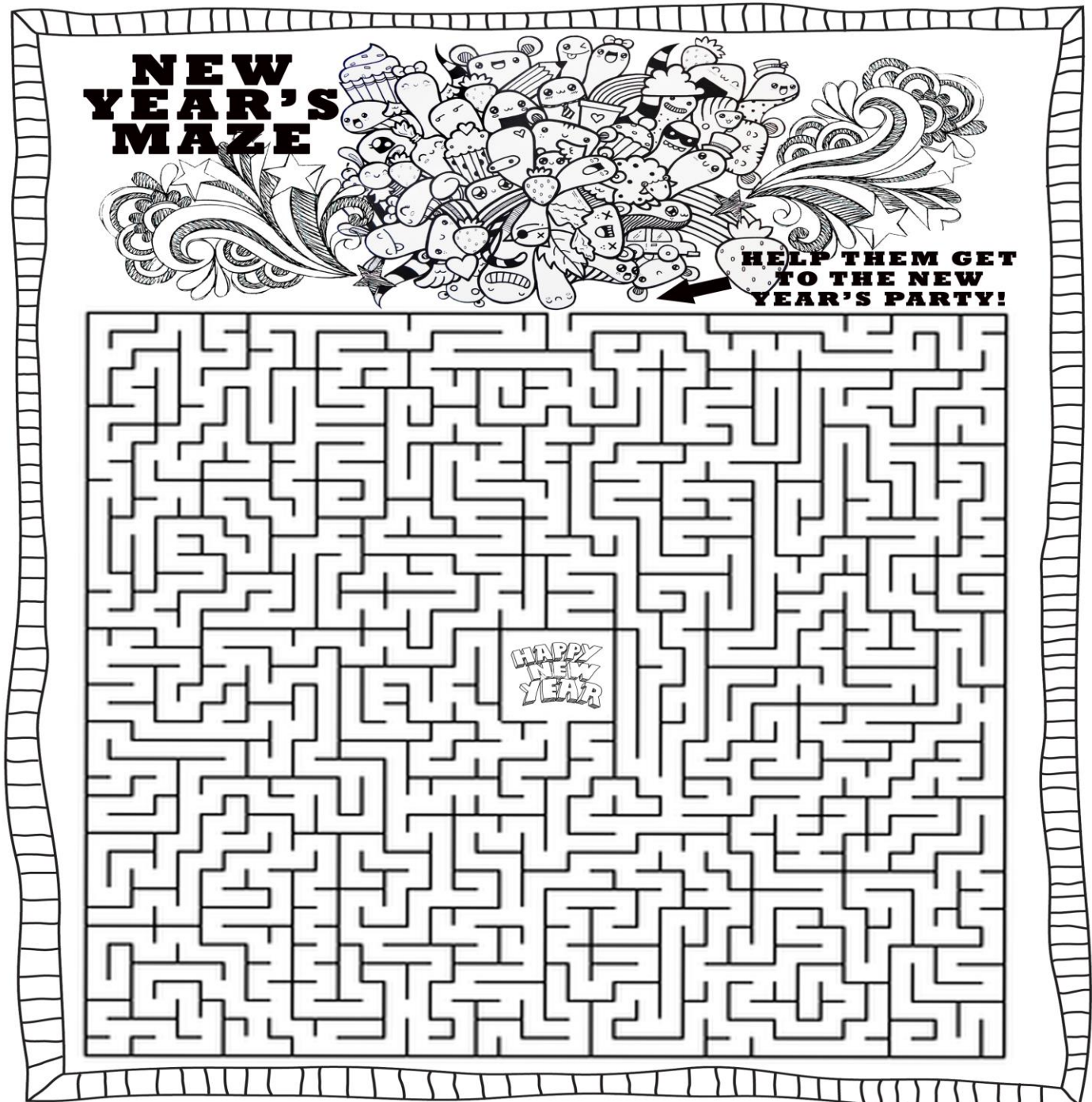
## Patriotic Quilts for 2023

As you go about your stash burning and planning of future projects, I ask that you keep in mind the upcoming Defenders of Freedom picnic in May. Our wounded warriors will still be coming to Dallas for the annual picnic and golf tournament as they also start medical evaluations and treatments locally. We have been handing out on average over twenty quilts each year.

Please keep this in mind as you plan your quilts for volunteer points this year. These guys are so excited when they get your quilts and I wouldn't want to have to leave anyone out because we run out.

Thank you for all your efforts.

Carol Cook





## Angel Quilt Info

Thank you sooo much for turning in 267 Angel Quilts this year. Each quilt goes to a child at Scottish Rite. Sometimes it's to keep them warm sometimes it's a hug.

There are some of the panels we handed out not turned in yet. No problem at all. We'll look forward to see how you turned them into Angel Quilts.

At the December meeting the name of everyone who turned in an Angel Quilt in 2022 was in the drawing for a certificate worth \$20 for quilting an Angel Quilt. Ten were handed out. If you are one of the lucky ones to receive a certificate give it into your longarm quilter with your Angel Quilt. Quilters turn these to Jerry Bowen for payment.

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.

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

Thank you,

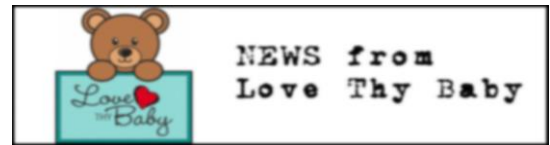
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**The first New Year's celebration dates back 4,000 years.** Julius Caesar, the emperor of Rome, was the first to declare Jan. 1 a national holiday. He named the month after Janus, the Roman god of doors and gates. Janus had two faces, one looking forward and one looking back. Caesar felt that a month named after this god would be fitting.

**Forty-five percent of Americans make New Year's resolutions.** The top resolutions are: to lose weight, get organized, to spend less and save more, to stay fit and healthy, and to quit smoking. While nearly half of all Americans make resolutions, 25 percent of them give up on their resolutions by the second week of January.



### 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.

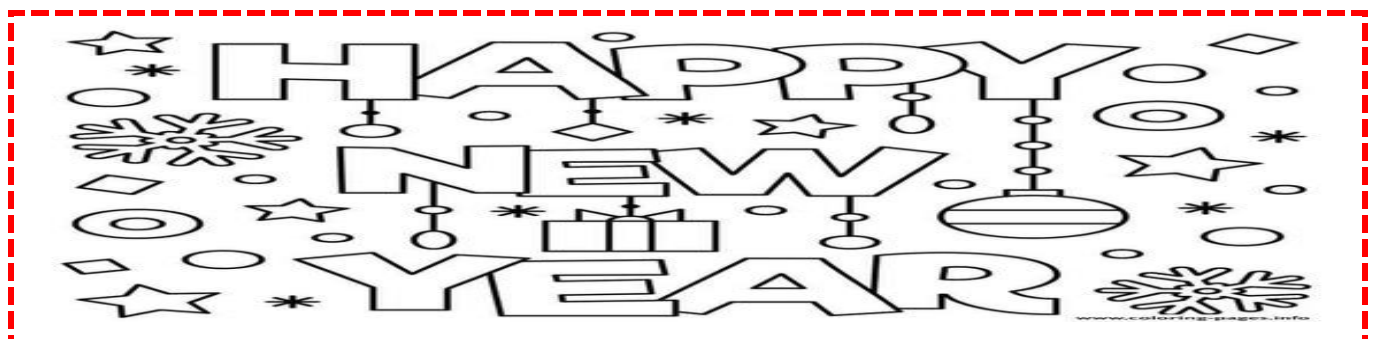
\*Small quilts 36 x 36 are completely put together all you have to do is do the quilting on top in the ditch, meandering or x's.

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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# Misty's Book Nook



**The Christmas Train by David Baldacci (2002)**

**Christmas/contemporary Fiction**

**Approximately 352 pgs.**

Disillusioned journalist Tom Langdon must get from Washington to Los Angeles in time for Christmas. Forced to travel by train, he begins a journey of rude awakenings, thrilling adventures, and holiday magic. He has no idea that the locomotives pulling him across America will actually take him into the rugged terrain of his own heart, as he rediscovers people's essential goodness and someone very special, he believed he had lost.

David Baldacci's THE CHRISTMAS TRAIN is filled with memorable characters who have packed their bags with as much wisdom as mischief...and shows how we do get second chances to fulfill our deepest hopes and dreams, especially during this season of miracles.

## FRIED CABBAGE

This stir-fried cabbage is delicious and easy to prepare using just a few ingredients.

Comes together in less than 30 minutes!

- °5-6 thick slices of bacon, cut into small pieces
- °1/3 cup finely chopped onion
- °1/2 head green cabbage, grated or coarsely chopped
- °1 tablespoon brown sugar, optional
- °salt to taste
- °pepper to taste
- °1/4 teaspoon smoked paprika

Cook bacon in a nonstick skillet over medium heat until cooked through. Use a slotted spoon to remove the bacon and place it on the plate. Don't skimp on the bacon fat and broth!

In same pan, adding onions also cook to translucent.

Add cabbage, salt, pepper and paprika and mix everything together. Cooking for 7 min or to cabbage is tender.

Add the bacon back to the pan and mix it with the cabbage and serve warm.



Martin Luther King Day is a federal holiday held on the third Monday of January. It celebrates the life and achievements of Martin Luther King Jr., an influential American civil rights leader. He is most well-known for his campaigns to end racial segregation on public transport and for racial equality in the United States

## 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month. What will we work on? 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](mailto:donna@acdenterprises.com)

### Frayed Knots

(Second: Monday 1:00PM – 6PM)

Frayed Knots met on Monday December 12 . We did our first exchange, The Pizza Box Exchange. We will meet again on January 9.

**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.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Sue Gray 214-850-9517

### The Cut-Ups

We are taking a little more time off to catch our breath after the holidays. We will meet again on **Thursday, February 2, 2023**, in the gym building of Plymouth Park Baptist Church 5 – 7 P.M.

Take a little time to figure out your next project and join us in February for show and tell.

Happy New Year, Quilters.



## My New Year's Resolutions

Every year I try to ignore the urge to make resolutions since most \_\_\_\_\_ tend to break them after a day or two. This year, however, I am going \_\_\_\_\_ (plural common noun) make a list of things that I would like to accomplish in 2013 and pick the best one on which to focus my efforts. Then, maybe I'll have a chance. Here are my possibilities:

1. I will \_\_\_\_\_ a race to raise \_\_\_\_\_ for a charity.  
(action verb) (common noun – thing)
2. I will learn to \_\_\_\_\_ a new language.  
(action verb)
3. I will \_\_\_\_\_ try to improve my \_\_\_\_\_ in Math and ELA.  
(adverb) (plural common noun)
4. I will volunteer to \_\_\_\_\_ in our local \_\_\_\_\_.  
(action verb) (plural common noun) (common noun – place)
5. After school, I will \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ minutes every night to improve my independent reading skills.  
(action verb) (adjective - number)
6. At home, I will \_\_\_\_\_ my parents with \_\_\_\_\_ dinner and \_\_\_\_\_ the dishes afterwards.  
(action verb) (-ing verb) (-ing verb)
7. I will limit my computer time to \_\_\_\_\_ minutes a day.  
(adjective – number)
8. I will do my best to do what my \_\_\_\_\_ ask of me...the \_\_\_\_\_ time they ask.  
(plural common noun) (ordinal number)
9. I will eat \_\_\_\_\_ fruits and \_\_\_\_\_ every day.  
(adjective – number) (plural common noun)
10. I will follow The \_\_\_\_\_ Rule: Always treat \_\_\_\_\_ the way that you want to be \_\_\_\_\_.  
(adjective) (plural common noun) (past tense verb)

\_\_\_\_\_! That's a lot of \_\_\_\_\_! Now to pick the best one. Which resolution do you think I should keep?  
(exclamation) (plural common noun)



## Officers

### President:

Alene Winn

### 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:

Susan Holt

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President:

Ginny North

### Treasurer:

Jerry Bowen

### Secretary:

Ernestine Chipman

## Chairpersons

### Angel Quilts:

Donna Reid

### Audit:

Deborah Kay

### Door Prizes:

Susan Hyde

### Historian:

Nancy Norris

### Hospitality:

Gail Henegar

### Keeper Quilts:

Janie Merritt

### Love Thy Baby:

LaCora McSwain

### Membership:

Suzanna Fox

### Newsletter Editor:

Judy Poole

### Nomination:

### Parliamentarian:

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 2:00 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

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

**At the Mummers Parade in Philadelphia, 10,000 participants step through City Hall and perform in unique costumes.** The parade dates back to mid-17th-century, incorporating elements from Irish, German, English, Swedish and other European heritages. The parade itself is divided into five divisions: a comic division, wench brigades, fancy division, string bands, and fancy bridges. If you are in the area for New Year's, be sure to check out this event.

## Membership

Current Members	64
New Members	1
Meeting Attendance	37
Guests	1
Total attending	38

**Be sure to eat leafy greens on New Year's.** Tradition says that the more leafy greens a person eats, the more prosperity he or she will experience (what an incentive for staying healthy!). Tradition also says that legumes bring prosperity because beans and peas look like coins. No wonder why so many people eat black eyed peas on Jan. 1.

## January Birthdays

- 2 Evelyn Banks
- 9 Linda Cole
- 10 Maria Perez
- 14 Mandy Carr
- 20 Anne Lawrence
- 27 Suzie Robbins
- 27 Bonnie Sloan



**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

Welcome to our newest member Nancy Paul who hails from Hyde Park, New York. "I wanted to join as I often visit my sister Ami Eglintine and would like to participate when I am in Texas" We look forward to meeting Nancy the next time she is

## Irving Quilt Guild

The Quilting Press newsletter is published monthly for the Irving Quilt Guild, a not-for-profit 501(c)3, volunteer organization founded in 1998.

### Newsletter Deadlines

Please submit all newsletter contributions, letters, reports, black & white photos, prepaid advertisements, etc. to the editor at judyp343@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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### January 19th Meeting Reminders:

- **Items for Show and Tell**
  - ❖ **Angel Quilts**
  - ❖ **Patriotic Quilts**
  - ❖ **Love Thy Baby Items**
- **Food & Drink – ---water**

January 2023			
1/12/23	Officers Meeting	2:00 pm	Oakview Baptist Church
1/19//23	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
1st Thursday 4th Thursday	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](http://www.IrvingQuiltGuild.com)**

