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President's Message

Time is flying for members of Irving Guild. Let's make the most of our time before the holidays! It was a" Pumpkin" great time as we swapped our treats at the October meeting. We also had the election for next year.

November will have a program with speaker Dorene Joyce. She will also show quilts that she has created and been given awards. Her program should motivate us to try new ways to sew and quilt.

We also have our annual Blue Christmas event so prepare to bring lots of gifts, canned goods, and money. Whatever you choose will help the kids that need gifts at Christmas.

Remember that Evelyn said that we can show concern for the teens which may be family members. What a blessing to those in need!

Susan Holt

Blue Christmas 2023

Our Blue Christmas meeting will be on November 16th. NEW <u>unwrapped</u> gifts, canned food and cash are needed. You can check out Blue Christmas on Facebook at "Irving Police and Fire Blue Christmas," or on their website at <u>www.irvingbluechistmas.org</u>. Remember, all Blue Christmas donations are distributed to 400 IRVING families. Your donations stay in Irving.

Our Guild has done a great job over the years in making sure items for teenagers, both boys and girls, are supplied. Here are some more ideas:

*ANYTHING for a teenage girl or boy.

*Books for <u>all</u> ages, but especially for teens, both boys and girls.

*Art supplies for <u>all</u> ages, but especially for older children and teens.

*Games and puzzles for any age child, but especially older children and teens.

*Toys, hot wheels, Legos, etc., including stuffed animals.

*Scarves, gloves, hats.

*Cash, or checks made out to Blue Christmas, will help to buy the food given to the families.

Gift cards are <u>not</u> accepted.

*Canned food, especially protein like tuna, spam, chili, and other non-perishable food items.

A NEW gift for any age child will be appreciated, but the items for teens are the most needed and these are the items Blue Christmas depends on OUR group to provide. Thank you, ladies, for always stepping up and showering Irving kids with your generosity.

Evelyn Banks 972-252-5290

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.

IRVING QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 19, 2023

Acting President Susan Holt called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

Sunshine & Shadows: <u>Shadows</u>: Jackie Wagner is absent because of COVID so Susan Holt made this report for her. The 94-year-old mother of Cindy Foster, one of the Guild's new members, is in hospice. <u>Sunshine</u>: None reported.

New Members and Guests: There were no new members or guests at the meeting.

Board and General Meeting Minutes: Ernestine Chipman asked for any corrections to the minutes for the September General Meeting. The September General Meeting Minutes were unanimously approved by voice vote, as published in the October newsletter.

25th Anniversary Museum Exhibit: Ernestine Chipman updated the membership on the Irving Archives & Museum exhibit (see article published further in this newsletter).

25th Anniversary Luncheon: Shawn Carr still has some gifts that were given to attendees of the luncheon, for any member who was not able to attend the luncheon.

October Program: Was "Pumpkins at the Guild." Attendees were asked last month to bring a pumpkin-themed item in a bag. Anyone who did so had their name put inside a brown bag for a drawing. Susan had various attendees draw names and then the winners got to select one of the bags on the October program table. Everyone who brought a bag received another person's bag in exchange.

Fall 2023 and Spring 2024 Retreats: Ginny North reported that everyone had a blast at the Fall 2023 retreat. They celebrated October birthdays, one of which was Barbara Martin's 95th birthday. They played the Left-Right-Center game and Barbara won all the money. The <u>Spring 2024 retreat</u> will be held April 4-7, 2024, at Sunset. It is \$270 for the 3 nights. The last month that Ginny can accept payment is the February 15, 2024,

Angel Quilts: Donna Reid announced that there was free fabric on the back table for making angel quilts. She thanked everyone who has made an angel quilt this year. The total number turned in so far is 206 quilts. Three hundred is the goal.

Love Thy Baby: LaCora McSwain, chairperson for this program, reminded everyone about this charity program. Quilts, receiving blankets, hats, diaper shirts, booties, and socks are donated to newborn babies at Parkland Hospital. Members who participate receive volunteer points—quilts are 2 points, surged or rolled hems on receiving blankets are 2 points for 10 of these; and 2 points each for 10 of either hats, diaper shirts, or booties.

Patriotic Quilts: Carol Cook announced that she is getting kits together for the veterans' picnic in May.

Irving Volunteer Fair: Suzanna Fox reported 2 things about the Fair. First, everyone who stopped by the Guild's booth, and who had visited the Irving Archives & Museum, praised the Guild's exhibit. Second, Susanna and Cynthia Jauregar were presented with an interesting opportunity. A non-profit, All Things Made New, which mentors middle school, high school, and high school moms, has a sewing group for teens. They were wondering if the Guild would be interested in possibly holding a Saturday workshop for them. It was decided that the Guild should wait until Suzanna or Cynthia hear back from this organization before moving forward.

October Workshop: Janie Merritt and Kristi Wilson were not able to attend this month's meeting, so Suzanna substituted for them. She reminded everyone who had signed up for this workshop, "Machine or Hand Applique," that it will be held on October 21st at the Holy Family Catholic Church's cafeteria, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. She emailed a supply list on September 20th. She also reminded all attendees to bring their lunch, a drink, and an extension cord. For any questions, feel free to contact Kristi.

November Meeting and Program: Evelyn Banks reminded everyone about Blue Christmas. This will be a meeting with one of the Irving fire station crews to hand over unwrapped Christmas gifts for underprivileged children. The meeting will be in Holy Family Catholic Church's Gonzalez Room.

IRVING QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

October Election Results: Members were asked to deposit their ballots in a box when they walked into the October meeting location. Judy Poole, Nominations Committee chairperson, announced the results at the end of this meeting. There was only contested race—President and Shawn Carr won that one.

Keeper Quilts: Pam Chenault is the new Committee chairperson. She reported that the Guild has donated all of the keeper quilts that it had. She asked members to consider making one of these quilts because they go to stable, well-known Irving charities like Irving Cares and Salvation Army, and because members can earn volunteer points. The Membership Directory contains all the requirements.

Show and Tell and Angel Quilts: Donna Reid awarded 4 points and some fabric to Judy Poole who decided to use her points next year.

Door prizes closed out the meeting.

The Acting President adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

****QUILT EXHIBIT AT THE IRVING ARCHIVES AND MUSEUM UPDATE ****

The Guild held its first Exhibit-related activity on Saturday, October 14th, from 10-12 p.m. Members Susan Grewing, Linda Cole, and Cynthia Gladden made quilt blocks. Susan used her hand-cranked machine and Cynthia and Linda, their featherweights. They were very happy with the logistics, but only had 1 visitor whom they plied with our Guild literature. They think that the time of the day might have had an influence. The annular eclipse could have, too. They suggest a later time slot for future activities. Ernestine has also suggested pairing this activity with the timing of the school tours of the Exhibit.

*Next Major Exhibit activities: <u>November 11th is the next Guild activity, 1-3 p.m</u>. in the Spark Lab, the Cutups will demonstrate how to start a quilt. <u>October 28th</u> is the next Museum activity—a fundraiser for IAM from 6-9 p.m. More of the public will be able to see the Guild's exhibit. Susanna Fox and Ernestine Chipman will be there to tell some of the stories behind the creation of two of the quilts. Jerry Bowen has generously donated a beautiful, purple-themed quilt for the fundraiser's raffle. <u>December 9th</u>, Threadpickers will be located in the SparkLab, supporting an international campaign, "<u>I Found A Quilted Heart</u>", by making quilted hearts.

*Please let Ernestine Chipman or Susan Holt know if you would like to participate in any of these activities or if you have ideas for any other activities. Please visit! Second Saturdays and all Sundays until the end of 2023 are FREE admission!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT !!

City of Irving Volunteer Fair

Thirty organization participated this year and approximately 120 folks stopped by to check out community volunteer opportunities. We had a lot of interest in the guild and hope that translates into new members. A number of the organizations stopped by our table to comment on our beautiful exhibit at the Irving Archives and History Museum. A big THANK YOU to Cynthia Jauregar for "working the room" and gathering signatures for our Patriotic Quilt Squares. We turned in 80+ to Carol Cook.

Suzanna Fox

Cinnamon Apple Cake

A super moist vanilla cake, with a sweet and buttery cinnamon swirl, juicy apple chunks throughout, covered in a sweet glaze. This is one of my favourite cakes of all time!

The way the glaze seeps through the cracks into the cake whilst it's still warm.

- INGREDIENTS
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
 1 large apple, peeled and chopped
 1 cup vegetable oil
 1 cup dark brown sugar
 1/2 cup granulated white sugar
 1/2 cup walnuts, chopped
 2 large eggs
 1 tablespoon ground cinnamon
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
 1/2 teaspoon baking soda



Instructions

1/2 teaspoon salt

Preheat oven to 350°F and lightly grease a 9-inch round cake pan.

In a medium bowl, mix together the eggs and oil.

Add the cinnamon, white and brown sugars, and vanilla extract and mix until combined.

Add the flour, salt, baking soda, and baking powder, and mix until thoroughly incorporated. Fold in the apples and the nuts and pour batter into prepared pan.

Bake until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean,

New Meeting Location

The November guild meeting will be in the Gonzales room. This is the room we used before. The school has something in the cafeteria that was scheduled before we were moved there. We'll remind you again.

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Angel Quilt Info

At the October meeting you turned in 17 Angel Quilts. This brings the total delivered to Scottish Rite to 222. Thank you everyone! Please consider turning in extra Angel Quilts in No-

vember. This is the last month of this year to earn points. Even if you already earned your points consider turning in an extra quilt or two. I would like to get as close to the 300-quilt mark as we can.

The Lite Red raffle points were won by JP, aka Judy Poole. She also won some matching fabric to get started on another quilt.

I know you think I'm Angel Quilt crazy but I call it passionate. To me they aren't points they're comfort to a child and they're families.

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

Thank you,

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Cheesy Baked Goulash

Ingredients

1 pound ground beef
2/3 cup chopped onion
Ground black pepper, to taste
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1 cup dry elbow macaroni pasta
1 15-ounce can tomato sauce
1 jar homemade canned tomatoes diced
1 tsp soy sauce
1 tsp sugar
2 tsp dried basil
1 tsp dried parsley
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
1/2 cup shredded Mozzarella cheese

Step 1

Preheat oven to 350 degrees and set a pot of water on to boil for the pasta. In a large skillet over medium-high heat, add the burger and chopped onions, then grind a bunch of black pepper over it. Cook until beef is browned and onions are translucent. In the last minute or so, add the minced garlic.



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 l.mcswain4@verizon.net

Drain any grease, if needed. When the water is boiling for the pasta, add the macaroni and cook until just before al dente, then drain and set aside.

Step 2

It will cook more in the oven. Meanwhile, add the tomato sauce, diced tomatoes, soy sauce, sugar, and herbs to the ground beef and stir to incorporate. Or you can be like me and forget the parsley until later. Next add the cheddar cheese (or perhaps parsley if you forgot) and mix until cheese is melted. Stir in the cooked macaroni until combined. Pour into a 2-quart casserole dish sprayed with oil. Top with the Mozzarella cheese and bake for 30 minutes. Let rest about 5 minutes, then serve with buttered bread, and a salad if you want.

Misty's Book Nook

Title: The incredible Winston Browne Author: Sean Dietrich (2021) Genre: Southern Historical Fiction



Folks in Moab live for ice cream socials, baseball, and the local paper's weekly gossip column. Sheriff Winston Browne has watched over Moab with a generous eye for a decade, and by now he's used to handling the daily dramas that keep life interesting for Moab's quirky residents.

But just after Winston receives some terrible, life-altering news, a seemingly mute runaway with no clear origin arrives in Moab. The residents do what they believe is right and take her in—until two suspicious strangers arrive and begin looking for her. Suddenly Winston has a child in desperate need of protection—as well as a secret of his own to keep.

With the help of Moab's goodhearted townsfolk, the humble and well-meaning Winston Browne still has some heroic things to do. He finds romance, family, and love in unexpected places. He stumbles upon adventure, searches his soul, and grapples with the past. In doing so, he just might discover what a life well-lived truly looks like.

Sometimes ordinary people do the most extraordinary things of all



French Onion Soup Casserole

6-large onions sliced thin
2-quarts of beef stock
6-tbs of butter
1/2-tsp dry rosemary
1/2-cup of dry red wine
1-tbs Worcestershire
French bread sliced 1/2 thick toasted
1-lb. Gruyere cheese shredded
salt
black cracked pepper

TREATS

oven proof casserole melt the butter in a large pot

add all the onions fold to coat with the butter, season with salt on a low heat caramelize the onions folding them over and over along the way. They should be cooked down to a deep golden. add the wine scrape all the brown bits off the bottom of the pot.

add the stock and the Worcestershire sauce simmer covered for 30 minutes fill the casserole with the soup.

float a layer of the toasted bread, top with mounds of the cheese, more is better

place in a 350 degree pre heated oven until the cheese is melted and golden.

The key to this recipe is in the caramelizing of the onions. You'll want to take your time cooking them down and allow them to become deep golden. That is where a lot of the flavor comes from. Use a ladle and serve in soup bowls.

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? We'll meet at Holy Family and work on a pattern we haven't decided on yet. You can always bring your own project. All are welcome.

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Frayed Knots

(Second: Monday 1:00PM – 6PM)

Friendship Group will meet November 13 from 1-5 p.m.

Put it on your calendar, we meet the second Monday of every month at Grace Point Church Annex located at 121 S. Story Road.

Bring your pizza box to exchange, we're almost done!

Mae Harless

214-683-4920

The Cut-Ups

The Cut-Ups will meet on Thursday, November 2nd in the gym building of Plymouth Park Baptist Church. We will be talking about our up-coming November 11th demonstration at the Irving Archives and Museum, where we will show how to make a quilt from cutting out the fabric, to sewing the pieces, to layering the top, batting and backing. We meet at 6:00 P.M.



Thank you.

Top 5 questions heard at Retreat

Who brought the wine opener? Where's Jack? Did you see that new line of Christmas fabric? What do you think about this class? This kit is on sale, should I get it?

OUR NEW MEETING LOCATION IS **HOLY FAMILY** CHURCH -2323 CHEYENNE ST. **IRVING 75060**

Officers

President: Alene Winn 1st Vice President: Susan Holt 2nd Vice-President: Ginny North Treasurer: Jerry Bowen

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November 2023									
11/13/23	Officers Meeting		2:00 pm		Holy Family Church				
11/16/23	Guild Meeting		6:30 – 9:00 pm		Holy Family Church				
2nd Monday	Frayed Knots		1:00 - 6:00 pm		Grace Pointe Church Annex				
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	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



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November 16 Meeting Reminders:

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