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President's Message

To each Queen Bee of the Irving Quilt Guild,

Thursday's meeting was so much fun! The trunk show by Toni Oyler was stunning! I heard that the workshop was very good and enjoyed by all! I can't wait to see the finished table runners or placemats.

It is almost here. 2024 Quilt Show! and our booth is located in the same area as last year. You have all been such buzzzzzy bees this year! Words are not enough to thank each of you... by donating bee items, selling t-shirts, selling tickets, making miniature quilts, entering quilts, volunteering to take quilts and hang them for all to enjoy and volunteering to work the show for the guild and for the Sew Expo.... I have crowned each of you as a Queen Bee!

I look forward to seeing everyone during the quilt show. Share a ride with a friend because parking is \$15 a day.

If you are like most quilters, you have a lot of rulers. Square, rectangular, wide and narrow, scalloped edges, half square triangles.... join us at the August meeting. Beverly from Quilter's Dream will be our speaker – she is going to explain what we do with them! See you there on August 15th!!

Stitching our Lives Together One Stitch at a Time,

Shawn



National Watermelon Day

When: Always on August 3rd

This big fruit deserves its own big day. And, so we give pause to celebrate watermelons on National Watermelon Day. Sweet and tasty, watermelons are one of summer's favorite fruit. It's standard fare at picnics. While watermelon is over 90% water, it sure tastes good. And, what picnic would be complete without a seed spitting contest?

Our research was unable to establish this day a true national day (which requires an act of congress). We also have not uncovered the origin of this day. We suspect it originated by an agricultural organization, or perhaps a wild and crazy watermelon fan.

Please don't limit your consumption of watermelon to just this month. Stores carry watermelon twelve months of the year.

IRVING QUILT GUILD GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 18, 2024

Shawn Carr called a brief business meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. before the program started.

2024 Quilt Show: Shawn reminded everyone that the Show is just 2 weeks away. Jeanne Sullivan still has many \$12 tickets left. The sale proceeds of these tickets fully benefit the Guild. It was announced that parking will be \$15 a day, instead of \$10 like last year. Judy Poole announced that there will be no parking fee charged on the Sunday before the Show. Quilt entries must be delivered between 12 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, the 28th. Suzanna Fox announced that she will be glad to deliver any quilt entries if you are not able to make that date and times.

Shawn asked every member who contributed bee-themed items for the Show Booth to stand—about half of the Meeting's attendees. She also gave a shout-out to Ginnie North for pricing all these items. This year, the Guild will only have a 10' x 10' booth in the back row with no curtain. Shawn requested that, if you can, please drop by the booth and see if she needs help.

Guests and New Members: Suzanna Fox announced that 3 new guests attended the meeting—Julie Smith, Nancy Reed, and Jacqueline “Jackie” Sanchez. Shawn asked the guests and any new members to feel free to ask any questions at any time about the Guild's activities.

Sunshine and Shadows: Shadows: Jackie Wagner announced that long-time member, Barbara Martin, died last weekend. Funeral plans will be announced later. Her granddaughter, Stephanie Carmack, had a car accident and is doing okay. Sunshine: Jackie also announced that she has been adopted by a feral female cat who now has had kittens which she would love to give away.

July Birthdays: Everyone sang “Happy Birthday” to Susan Holt, Nan Coleman, and Elaine Doell.

July Program and Workshop: Toni Oyler, a certified Judy Niemeyer instructor, provided a brief background on Judy Niemeyer and her technique. She showed some of the many quilts she had made using Judy's techniques. Her workshop will be a Judy Niemeyer Paper Piecing workshop in which attendees will create a table runner or placemats. It will be in the Holy Family of Nazareth Catholic Church's cafeteria, starting at 9:00 a.m. Bring a lunch and a drink along with your sewing machine, an extension cord, and fabric. Donna Reid emailed a supply list to everyone who signed up. There will be starch pens, but they will need to be shared.

The following business meeting activities continued after Toni's program.

May and June General Meeting Minutes: Ernestine Chipman asked for any additions or corrections to the General Meeting Minutes for these months, as published in the June and July newsletters. No additions or changes were requested. Both sets of minutes were approved unanimously.

Fall Retreat: Ginnie North reminded everyone that the August meeting will be the last meeting she will be taking payments. The dates are October 10-13th, Red Boot, \$305. She has 19 people signed up, so far.

August Program: Beverly Ingram from Quilters Dream will give a presentation on rulers—the different types and equipment that quilters never use. Shawn gave a “shout-out” to Donna Reid for having all the programs planned for next year.

Show and Tell: Donna awarded 4 points to Linda Cole along with a panel.

Door Prizes ended the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Volunteer Hours through August, 2024

Volunteer	Hours	Volunteer	Hours	Volunteer	Hours
Connie A	0	Mae H	0	Linda S	14
Evelyn B	36	Thenia H	50	Pansy S	60
Susie B	56	Gayle H	30	Bonnie S	256
Sandy B	91	Pat H	11	Jean S	50
Jerry B	48	Donna H	7	Jerry T	0
Rachel B	0	Susan H	63	Susan T	44
Stephanie C	0	Jill H	45	Lori V	80
Mandi C	0	Cynthia J	4	Jackie W	0
Shawn C	0	Deborah K	20	Gail W	44
Pam C	40	Anne L	40	Kristi W	0
Ernestine C	4	Barbara M	2	Alene W	8
Linda C	226	Michelle M	0	Ann W	29
Nan C	84	LaCora M	79		
Cynthia G	8	Janie M	0		
Susan G	3	Nancy N	2		
Lynn H	0	Ginny N	78		
Susan D	4	June P	0		
Elaine D	0	Nancy P	0		
Judy D	102	Judy P	16		
Elizabeth E	21	Donna R	114		
Ami E	30	Susie R	0		
Cindy F	0	Wanda R	0		
Suzanna F	30	Sara S	28		

United States

All the words listed are hidden vertically, horizontally or diagonally—in both directions. The letters that remain unused form a sentence from left to right.

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Angel Quilt Info

This month I received 19 Angel Quilts for a new total of 137. This leaves 163 Angel Quilts needed to reach the total of 300. If you haven't reached your 48 points yet now's the time to look into making additional Angel Quilts. And if you've reached it like many of us have keep going.

I'm going to find another pattern by the August meeting for us to make. You should have your quilt show quilts completed. I'm still putting the binding on by hand. Why do the judges care if the binding is full or empty if it looks good?

If you want to learn to quilt what you've pieced Angel Quilts are perfect for that. Always do your best and remember the children won't judge. Points are given to the piecer and quilter. If you do both you receive both.

Each quilt must have a label with Irving Quilt Guild, your name, and the year.

Linda Cole won the Lite Red raffle. Along with the 4 points Linda received a quilt panel and seam ripper. Linda, do you know what a seam ripper is? Your many creations are perfect. Thank you everyone.

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

Thank you,

Donna Reid 214 435-4148



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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QUILTING TIP

Quilt in the Ditch refers to quilting right next to the seam line on the side without seam allowances.

Outline Quilting refers to quilting ¼" from the seam line.

Echo Quilting refers to quilting one or more lines of stitching in uniform distances away from a patch.



Quilt Show

Quilt turn in is on July 28th from 12 until 4. Parking at the convention center will be free for this event. If you cannot make it for whatever reason, get someone else to drop it off for you.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday at the Convention Center will be for quilt set-up, hanging and judging. Unless you have a specific job for any of those days, please do not come up there. If you are one of the people who will be helping set up the Guild Booth, then get with Shawn for when she needs you. If you are helping with hanging the quilts, you should be hearing from that committee chairman on what time to be there. The vendors will be setting up and there will be boxes, bins and trolleys all over the aisles so no one should be in there unless you have a job there.

The show opens at 10:00 on Thursday, August 1st and goes through Saturday August 3rd. It closes at 5 on Saturday but is open until 5:30 on Thur. and Fri. Parking will cost \$15 but we are still working on getting that reduced as much as possible. Not sure they will budge on it though. Carpool if you can to save money.

Quilt pick up will be after the show closes on Saturday. It usually takes our dynamic team about 45 minutes to take down, fold and organize the quilts once the show closes. That is a fantastic feat for almost 300 quilts. We need you to either hang out in the lobby or show up after 5:45 to claim your quilt. Be patient. There will be people signing papers and people talking over each other. DO NOT wait until 7:00 to come get your quilt because you are afraid of the crowd. These workers want to go home, and we can't until the quilts are gone. If you can't pick it up at that time, give your claim ticket to a friend and ask them to get your quilt. Parking will be free for quilt pick up after 5:00. If you fail to get there to get your quilt, someone will take it home, but you will be charged a holding fee of \$10.00 per day.

I hope you take advantage of a few of the classes they offer during the show. You might be able to sign up at the last minute if there is room. I hope you volunteer for one of the open positions that help the show be successful. But mostly I hope you enjoy the show, get inspired by all the beautiful quilts and find something wonderful at the vendor booths.

The committee people and show chairs have been working for over 8 months to get this show ready for you to enjoy. If you see one of them, take a second to thank them for their hard work and time.

See you at the show!!

Carol and Deborah



July workshop with Tonie Oyler

Nine ladies attended Tonie Oyler's paper piecing workshop in July. She gave us something to practice on and learn the process. It was flying geese. We did good. Then we opened our pattern with the points. This slowed us down but we did it. When we get our table runners and place mats completed, we'll show them off.

Misty's Book Nook



The Five wishes of Murray McBride

Joe Siple

Christian Fiction

Murray McBride 1/2: one or both can usually be found for free with prime reading or Kindle unlimited

With all his family and friends gone, one-hundred-year-old Murray McBride is looking for a reason to live. He finds it in Jason Cashman, a ten-year-old boy with a terminal heart defect and a list of five things he wants to do before he dies.

Together, they race against the limited time each has left, ticking off wishes one by one. Along the way, Murray remembers what it's like to be young, and Jason fights for the opportunity to grow old. But when tragedy strikes, their worlds are turned upside-down, and an unexpected gift is the only thing that can make Jason's final wish come true.

The Texas State Capitol building is the largest state capitol in the nation.

In terms of gross square footage, the Texas Capitol is only smaller in size to the U.S. Capitol building. Additionally, the Texas Capitol dome actually sits 7 feet (2.13 meters) higher than the U.S. Capitol's.

48 Hr. Class- 2025

Guess what??? I am going to be your teacher for the next 48 hr. class. I have a pattern that I saw online that looked fairly easy but different. I presented the idea to the board, and it was accepted and I "volunteered" to teach it. If you can sew a half square triangle and do the flip and sew triangles, then you have this quilt well in hand. I am letting you in a few things now for two reasons...first is if you don't already have your volunteer points made then you still have time to get more made and earn your way in to the class. Second is I want you to be able to spend some time thinking about how you want your quilt to look when it's finished.

If you came to the meeting on Thursday, you saw my version. I will tell you that the pattern picture was all in green tones...medium to light. They used $\frac{3}{4}$ yd of 5 different prints. The lightest color **was** also used on the 9 patch connector blocks. MY sample did not use the same colors on the 9 patch so I didn't need much fabric of the lightest color. We will get into more about fabric amounts in the coming months.

As you keep your eyes open for a fabric sale or just use your stash just keep in mind these thoughts: Yes, the pattern is a tree design but no one said you couldn't make yours out of unlikely tree fabric. Think Christmas fabric for the trees and maybe gold for the 9 patch?? Or Halloween fabrics? Fall colors would be nice. Blues for cold months with snowflake fabrics. I used batiks from my stash in off the wall colors of blues, purples and greens. It's your quilt...make it match your personality. I would love to see your interpretation of the pattern.

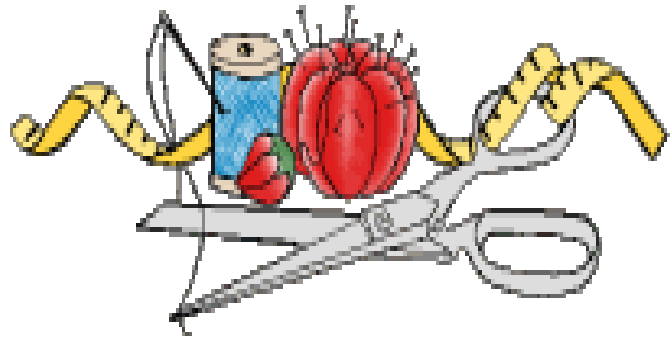
I am giving you time to think about this class. With the show around the corner and Plano show right after then you can maybe find something that "rocks your tree world" and find that jumping off point for the colors. I just want everyone to have a good time with this so I am teasing you with ideas.

Get your thoughts a brewing...I don't want to "Leaf" anyone behind !!

Carol Cook

GET TO KNOW YOUR FELLOW QUILTER

GINNY North GI not JE (Ginny not Jenny)



When did you start quilting?

GINNY: Around 1998. I joined the Guild in 2000 or 2001. My mom made me. She said I would gain sisters who shared the same interests. Their friendship, love and support would last indefinitely! Mothers DO know best!

Tell us about your family (# of kids), married?

GINNY: Raised 4 kids, 3 girls and 1 boy. Married twice. First marriage with 2 daughters. Second marriage gifted me with 1 girl and 1 boy. All were young and we all lived together as one family!

Tell us about places you have traveled to.

GINNY: Our travels have taken us to many places in the states. America is beautiful! I have never travelled overseas. Trips were booked but we weren't able to go. Life happens.

Tell us something no one knows about you. Hummmmmmm.....

Is there something in quilting you would like to learn or master?

GINNY: I would like to master machine quilting on my domestic. I share a mid arm machine with my niece, Mandi and my goal is to start using it sometime soon.

Have you ever met a famous celebrity, author, or sports celebrity?

GINNY: I got a big hug from John Ritter (Three's Company) and he even kissed me on the cheek! They were filming Problem Child at St. Pats Cathedral near my work in Ft. Worth. And

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



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.

Donna Reid 214 435-4148 donna@acdenterprises.com

Frayed Knots

(Second: Monday 1:00PM – 6PM)

Frayed Knots will meet from 1 to 4 pm, August 12 at Quilters Dream. There is a \$5 charge per person for the room, which allows you to sew all day if you choose. We will be discussing our next Barn Star blocks, bring completed blocks for show and tell.

Mae Harless 214-683-4920

The Cut-Ups

The Cut-Ups will NOT meet in August. We will get started again at our September meeting on Thursday, September 5, at 6:00 P.M. in the gym building at Plymouth Park Baptist Church. Enjoy the Quilt Show!

Evelyn Banks 972-252-5290

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Officer's Meetings

The Officers and Committee Members meet the second Thursday of each month at Holy Family Church Campus 2323 Cheyenne, 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

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

Corn Casserole

1 box Jiffy cornbread mix
1 can cream corn
1 can whole kernel corn drained
2 eggs

1 stick butter melted

1 Cup Sour cream

Directions:

Mix all together in casserole adding the sour cream last.

Bake in 350 oven for 45 minutes.

August Birthdays

5	Rachel Brown
7	Connie Angeles
10	Carol Cook
16	Wanda Rolf
27	Sarah Schacht



Membership

Current Members	63
New Members	0
Meeting Attendance	36
Guests	3
Total attending	39

Meeting Room

August meeting will be held in the cafeteria. Park in the large parking lot.



RELAX and RETREAT

Ladies – Please take a minute each month, before our general meeting, to check your email in the event there is a location change.

Irving Quilt Guild

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Please submit all newsletter contributions, letters, reports, black & white photos, prepaid advertisements, etc. to the editor at judydyp343@tx.rr.com

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1/2 pg (7X4.5) \$11/mo;

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August 15 Meeting Reminders:

Items for Show and Tell

- * Angel Quilts
- * Patriotic Quilts
- * Love Thy Baby Items
- Food & Drink – back to crackers & water

August 2024			
8/8/24	Officers Meeting	2:00 pm	Holy Family Church
8/15/24	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!

AUGUST