



# Garland Quilt Guild Newsletter

April 2021



## From the President

Hello Quilters,

As we are starting to get out and about, I look forward to seeing everyone. Although it may be a few more months until we meet, I am so excited.

I wanted to thank each and every one that participated in the Presidents Challenge for 2021. We had some beautiful quilts and designs to choose from. I had a great time guessing the maker of each quilt. Even though I did not know who made the quilts until the tally was in, I found it interesting to guess the maker of each quilts. The technique in each quilt was an interesting give away. Some of us find a gift given method and just stay with it. I loved it.

We need people to step up to the plate and get some new blood on the board.

We have positions that NEED to be filled to enable us to function as a Guild.

These positions work together to keep the guild running. Please step up and fill a needed position.

Thank you again for renewing your membership.

Happy Quilting,

**Stacey Young,  
GQG President 2021**





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## If and when we get back together Meeting Reminders

- Membership Badge and Logo pin
- Please Silence your phones, to avoid distractions during the meetings.
- Donation Quilt for Community Service
- BOM Blocks
- Sack Lunches donation items for the church lunch program
- Pancake mix for the church Saturday morning breakfast
- Cash donation for the church, a basket will be at the registration desk.
- Classified ads are available for members



Note: The **Guild General meetings start at 7:00 PM** unless noted. Anyone who shows up before 6:40 PM will be put to work setting up for the meeting and program!



## Quilt Show updates

Save October 8 – 9 of 2021 for the Quilters Guild of Plano Show. It was moved from August to allow more time for virus regression. I am ready for a quilt show!

Virginia Hauer





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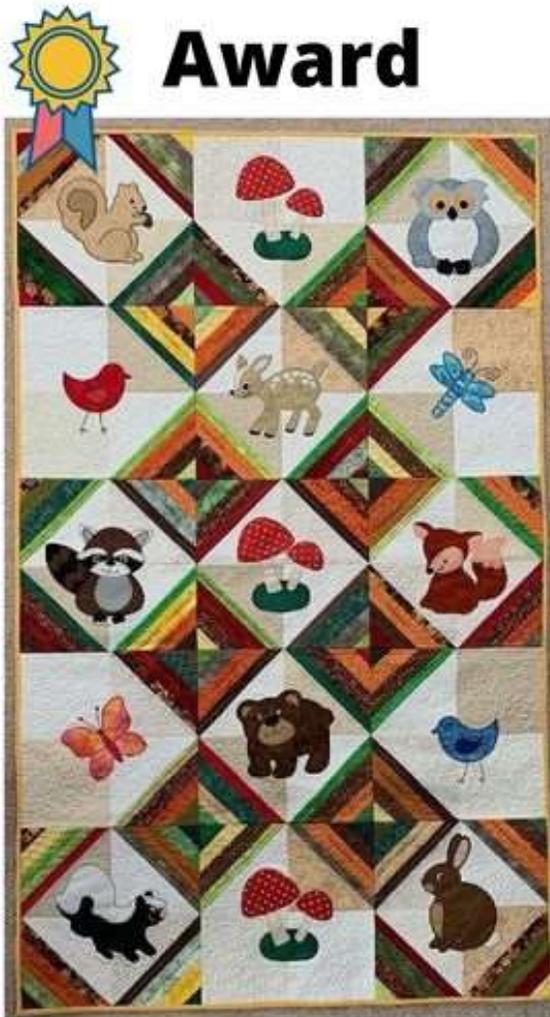
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## President's Challenge 2021 Winners Are

Thank you for participating in the Presidents Challenge!  
And the winners are:

## President's Award



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## 2020 Members Choice Winners

**1st Place  
Winner**



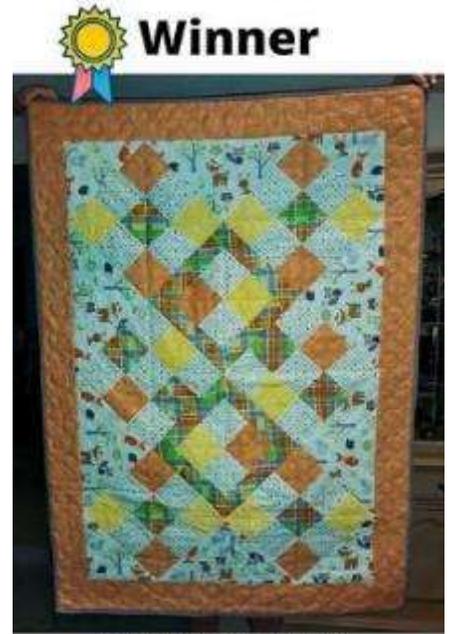
SARAH BEAL

**2nd Place  
Winner**



MARY JANE BROOKS

**3rd Place  
Winner**



MELANIE REIMANN



## 2021 President's Challenge

We will be making a Log Cabin Quilt. Minimum size is 63" X 63". Good Luck to everyone!



Log Cabin Bock



Log Cabin Quilt





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## Programs News UPCOMING PROGRAMS and WORKSHOPS

### May

Kooky, Quirky, Crazy Quilts will be the lecture presented by Mary Calloway at our May meeting. Mary has collected many beautiful traditional quilts, but her real passion is for the strange and slightly “odd” quilts which we never see in a museum or quilt show. She is a very entertaining speaker and should be lots of fun.

### June

The program for June 1 is Monica Hendewerk with A Little of This, A Little of That. She is a local quilter with a wealth of knowledge to share. Her workshop will be June 5, Woven Fabric/Tumbling Blocks.

Hopefully we will be able to meet by this time.

On another note, I will not be able to continue to attend the night meetings. We need someone to step up and take the position of Vice President/Program Chair. I will be able to help with the workshops and have everything lined up for 2021 and even into 2022. Please contact Stacey or me if you would be willing to help the guild in this capacity. If no one steps up to take offices, we won't be able to maintain an active guild. Please consider doing this vital position.

### Margaret Neyman, VP and Program Chair

**Please note:** When attending workshops, the Church has requested that we enter through the west side door. Please do not enter through the kitchen area while they are serving breakfast.

All workshops are held at the First Presbyterian Church, 903 Avenue B, Garland, TX and start at **10 am**, unless otherwise noted and announced.

**Any workshops that do not have sufficient sign ups 40 days before the class will be cancelled.**

Members - \$45, Non-members - \$55





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## 2021 Programs and Workshops

If all goes well with this pandemic these will be the Guild will do in 2021.

~~January 5~~ Event: ~~“Dressed to the Nines Fat Quarter Swap”~~

~~February 2~~ Program: ~~Allen Mizdail, “History and Collection of Vintage Buttons”~~

~~March 2~~ Event: ~~Garland Quilt Guild Founder’s Spool Award, Presentation of President’s Challenge Quilts and Awards~~

~~April 6~~ Program: ~~Brenda Jeschke, “TIPS AND TECHNIQUES (What the Books Don’t Always Tell You)”~~

~~April 10~~ Workshop: ~~Brenda Jeschke, “Only Two Blocks”~~

May 4 Program: **Mary Calloway**, “Kooky, Quirky, Crazy Quilts, Plus a Few Unusual Collectibles!”

June 1 Program: **Monica Hendewerk**, “A Little of This, A Little of That”

June 5 Workshop: **Monica Hendewerk**, “Woven Fabric Tumbling Blocks”

July 6 Program: **Sharon Holliday**, “Sourdough Quilts”

July 10 Workshop: **Sharon Holliday**, “Star Struck”

August 3 Program: **Trish Stuart**, “Thread Sketching & Paint”

August 7 Workshop: **Trish Stuart**, “Paint on Fabric”

September 7 Event: Mini Quilt Silent Auction and Salad Potluck

October 5 Program: **Debbie Maddy**, “Indigo Shibori Dyeing from Itajime, Arashi, Nui, Kumo, and beyond”

November 2 Program: **Susan Kruszynski**, “Story Telling with Quilts

November 6 Workshop: **Susan Kruszynski**, “Texas Bluebonnet Sunset”

December 7 Event: Holiday Potluck





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## Sunshine and Shadows

### Sunshine



- **Margaret Neyman** has a happy announcement. My son and his wife have a new baby boy who was born on March 5. Mom and baby are doing great.
- During the Snowagetton event, **Robbin Peck** fell and broke her arm. She had to have surgery on her arm. She is on the mend and recovering well.



### Denise Bartosh, Sunshine and Shadows

To report sunshine or shadows, utilize the form OR email [dbartosh@att.net](mailto:dbartosh@att.net)

## Membership 2021

Now is the time of year to begin membership renewal for 2021. Our membership fees are still \$25 per year. Please take a look at your information in the directory and if anything is incorrect please completely refill out the form and send it back.

Please pay special attention to your email address. '1' (the number one) looks like the letter l, '0' (a zero) looks like the letter O, etc.

Also, please take a minute to look over the areas of interest section. You're not volunteering to be in charge of anything. If you will indicate areas you are interested in-or add some different ones-it will help us see where our planning needs to go and who to ask for help.

The 2021 membership form is attached to the newsletter.

Thanks for supporting your quilt guild.

## April Birthdays



13 Sherry Starr  
 18 Diane Ippolito  
 20 Jackie Black

25 Suzy Boyle  
 27 Mary Alice Caffarel  
 28 Cynthia Bennett





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## 7 Crazy things you never knew about Texas Bluebonnets

By Rebecca L. Bennett from the Austin.com happening in Austin website



### 1: The 1901 state flower race was heated

Back in 1901, when the Texas Legislature was nailing down all of the official state mascots, something of a flower war ensued. Three different speakers each nominated a different bloom and argued passionately in support of his or her particular choice.

According to TAMU, the cotton boll was nominated because it was an economic “king” at the time. Because cotton really isn’t much to look at, it was shot down. Next, a fellow who later became known as “Cactus Jack” nominated the prickly pear cactus for its hardiness and exquisite “orchid-like” beauty. In the end, however, even the vibrant prickly pear flower paled in comparison with the bluebonnet, which was nominated by the National Society of Colonial Dames of America.

### 2: All six Texas bluebonnet species are the state flower

Did you know that there are actually six native species of bluebonnet that grow in Texas and that all six of them are collectively classified as Texas’ state flower? There’s *Lupinus texensis*, of course, which is the bluebonnet that we all know and love. However, according to the Native Plant Society, Texas is also home to four other species: *Lupinus subcarnosus*, *Lupinus Havardii*, *Lupinus concinnus*, *Lupinus perennis*, and *Lupinus plattensis*.

In 1901, the Legislature elected *Lupinus subcarnosus* as the state flower, but since *subcarnosus* generally presents smaller and less vibrant blooms than *texensis*, citizens petitioned the





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legislature for a change on numerous occasions. Finally, in 1971, the Legislature determined that the easiest way to satisfy everyone was to classify all five species as the Texas state flower, and the rest is history

### **3: Bluebonnets look their best from late March to mid-April**

Bluebonnets usually bloom in early March, hit their peak in late March to mid-April, and linger much less gracefully as temperatures rise through May. Spring rains generally mean healthier bluebonnet plants, so keep those rain dances coming and we'll surely have a beautiful crop this season in Austin. By the end of May, if you do find a bluebonnet, it will be a scorched and pitiful little thing, only a shade of its former glory.

### **4: The bluebonnet has several known aliases**

Nowadays, most folks know the bluebonnet by its true name, but the bluebonnet has also accumulated at least five other nicknames throughout history. 19th century botanists referred to the flower simply as the Lupine due to its inclusion in the *Lupinus* genus, though the general public more frequently used the names Buffalo Clover and Wolf Flower. The Spanish had several different names for the bluebonnet — El Conejo, which means “rabbit,” comparing the bluebonnet’s white tip to a cottontail rabbit’s tail, and Azulejo, which according to the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center can be loosely translated as “indigo bunting” or “cornflower.”

### **5: Bluebonnets ain’t for eatin’**

Believe it or not, the bluebonnet is actually toxic if ingested. Leaves and seeds from the entire *Lupinus* plant family are poisonous, although actual toxicity is determined by a number of different biological and environmental factors (see ‘Benefit’). Even animals steer clear of bluebonnets when they get the munchies. So be sure that none of your kids decide to have a bluebonnet snack during family portraits!

### **6: Bluebonnets aren’t always blue and white**

Nature always has a way of surprising us. Just when you think you have something figured out, nature throws you for a loop every time. For example, bluebonnets are quite simply blue and white flowers, correct? Wrong. Most bluebonnets are blue and white, but the flowers actually come in varying shades of pink, purple, and white as well. Some botanists have even succeeded in creating “Aggie Maroon” and “Barbara Bush Lavender” blooms!

### **7: The bluebonnet has its own legend**

And probably more than one. Native Americans and Spanish settlers revered the bluebonnet among all of Texas’ wildflowers and as a result, bluebonnets were often featured in folklore. One particular legend, “The Legend of the Pink Bluebonnet,” is recorded online by TAMU. You can read the full myth here, but the summarized version goes like this:





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As two young children play in a field of wildflowers just outside of San Antonio, one of them spots a white bluebonnet and the other notices a pink bluebonnet amidst all of the standard blue blooms. They ask their grandmother why the flowers are colored differently than the rest and she answers wisely that the white flower represents the Lone Star on the Texas flag and that the pink flower grows in honor and remembrance of the brave soldiers who gave their lives for Texas independence at the Alamo. “If the white ones are special, then the pink ones mean even more,” she said.

If that legend is any indication, the bluebonnet is rooted in Texas’ very identity, intertwined with themes like Texans’ characteristic stubborn independence and heart. It’s like historian Jack Maguire once wrote: the bluebonnet is “a kind of floral trademark almost as well known to outsiders as cowboy boots and the Stetson hat... The bluebonnet is to Texas what the shamrock is to Ireland, the cherry blossom to Japan, the lily to France, the rose to England and the tulip to Holland.”

Yep. We’ll tip our hat to that.





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## 2021 Garland Quilt Guild Officers

### Elected Officers:

President: Stacey Young

**Vice President: open**

Secretary: Gail Pearce and Robbin Peck

Treasurer: Lee Ann Christ

By Laws: Paula Washler

**Community Service: open**

Membership/Database: Frances Wilson &  
Lee Ann Calvert

### Appointed Officers:

Auditor: Carolyn Cortez

**Advertising/Publicity: open**

**BOM/Fundraising: open**

**Community Service/Special Projects:**

Directory: Sarah Beal

**Door Prize: open**

Facebook: Sarah Beal

**Facilities: open**

Guild Swag: Annie Cruz

**Historian: open**

**Hospitality: open**

**In Town Retreat: open**

Library: Debbie Hargrave

Newsletter: Mary Battaglia & Sarah Beal

Raffle Quilt: Jean Blalock

Retreat: Cynthia Bennett

**Secret Pals: open**

Sunshine/Shadows: Denise Bartosh

Website: Sarah Beal

We need to fill these positions, when we all have been vaccinated and we will be able to get back together again we need to have a functional guild. As you see above there are several open positions that need to be filled. **WE AS A GUILD NEED YOU TO STEP UP AND VOLUNTEER!**

Positions **highlighted** above are open and need to be filled by a guild member.

### Guild Contacts

#### Email Addresses:

President: gqg.prez@gmail.com

VP/Programs: gqg.vice.prez@gmail.com

Treasurer: gqg.treasurer@gmail.com

Door Prize: gqg.door.prize@gmail.com

Advertising: gqg.advertising@gmail.com

#### Mail Address:

Garland Quilt Guild

P. O. Box 460625 Garland, TX 75046

\*\*\*\*\* **New Email Address** \*\*\*\*\*

**General Information:** garland.tx.quilt.guild@gmail.com





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## Door Prizes

*“Thank you”* to the following shops who so generously donated door prizes for our August meeting. Please **support** our **local** quilt shops as they support our Guild.

# Thank You!

## Door Prize Tickets

How do you get a door prize ticket? Let me tell you the ways.

Just for being you. Everyone who comes to the meeting gets a ticket when you sign in at the Membership table.

For bringing a show and tell. One ticket per meeting, even if you have more than one show and tell. Ask for a show and tell ticket at the Community Service table.

For turning in community service projects. Get these tickets at the Community Service table. Tickets are given out for the following:

- 3 pillow cases = 1 ticket
- Top that is quilted and bound = 3 tickets
- Top only = 1 ticket
- Quilting only = 1 ticket
- Binding only = 1 ticket

Lucky logo. Lucky logo drawings are held randomly. If you come to the meeting with your logo pin you will get a ticket for a separate Lucky Logo drawing. If you don't have a logo pin, you can purchase one at the Membership table for \$5.00.





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## Editor Notes

If you have been to a Garland Quilt Guild event and have photos or would like to write an article, we will gladly publish it in our Newsletter.

The Newsletter Chair description states, that the deadline for articles is the Friday after the guild board meeting (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month). The Deadline for the **May 2021 newsletter** is **Friday, April 16.**

Mary Battaglia, Editor

## 2021 Newsletter Deadlines

January	15	July	16
February	12	August	13
March	12	September	17
April	16	October	15
May	14	November	12
June	11	December	17

## Advertising Rates

Would you like to place an advertisement in the GQG Newsletter? Contact the Garland Quilt Guild

Prices for **one month** advertising (great for special events):

Full Page	9.0 x 6.5	\$35
½ Page	4.5 x 6.5	\$20
¼ Page	4.5 x 3.2	\$15
Business Card	2.0 x 3.5	\$8

Prices for **6 months** advertising:

Full Page	9.0 x 6.5	\$135
½ Page	4.5 x 6.5	\$70
¼ Page	4.5 x 3.2	\$50
Business Card	2.0 x 3.5	\$30

Contact the Garland Quilt Guild by:

Email Address: [gqgnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:gqgnewsletter@gmail.com)

Mail Address: P. O. Box 460625 Garland, TX 75046





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## Sack Lunch Ministry

The demand for the church's sack lunches has grown tremendously, with the church now giving away about 35 lunches a week to the homeless or the hungry. The following is the list of items for the sack lunch ministry operated by our facility location host, First Presbyterian Church. Just pack the lunches in a small brown paper sack with non-perishable items, such as:



- canned tuna or chicken salad
- peanut butter and crackers
- cheese and crackers
- chips
- fruit cup
- cookies
- pudding

You may also include a drink (although not necessary) as well as a napkin and spoon. Items should not require a can opener. Bottled water is also much appreciated. You can find many of these items at a Dollar Tree, Big Lots, Wal-Mart, etc.

The church also collects pancake mix and syrup. **We also have a tip jar at the sign-in table,** and if everyone were to throw in their loose change we could donate a great deal to the church each month. Thank you so much!

## Guild Merchandize!

Looking for that Perfect Gift for a quilter or are your kids looking for one for you? How about a Birthday? Consider giving a gift of a Garland Guild Workshop or a Garland Guild Retreat or some Garland Quilt Guild Swag.

- Short Sleeved Tees - \$10.00    Long Sleeved Tees - \$15.00
- Hoodies - \$20.00                Zip Front Sweat Shirts are in! - \$25.00
- Tote Bags - \$10.00



\*\*\*\* Flash Sale, all cold weather items are \$5.00 off the listed price \*\*\*\*





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## Small Groups



Small groups are a good way to get to know members of the Guild better, form bonds, learn new techniques, get help with projects, sit and sew together, and support each other along life's journey. We currently have seven groups, for more information on the groups see the contacts below.

### **PINS AND NEEDLES**

Meeting time: 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 10 AM – 2 PM  
Contact: Sue Lewis, 972-495-7655,  
Tlewis333@verizon.net  
Diane Randolph, 469-556-4996,  
drandolph3@gmail.com

### **TWISTED THIMBLES**

Meeting time: 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, 7 PM  
Contact: Barbara Cissne: 972-414-1178  
barbaracissne@yahoo.com

### **SEW COOL**

Meeting time: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday, 7:00 PM  
Contact: Robbin Peck: 214-520-6121  
[nibborp@sbcglobal.net](mailto:nibborp@sbcglobal.net)

## Twisted Thimbles helping each other during the Pandemic



This is a picture of Twisted Thimbles members **Carole** and **Ed Harp** delivering groceries on St. Patrick's Day. This is one way that the small groups are staying connected during this quarantine time in our country.

Barbara Cissne





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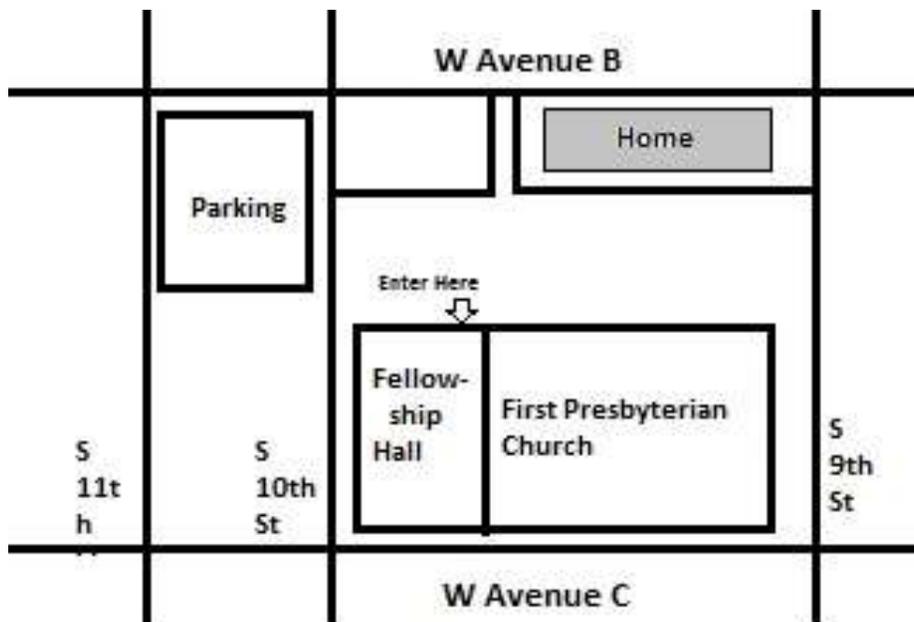
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**The Garland Quilt Guild Meets at the following location the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm**

**First Presbyterian Church**

(Fellowship Hall)  
930 West Avenue B  
Garland, TX 75040  
Corner of 9th and Avenue B



Find us online at:  
**[www.garlandquiltguild.com](http://www.garlandquiltguild.com)**  
~also visit us on Facebook~

Executive Board meetings are held on the Tuesday following the regular Guild meeting at 7:00pm at the church

*Please note that if the Garland or Dallas Independent Schools are closed for inclement weather, the Guild will not have their scheduled meeting. Our members' safety is very important to us.*





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**Thank you all for providing pictures for Show and Tell!**



**Suzy Boyle** - This is a mystery quilt from Lone Star Quilt Shop in Arkansas. Diann Loper did the quilting.





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## Sydna Gordon

I made two Valentine table runners, one for our daughter and one for us. I decided to make them reversible for spring by using a Texas wildflower fabric. My husband was quite impressed by the back and then surprised when I told him it was basically cheater cloth. He said he was still impressed!





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**Sydna Gordon**

This picture is a Christmas quilt if finished in December.



Baby quilt for the son of a young cousin.

