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From the President

We're off to a great start! Our member led workshop on Saturday, February 11th is completely filled and has a waiting list. Way to go!! I hope we can fill all of our workshops this year to the point of having a waiting list for each and every workshop.

We had a very productive board meeting in January and I'm looking forward to all that is planned for the coming year.

You only have another month until the President's Challenge. I am really excited to see the Art Deco Quilts that you've put together. Please remember the quilts must be completed to be entered into the contest. We'll announce all of the details at the February meeting.

Please know that I would love to hear from you with suggestions and comments. Please email me or give me a call.

Robbin Peck, President



Meeting Reminders

- Membership Badge and Logo pin
- Donation Quilt for Community Service
- BOM Blocks
- Sack Lunch donation items
- Please Silence your phones, to avoid distractions during the meetings.
- Classified ads are available for members





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Programs News

UPCOMING PROGRAMS and WORKSHOPS

February



At the **February 7, 2017** meeting, we will host **Kristi Schroeder** of **Initial K Studio** in Austin. She will present "**One Woman's Journey: from Graphic Designer to Modern Quilt Making.**" You saw her blue arrowhead quilt at the January meeting.

Kristi is a modern quilter and quilt designer, with roots in Dallas. She is a world traveler who draws inspiration for her quilts from art, fashion and textiles from around the globe. All of her quilts are conceived, designed, and handmade by Kristi.

See her webpage for more information: <http://www.initialkstudio.com/>

March

Our **March 7, 2017** meeting will be our annual salute to volunteers as well as the exhibition and voting on quilts submitted for the President's Challenge: Art Deco quilts. Our guild webpage has details at www.garlandquiltguild.com





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April



On April 4, 2017, we welcome **Trish Stewart** of **Trish Stuart Designs**. Her lecture will be on "**Quilt Art**".

Now before you think she must be an art quilt maker, Trish means literally the art of quilts and quilt making.

She will teach an all-day workshop on the following **Saturday, April 8** called "**I'm Free, I'm Free! Adventures in Free Motion Quilting.**"

Whether you are a beginner or an accomplished free-motion quilter, this workshop will expose you to a different and unexpected way of approaching free-motion quilting. More details will be forthcoming, but this is one you will not want to miss. Visit Trish's webpage at <http://trishstuart.com/>.

May

Attention all scrap quilt lovers: at our May 2 guild meeting, we will be treated to a lecture by Lynn Roddy Brown on "Strategies for Scrap Quilts."
Marsh Meeks, Vice President/Programs



Lynn Roddy Brown is a sixth generation Texas who has always loved to sew, and began quilting in the 70's. When she was living in New York in 1989, she began to quilt seriously. She loves to trade blocks for scrap quilts, has published books on the subject, and has shown three quilts in the Houston show. She currently lives Houston. You can learn more about her on her webpage at

www.lynnroddybrown.com including her published books, patterns and gallery of quilts.

Texas Two-Step: Brights for Lillian





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12th Annual Garland Quilt Guild Retreat May 18 to May 21, 2017

Where: Compass Centre, 1030 FM 339, Mt. Calm, TX, 254-993-1502

Cost: Two Nights: \$174.40 Three Nights: \$261.60 Deposit: \$100
(Payment in full by the April Meeting, please make checks out to GQG.)

Check-in: no earlier than 12:00 noon, **Check-out:** no later than 2:00 pm.

Retreat Theme: NO THEME, Only Sewing, Eating and Sleeping, in the order you want to participate.

Meals:

Thursday arrivals: First meal is Dinner (Bring own food for lunch or eat out)

Friday arrivals: First meal is Dinner, (\$5.00 charge if you lunch at the center.)

Saturday: 3 meals provided

Sunday: continental Brunch – mid/late morning.

Compass Centre Provides:

- All linens, bedding, twin size bed, laundry facilities, and large personal storage drawer
- “L” shaped workstation with “The Perfect Sewing Chair”.
- Group cutting mats, ironing boards, design walls.
- Wireless DSL internet connections,
- Printer, scanner, copier – for a nominal fee.
- Electrical connections at each workstation.

What to Bring:

- Projects, sewing machine, tools, task light, small iron – if needed
- Clothing – include a sweater/jacket.
- Personal toiletries, medications.
- Snacks, drinks (Coffee, tea, water provided)
- Earplugs, favorite pillow/blanket – if needed
- Favorite book/puzzle – there are recliners & rockers for the “break time”.

IRONS ARE NOT PROVIDED – Ironing tables are available throughout the room.





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Other Retreat Information:

- Massage Therapist is available, contact Melissa at Compass Centre for reservations.
- Melissa's Store with fabric and tools.
- Small item for door prize drawing – baskets provided.
- Fat Quarters for Left, Right, Center game.

Contact: Cynthia Bennett, Retreat Chairperson, for Retreat Registration, 214-686-1059, 13515 Willow Bend Road, Dallas, TX 75240-3700

Compass Centre Owner: Melissa Picha Phone: 817 – 266-9025

Directions: Take I-45 south to Corsicana. Exit Hwy 31 toward Hubbard. Continue 8 miles to FM 339 (there is a sign for Birome). Continue approx. 1 mile to The Compass Centre, white and cream building with metal roof. There is a covered drive-thru to unload and carts are available.

For more information on The Compass Centre see their site:

<http://www.compasscentre.com/index.htm>




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2017 Garland Quilt Guild Officers

Elected Officers:

President: **Robbin Peck**
Vice President: **Marsha Meeks**
Secretary: **Peggy Keirstead**
Treasurer: **Jamie Foster**
By Laws: **Suzy Boyle**
Community Service: **Darlene Justice & Janice Tower**
Membership: **Suzan Crocker**

Community Service/Special Projects: **Jean Blalock**

Database & Directory: **Janet Kriv**

Door Prize - **Martha Jones**

Facebook: **Ronnie Huff**

Facilities: <vacant>

Historian: **Stacey Young**

Hospitality: **Sandra Fry**

Library: **Crystal Chapman**

Newsletter: **Mary Battaglia**

Raffle Quilt: **Virginia Hauer**

Retreat: **Cynthia Bennett & Sharon Heironymous**

Secret Pals: **Carole Harp**

Sunshine/Shadow - **Carolyn Kerr**

TAQG Rep – **Carolyn Kerr**

Website: **Fiona Egan**

Appointed Officers:

Auditor: **Denise Bartosh**
Advertising/Publicity: **Sheryl Chenault**
BOM/Fundraising: **Barbara Brooks & Barbara Cissne**




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Hospitality

Happy Valentine's Day and Happy Birthday to all who have February birthdays!

“Dressed to the Nines” was a lot of fun at the January meeting. Consider joining the fun next January. The program for February is Kristi Schroeder of Initial K Studio in Austin. She designs and makes all of her quilts conceived through her travels throughout the world. It promises to be an exciting program.

Birthday members for February are **Ronnie Huff, Michelle Murray, Terry Goodwyn, Sandra Fry, Betty Heck, Jan Miller, Mary Battaglia, and Lillian Hughes**. Please bring refreshments for the February meeting. Refreshments can include desserts and finger foods.

Help is always needed in the kitchen during peak times. Please consider helping out, especially after the meeting for cleanup. I look forward to seeing you in February.

I know we just finished the holiday season, but thinking ahead to the 2017 December meeting, I would like to start working on table decorations. If you have a fat quarter of Christmas fabric or any red or green pattern, I'm looking for donations to go toward the decorations. I could also use stuffing - about a gallon size Ziploc bag for each decoration if you could donate that also. Donations can be left at the kitchen counter and thanks for your help. It is greatly appreciated.

Sandy Fry, Hospitality Chair





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February Birthday's



3	Ronnie Huff	26	Betty Heck
7	Michelle Murray	26	Jan Miller
9	Terry Goodwyn	27	Mary Battaglia
22	Sandra Fry	27	Lillian Hughes



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2017 Meetings & Workshops & Shows

February

- 7 **GQG Meeting** 7:00 pm First Presbyterian Church – 930 W Ave B
Guest Speaker will be Kristi Schroeder of Initial K Studios in Austin.
- 14 **GQG Board Meeting** 7:00 pm First Presbyterian Church – 930 W Ave B
- 17 **GQG Newsletter Deadline** for March.
- 17-18 Homespun Quilters Guild Show, “Threads in Red”, Waco Convention Center, 100 Washington Ave., Waco www.wacohomespunquiltguild.org

March

- 7 **GQG Meeting** 7:00 pm First Presbyterian Church – 930 W Ave B
- 10-12 Dallas Quilt Show, “It’s a Charmed Life”, Dallas Market Hall, 2200 Stemmons Fwy, Dallas www.quiltersguildofdallas.org
- 11 Coffee & Conversation, 9:30 AM Generator, on the square in Garland
- 14 **GQG Board Meeting** 7:00 pm First Presbyterian Church – 930 W Ave B
- 17 **GQG Newsletter Deadline** for April.
- 24-25 In Town Retreat, 1st Christian Church in Rowlett

April

- 4 **GQG Meeting** 7:00 pm First Presbyterian Church – 930 W. Ave B
Guest Speaker will be Trish Stewart of Trish Stuart Designs

May

- 18-21 Garland Quilt Guild Retreat at the Compass Centre





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In Town Retreat

Dates: Friday, March 24th, 10am to 9pm, Saturday, March 25th, 9am to 4pm.

Cost: \$10/day or \$20 /both days, please bring a covered dish.

We will be meeting at the 1st Christian church in Rowlett to spend two days with their quilting group.

Bring your projects, machine and your own supplies. Cutting boards and Ironing boards and irons will be provided. Please do not bring individual irons due to limited electricity outlets. If you have heavy duty extensions, cords please bring them.

I am not able to be at the February meeting, so see **Virginia Hauer** to sign up.

Sharon Heironymous, Retreat



Audit report for 2016

The audit of the GQG accounting books was completed January 06, 2017. The books were found to be accurate and in good order. Kudos to **Roxanne Garrett** for doing an awesome job as treasurer for our guild! A BIG congrats to all Board Members and Committee Chairs—you have ALL shown great fiscal responsibility in your expenditures. Thank you.

**Respectfully submitted,
Denise Bartosh, Auditor, GQG**





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Tag News

Garland Quilt Guild is a member of TAQG which is comprised of 30+ quilt guilds in the North and Central Texas area. Every year TAQG puts on a Rally Day for all member guilds and Rally Day 2017 will be held on Saturday, July 8th at Mimosa Lane Baptist Church, Mesquite. This year Garland Quilt Guild is a co-sponsor of Rally Day along with Mesquite Quilt Guild, Quilters Guild of Grand Prairie, Piecemakers of Rains County, Homespun Quilters Guild of Waco, and Denton Quilt Guild.

Rally Day is a free event for all members of member guilds and features a nationally known speaker. This year's speaker will be Cynthia LeBlanc Regone. Her website is www.cajunclassicsquilts.com. Several of her designs have been featured in Fons and Porters magazine Love of Quilting, Quilt World and Quilting Today. She was published in a Love of Quilting calendar, produced patterns and has written a book 'Colorful Quilts – A Journey Through Fabric'.

There will be two workshops offered Thursday (7-6-17) and a second workshop Friday (7-7-17) held in Mesquite and then different workshops will be offered in Arlington on the Monday (7-10) and Tuesday (7-11) following Rally Day. These workshops will be announced soon and sign up will begin. There is a fee for these workshops.

Starting at the February guild meeting, I'll have all the information on Rally Day activities including:

- Workshops available, costs and signups
- Box Lunch tickets will be offered for sale. McAllister's is providing the food or you may choose to go offsite during the lunch break or bring your own lunch.
- Pre-Rally Day Raffle basket tickets will be available with details about the baskets.
- Each guild is asked to provide at least two mini-quilts or other fiber art pieces for a Silent Auction that is held during Rally Day.





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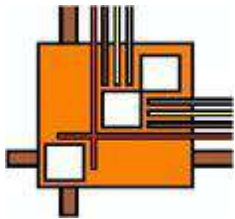
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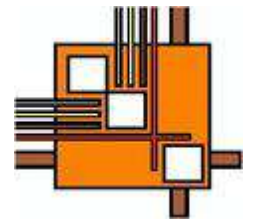
There is a lot of information that will be coming in the next few months so start making plans to come to Rally Day. We will need volunteers in various rolls to assist putting on this event! **Terry Kause** has already been working hard and **Valerie Hubbard** has volunteered to handle computer work on the lunch box orders. Thank you Ladies!

Much more to come.....look for the TAQG table at the back of the meeting room for the latest information!

Carolyn Kerr, TAQG Representative



2017 PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE ART DECO



CREATE AN ART DECO QUILT FOR OUR 2017 PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE.

QUILTS MUST BE COMPLETED AND TURNED IN AT THE MARCH MEETING.

SIZE REQUIREMENT: MINIMUM SIZE, TOTAL 97" PERIMETER, MAXIMUM SIZE, 279" PERIMETER.

HAVE FUN!



Money Matters

The financial budget for 2017 is attached.

Jamie Foster, Treasurer





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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 are the Friday after the guild board meeting (2nd Tuesday of the month). The Deadline for the March newsletter is **Friday, February 17th**.

Mary Battaglia, Editor

2017 Newsletter Deadlines

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

Advertising Rates

Would you like to place an advertisement in the GQG Newsletter?

Full Page 9.0 x 6.5 \$100.00 for 3 months

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Garland Quilt Guild Meeting Minutes January 3, 2017



President Robbin Peck called the meeting to order at 7:01. She first asked all present to silence their cell phones, then thanked the hostesses and wished happy birthday to those with January birthdays.

Presentation of the 2017 Board: Robbin introduced the members of the 2017 board.

Minutes: **Secretary Peggy Keirstead** asked members to refer to the newsletter to read the minutes of the December meeting.

Treasurer's Report: **Roxanne Garrett** gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$18, 443.33; income was \$340; expenses were \$918.15 and the ending balance was \$17, 865.18.

Silent auction: **Barbara Cissne** reminded members that the silent auction will be held in August and asked if you are donating a kit of any kind please be sure it is complete.

Programs: **Marsha Meeks** announced that tonight's program is "Dressed to the Nines". In February, Kristi Schroeder of Initial K Studio in Austin will show her quilts. The following Saturday there will be a workshop on table runners and baskets. March brings the President's Challenge awards. Trish Stuart of Trish Stuart Designs will speak in April and the following workshop will feature advanced free motion quilting, a new technique.

Community Service: **Darlene Justice** offered kits to make quilts for Community Service and asked members to share easy patterns for quilts.

Retreat: **Sharon Heironimus** announced that an in-town retreat would be held on Friday and Saturday, March 24 and 25, at the First Christian Church in Rowlett. The hours will be: Friday 10 AM to 9 PM; Saturday 9 AM to 4 PM. Pot luck will be provided.





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Cynthia Bennett reported that retreat at The Compass Centre will be held from May 18-21. She will be begin accepting payments in February.

Secret Pal: Carole Harp reminded members to bring their secret pal gift to meetings if they are participating. There are 20 participants this year.

TACQ: Carolyn Kerr announced that Rally Day will be held on July 8. Cynthia Regone of Cajun Classics Quilts will be the speaker and there will be two workshops. Carolyn will have more information in February. The Garland Quilt Guild is a cosponsor of Rally Day this year and will be responsible for distributing lunches. Carolyn urged members to make mini quilts for the auction.

Sunshine and Shadow: Carolyn Kerr reported that **Sherry Starr's** husband passed away at the end of November. **Susan Berger** had cataract surgery and **Linda Alexander** has a new granddaughter.

Membership: Sixty-four members were present, including three new members. **Susan Crocker** announced that she will have to start collecting \$1 from each member who does not have her name tag. This is necessary because it is in the by-laws.

Coffee & Conversation: President Peck stated that she wants to reinstate these get-togethers. They will be held on the second Saturday of every odd month at Generator Coffee. The address is 106 N 6th Street in Garland. It is on the square. The next meeting will be January 14th.

Reminders: If you are a new member and have not had your picture taken you may see Stacey at the back of the room. Current members who do not have a picture or wish to have their picture re-taken may also meet. Sign up for tonight's Dressed for the Nines event. The President's Challenge quilts are due in March and are to have an art deco theme. Someone lost a logo pin. Since the mug rug exchange will have an Easter theme, it will be held in April instead of May.

Show & Tell: Four members presented quilts: **Sandy Fry, Roxanne Garrett, Paula Foster** and **Stacey Young**.

Inclement weather: Robbin announced that if either Garland or Dallas schools are closed, the Garland Quilt Guild will not meet that night.

Block of the Month: There were 16 blocks made and the project earned \$64.





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Door prizes: **Martha Jones** reported that a new policy for door prizes is in place for Rocking Bobbin quilt shop, 9090 Skillman Street, Dallas, is providing 24 coupons for \$10 off at their store. The Garland Guild receives seven cents for every dollar over ten that is spent. She encouraged people to take a friend. These coupons expire on January 31.

President Robbin Peck adjourned the meeting at 7:59 and the Dressed to the Nines exchange was held.

Submitted, Peggy Keirstead




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A new year and a new quilt. The 2017 raffle quilt, America Strong, has been entered into the Dallas Quilt Show.

The quilt in progress for 2018 will be an improvisational pieced house quilt. Needed are 20 - 30 blocks for the quilt. There will be a mini-workshop at the in-town retreat and another at the Compass Centre retreat. Also planned is a mini-workshop during a guild meeting break. **Martha Lindberg** will be serving as co-chair as the “house mother”.

Tickets for America Strong will be available soon, in lots of 12 instead of 18.

Virginia Hauer, Raffle Quilt



2017 Garland Guild Raffle Quilt “America Strong”





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BLOCK OF THE MONTH Report February 2017

We had 16 blocks in January and made \$64. The BOM for February 2017 is a Heart Block in Red, Pink and White presented by **Barbara Cissne** and is on the website.

We will be having a Mini Silent Auction and Salad Supper on August 1st, 2017 coordinated by **Barbara Brooks** and **Barbara Cissne** (BOM Chairs) and Hospitality Chairs. We will begin collecting minis (25" square maximum) for this auction from February thru July, so be busy on these cold days sewing up minis for the auction. Other items such as table runners, tote bags, etc. will be accepted. If you wish to donate a Kit, it must be unopened and intact (not one that is partially done). Forms can be found elsewhere in the Newsletter and will be available to complete when you turn these in each month (February-July 2017). This is a separate event to raise money for the Guild's programs. So far, one quilt has been donated.

Please see the attached mini silent auction submittal form.

There is an Exchange Challenge in April 2017 for Easter Mug Rugs. Ribbons will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. You will be taking home a Mug Rug made by someone in the Guild for all those who participate.

Please see the flyer for information.

If any of you wish to prepare a block for the monthly BOM Raffle, please bring the pattern and a sample block to Barbara Brooks (barbarabrooks747@yahoo.com) or Barbara Cissne (barbaracissne@yahoo.com).

Barbara Brooks and Barbara Cissne
Block of the Month/Fundraising Co-Chairs





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February 2017 BOM Heart

10" blocked finished (10 1/2" unfinished)

Background – White

4 – 2 1/2" squares

1 – 4 1/2" square

2 – 2 1/2" square

Red

4 – 6 1/2" x 2 1/2" rectangle

3 – 2 1/2" squares

Hot Pink

3 – 2 1/2" square

Light Pink

1 – 2 1/2" square



Assembly

Sew 9 patch as shown

Draw a diagonal line across the 4 white squares

Sew 2 1/2" white squares to each end of red rectangle.

Press to edge and trim.

Sew all components together per diagram

Prepared by **Barbara Cissne**

Have fun sewing **Barbara Brooks, & Barbara Cissne** (BOM co-chairs)





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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.

<p><u>BOUND TOGETHER</u> Meeting time: 3rd Saturday Contact: Ronnie Huff, email: veronda.47@verizon.net We are not seeking new members at this time.</p>	<p><u>PINS AND NEEDLES</u> Meeting time: 3rd Monday 10 AM – 2 PM Contact: Diane Randolph, 469-556-4996, drandolph3@gmail.com Sue Lewis, 972-495-7655, Tlewis333@verizon.net</p>
<p><u>I'D RATHER BE QUILTING</u> Meeting time: the last Tuesday 10AM – 4PM Place: Blue Ribbon Quilt Shoppe, Wylie Contact: Shirley Ostinelli: 972-429-0404 sostinelli@msn.com At this time we have a waiting list.</p>	<p><u>ROCKWALL SIRENS</u> Meeting time: 2nd Monday 10 AM – 2 PM Brown Bag Lunch Contact: Virginia Hauer: 214-549-3500 virginiahauer@icloud.com The group welcomes new members.</p>
<p><u>SEW-KNOW-IT-ALL</u> Meeting time: Bi-weekly Thursday afternoon at 1 PM in member homes Contact: Marsha Meeks: 972-414-9305 Marshame1@aol.com We are not seeking new members at this time due to space limitations.</p>	<p><u>TWISTED THIMBLES</u> Meeting time: 4th Thursday, 7 PM Contact: Barbara Cissne: 972-414-1178 barbaracissne@yahoo.com</p>
<p><u>SEW COOL</u> Meeting time: 2nd Wednesday, 7:00 PM Contact: Suzy Boyle: 469-222-8343 fixintoquilt@yahoo.com</p>	





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A big thank you to all who participated in the quilt display at Granville Performing Arts Center. It was a beautiful, colorful, and admired quilt display. It is in the works to repeat our Academy Award winning show in October, 2017. Start thinking about that quilt you'd like to share, because October will be breathing down our necks before we know it!

Our return to Garland nursing facilities will start in February, 2017. I can't say enough about how rewarding and fun this time is. The nursing home residents love it and we get plenty of audience participation! I'll have the exact date at the February meeting, so please join in and share a quilt with people who are so appreciative of the small gift we can share with them.

Jean Blalock, Community Service/Special Projects





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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!

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

First Presbyterian Church

930 West Avenue B
Garland, TX 75040
Corner of 9th and Avenue B

Find us online at:

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.

