# THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD QUILTERS' QUILLE

September 2018

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"The Executive will work together as a team to support and encourage new quilters, challenge and draw upon experienced quilters and provide warmth and comfort to those in need." As your Executive Committee, we are designing some things to meet the above goal.

#### SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Items for Quilters' Quill should be submitted by the Monday of two weeks before the Guild Meeting. Please email or call Joanne Kavanagh 345-2269.

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# **MEETING AGENDA**

#### **September 17, 2018**

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Acceptance of Agenda
- 3. Acceptance of Minutes
- 4. Business arising from minutes
- 5. Executive Committee Reports
- 6 New Business
- 7. Break
- 8. Show and Tell
- 9. Programme
- Door Prizes / Adjournment
   Next Meeting October 15, 2018

# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Hi Everyone and welcome to another fun-filled year of Quilt Guild! We have an awesome year planned and as always, we need your help to pull it off. Our guild runs on its volunteers and we rely on all of you to step up throughout the year, whether its completing a comfort quilt, participating on a committee, or helping at the Quilt Show. Our guild is a community and all of us can work together to make sure that this is one of our best years, and Quilt Shows, yet!

Christina



# **MEMBERSHIP FORMS**

Welcome back to the Guild for another wonderful year of sharing and quilting!

The registration line will be long, so help us out by completing the attached membership form before you get to the meeting. Don't forget to bring along your membership and library cards for stamping! Also, new membership fee will be in effect......\$35 for the 2018/19 year. Thank you!

Ginny

# TREASURER'S REPORT

Hi Everyone! How did you escape the summer heat? I took advantage of the cool basement and got lots of sewing done!

I will not be at the September meeting as I'm currently away in southern Ontario at our son's wedding.

At the October meeting, however, I will bring forward a motion to accept the budget for the 2018/19 year. A copy of the budget will be attached to the October Quill for you to look over prior to the meeting. At that meeting I will also present the Income Statements and Balance Sheets to the end of our fiscal year, June 30<sup>th</sup> as well as July, August and September. Sorry all the financial stuff will be lumped together at the October meeting.

Ellen Lang (with help) will be sitting at the desk in the foyer to collect your completed membership form and money (cash or cheque to TBQG)

As always, if you have any questions I will be glad to answer them.

#### Ginny

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				Judy Murphy
			Teddy Bear Quilts	Peggy Skillen
			Sew Days	Laura Cooke

# **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

I am excited on taking the role of Vice President of the Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild.

I am looking forward to arranging some workshops to help challenge our members!

Dates to be announced at the October Meeting for the following workshops: Postcard quilting, Free Motion both beginner and advanced and a bag workshop.

I would welcome any suggestions on workshops that you think the guild members would like to have over the course of the next 2 years. I will try to accommodate your requests. Please feel free to email me at your convenience (vickyb@tbaytel.net)

Quilting is my passion!

Vicky Butt

# **SEW DAYS**

Looking forward to another great year of sew days!!! This year we intend to have a couple of sew days during the week rather than on Saturday. Looking for a couple of people to serve on the committee to assist with lunches and set up!

It's going to be a great year.

Laura Cooke

# **SUPERIOR QUILTS 2019**

Every two years the Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild hosts a quilt show. Superior Quilts 2019 will be on May 24 - 25, 2019 (not the long weekend). During this show we will have classes by the quest quilter, demos, challenges, good food, vendors, sale items and of course all those gorgeous quilts. The Quilt Show committee members are Christina Wakefield (demos), Ginny Strey (treasurer), Lee Tracz and Marlene Reid (advertising), Sharon Melville (social), Maureen Mauro (printing), Adrienne Lopes (quilt challenge), Ellen Lang (committee chair, venue, catering), Mary Catharine Kennedy (display), Jeannette Dann (vendors), Laura Cooke (registration/deregistration), Cindy Cockell (guild booth), Vicky Butt (quest quilter), Cathy Britt and Linda Boulter (volunteers). Our guest quilter is Jennifer Houlden and Vicky Butt will be showing samples of the classes available. There has been a big interest in vendors for this show and once we have the registrations back we will announce the vendors. Sharon is presently working to secure the caterer for the social/trunk show and tickets will be available starting January 2019. I hope you are all working on your quilts, challenge and items for the guild booth.

Ellen Lang

## **QUILT SHOW CHALLENGE**

We have 6 fat eighths remaining of the challenge fabric bundles. Adrienne will have them available at the break. They are \$5 per bundle.

# PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to welcome everyone back after such a nice summer. I don't know about you but I have a hard time getting back into the swing of attending meetings again and all the other things that come with Fall. I still do some canning but only small batches as I really enjoy doing it, always have and the results are great. I was not a gardener but my husband was, so the deal was that he produced it and I canned it. When my children where young and I was a stay at home Mom I would preserve up to 300 quarts every year.

Hope everyone enjoys all the activities that are planned for the coming year and from what we heard from the Heads of the Committees there will be something for everyone.

If anyone knows of any of our Members who have passed away please contact me so we can look to see if their name should go on the Memory Quilt. (Members had to have been a member of the Guild for over 10 Years.)

Sharon

## **QUILT SHOW DEMOS**

Christina is looking for volunteers to do a demonstration, lecture, or mini workshop for the quilt show, please get in touch with her if you have an idea or want to do a demo. Supplies for the make-and-take kits can come out of the guild stash provided you let us know what you will need by the March guild meeting. Other costs for the kits will be reimbursed with prior approval.

Christina

# **MOVING SALE**

Books \$5

Patterns \$1 Norma Wynn.



# CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE

#### Please bring your Teddy Bear Quilt to the September and October meeting

I have been asked by some of the members to ask those who have finished their Teddy Bear Quilts to bring them to the meeting in September and October so that everyone can see what is being made. We will spread them out in one of the rooms at the church so that they can be displayed and pictures can be taken. I had asked for pictures to be sent to me to post in the Quill but I only received 14 so I thought this might be a better way of show off our work and share the talents of the members. Please bring in just the quilt without the stuffed animal.

"Remember that the Teddy Bears with their quilts are only handed in at the November Guild meeting unless you know that you will be out of town for that meeting. Otherwise you can hand them into Carol Richards or myself in September or October."

#### Committee Sign up

The Teddy Bear Committee needs members for the November meeting and the Christmas Cheer Kick-off the last Friday of November. This committee is a great way to contribute to your guild because the involvement is not all year long but only these times. Please think about joining this committee even if you are only available for one of the times needed. We are very appreciated by the Christmas Cheer Committee at the Kick-off and there is a free lunch supplied after their kick-off. The committee members will again be tying up the stuffed animals at the November meeting. These bears are handled 5 times before the child receives them and we found that this was the best way to keep them together with their quilt.

<u>Duties of the committee</u> include tying up the Teddy Bears at the November meeting and bagging them so they can be taken to the Cardinal Room for the Kick-off. At the Kick-off we take the bears etc. out of the bags and put them up on tables to display for everyone to see. After lunch we re-bag the bears and they are taken to the office and locked up.



<u>I found a new quilt pattern</u> just the right size for a Teddy Bear Quilt which will be added to the Quill.

Peggy Skillen

# **SQUARES & STRIPS**



Size 26" x 26" (This could always be made larger just by adding squares and strips.)

#### Materials needed:

72 assorted 2 ½ inch squares

One 2 ½ inch square of dark blue (the colour that you chose for your strips)

Measure your square after adding each row of  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inch squares. The strip sizes are all approximate to give you an idea of how much fabric you will need for the strips.

#### Strip sizes:

- 2 26 ½ inches
- 2 22 ½ inches
- 2 18 ½ inches
- $2 14 \frac{1}{2}$  inches
- $2 10 \frac{1}{2}$  inches
- $2 6 \frac{1}{2}$  inches

I used 3 strips at 2 ½ for the binding.

#### **COMFORT QUILTS**

#### Greetings,

The Comfort Quilt Committee members collect quilts donated and distribute them locally to facilities such as hospitals, seniors' homes and respite care places. Quilts have also gone to the home of the Teen Challenge Group and are scheduled to go to the new home of Adult Challenge. Each year over 100 donated quilts are lovingly made through Quilt Bees, Kits and the efforts of Quilters individually or in small groups. In June (a slow month) we received 4 comfort quilts, 4 Figit quilts and a few 12 ½ inch squares.

<b>Recommended Quilt Sizes</b>				
Neo Natal	36" x 36"			
Crib	34 to 36" x 36"			
Wheel Chair	36" x 48"			
Nap Quilt	40" x 55 - 60"			
Bed	63 to 65" x 80"			

Jackie Black has kindly constructed many comfort quilts using the Hinge Method and the Quilted Squares brought in during the past two years. Jackie has agreed to continue if there is interest by members so we will continue to challenge members to make quilted 12.5-inch squares that can be used to make larger quilts. Please note that you can make any quilt square and then sandwich it with cotton or cotton/poly batting and a backing fabric to make a quilted square that should measure a minimum of 12.5 inches (so start with a 14 inch piece for backing and batting). Don't trim your blocks as they may fray so blocks should be trimmed just prior to making the quilt tops. Almost any colours can be used but we recommend using a neutral (beige, red, blue, brown, black & white) backing and would like colours that will appeal to both males and females.

If you are making any quilt(s) for donation, the recommended sizes are given here. Also, see Pat or Florence for a Quilt Guild Label. A label is to be sewn onto the quilt – typically on the back bottom right side. Also remember that these quilts are washed frequently so stitching be every 4 to 6 inches. Thanks

We have also been collecting Figit Quilts and flannel blankets for the neonatal unit. This year we have some new ideas and will be making packages available to provide some interest for the Figits.





If interested in being part of the Comfort Quilt Committee or know of some worthy facility within our City, please let us know. The group meets (about 3 or 4 times) to discuss distributing the quilts around Thunder Bay and is always interested in suggestions for locations. We would need to have information on the potential use, number, appropriate size(s) and description of the recipients (i.e. Male and Female seniors) along with the name of the location and contact information. Our goal is to provide the comfort quilts to facilities where they will receive lots of use and share our happiness.

Have fun and enjoy yourself,

Pat Inch and Florence Poster

### **QUILT BEE COMMITTEE**

Welcome back everyone! I am looking forward to another productive year for the Quilt Bees. For anyone who is new or has not participated in a Quilt Bee before, please consider joining us for our Quilt Bees this year. For anyone who is wondering what the Quilt Bee Committee is and what Quilt Bees are, I will give a brief description of what we do. Please consider joining our organizing committee.

The Quilt Guild hosts Quilt Bees for members to get together for a day to sew and create beautiful quilts for the Comfort Committee to distribute on behalf of the Guild to various charitable organizations, hospitals and homes throughout the community. The Quilt Bee Committee organizes these Bees and coordinates kits, donation fabrics, patterns and all aspects of the Bee to allow the quilters to have a fabulous experience. If you are interested in helping out with the coordination of the Quilt Bees please sign up to be on the committee. We generally get together a few times as we head into a Quilt Bee to do our planning. In addition we get together for an afternoon of quilt kit preparation which is a fun experience that stretches your imagination and colour/quilt planning.

Our Quilt Bee will be held on January 26, 2019 at Oliver Road Community Centre. It will primarily be a Finishing Bee. The successful bees over the past several years have yielded numerous quilt tops that are eager for new homes. Sitting in a bin is not a fruitful existence for a quilt top. Let's finish them! Don't fret if you don't like finishing quilts, we will also have kits available. As the planning is finalized we will let everyone know more details. Everything will be published in the Quill and announced at the meetings.

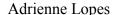
The Quilt Bee gladly accepts donations of quilting cotton. If you are de-stashing and find a pile that you don't want to look at any more, please consider donating it to the Quilt Bee Committee for use in kits. Any donation is greatly appreciated and will be turned into beautiful quilts. A small group of us got together over the summer to sort through the fabric and we have great plans for the fabrics we have for the coming year.

Anyone who has comfort quilts from Bees last year (or the year before...) please let me know when you turn them into the Comfort Quilt Committee at the meetings so I can mark your name off the list of quilts that are out being completed. No rush. If you are in need of batting and/or backing to complete quilts, let me know at meetings or by emailing me at <a href="mailto:alopes@tbaytel.net">alopes@tbaytel.net</a>. If you need any for September please email me and I will bring it to the meeting.

I will be bringing kits to each meeting for members to take and finish at home if anyone wants to take a quilt kit to finish. It is a great way to practice quilting and to hone your quilting skills. Please see me if you'd like to sign out a charity quilt to finish.

Looking forward to another fun and productive year.

Thank you for participating! It makes the Quilt Bee Committee's job very rewarding.





# MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

Each year members of our guild make placemats that are distributed to clients of the Thunder Bay Meals on Wheels program. Last year, we collected nearly 300! The recommended size is 12" x 18". They can be made using any design that you wish. The only request is that seasonal/holiday themes be avoided, as these placemats are intended to be used year-round. The guild provides labels that are folded and stitched into the binding seam before completion.

Often kits are made available to members to take home to complete and return. Occasionally we also have a placemat bee where members gather together to complete placemats. Remember that placemats don't require a large investment of time or materials, and making one gives you opportunity to practice your skills – quilting, designing, binding, and piecing!

The placemat committee is responsible for collecting the completed placemats at the meetings and delivering them to the Meals on Wheels office. The committee meets a few times each year to assemble kits which are then distributed at the meetings. We also organize placemat bees and supply labels to members who wish to use their own fabrics and patterns.

See us this month in the fellowship hall if you wish to pick up some kits or labels, or want to join our committee.

Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy

# LIBRARY COMMITTEE REPORT

Duties of the Library Committee are to open the Library at 6PM (one hour before the meeting), help with the signing out of books before and during break and close the Library at end of meeting. The Committee orders new books. We have a budget of \$400 per year. Inventory of the Library is done in April of the year to be ready for the May meeting. The Committee needs two (2) helpers each month on the night of the general meeting.

If you can only help for one month please sign up anyway. At the September meeting a sign up sheet will be available for members to sign up as helpers for the Library.

Come to the library when you are looking for inspiration! There are many colourful and well written books with patterns included to get you in the mood to start a new project...even something out of your comfort zone!

Watch for our newest book additions to help you with scraps, paper piecing, modern quilts, free-motion quilting, machine quilting using rulers and templates, red & white and blue & white patterns.

Gently used magazines and books that have been donated to the library as well as books deleted from the guild library are available for sale.

Julie Plotniko was here in May giving 3 one day workshops and a presentation at our general meeting. She has just published an article about twin needle quilting in the September issue of QUILTsocial Magazine. The magazine is available free as a pdf download. Go to quiltsocial.com for your copy and have a look at their emagazines. A great resource as close as your ipad or computer.

Maria Watson and Barb Gainer.

# **QUILT SHOW - GUILD BOOTH**

Hopefully you've found time over the summer to make a few things for the Guild booth. Time sure flies. I meant to get more projects out to everyone but was just too busy over the summer and now it's fall already!

There will be a new addition to the Guild booth merchandise....grab bags! So for all you quilters with scraps to spare, or left over charms or FQ's, think about donating them to the booth. I've been using Ziplock medium sized bags for mine but any similar clear bag about 10"x10" will work. All fabric MUST BE 100% good quality quilting cotton - no mixed blends and no cheap/thin fabrics. If you iron it an it smells like vinegar it is not good cotton. I'd say anything bigger than 4" x 4". I figure we'll sell the bags for \$1-\$2 depending on what's in them (or more if we get FQ bundles). If you want to sort by color feel free to do so but it's not necessary. So it will be a good opportunity for those who want to make scrap quilts to get lots of variety.

I know a few people who have been culling their patterns, magazines and books over the summer. So please hang on to those until show time.

Cindy Cockell

# **PROGRAM**

#### **Cindy Cockell**

For those not at the June meeting, I am your program chair. This year I invite everyone to participate. Many of the monthly programs will give you an opportunity to be part of the program and share something, starting with the September program. Each person who participates gets their name in a draw for a prize that month. If anyone has suggestions for a program or would like to be a quilter of the month, please let me know. ccockell@tbaytel.net or talk to me at a meeting. Here's the plan for fall.

September: New Beginnings/Looking back. We're beginning a new year so what better theme. I know there are lots of new quilters in the Guild and sometimes it can be intimidating to show a quilt you've made when you think the rest of the group are accomplished quilters. Some of you may be afraid to put your quilt into the Show next year. Well we all started as a beginner at some point in our quilting life so don't be afraid. I know I cringe when I think of my first quilts because I had no idea what I was doing yet the people I gave them to loved them. So let's celebrate our first quilts and how far we've come. I invite everyone to bring and share their first quilt (or an early quilt if you don't have your first). Even if it isn't quilted yet and don't worry if it looks bad now, it will show the newer quilters that we all were beginners once. Also bring along any antique quilts that our quilting foremothers (or forefathers) may have made.

**October:** Gadget and ruler night. Norma and I will talk about/demo some of our favorite gadgets. Luci will show some specialty rulers and all the cool blocks some of these rulers can make. If you have a favorite gadget bring it along and tell everyone why you like it. Who couldn't use more gadgets, especially if they make our quilting life easier. If you've tried a gadget and didn't like it then tell us why so we won't make the same mistake.

**November:** Demo night: Christmas ideas and techniques. This will be a night of technique demos and a few ideas for Christmas ornaments or quick presents

**December:** The Ugly Christmas Sweater Challenge. We all know about the ugly Christmas sweaters and how they have become chic in some places. Some of us own such a sweater, although I think some are quite nice. I'm going to put a pattern in the October newsletter. Your challenge is to make an 'ugly' Christmas sweater block by December - it doesn't have to be quilted but you can if you wish. Remember 'ugly' is in the

eye of the beholder. It can be pieced, appliqued or just glued together and embellished however you like. At the December meeting I'm hoping lots of people bring in the block and we can do a viewer's choice vote. I'll have prizes for the top 3.

## THE FALL 2018 MYSTERY WALLHANGING QUILT

#### (finished size approximately 14" wide 12" high) - Cindy Cockell

If you have any questions please ask me at the meeting or send me an email: ccockell@tbaytel.net

I got way more participants that I anticipated. I had to go back and buy more fabric. To date I have 33 participants and only have a few kits left. Thank you for participating. I limited it to 1 kit per member for now but if there are any left at the meeting I will sell people a 2nd one. Many thanks to Luci (Circle of Friends Quilt Shoppe) for a generous discount which brought the kits in at a lower price that I originally thought. The fabric is from 2 current lines so if you like it and want to make others you could (it can be made with a charm pack plus a few go-alongs). The kit contains everything for the front and binding; you must provide your own batting and backing.

If you didn't buy a kit you can still make the quilt. Each month (Sept.-Nov.) I will publish part of the pattern in the Quill. September will be mostly piecing, October will be Heat & Bond applique and November will be the finishing touches. I will reveal the finished piece at the November meeting. If you bring the finished wallhanging to the December meeting, your name will go into a draw for a hanger for the wallhanging.

#### September instructions (I'll have the sample of what Sept should look like at the meeting)

Trace the 'snow' section onto the paper side of the Heat & Bond Lite - pattern should be in the Quill or as an attachment. I already reversed it so it will face the proper way once you applique it. NOTE: if you print the page with the snow template and it isn't at least 10 1/2" wide x 2 1/2" tall then just extend it so it is that size. Your snow doesn't have to be exactly like mine, as long as it goes to the edge of the teal.

- \* Cut the H&B out about 1/8" outside of your tracing lines.
- \* Fuse the shiny side of the H&B to the <u>wrong</u> side of the cream sparkle snowflake fabric line it up near the edge so you don't waste fabric. You will need this fabric for October too so don't throw it away.
- \* Let cool then cut out along your tracing lines. Peel off the paper.
- \* Fuse the shiny side of the snow to the bottom of the light teal background (along a 10 1/2" edge). I stay away from the edges by a few threads just so I don't get glue on my ironing board.
- \* Zigzag along the top edge of the snow. I use matching thread for applique but you can also use clear invisible thread. You can also straight stitch along the edge but sometimes the fabric will fray after use so I generally don't do this unless it's batik.
- \* Hint: if you've never worked with Heat & Bond Lite then you set your iron to dry and just press down for 3-4 seconds, no longer or you break the bond. Don't move the iron side to side just press down and lift it up and press down on the next section. Let it cool down before you move it or cut it out. If it's hard to peel the paper off the fold it close to an edge and the crease usually releases a little bit.
- Sew 36 of the 1 1/2" x 2 1/2" strips together along the 2 1/2" side. An accurate 1/4" seam allowance is important when piecing lots of strips. You will make 2 strip sets with 10 pieces and 2 with 8 pieces. Start sewing at the same end and try to keep them in a straight line. Iron to one side. note: the kits contain a few extra pieces in case you make a mistake or don't like a fabric. I just sliced up a jelly

- roll which had 40 colors. You can also use the extras in October.
- If you don't have a perfectly straight edge on your strip sets just trim them all to the same size. It's just a border so size won't matter that much. If you trim them a bit smaller just remember your corner stones will have to be trimmed a bit too.
- Cut 4 squares 2 1/2" x 2 1/2" from the red snowflake fabric. These are your corner stones. The remainder of the fabric will be your binding so put it aside until November. Note: the corner stones have to be the same size as your strip sets so if you trimmed your strip sets, say to 2 1/4" then you must also trim your corner stones to that same size.
- Sew an 8 piece strip set to the 8 1/2" side of the light teal background fabric. Press towards the teal.
- Sew a red snowflake cornerstone fabric to each end of the 10 piece strip set. Press towards the cornerstone.
- Sew this strip set to the 10 1/2" top and bottom of the teal background. Make sure the corner stones line up with the edge of the teal. Press towards the teal.

#### Fabric requirements whether or not you have a kit:

Batting: 17" x 14" Backing" 17" x 14"

Hanging sleeve: 13" x 5 1/2"

#### Fabric requirements (if you didn't buy the kit):

Background: 8 1/2" x 10 1/2" that coordinates with your strips

Strips for the border: 36 pieces of assorted fabrics each 1 1/2" x 2 1/2". So if you have a jelly roll you can cut 1 1/2" from each piece. Or a charm pack can be cut into 6 pieces per square.

Snow fabric: 10 1/2" x about 2 1/2"

Binding & corner stones: 2 strips 2 1/2" x wof Tone on tone cream or white: about 6" x 6"

Assorted small scraps for October

Beads, yarn, pompoms, pearl cotton or embroider floss (light teal, dark teal, brown, red, orange, black) for finishing in November.

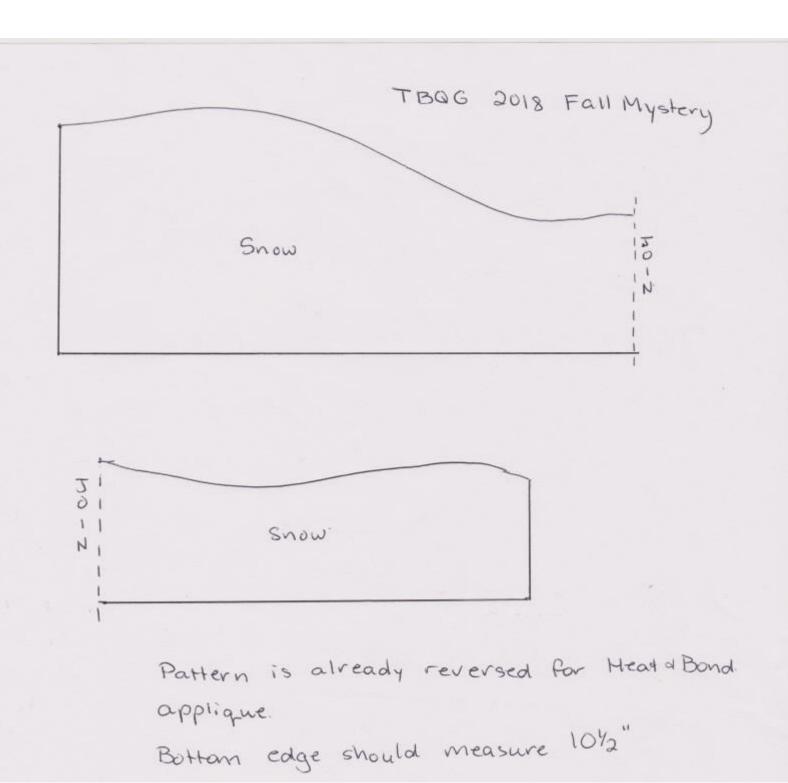
# YOUTUBE FIDGET QUILT

I ran across a great example of a fidget quilt. I know Pat Inch had been showing us lots of examples last spring. This is from 'Man Quilting' with Rob Apell. He has some great ideas on this fidget quilt. If you Google 'fidget pillows' you'll see more examples made as pillows instead.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GhojSOjTAn4

Cindy Cockell

# 2018 FALL MYSTERY PATTERN



# Thunder Bay Quilters' Guild 2019 Quilt Show – Challenge

Following the fabulous success of our challenge for the 2017 Quilt Show, we present the 2019 Quilt Show Challenge:

# Spring has Sprung!

# Join your fellow guild members in celebrating the arrival of spring

Our quilt show in 2019 will be held when flowers are blooming and birds are happily nesting. The long winter will be over and the grass will be green. Help us to welcome spring by creating a challenge quilt to celebrate the arrival of spring in Thunder Bay. Northcott Fabrics has graciously donated 3 bolts of fabric for our challenge. These fabrics will be available to Challenge Participants at the March and April 2018 meetings. More details will follow but here are some highlights:

- 1. Create a wall hanging or quilt that can be hung. The quilt must be quilted.
- 2. Maximum dimensions 36" x 36".
- 3. Must use 3 fabrics provided in the front of the quilt, not including the binding.
- 4. The 3 challenge fabrics must be prominent in the quilt.
- 5. Only use up to 3 additional fabrics to create your original design.
- 6. Participants are encouraged to create an original design.
- 7. \$5 cash required to purchase a Fat Eighth Bundle. \$10 cash required to purchase a Fat Quarter Bundle.

There will be a limited number of Fat Quarter and Fat Eighth bundles brought to each meeting.

Bundles will ONLY be sold at the break. It will be on a first come, first served basis.



# JENNIFER HOULDEN

#### **Guest Instructor for our Quilt Show May 2019**

#### "Quilts to last a lifetime & art to treasure forever"

Jennifer Houlden is a textile artist by passion and nurse by profession, who lives with her husband and dog in beautiful Muskoka.

Working in her cottage studio surrounded by the beautiful landscape of the Canadian Shield, Jennifer creates one of a kind art quilts.

Jennifer's inspiration comes from the world around her through photographs, nature and her imagination. Her passion is to create art to enjoy and share with others.

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Email: <a href="jennifer@quiltsbyjen.ca/">jennifer@quiltsbyjen.ca/</a>

#### QUILT SHOW WORKSHOPS WITH JENNIFER HOULDEN

Twisted Log Cabin May 24, 2019

9:30-4:00 doors open at 9am

This is a foundation piecing project which allows for accuracy and precision during sewing. The pieces are cut larger than needed so there will be some wastage of fabric. The paper acts as a stabilizer during sewing to help create the fine points in this pattern. Completed size is 36 by 36 inches.



#### Mini Bargello Sunflower May 25, 2019

#### 9:30 - 4:00 doors open at 9am

Jennifer is very excited to teach you this technique of Bargello and applique. It is exciting to see it all come together and how each and every flower is different. Completed size is 20 by 20 inches.



The cost of the workshops will be \$100.00 for Guild members and \$120.00 for non-members. Limit of 20 per class.

Both workshops will require pre-class preparation! This will be mandatory so that Jennifer can get right into teaching her technique rather than using class time to cut the fabric pieces

#### Preparation is needed and must be done before class!

We are looking into having a workshop in order for all participants to be ready prior to the workshops with Jennifer. "No prep, no workshop, no refund".

Registration will be at the Guild Meeting in October.

Full payment must be made upon registration. Payment may be made by cash or cheque.

Kit list and class preparation will be given at this time.

We will have a date for the pre-class, possibly first part of April (to be announced)

# Wildflower Arts Quilt Shop

# Fabric and Longarm Quilting

1899 Hwy 608, South Gillies, Ontario POT 2V0

Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 10am-5pm

# Fall/Holiday Quilt Retreat!!!!!

# Friday and Saturday November 2nd and 3rd

Gillies Community Center, South Gillies, Ontario P0T 2V0

10am-9pm Friday and 10am-5pm Saturday

Includes lunch and dinner Friday and lunch Saturday and snacks and beverages throughout the days.

Bring your sewing machine and projects and sew and socialize. There will be a couple of demonstrations on quilting/sewing topics.

There will be 'goodie' bags, with custom painted bags, for all attendees and attendance drawings. As well you can choose to participate in a cookie exchange and a gift exchange.

Cost: \$80 Friday, \$60 Saturday or \$125 for both days.

Payment is due upon registration; the only reserved reservation is a paid one. Cancellations through October 27th will incur a \$25 fee. Cancellations October 28th up to the event will not receive a refund. Registration is transferrable as long as we are notified of the new attendee's name. Registration deadline for the retreat is October27<sup>th</sup>.

#### To obtain a copy of the registration form please contact:

Sharon Melville 807-626-3691 \*\* sharonmelville@tbaytel.net

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# CIRCLE OF FRIENDS QUILT SHOPPE. is pleased to offer the 2018 Happy Holiday Gathering

Date: Friday & Saturday, November 16 & 17

10:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. - Friday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Saturday

Location: Oliver Road Community Centre

Cost: \$125.00 will reserve your sewing space and includes hinch

and dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday along with veggie & fruit platters, an assortment of delicious baking

and of course hot & cold beverages.



All you need to bring is your sewing machine, projects and your appetite. Our Happy Holiday Gathering welcomes you to two full days filled with friendship, sharing and ideas. There will be demos on both

days and kits will be available for purchase. Gather your quilting friends, save the date and register early for this special event as space is limited.

Registration can be processed by phone at 344-2625 or by visiting the Shoppe at 218 Tupper Street – Tuesday to Saturday – 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Full payment is due at time of registration