

2017-2018 STRINGTOWN CHALLENGES

MAGAZINE CHALLENGE -- to begin in October 2017, Judging in February 2018. ALL will be displayed at Quilter's Day Out in March.

The participants will choose a magazine (provided). Next, each person will draw a number, turn to that page number in the magazine. That page then becomes the "focus" for your quilt. You can choose a color, a word, an image, etc. from that page.

The page must be attached to the quilt with a small explanation of what part of the page was used as the focus. Judging will be based on how closely the focus chosen from the magazine page is represented.

(Late-comers Welcome! If you miss the initial kick-off for the magazine challenge, pages will be made available at subsequent meetings through January.)

PIZZA BOX Challenge -- to begin in November 2017 (Initial Trade), End in June 2018 (Back to the Originators).

Each participant **will provide their own fabric** for a quilt using one of the guidelines below: (4 yards total)

- A) 2 yds of "background" and 4 half yard coordinating pieces,
- B) 2 yds each of 2 colors, or
- C) 2 yards background and 8 fat quarters of coordinating fabrics

Please also include an 8 inch square of muslin for recording the block history

Each participant will be given a (clean) pizza box to place their fabric in. The boxes will be distributed to a different participant each month to take home and make two different 12 ½ inch quilt blocks using ONLY the fabric in the box.

The box will then be returned at the next guild meeting to be re distributed.

In June your box will be returned to you with 12 different completed quilt squares!

COMFORT PILLOWS -- begin anytime, Viewer's Choice voting in April 2018. May be donated to BLUEGRASS CARE NAVIGATORS (formerly Hospice of the Bluegrass).

As described at the August meeting, pillows should be fairly small (1" to 12" per side) and of any appropriate material. They can be tucked into wheelchairs, hugged like a small stuffed animal, tucked into pockets, or used for hand rehabilitation (like a tiny dumbbell or stress ball).

FIDGET QUILTS -- begin anytime, Viewer's Choice voting in July 2018. May be donated to BLUEGRASS CARE NAVIGATORS (formerly Hospice of the Bluegrass).

Small (12" to 30" per side) quilts made especially for touching, feeling, exploring, and stimulating the brain and hands. May be used by dementia patients, Alzheimer patients, or anyone needing basic hand-eye exercise and sensory stimulation.

A super example/tutorial may be found here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GhojSOjTAn4>