



# Cabin Fever Quilters' Guild

## Northern Comfort



### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### FEBRUARY

- **14: Board Meeting (Noel Wien Library) & Valentine's Day**
- **21: General Membership Meeting**
- **20: Begin Newsletter Submissions**

#### MARCH

- **1: NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**
- **14: Board Meeting**
- **20: Begin Newsletter Submissions**
- **21: General Membership Meeting**

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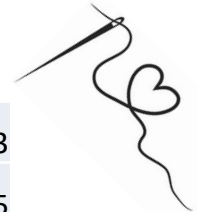
### PRESIDENT'S PIECE

We made it back after a great weekend at QJS at Chena Hot Springs. It was a great turn-out for our Fairbanks group, about 30 people with a few from Anchorage. Well done Sue and Colleen! Thanks to all who helped to make this a success. We still need volunteers for the following:

- **Quilt Slushy (April):** a chairperson and a helper
- **Raffle:** volunteers to help with tickets.
- **Fair (July/August):** a co-chairperson and a few volunteers to help with set-up/and clean-up.
- **Sew Flurries:** a few volunteers to help with set-up/and clean-up.
- **Teaching and/or lecture opportunity:** a few volunteers to do some research (making calls to see if people are available/dates and cost) and present to the board. Contact me for information.

Please think about volunteering, without your help these activities may not be feasible. If you have not volunteered in the past, it would be a wonderful opportunity to do so.

### Celebrating Birthdays



Amelia Houtches	2	5	Karyn Jassen	3	13
Anne Grosshans	2	17	Corlis Taylor	3	15
Bonnie Post	2	18	Kathy Richardson	3	17
Pat Fox	2	24	Karen Prino	3	18
Coleen Turner	2	25	Kelly MacDonald	3	19
			Mary Worrall	3	24
Jeanne Maddux	3	1	Kim Wardwell	3	27
Brenda Dow	3	3	Kay Sisson	3	29
Jan Cannon	3	9	Carol McConahy	3	30

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**CABIN FEVER QUILTERS' GUILD** is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the appreciation and knowledge of quilt and quilt making.  
**MEMBERSHIP:** Non-members may attend twice as guests. Guild membership is open to anyone interested in quilts.  
Annual dues:  
 \$30 payable in October  
 \$25 for Sr. Rate 60+ years  
 \$25 extra for a mailed Newsletter subscription, others can view on CFQG website.

**NEWSLETTER SUBMITTALS:** *Items/corrections are due by the first of the month unless otherwise announced:*

- Acceptable file formats:
- WORD (.docx), Adobe PDF, JPG, TIFF, BMP, GIF (Please include the 3 letter file extension)
  - When submitting an article, please send in a Word document.

### 2023-24 Board of Directors

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**GENERAL INFO**

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**

3rd TUESDAY of month  
 7:00 PM  
 Faith Baptist Church  
 910 Chena Pump Road  
 Fairbanks, Alaska

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

2nd TUESDAY of month, the week before General Meeting  
 Check Email for time / place

**TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE CFQG EMAIL LIST:**

- Instructions on Page 4
- ◆ Be a CFQG member in good standing.
- ◆ A GMAIL Email is needed

**EXTREME COLD ~ MEETING CANCELLATION POLICY**

When the official outside temperature is **-30°F** or colder **at noon**, the meeting will not be held. Google "weather Fairbanks airport" at 12 noon to verify.

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

January 10, 2023

**Call to Order:** President Diana Warnier at 5:35

Attendance: Diana Warnier, Elaine Thompson McGee, Colleen Pedretty, Dorothy Stella, Mary Olson

**Minutes:** The minutes were reviewed. Colleen Pedretty moved and Mary Olson seconded to accept the minutes as written.**Treasurer:** Colleen reported #24,068.60 in the General Account and \$2, 159.94 in the raffle account. Dorothy reported that Karyn Janssen will be on the committee to the annual audit and it will be done by the end of the month.**Fair:** Diana will contact Trish Immonen**QIS 2023:** Colleen reported there will be 32 members attending. Everything is set and the bills have been paid.**Raffle Quilt 2023:** The quilt top by and donated by Kathe Rich was displayed. It was decided to use this quilt top as our raffle quilt. Elaine will contact Kathe Rich to ask if it's

okay to use her donated top. We will include top created by Kathe Rich to the raffle tickets. It was decided to purchase fabric for the back. Elaine and Colleen will meet to choose fabric. The quilt will be quilted by Sue Gross.

**Quilt Slushy 2023:** We still need a chairman for this event, the dates are April 22-28.**Sew Flurries 2023:** Mary Olson will chair this event, the dates are September 23-29.

Old Business:

- Brochures – we hope to have a brochure mockup to review at the February board meeting.
- Newsletter – need a volunteer, Diana will send out a request to the membership.
- Gaming Commission – Bobbie Tarkiainen will our secondary for the Gaming Commission

Officer to do list – these need to be done for the April Board meeting

Adjourned at 6:45 PM

Submitted by Elaine Thompson McGee, VP, for Kristen Brown

Next Board meeting: February 14, 2023

Next General Meeting: February 21, 2023

**Cabin Fever Quilter's Guild**

January 17, 2023, Meeting Minutes

**WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS OF GUESTS AND NEW MEMBERS**

Pat Fox introduced our new president, Diana Warnier. Meeting was called to order at 7:03pm. Welcome to visitors Nicole, Natasha, Sherry, Brandy, Katy, and Sarah.

**APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES**

President Diana asked for an approval of the November 15, 2022 meeting minutes.

Pat Fox made a motion to approve the November Minutes and seconded by Jan Cannon. Notes were approved by the general membership.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Colleen Pedretty presented the Treasurer's Report.

The General Fund beginning balance was \$30,230.08.....ending balance was \$24,060.90.

Raffle account beginning balance was \$2,159.94.....ending balance was \$2,037.80.

Total Balance: **\$26,098.70****COMMITTEE REPORTS****Hospitality:** Thank you for all the meeting treats. Book is going around to sign up.**Membership:** Bobbie Tarkiainen said she is working on the membership directory. It will be ready by next meeting.**Sunshine Sue:** Cards sent to Barbara Doogan, Marge Eagan, and Ann Schell.**Newsletter:** We do not have anyone to do the newsletter, please see Diana at the break if you are interested in taking on this job. Pat Fox asked how Katrina did the newsletter and Elaine said she used PowerPoint. At the break Kayla Johnson spoke with Diana and volunteered to take on this important job. Thank you Kayla!**Community Sewing:** Elaine Thompson McGee reported that Community Sewing made sailboats in November and they would sew them around the world in the January community sewing. They would also be working on sew the backing for the Raffle Quilt. The next community sew meet time is Monday after the general membership meeting at Faith Baptist Church, bring your own lunch. Also reported that community sewing had donated 3 quilts to Hospice, 8 quilts to Stevie's Place, and 11 quilts to Red Cross. Keep up the great work ladies!**Secret Pals:** Sue Gross said to please check the table before leaving the meeting, several gifts were on the table. Secret Pals would start for the 2023 year in February. Sign up forms will be in the newsletter and first meeting to brings gifts and cards would be in March. Jackie stood up and spoke about the fun she has had doing

secret pals and encouraged others to participate this next year.

**QIS:** Sue Gross said everything was ready for QIS and she just needed a few volunteers to help bring some supplies out to Chena Hot Springs. Please contact Colleen Pedretty if you can help transport supplies. We have 32 people registered for QIS this year.**Quilt Alaska:** Jeanne Sneddon will be chair for this event. Nothing to report at this time.**Block of the Month:** Sharon Weekley won the January BOM. Shirley Sterner said there were 36 Christmas Tree blocks. Kathy Richardson will coordinate the BOM for 2023. She showed the next block, "Frosty the Snowman" in white and dark blue. Looks like fun!**Publicity:** Kat Helmuth does not have anything to report.**Raffle Quilt 2023:** Quilt top is completed and needs a name. Elaine showed the quilt top, and several names were suggested. Please vote for a name at the break. We need a volunteer to handle the tickets for this year's raffle quilt. Pat Fox has the paperwork. After the break the name voted for this year's raffle quilt: **"Mocha Mountains"**.**Laura's Quilt Slushy:** We need a chairperson for this event! Dates for Slushy are April 22-28 at the Lion's Building at the Fairgrounds.**Sew Flurries:** Mary Olson is the chairperson for this event. Dates for Sew Flurries are September 16-22 at the Lion's Building at the Fairgrounds.**Tanana Valley State Fair:** We need a volunteer to be the Superintendent for the Quilt Division this year! This is a great event to have a couple volunteers co-chair together. Dates for the Fair are July 28-August 6<sup>th</sup>. A job description of superintendent is up on the table. Elizabeth Shapland will do the small quilt auction this year at the fair. She needs all small quilts by the July general meeting.**OLD BUSINESS****Workshop:** No updates at this time.**Fabric Donations:** Mary Olson will be collecting more fabric, notions, cards, yarn, notepads, craft books, and patterns in April to package and send out to the villages. Everything must be clean, and kits must be complete. When Mary is ready to package items, she will need volunteers to help.**NEW BUSINESS/ ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

A motion was made by Elaine Thompson McGee to change the meeting cancelation temp from -35° to -30° at the airport at noon on the day of the general membership meeting. The motion was seconded by Bobbie Tarkiainen. The general membership voted to accept this policy change, and none opposed.

Joanne Lynn wants someone to take her place in maintaining records and monitoring assorted duties involved with our raffle quilt to ensure we comply with the State of Alaska Gaming. Bobbie Tarkiainen is one person, and Pat Fox volunteered to be the other person and will need to take the test involved to have the correct credentials in place.

Karyn Jansen has fabric from Ellen's stash to sell at the break.

Elaine Thompson McGee has instructions on how to properly fold a quilt.

Diana Crawford announced that fabric getting pulled off the shelves at Joann Fabrics to make room for new stock is marked off up to 70%. Sounds like it is time to go shopping ladies!

**Break @ 07:45 pm****Back @ 08:14 pm****SHOW AND TELL / ORNAMENT EXCHANGE**

There were many beautiful items at show and tell!

Several individuals got a number and a creative handmade Christmas ornament for their tree for next year.

**BOM DRAWING**

Sharon Weekley

**FAT QUARTER DRAWING**

Shirley Sterner

**NAME TAG DRAWING**

A gift card to Northern Threads: Sheri ?

**DOOR PRIZES:**

Kat, Tricia, Nicole, Colleen, Kayla, Diana, and Amy.

**Next Board Meeting:** February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Noel Wein Library at 5:30 pm.**Next General Meeting:** February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023, at Faith Baptist Church at 7 pm.**Meeting Adjourned @ 8:44 pm. Respectfully submitted by Kristen Brown**

# ANNOUNCEMENTS ~ This & That!

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

### QUILTS OF VALOR

- Sally Benevento:  
Quilting Lions & Friends
- [sallyb@gci.net](mailto:sallyb@gci.net), 479-5203



### COMMUNITY SEWING

Community Sewing is canceled for the month of February.

Questions? Please contact:

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[elainetm@gmail.com](mailto:elainetm@gmail.com)#

### February 21– Hospitality

Ice and Beverage – Dorothy Stella  
Sweets - Kayla Dunn, Mary Olsen  
Carla Drvenka, Jackie Veats  
Veggies and Dip – Sue Gross  
Appetizers – Karyn Janssen, Kim Wardwell

### Google Groups

- The Guild uses Google Groups for communications.
- As I receive new membership information, I will send an invitation to you from the CFQG Google Group.
- You will receive an email from CFQG with a subject line of **Invitation to Join**.
- All you have to do is click on the blue box that reads **Accept this invitation** and you will have joined the group.

If you have not received the email, the link is:

<https://groups.google.com/g/cfqg/>

Elaine Thompson McGee  
322-0448 [elainetm@gmail.com](mailto:elainetm@gmail.com)

### FAT QUARTER DRAWING

February - Red, reads like a solid  
March - Green, reads like a solid  
April - Batiks  
May - White on black, black on white  
June - Florals



## Sunshine Sue News

Cards were sent to:

Babs Doogan  
The family of Marge Eagan  
The family of Ann Lillian Schell

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Laura's Quilt Slushy– April 22-28 Sew  
Flurries-September 23-29

## Find us...



**Webpage:**

<http://www.cfqgalaska.org>

Look for the forms, events, policies, etc.



**Facebook:**

<https://www.facebook.com/CabinFeverQuiltersAlaska>

## February 2023 BOM Frosty the Snowman



### COLORS:

**SNOWMAN:** White, white with "sparkles", white with snowflakes

**BACKGROUND:** Dark blue, dark blue with white dots, dark blue with small snowflakes

### CUTTING:

**WHITE:** HEAD 3 ½ inch square

BODY 4 ½ inch square

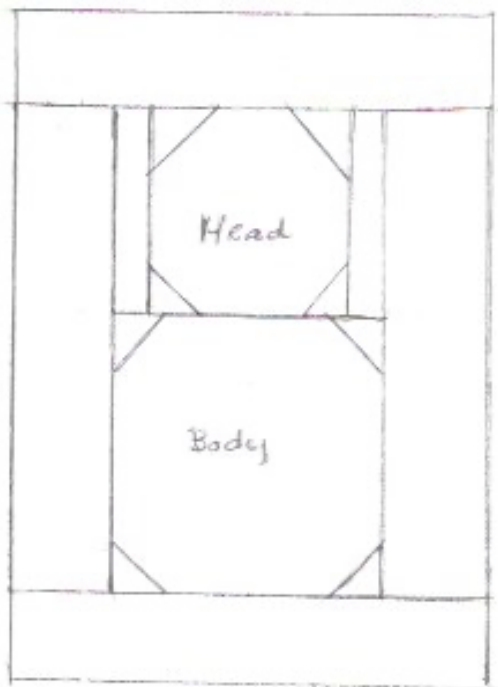
**BLUE:** 6 1 ¼ inch squares

2 1 ½ inch squares

2 ¾ x 3 ½ inch strips

2 3 ½ x 7 ½ inch strips

2 1 ¼ x 6 ½ strips



**SEWING:** **Head** - Using the stitch and sew method, sew a 1 ½ inch blue square to each of the top corners of the head. Sew and flip a 1 ¼ blue square to the two bottom corners of the head.

**Body** - Sew and flip 1 ¼ inch blue squares to each corner of the body.

1. Sew a ¾ x 3 ½ inch strip of blue to both the left and right sides of the head.
2. Sew head to body, press seam open.
3. Sew 3 ½ x 7 ½ inch strip of blue to both the left and right sides of the snowman.
4. Sew 1 ¼ x 6 ½ strip of blue to both the top and bottom of snowman.

Hello Frosty!

## Benefits of Joining a Quilt Guild

Article By: Quilting Contessa

### Benefits of Joining a Quilt Guild

Have you ever considered joining a Quilt Guild? Do you get inspired seeing beautiful quilts? Then a Quilt Guild might be just the place for you.

#### Friends and Shopping Buddies

Quilting in it's earliest tradition was a group experience, but over the years it has turned into a more solitary endeavor as our homes and families have spread out more and more. Joining a Quilt Guild can help to bring that fun community feel to your hobby and it will also help you find some like-minded people that can be fun to socialize with during shopping trips, retreats and other quilt-related endeavors.

#### Sharing Your Knowledge and Learning From Others

Have you been a quilter for many years and already made most of the mistakes? Or are you new to quilting and know you have a lot to learn? A Quilt Guild can be a great place for sharing and learning for all skill levels. If you are fortunate enough to join a group that is comprised of many different skill levels and ages, you really have found an ideal group. The new quilters bring an enthusiasm for learning to the group and remind the more "seasoned" quilters of how much fun the hobby truly is, and the more "seasoned" members bring knowledge that can be invaluable to the new members.

#### New Ideas, New Teachers, and New Tools

Quilt Guilds frequently invite teachers to present new techniques and show some of the latest tools. This can provide you the opportunity to see and touch some of the latest and greatest tools and view quilts in person that you normally would not see without attending a quilt show.

#### Color Help

Have you ever had difficulty coming up with a color combination for a quilt that you would like to make? Attending Guild meetings will expose you to more quilts and you can gain inspiration for new color combinations by taking pictures of quilts that you love during the Guild meetings. You can also bring some fabric with you and ask your quilting friends for suggestions of what they would add or subtract from the fabric selections you have made to create a stunning quilt.

#### Discounts

Yep, we all like a deal and many quilt shops will offer a Guild Discount. This can provide you with a little more spending money for some fun new [notions](#) or maybe that extra [fat quarter](#) you were considering. Remember when you go to new shops to ask if they offer a Guild discount.

#### Classes and Workshops at Reduced Prices

Guilds are a great resource for learning and with your membership often comes the ability to take classes and workshops for a smaller fee than you would traditionally pay if you attended the same class during a quilt show. Be sure to take as many classes as you can because you learn something new with each teacher and technique you try. Sometimes what you learn is that there are some really interesting people in your Guild that you had not had time to visit with that become good friends. Other times you learn how to better utilize the tools you have, or learn about tools that will make your quilting more fun. In any case, the time you spend with quilting friends is a great time to laugh, have fun, and enjoy just being together.

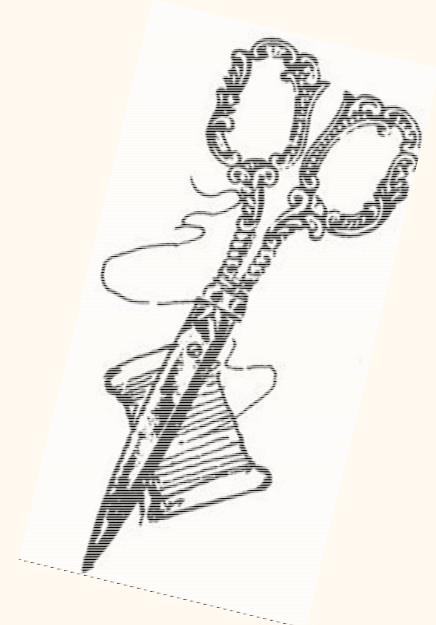
#### Free Table and Quilters Garage Sales

Another benefit to joining a Guild is the fabulous "Free Table" that many Guilds have. This can be a great place to pick up small items that another quilter no longer needs, or some fabric scraps that you can use to try out a new pattern, technique, or [block](#). It is also a great place to donate items that you have decided you do not wish to finish, or that you purchased too much of, or bought twice – we have all done that!

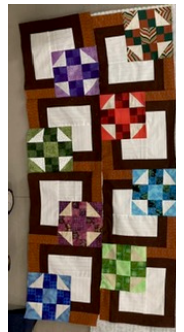
### Charity Projects

We have talked about all of the benefits of the Guild for ourselves, but our time spent with our Guild can also help others. Many Guilds have special service projects that they do to help out in the community. A few that are popular are Quilts of Valor for service members, making quilts for nursing homes, hospitals, or hospice units, making pillowcases for children that are in the hospital, and the list goes on and on. Our quilting hobby can be a blessing to lots of people, and when you join a Guild, you can work on projects together that can really benefit the community as well as being a great opportunity to meet and stitch with fellow quilters.

So, now that you have a list of good reasons to join a Guild, head to the search feature on [QuiltingHub.com](#) to find a list of Guilds in your area. Happy Stitching!



# Quilting in the Snow 2023



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## CABIN FEVER QUILTERS' GUILD MEETING



**February 21, 2023**

- *Show & Tell Your Projects!*
- *Prepare for Annual Potluck Meeting & May Fashion Show!*
  - *Block of the Month*
  - *FQ Drawing*