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August 2009
President's Letter

The leaves are turning and the first day of school is almost here. It's time for a pop quiz!

Well, it's not really a quiz - You may use your notes, there's no grade, and there are no right or wrong answers. But, please think about the following and be ready to complete a survey.

First, a little background: Almost 10% of our Operating Expenses (\$3,000) is budgeted for Workshops. This year's budget assumes that we will take in two-thirds of that amount in workshop fees, so we only plan to "lose" \$1,000 this year on Workshops. However, if September's workshops don't fill up, we will likely lose much more. Board Members want to take a hard look at our workshops and how we can improve attendance. One concern is that nationally-known teachers now have to be booked years in advance, so some of the Guild Members who vote for a teacher may not be able to attend when she/he actually arrives. We currently have a teacher scheduled for 2010, but we have not yet scheduled anyone for 2011. So, we'd like you to start thinking about the following:

Are you signed up for one of Esterita Austin's workshops? If not, why not?
Do you ever sign up for workshops? If not, why not?
Would you like to see more workshops offered by local teachers?
Do you want workshops to be offered once a year? Twice? Every two years?
Which days of the week are best for you? Which time of year is best for you?
Is cost a factor when you decide whether or not to sign up for a workshop?
How much are you willing to pay? Should participants pay all the cost?
What type of workshop would interest you? Art Quilts? Traditional quilting skills?

The survey will be available at the September General Membership meeting and the October Annual Meeting. I look forward to seeing you at the next General Membership meeting on August 18.

Sincerely,
Dana Bowne
451-7469; dana.bowne@acsalaska.net

September newsletter deadline: Sept 4th
please send newsletter items to: j9s99@hotmail.com or
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Cabin Fever Quilters' Guild Meeting

3rd Tuesday of each month beginning at 7:15 PM
Monroe High School, Multi-purpose Room

Cabin Fever Quilters' Guild Board of Directors Meeting

4th Tuesday of each month beginning at 6:30 PM
Location Announced Each Month (see Calendar--last page)

Cabin Fever Quilters' Guild

PO Box 83608, Fairbanks, AK 99708

To subscribe to the CFQG email list:
You must be a CFQG member in good standing!
Go to this page to sign up:
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select link "join this group", and follow instructions
You will need a Yahoo id, but not a Yahoo email address

Website:

<http://www.cfqgalaska.org>

NORTHERN COMFORT is published monthly on the CFQG Website. Members are notified by email of the web posting. Notify the Newsletter Editor if you wish to receive it by first class mail. Please inform membership chair of address changes.

ADVERTISING: Quilt related commercial ads: full page \$30, half page \$15, quarter page \$8. Payments should be sent with ad copy. Personal ads related to quilting are free to Guild members on a space available basis. The CFQG cannot accept responsibility for the content of ads.

CABIN FEVER QUILTERS' GUILD is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the appreciation and knowledge of quilts and quilt making.

MEMBERSHIP: Non-members may attend twice as guests. Guild membership is open to anyone interested in quilts.

Annual dues: \$25, payable in October
\$20 for Sr. Rate 60+ years
\$15 newsletter only

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION: Items/corrections are due 2 weeks after the Guild meeting unless otherwise announced:

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**General Membership Meeting
Minutes for July 21, 2009**

To be published next month.

FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has begun the work of recruiting officers for the next year for our Guild.

If you have ever thought you might like to be involved in the Executive Board now is a great time! If you have a friend who has expressed interest to you that she might like to hold an office suggest she give us a call, or drop us a hint and we'll contact her.

Information about each of the offices can be found in the By-Laws published in the Directory.

You can contact any of the Nominating Committee members with your suggestions:

Joan Kluwe: jk2ak94@fulbrightmail.org
Kathy Richardson: kjrich@mosquitonet.com
Mary Worrall: mmcw123@yahoo.com
Sonja Zastro: sonjarae@gci.net
Janice Cleworth (chair): jcleworth@mosquitonet.com or 452-5551

We eagerly await your suggestions and offers!

**Block of the Month for AUGUST --
"Crazy quilt in Orientals—foundation pieced"**

<http://www.cfqgalaska.org/botm/botm2008/aug08.pdf>

**Block of the Month for SEPTEMBER --
"Warm Woolen Mittens"**

<http://www.cfqgalaska.org/botm/botm2008/sep09.pdf>

**There's room for YOU in our FABULOUS FALL WORKSHOPS
with nationally know fiber artist Esterita Austin!**

Contact Pam Sprout, Workshop Chair (456-8340) pampace@mac.com
Sign-up Form Next Page

ESTERITA AUSTIN LECTURE & CLASSES IN AUTUMN!

The Lecture Presented by Esterita Austin will be "CLASSIC ROCK"

Wednesday, September 30, 7:00 p.m. in the Civic Center Auditorium, Pioneer Park. This event is free to the public and to Guild members, underwritten by the CFQG Community Service funds.

Two-Day Workshop - "STONE PORTALS" Easy, "no fail" technique for fused appliqué using one of Esterita's patterns. Learn how to juxtapose value to build a composition that establishes depth and solidity. Your quilt will become not merely surface design but a visual invitation to enter. NO SEWING MACHINE NEEDED.

Thursday and Friday, October 1 and 2, all day. CFQG Members: \$100 Non-members: \$150

One-Day Workshop - "ROCK, WOOD & WATER" Build a waterside landscape that incorporates depth & solidity of composition. If you have difficulty in establishing a fore, middle and background, this is the class for you. NO SEWING MACHINE NEEDED; NO PAINTING EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.

Saturday, October 3, all day. CFQG members: \$50 Non-members: \$75

If you want to see pictures and longer descriptions of these classes, go to www.esteritaustin.com

REGISTRATION for both classes will begin **May 1**. You may mail your ballot and check made out to CFQG, to Pam Sprout, PO Box 82507, Fairbanks, AK 99708-2507. Postmark must be on or after May 1. Check must accompany registration form (below). If you have questions, call Pam at 456-8340 or email at pampace@mac.com

REGISTRATION FORM for Esterita Austin Classes:

Name: _____ Email address: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Phone: _____

___ STONE PORTALS, Thurs & Fri, Oct 1 & 2, \$100 (\$150 if non member) \$ _____

___ ROCK, WOOD & WATER, Sat. Oct. 3 \$50 (\$75 if non member) \$ _____

TOTAL: \$ _____

Enclose check for full amount, made out to CFQG. Mail on or after May 1, 2009 to:

Pam Sprout, PO Box 82507, Fairbanks, AK 99708-2507. Classes are limited to 20 people each and will be filled in the order that registrations are received. You will receive a confirmation by email or snail mail (if you do not have email) and a class supply list after registration is complete.

Fat Quarter Drawing

Build your FQ stash! Win prizes! Join the Guild's Fat Quarter Exchange. Each month a different theme. For every FQ you bring you get one entry in the drawing. Winner takes all!

New for 2009!! Each month there will be a special FQ packet reflecting that month's theme. The winner of the drawing receives the special FQ packet plus all the fat quarters contributed by members. The next month's theme packet also will be on display so you can plan ahead!

August Theme -- "Picnics"

Fried chicken; potato salad; apple pie!
A loaf of bread and a jug of wine!
Hot dogs; hamburgers; watermelon and
lemonade! And, of course, ants!

September Theme -- Autumn Leaves

Birch, aspen, tamarack, willow, maple, oak, elm
and sycamore! Blueberry shrubs and fireweed on the
road to Denali! The Golden Valley! Blazing orange,
and red, yellow gold against a backdrop of spruce.

Monthly Themes: Join in the fun! Do you have a theme idea for for a future month. Submit suggestions to Jeannine Senechal before the 1st of the month.

Happy Birthday

Pat Sheehan	8/8	Laura Fenton	9/7
Susan Spencer	8/15	Martie Lamont	9/7
Dida Uotila	8/15	Dana Bowne	9/9
Jeannine Senechal	8/20	Barbara Doogan	9/9
Debbie Bayer	8/24	Jerry Beaumarrriage	9/11
Janice Cleworth	8/27	Joanne Langseth	9/12
Deborah Hutchens	8/29	Wyan Grant	9/14
Dalonna Cooper	8/30	Ellen Coughenour	9/15
Ruth Pavey	9/5	Marcia Leiren-Feller	9/15
Wendy Arundale	9/6	Toka Smith	9/16

Things to Celebrate in August with your Secret Quilting Pal

August is National Picnic Month! It's also is Golf Month, Inventors Month, Artists Month, Family Fun Month and Romance Month!! Hard to be bored when you're celebrating all these wonderful things! Here are some other things to celebrate in August:

2nd - Friendship Day	16th - Roller Coaster Day
3rd - Watermelon Day	22nd - Be An Angel Day
9th - Book Lover's Day	25th - Banana Split Day
13th - Left Hander's Day	26th - Women's Equality Day

August Hospitality

Ice	- Mary Hendrickson
Beverage	- Jeannine Senechal
Veggies/Dip	- Marcia Feller
Appetizers	- Ruth Pavey
Sweets	- Carol Moore, Kelley MacDonald, Dambro Callahan

ABOUT THIS NEWSLETTER

Members are encouraged to submit ideas and articles for the newsletter. We want it to be interesting and informative. Some of the things previously put in the news letter include book reviews, recipes, puzzles, jokes, quilting stories, history, trivia and other tidbits.

In the future we will be using an earlier cut off date (and sticking to it!) for submissions in order to get the newsletter out at least a week before the general meeting.

The newsletter is regularly posted on the CFQG Website and members are notified through a Yahoo Group email. If you don't have easy email or internet access, the newsletter will be mailed to your your home address. Please notify the newsletter editor if you wish to receive it by U. S. mail.



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Calendar

Cabin Fever Quilters' Guild Meeting-Third Tuesday, 7:15 p.m., Monroe High School Multi-purpose room

Cabin Fever Quilters' Guild Board Meeting-Fourth Tuesday, 6:30 p.m., Mary Siah Center

Group Activities -- Sew-Ins

Community Service Sew-Ins, Saturday following Guild meeting, Sept thru May. Next meeting below. Contacts: Jan Cannon 378-6652, jancann@gci.net or Nancy Junk, 452-4438, nancy@arcticgunworks.com.

Creamer's Field Farmhouse Sew-Ins, 2nd Sunday following Guild meeting, Sept thru May. Next meeting below. Contact: Melissa Sikes, 347-1802.

Sunday Sew-Ins at Pioneer Park, Sunday prior to Guild meeting, Sept thru May. Next meeting below. Contact: Penny Dean, 479-5310, or 388-5186 (cell).

Small Groups

Threads in Motion: First or second Sunday of the month, 3-6 p.m., Karin Milne, 474-9580 or milne@mosquitonet.com, for location. (Note: Currently not taking new members due to size limits of meeting space.)

Monday Migrators: Every Tuesday, 10 a.m. at Material Girls. Shirley Phelps, 479-2512.

Totally Tuesday: Second Tuesday: Laura Fenton's, 7p.m. Laura Fenton, 452-8323.

Long Arm Quilters Support Group: This group meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at different members' homes. Meetings are open to anyone interested in the machine quilting field. For date, time and location of upcoming meetings, contact Teri Helmers at 479-8779, quilter58@yahoo.com.

Thursday Thimbles: Every Thursday, Barbara Doogan's, noon. 1423 4th Ave., Barbara at 452-6029. Alternate Summer Location: Kathy Richardson's, 1032 8th Ave., 456-6236.

Crazy Ladies Appliqué Group: 2nd & 4th Thursday, Noel Wien Library, 6:30-9 p.m. Karyn Janssen, 488-2834 or CJ Thomas, 479-9745

CFQG Dates to Remember this Month

(see above and Page 2 for contact information)

August 2009

- 1 Quilt Exhibit Entry Day for Tanana Valley Fair
- 16 Quilt Pick Up Day for Fair Entries
- 18 Guild Meeting, Monroe High School, 7:15 pm
- 25 Board Meeting, Mary Siah Recreation Center, 6:30 pm

September 2009

- 15 Guild Meeting, Monroe High School, 7:15 pm
- 22 Board Meeting, Mary Siah Recreation Center, 6:30 pm

August

Meeting Reminders

Don't forget!

Show and Tell

BOM - "Crazy quilt in Orientals"

Fat Quarter Exchange - "Picnics!"

Remember your Secret Quilting Pal!!