



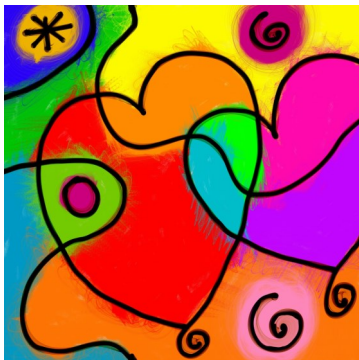
# Cabin Fever Quilters' Guild

CELEBRATING OVER 40 YEARS

## Northern Comfort

### Bits & Pieces

Thank you all for your patience and support with this delayed edition of the newsletter. Your newsletter wrangler—Joan Kluwe



### FEBRUARY

- 14: Board Meeting (5:15pm @ TBD location)
- 20: General Membership Meeting
- 20: Begin Newsletter Submissions

### MARCH

- 1: NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
- 13: Board Meeting
- 19: General Membership Meeting
- 20: Begin Newsletter Submissions

### FEBRUARY

Amelia Houtchens	5
Anne Grosshans	17
Bonnie Post	18
Pat Fox	24
Coleen Turner	25

### MARCH

Jeanne Maddux	1
Brenda Dow	3
Linda Stephenson	5
Edna Telford	5
Jan Cannon	9
Karyn Janssen	13
Corlis Taylor	15
Sonja Zastrow	16
Kathy Richardson	17
Karen Prino	18
Kelley Macdonald	19
Mary Worrall	24
Kim Wardwell	27
Penny Dean	28
Kathleen Sisson	29
Mary Beth Smetzer	29
Carol Mcconahy	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:

- Email subject line MUST contain: **CFQG Newsletter**
- 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.

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

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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 **WEDNESDAY** of month,  
 the week before General  
 Meeting



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

- Instructions on Page 5
- ◆ 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.

**2024-25 Board of Directors**

POSITION	MEMBER	TERM	HOME	CELL	EMAIL
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<b>Parliamentarian</b>	Jo Ann Lynn	2025		371-0128	None

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## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 5:50 pm.

**Members present:** Diana Wariner, Sharon Weekley, Karyn Janssen, Karen Prino, Bobbie Tarkiainen, Jo Ann Lynn, Carol Moore, and Marcia Bryant

**Treasurer's Report:** Everything has been reconciled. Budget is still work in progress. All QIS bills paid. Diana was reimbursed for subscription to Zoom.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Membership:** Records turned over to Pat Fox who is working on the directory.

**Bazaar:** Still no volunteer to chair

**Sew Flurries:** Mary Olson -first choice date 9/21-27. Waiting to hear back from Juanita for contract from Lion's Club.

**Laura's Quilt Slushy:** Marcia Bryant reports Lions Hall is not available on Wednesday due to Spinners & Weavers guild, so dates will be Thursday 4/11 to Tuesday April 16, 2024. Clarified that no vote is needed to set the price for attendance.

**Fair:** The Fair Board has decided that the Quilt show will be in the Totem building. Concerns: racks will need to be moved, money will need to be picked up every night and there will probably be no sale of bazaar items.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Brochure is being finalized, should have a sample to present at general meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS:

\*Discussed the idea of use of incentives for being on the board. Will require additional thought and discussion. To be revisited.

\*Discussed the idea of holding the annual dinner at a restaurant and making it more of a celebration. It was also noted how nice it was to have a "prize/gift" for each member attending which have been covered at least partially by donations in recent past. To accommodate this, Karyn Janssen moved and Sharon Weekly seconded to add \$1500 to the budget for annual dinner subsidy It would be up to Vice President to decide how to use and set price for event.

\*Still looking for a chairman for Workshops. Karen Prino is looking into one option. Bobbie Tarkiainen will look for information on instructors at Sew Expo. Mary Olson will contact other guilds in Alaska.

\*Bobbie Tarkiainen felt we should mail directories to out-of-town members. Carol Moore made a motion, Karyn Janssen seconded to add line item to budget for this purpose.

\*Question about adding new category or fair quilts. Need to write a definition and present to Tricha and Veronica.

\*Discussed various ideas about how to attract more and younger members including ways to make meetings more interesting.

**Meeting adjourned:** 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by Carol Moore

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

January 16, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Diana Wariner, presiding. No guests.

Diana announced that there may be some changes to make meetings more interesting, reduce long agenda, maybe even have Show and Tell in the middle. Be sure to read newsletter for important information.

### December Meeting Minutes

Motion by Bobbie Tarkiainen to accept as written, second by Mary Olson, motion carried.

### TREASURER'S REPORT (Bobbie Tarkiainen)

General account beginning balance: \$27,568. End of month: \$26,646

Gaming account beginning balance: \$3,189. No activity.

Budget: Proposed budget distributed for review, will vote next month.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Hospitality:** Dorothy Stella, Thanks to those who brought snacks, binder for future sign ups being passed.

**Membership:** Pat Fox reported there are some corrections to the directory, she will post them.

**Newsletter:** Reminder to submit items no later than last week of the month.

**Community Sewing:** Will be sewing this Saturday doing a disappearing 9 patch which will look like Garden Delight quilt taught by Gayle Hazen at Quilt Slushy. Bring your lunch and machine if you can.

**Secret Pals:** Reveal will be next month. Forms to participate next year are in the back.

**Google group:** Let Elaine Thompson-McGee know of any problems.

**Sunshine Sue:** Bonnie Post, cards sent to Jackie Veats and Carol Lovejoy.

**Bazaar:** Still need a chair, think about volunteering, not a hard job.

**Quilt Alaska:** see newsletter for details.

**Sew Flurries:** Mary Olson still trying to contact Lions about date. Spinners & weavers Guild is growing and Wednesday may be a problem, considering Sat to Tuesday, then Thus to Sat, tentative Sept 21 to 28

**Laura's Quilt Slushy:** same situation with Lions, planning Thurs to Tues April 11 – 16. Need teachers, esp for make one, take one for bazaar items. Need volunteers to coordinate food and run auction table.

**Fair:** Exhibit guide will be in Newsminer Feb 7.

**Small Quilt Auction:** Elizabeth Shapland will miss next couple of meetings but please continue to work on and bring your small quilts for the auction.

**Raffle Quilt 2024:** On hold until after QIS

**Quilting in the Snow:** packets were emailed. A few printed available tonight. Quilt crawl will be on Saturday night on the way to dinner. Bring one to share and let Elaine Thompson-McGee know. Bring a cup to share in refreshments. (continued on page 4)

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES—*continued from page 3*

**Block of the Month:** Kathy Richardson having technical difficulties, please be patient. Check newsletter.

**Drawing** of star blocks tonight- Shirley Sterner.

**Announcements:** Today was last day for several months to donate fabric for Up the River project.

**BREAK:** Join Sharon Weekley in the back room for demo on quick bookmark project demo.

### Drawings:

Fat Quarters - Diana Wariner

Nametags – Carol Moore

Door Prize – Kelley MacDonald, Kat Helmuth, Edna Telford, Amy Houtchens, Denise Rust

**Show & Tell:** Please have quilts available after in case anyone has questions for you

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by Carol Moore

## NOTES & NEWS

### COMMUNITY SEWING

We will be sewing the two Saturdays after the February meeting, February 24 and March 2.

We will be working on backs and finishing tops that are in progress. We will also be slicing and sewing the watercolor quilt top, until the blocks are on point. Don't miss this fun event.

Fairbanks Baptist Church from 9:30 - 2:30. Brown bag lunch.

Any questions, please contact Elaine Thompson McGee at 907-322-0448 or [elaineltm@gmail.com](mailto:elaineltm@gmail.com)



### SECRET QUILTING PALS



At the meeting, Feb 20th, we will be doing the reveal and drawing for a new secret pal. I've heard positive comments from participants on how they've enjoyed this past year. The form to sign up is on Page 7. There are three people so far and we would like to have more. For more information, please contact Colleen Pedretty: [colleenp@acsalaska.net](mailto:colleenp@acsalaska.net) or 907-590-9334.

### POTHOLDERS

This is the time to start working on your potholders. We will have an exchange at our annual potluck. Make two potholders (or three potholders, as pairs sell very well on the bazaar table) We will draw a numbers at our potluck and you will go home with a wonderful handmade potholder. Your other potholder(s) will be a donation to our bazaar table. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Sharon Weekley at 907-322-9865.



### QUILT SLUSHY



Quilt Slushy is April 11-16. It is approaching quickly. Elaine Thompson McGee has requested three things:

1. Teachers! Are there any projects or techniques that you are interested in — paper piecing, applique, etc? Do you have any talents or interest to share? Please let me know
2. Someone to handle the food.
3. Someone to handle the silent "auction." Veronica is available by text or email to let you know how she does it.

I hope everyone's handling the cold weather. Great time to snuggle in and Quilt.

# 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 will be sewing the first two Saturdays after the meeting, February 24 and March 2. We'll be at the church from 9:30-2:30, and as usual it will be a brown bag affair. Please bring your machine if you can, we can carry it to the church for you if needed. For more details, see page 4.

Questions? Contact: Elaine Thompson McGee  
907-322-0448 or [elaineltm@gmail.com](mailto:elaineltm@gmail.com)

### February Hospitality

**Ice:** Colleen  
**Beverage:** Dorothy Stells  
**Veggies & Dip:** Dena Telford, Pat Fox, Kayla & Tina  
**Appetizers:** Jan Cannon, Shirley Sterner, Dambra Callahan  
**Sweets:** Elizabeth Shapland, Catherine Harder, Deidre Zeigler

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

### FAT QUARTER DRAWING

February—any red  
March—any solid green



## Sunshine Sue News

This month cards were sent to:  
Jackie Veats  
Joan Kluwe



Sunshine Sue requests should be sent to:  
[owascalake2@gmail.com](mailto:owascalake2@gmail.com)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Quilt Slushy: April  
Fair: July 26-Aug 4  
Small Quilt Auction at the Fair  
Quilt Alaska: July  
Sew Flurries: Sept 21-27

## Find us...



**Webpage:**

<http://www.cfqgalaska.org>

Look for the forms, events, policies, etc.



**Facebook:**

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

# Block of the Month

## BLOCK OF THE MONTH

Kathy Richardson reports she is still having problems with her computer. Best wishes to Kathy in her jousting with the computer gremlins!

*Unavailable at Press Time!*



# 2024 CFQG Secret Quilting Pal (SQP) FORM

**\*\*Submit by February 20, 2024**

**How It Works:** Complete this form and hand in, mail or email to the SSQP Coordinator (below). We exchange the forms so everyone has some information about their "pal". Try to really give your Secret Pal a snapshot of who you are. Beginning in March, give your SQP cards/gifts for birthdays, holidays, anniversaries or just for fun, at least 6 times during the year. SQP's will be revealed at the next February meeting. Bring gifts to Guild meetings and put on the SQP table anonymously. Contact the SQP Coordinator (below) if you have any questions or problems delivering or picking up a gift. Try to make something for your SQP whether it's a card, a baked goodie, or an ornament.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday (mo/day) \_\_\_\_\_ Other Favorite Holiday(s) \_\_\_\_\_

In December, I celebrate....(circle) Christmas Hanukkah Kwanza None Other \_\_\_\_\_

FAVORITE

THINGS \_\_\_\_\_

THINGS YOU

COLLECT \_\_\_\_\_

FAVORITE

COLOR(S) \_\_\_\_\_

AT HOME – COLORS/DÉCOR:

Kitchen \_\_\_\_\_

Bath \_\_\_\_\_

Living Room \_\_\_\_\_

Bedroom \_\_\_\_\_

GOALS FOR 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Can gifts be delivered to your workplace? YES NO

ADDRESS / DIRECTIONS: \_\_\_\_\_

OTHER INFO FOR YOUR SQP \_\_\_\_\_

Be specific, i.e. I use note cards, I have a problem with fragrances, I am allergic to peanuts.

SQP Coordinator: Colleen Pedretty, PO Box 7005I, Fairbanks, AK 99707

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## CABIN FEVER QUILTERS' GUILD MEETING



*February 20, 2024*

*Meeting 7 - 8:30 PM*

- *Wear Your Homemade Name Tag!*
  - *Show & Tell Your Projects*
  - *Block of the Month*
  - *Fat Quarter Drawing*