



## President's Notes

February 2021

Hope this newsletter finds everyone in good health and hopefully vaccinated with at least the first dose of the COVID vaccine.

Please review the minutes from the January meeting that are included at the end of the newsletter to catch up on the last meeting if you were unable to attend.

Word has it that Rita Leydon fell and broke her arm skiing. Wishing her a speedy recovery and I can't wait to hear the story at the February meeting.

We are getting close to Board elections in May. If anyone is interested in serving on the HCFG Board for 2021-2022, please contact me at [jlcurran7@gmail.com](mailto:jlcurran7@gmail.com).

In addition, two or three volunteers are needed to serve on the nominating committee. Please send me an email at [jlcurran7@gmail.com](mailto:jlcurran7@gmail.com) if you are willing to serve on this especially important committee for the short term of February to May. The nominating committee puts together a slate of officers for the next year. As part of the committee, you would contact various individuals and ask if they would be willing to serve as officers for the coming 1-2 years.

Below is the link to the Guild webpage that describes the officer's duties. Just go to the bottom of the page and the Bylaws are listed with the officer descriptions.

<https://www.heartofcoloradofiberartsguild.org/>



Several members showed off their projects in Show and Tell. Remember you can see a slide show of members' show and tell projects from the January meeting at <https://www.heartofcoloradofiberartsguild.org/> and the Weaving Study Group projects at <https://www.heartofcoloradofiberartsguild.org/weaving.html>. Also do not forget to take a look at the Art Clothing Group projects at <https://www.heartofcoloradofiberartsguild.org/art-clothing.html>.

Sheryl Campbell's talk at the January meeting about their trip to Shetland was inspiring. This was their first trip there and won't be their last. If you think you might be interested in going just give Sheryl a call and she can fill you in on the particulars. Since it is so far away and is an extremely popular event it does take some planning so don't ponder on it too long. Check out this link: <https://www.shetlandwoolweek.com/>

Along with the regular Show and Tell at February's meeting there will also be a Show and Tell of items everyone has made "4 Someone U Love" so be sure and get photos of those to Mara.

Remember that if you have a tip that you use to make things easier for whatever fiber art projects you work on please send them to Beth at [bethscully57@gmail.com](mailto:bethscully57@gmail.com). Also, if you have any equipment items, books or other fiber related articles you want to sell be sure and send a brief description to Beth and photos, prices and contact information to Mara at [karmannghia64@gmail.com](mailto:karmannghia64@gmail.com). Don't forget to let both Beth and Mara know when your items sell so that they can remove them from the newsletter and web page.



I hope to see all of you on Friday February 5th on the Zoom Meeting which will start at 9:30 am. Look for the link for the meeting in an email at the beginning of that week to all members with instructions on how to join the meeting. If you have not yet downloaded the Zoom app on your phone, tablet or computer please do so. It is free. Here is the link to download the Zoom app in advance of the meeting. <https://zoom.us/download>. If you don't download the app in advance it will ask you to download it when you join the meeting. All participants will have their audio muted when they initially join the meeting. If you want to comment on something or have a question, just raise your hand. When it is your turn to describe your Show & Tell item, your audio will be unmuted so all of the attendees can hear you.

Since there are quite a few of us who participate in the meeting you might want to join the meeting at least 15 minutes early at 9:15 am. You will go to a waiting room and I will admit you to the meeting. See you all then and be sure and stay safe.

**Judy Curran**  
**President**

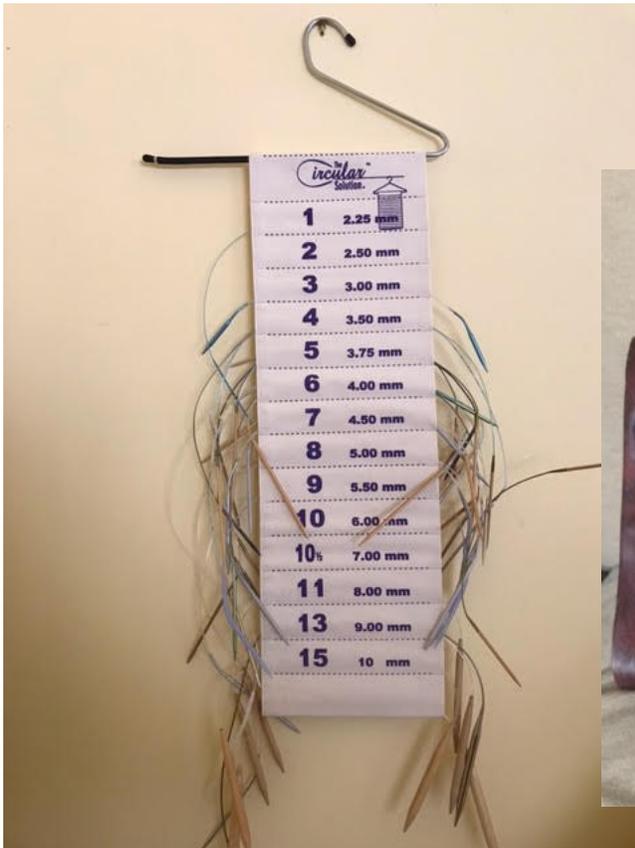


**Heart of the Rockies Fiber Arts Guild sends Congratulations to Kyndra and Kaylee Johnson. Both Placed in "Make it Wool" in November. Kaylee received 1st in Juniors and Kyndra received 2nd In Seniors for the State!!!**



Large collection of round knitting needles. Four packets organized 16", 24", 30", odd sizes, \$20.00 for all.

Circular hanging organizer has 26 different needles. \$20.00 obo. Contact Cindy Quam [cindyquam@msn.com](mailto:cindyquam@msn.com).





## Spring 2021 PROGRAMS!!

Date	Speaker/ Workshop	Mini-Zoom-Activity
Feb 5	<b>Kathy Strathearn</b> <b>(Navajo Weaving)</b>	<b>Made 4 Someone U Love</b>
Mar 5	<b>OPEN</b>	<b>In Like a Lion, Out Like a Lamb</b>
April 2	<b>Kit Salaway</b> <b>(Beaded Cuff)</b>	<b>Best Zoom Background</b>
May 7	<b>Guild Challenge</b>	<b>Hats from Your Heritage</b> <b>(or your "previous life")</b>

**Kathy Strathearn** will be giving a presentation on "**Woven Tapestries**" February 5, 2021.

Kathy began weaving on a Rio Grande loom at a class at Tierra Wools, in Los Ojos (now in Chama), New Mexico. She has made many Rio Grande blankets and rugs on her **4-harness Rio Grande** walking loom. Two of Kathy's Rio Grande tapestries can be seen at the Denver Art Museum at its SPUN exhibit. She is also a member of two galleries, one in Crestone, Colorado, and one in Chama, New Mexico, where her pieces are for sale.

A few years after learning to weave, she adventured to the Navajo Indian Reservation to learn the **Navajo-style** way of weaving and makes it a yearly commitment to go visit her friends on the Reservation and gain greater insight into Navajo weaving and its traditions.

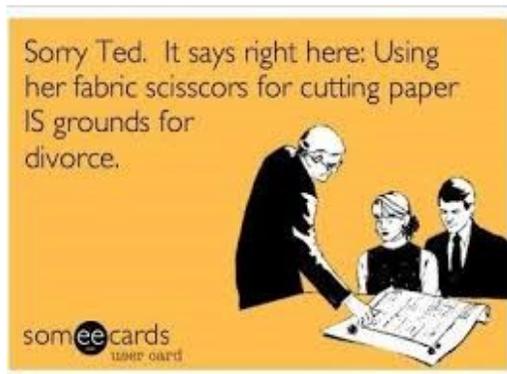
Kathy has also ventured to Oaxaca, Mexico, where she has learned many new techniques taught to her by **Zapotec** master weavers.

**\*\* There will be no workshops in the Spring of 2021; workshops will be re-evaluated in the Fall. \*\***

## TIPS AND TRICKS

### WEAVING TIP FROM JUDY CURRAN

**COUNTING HEDDLES:** If it is not too unwieldy, I usually leave extra heddles on my harness and just use the ones I need. Having said that, counting them each time can be tiresome. So, you can separate them in groups of 10, 15 or whatever seems convenient for you by placing a safety pin as a divider between your groups. To make them more visible you can tie a brightly colored piece of yarn on each of the safety pins.



**Prediction: There will be a minor baby boom in 9 months, and then one day in 2033, we shall witness the rise of THE QUARANTEENS.**



## HCFG MEETING MINUTES January 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Judy Curran at 9:35 AM.

### MINUTES

Rita moved to approve the minutes and Karen seconded the motion.

### TREASURER'S REPORT

Rita announced that we now have two new members; Rebecca Longberg and Patricia Miller and Rita received their membership dues. So we now have 49 members total.

Rita reported that we have \$5880.87 total in the bank; We have \$3727.77 in checking, and \$2153.10 in savings and we had no expenses for the month.

Judy informed us that she will be calling the school and the Boys and Girls club soon to find out what their needs are so that we can consider donating to them.

### PROGRAMS

Laura announced that today's program would be given by Sheryl and Frank Campbell on their trip to Shetland.

February's zoom show will be something we have made for someone we love. And the program will be a class on native weaving by Kathy Strathearn.

### FASHION SHOW

Diane said there was no news on the progress of the show until we get an update on the forthcoming vaccines and on the safety of having the show.

### NEWSLETTER

Beth apologized to Sandee for having a glitch with her computer which caused Sandee's sale items to be excluded. But these can be found on the website for those interested. Beth also asked Amy to send the minutes to her in Word format. And Beth asked Laura and Mara to provide her with a listing of all the programs for the newsletter though these can be found on our website as well.

### WEAVING SUB GROUP

The next zoom meeting will be Tuesday, January 12 at 9:30.

### ART CLOTHING SUB GROUP

The next zoom meeting will be January 28 at 1:00. Diane said that if you would like to be involved with the group, send her an email and she will add you to the list.



#### KNITTING SIP AND STITCH GROUP

This group is currently not meeting.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sue Keys announced that anyone 70 and older can now schedule a time to receive the Covid vaccine. This can be done through [chaffeeconomyhealth.org](http://chaffeeconomyhealth.org). There is a link there to schedule though they are full at the time of our meeting.

Don't forget the "Take and Paint" online class on January 15th and Distaff day on January 16th.

#### SHOW AND TELL

Laura showed a lace piece she knitted. Judy showed a wrap she crocheted. Gene showed some leg warmers, a shawl and a scarf she knitted. Mara showed some of her knitted Christmas balls. Karen showed a woven baby blanket and a Christmas table runner she wove. Rita showed us the progress she is making on her large woven rug and also some placemats. And Mara also showed her first weaving in a long time-placemats and a table runner.

If you would like to see these show and tell items, they can be found on the HCFG website.

#### PROGRAM

Slide show by Sheryl and Frank Campbell on Shetland Wool Week.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:37 AM.

Minutes taken by Amy McCrary (Co-Secretary)