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## President's Notes January 2020

For those of you who couldn't make the Holiday Party on December 6th it was quite an event with 30+ members in attendance. Thanks so much to Cindy Bass, Special Events Coordinator for organizing the event. Thanks also to those who helped set up and clean up before and after the event and to all who brought such a delicious array of food. Everyone ate their fill and then we had a very exciting gift exchange for those who brought gifts.

Since our last meeting was the Holiday Party there are no meeting minutes. Everyone appreciated the time to visit and enjoy one another's company and all the good food.

As I reported in the last newsletter, the Board met the morning of November 20th to discuss the updates to committees, committee responsibilities, events as well as the Guild's Community Scholarship and the new Members Memorial Scholarship. The Members Memorial Scholarship guidelines are currently being developed by Jane Templeton. The Community Scholarship guidelines are being revised along with consideration of combining it with applications from local groups that support Fiber Arts like the Salida Fiber Festival. Assistance is needed in writing the guidelines for both of these scholarships. If you are interested please contact **Jane Templeton** at [salidajane722@gmail.com](mailto:salidajane722@gmail.com) for the Members Memorial Scholarship or **Judy Curran** at [jlcurran7@gmail.com](mailto:jlcurran7@gmail.com) for the Community Scholarship. Your help will be greatly appreciated. The meeting minutes from this Board meeting are at the end of the newsletter.

Marjie and I met and did a much needed update to the web page so be sure and check it out at [www.heartofcoloradofiberartsguild.org](http://www.heartofcoloradofiberartsguild.org) If anyone has any suggestions, please contact either myself at [jlcurran7@gmail.com](mailto:jlcurran7@gmail.com) or Marjie at [marjiegray2fish@gmail.com](mailto:marjiegray2fish@gmail.com)

If you volunteer to take photos of events for the newsletter and/or to post on the webpage you will be given a handout with the guidelines concerning the format, size, number, etc. of the photos. These guidelines can also be found on the webpage.

I hope you all had a great Holiday season and a Happy New Year. Hard to believe it is 2020. I hope one of your New Year's resolutions is to create more fiber art; it is certainly one of mine. Should be easy to get to those projects with the weather we have been having.

See you on January 3rd in Salida for our meeting. You don't want to miss the program on "A Fun History of Fun Felting" by **Michaela Hertrich**. Also don't forget **Rock Day** on Saturday January 4th at the Salida Community Center. You already received one invitation to this event and a second reminder will be sent at the end of the month. **Karen Robinson, Becky Longberg and Bonnie Pfeil** will be hosting the event this year since Jane Templeton will be out of town. Any additional details will be provided at the meeting where you can also get answers to any questions you might have.

*Judy Curran*  
President

NEXT MEETING  
JANUARY 3  
First United Methodist Church  
228 E. 4th St., Salida  
Refreshments at 9:30, meeting at 10.

# Holiday Party Goers



## Message from the Program Committee

Sue Keyes, Chair & Marjie Gray, Co-chair

First, a Huge “Thank You” to **Cindy Bass** for stepping up to take over the Holiday Party! I’d say it was a great success and if anyone didn’t get enough to eat, it was their own fault!! Wow! So many talented cooks as well as talented fiber artists!! Great job Cindy!

Marjie & I also want to thank **Judy Curran** for her suggestion to the board that some of the Program Committee Duties such as the Holiday Party, the BV Library Show & the Stash Sale be re-assigned forming another committee. With so many talented people & new members, there is plenty for everyone to participate in. Thank You, Judy!

## Refreshment Reminders!

Jan. 3, 2020 in Salida: **Marybeth Anderson & Karen Robinson**

Feb. 7, 2020 in BV: **Kay Krebs & Robin Ziperman**

Remember to bring your own mug!

## Room Set Up Help!

Thank You to all who helped rearrange & put back the tables & chairs for the last meeting! If anyone wants to come about 9:15am to the 01/03/2020 meeting to do the same, Marjie & I thank you!

## Programs

We’ll be starting off 2020 with some more interesting Programs and Workshops!

1/3/2020 **Michaela Hertrich** will tell us about “A Fun History of Felting”. Michaela has been felting in wet, nuno, & needle felting for over 4 years! She will tell us about these 3 felting techniques and the history behind them, showing us some examples of each. I’m sure it will be a fascinating program!



## Workshops Coming Up

1/3/2020 “**Wet Felting Workshop**” with **Michaela Hertrich** is full with a “Wait List”.

The Workshop will be held at the Box of Bubbles, corner of 2nd & E St., Salida - From 12:30 to 4:30pm (We suggest people bring a box lunch to help start on Time)

-Fee: \$70 members; \$80 non-members (All materials to make a scarf included).

The last Workshop for this season is:

**3/6/2020 “Make a Duct Tape Dress Form”** with Sue Keyes & Gene Marsh

Held at Gene’s Condo, 30-B Trailside, Salida & still has openings!

- from 12noon to 3pm (a light lunch included with fee).

- Fee: \$20 members; \$25 non-members

If interested e-mail/call/text Sue Keyes: [keyeskat@hotmail.com](mailto:keyeskat@hotmail.com), Home (719) 539-4649, Cell (303) 638-3673

(NOTE: payment due at time of sign-up with separate check for each workshop & be sure to read the “Refund Policy” on the back of your 2019-2020 Event Calendar)

## GUILD CHALLENGE!

Only 5 months until this season’s Guild Challenge is due!!

“TAKE A LEMON & MAKE LEMONADE”

i.e. remember that project you set aside because it just wasn’t working? Well take it out, take a picture, and make it into a beautiful garment, accessory, wall hanging, etc. Than bring it to the 5/1/2020 meeting to share with everyone and possibly win a ticket for next year’s “Fashion Show & Brunch”!

**Marjie & I hope you’re enjoying this season’s Programs & Workshops! We welcome any suggestions for the above to pass on to next season’s Program Committee!!**



## ART GARMENT GROUP

**WILL MEET AT CHRISTY SOWER’S HOUSE,  
605 E PONCHA AVE, PONCHA SPRINGS,  
ON JANUARY 23RD. CALL DIANE BAKER AT  
515 988-9978 IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.**

### DID YOU KNOW

that Serendipity Yarns in BV gives a 10% discount to Guild members on everything (excluding looms and spinning wheels)?



## HCFG BOARD MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2019

Serendipity

The meeting of the Board of HCFG was called to order at 9:18 am by President, Judy Curran at Serendipity. In attendance were board members Frank Campbell, Marybeth Anderson, Sue Keyes and Marjie Gray. Karen Robinson attended a portion of the meeting by phone. Also in attendance reporting on the Fashion Show were Arlene Waldorf and Diane Baker.

The first item of business was a report by Arlene Waldorf on the Fashion Show/Brunch. There were 110 tickets sold. Financial reports from the show were distributed and are on record. Ads were placed in five newspapers and one in the Colorado Central Magazine. Arlene noted that every year the budget items for the show have increased in cost without the ticket prices being increased. She suggested that Diane might want to consider recommending a price hike to the board, so discussions will continue on this. Arlene completed her tenure on this committee so this year's Co-Chairperson, Diane Baker will continue in this position and will solicit a new Co-Chair for the committee. There was also a suggestion followed by a discussion on obtaining sponsors for the show's newspaper ads with acknowledgement of the sponsors in the ads along with table tents at the show.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

In Libby's absence Judy reported the Treasurer's report for October and November. As of October 4, 2019 the bank balance was \$4,353 with 35 paid members. As of November 1, 2019 the bank balance was \$4,146 after paying \$676 in bills with 49 paid members.

### **Board Discussion Items:**

A lengthy discussion ensued on Committee Organization and Responsibilities. The responsibilities of the Program Committee Chairs and the Special Events Committee Chair have been redefined and described to more accurately identify their duties.

The Standing Committees of the Guild as contained in the Bylaws are:

- Nominating
- Fashion Show
- Communications

Officer committees named in the Bylaws are:

- Program Chair
- Program Vice Chair
- Newsletter Editor

Committee positions that the Board voted to eliminate are: Historian, Librarian and Community Education, many of whose duties are now included in the Special Events Coordinator's realm. HCFG no longer has a booth at the Salida Fiber Festival although the Guild will post a link for the Festival on its website with a brief description of this event under Community Events. Additional modifications were the inclusion of the Holiday Party and the Stash Sale under the Special Events Coordinator's duties and the May Challenge was moved under the Program Committee.

The suggestion was made that we compile a list of Community Events on our Website, to include Rock Day, Chaffee Arts Open Award Show, the Stash Sale, the Library Display, the Salida Fiber Festival, and the Fashion Show along with a note for everyone to watch the local newspapers during November and December for announcements about holiday fairs and bazaars. A paragraph was also added to the home page that HCFG offers many opportunities for its members to become involved and refers the reader to other tabs on the web page.

**Community Scholarship:**

This scholarship was originally developed to offer financial assistance to graduating high school and/or college students pursuing a career in Fibers Arts at the college or trade level. However, since the area high schools no longer offer classes that are Fiber related it was suggested that the Board consider combining the Community Scholarship with Charitable Giving, noting that Charitable Giving is meant to be an “in kind” donation, rather than a dollar amount and might be given if there are no Scholarship Applicants in a given year. An example of in kind donations were the giving of looms or sewing machines to the Boys and Girls Clubs. It was later decided to explore combining the Community Scholarship with applications from local groups that support Fiber Arts like the Salida Fiber Festival since the Guild currently does not have a formal procedure for making these types of donations. Charitable Giving would thus remain on its own. The Community Scholarship is funded by members’ dues and Boutique revenues. The parameters for the Community Scholarship/Fiber Art Support Donations are currently being revised and developed. Once approved by the Board they will be put to the Membership for a vote.

**Members’ Memorial Scholarship:**

This is a new scholarship in memory of Nancy McAninch that is earmarked for Guild members to advance their educations in the Fiber Arts. This Scholarship is different from the Community Scholarship since the funds come from the sale of Nancy’s fiber belongings and was initiated by her daughter, Penny. Subsequent donations may come from further sales of Nancy’s items and will be designated as being for this Scholarship.

The following are the Board’s suggestions for further development by Jane Templeton: individual member’s scholarships will not exceed \$500.00 yearly whether it goes to one person or more than one. This may vary depending on the number of applicants and recommendations of the committee. Funds may be used for the class/program, materials, travel expenses, and/or room and board. An individual may be limited to the number of times they may apply for funds.

Recipient(s) of funds will be required to present a program or workshop for all members within a calendar year from the completion of their study. Any funds obtained from the workshop tuition will be kept by the Guild, except for funds to reimburse the presenter for materials purchased to present the workshop.

**Photographers:**

For future events, a volunteer will be recruited from the members attending the event to take photos and submit them to both Carolyn Nelson and Marjie Gray for possible use in the

Newsletter and Website, respectively. Volunteers will be given a handout with the guidelines concerning the format, size, number, etc. of the photos. These guidelines will also be posted on the webpage.

The meeting was adjourned by President Judy Curran at 10:40 am.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Marybeth Anderson, Secretary*