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President's Notes December 2019

Well our weather has certainly been a roller coaster ride over the last month. Sort of like my latest weaving project. I started it with great expectations on trying a new technique. It didn't quite go as planned so I decided to change it from double weave to twill. Since I am not all that experienced I rethreaded all of my heddles and did a new tie up. I was working with 20/2 mercerized pearl cotton which is thinner than any yarn I have ever worked with. Well it started breaking on me. I am usually pretty stubborn about completing something I started but needless to say the weaving gods seemed to be against me. I decided life was too short and I wasn't having any fun so; I did something I never did before. I cut that dog off the loom and threw it away. Now I am looking for something fun to weave that will go fast because I need instant gratification for my next project. Wish me luck.

What a wonderful presentation by **Carolyn Nelson** at our last meeting. Carolyn certainly has a lot of patience to do the phenomenal one of a kind award winning "One Stitch at a Time" creations that she does so beautifully. I hope that you are all able to stop by and see her exhibition at Ark Valley Digital Imaging, 317 East Main Street in Buena Vista. It will be on display until December 25th. You don't want to miss this amazing showing of Carolyn's work.

Well, it looks like **Nancy McAninch's Sewing Stash Sale** on November 8th and 9th was a huge success. There were heaps of fabric, sewing supplies galore, various sewing machines and other equipment, buttons out the wazoo, craft supplies, finished garments (all made by Nancy), drawers full of patterns, lots of fabric bags, irons and ironing boards, loads of sewing and knitting books and magazines and plenty of other miscellaneous items including Nancy's hat collection. Most prices were based on offers or fill a box/jar/bag for a set price. Looks like the sales exceeded \$2,000 with lots of stuff still remaining to be sold either directly to someone with an interest in a particular item/s or through the June Stash Sale. All proceeds will be donated to the Guild's Members Memorial Scholarship Fund.

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 Program Committee and Special Events Coordinator duties and responsibilities were updated. The Fashion Show Committee duties and responsibilities are being updated. Some committees were eliminated and a new category for posting of Community Events was created. 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. Once these guidelines are finalized and approved by the Board they will be presented to the membership for approval in the near future. It was also decided to solicit volunteers from the attendees at various events to take photos and send them to both **Carolyn Nelson** for inclusion in the newsletter and to **Marjie Gray** to post on the webpage. Recommendations concerning the format, size, number, etc. of the photos to be submitted are also being developed as guidance for the volunteers.



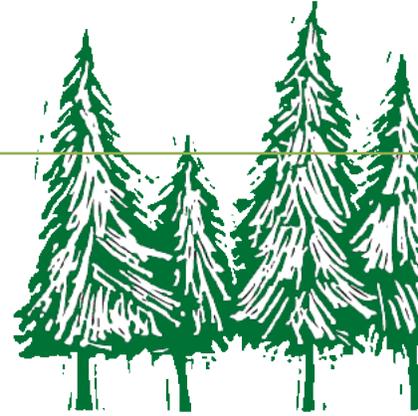
HOLIDAY PARTY

Casa Del Rio Clubhouse
27665 Cr 313. Buena Vista Co
12 Noon until 2

Marjie and I plan to meet before the next meeting to update and refresh the web page. If anyone has any suggestions, please contact either myself at jlcurran7@gmail.com or Marjie at marjiegray2fish@gmail.com

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Holiday Party on December 6th at Casa Del Rio in Buenie.

Judy Curran
President



Holiday Party Time!

Hi Everyone!

I have a few reminders about this year's **Pot Luck Holiday Party at the Casa del Rio Clubhouse, 27665 CR 313. Buena Vista.**

We passed a sign up sheet around at the last Guild meeting for those planning on attending and what they were going to bring. There's a nice even distribution between appetizers, salads, sides, main dishes and desserts so if you're planning on coming but didn't get a chance to sign up, anything you want to bring would be much appreciated.

There will be water, coffee, paper products and cups available. Feel free to bring anything else you might like to drink. Alcohol is allowed at this venue.

Directions from Salida:

Hwy. 24 North to intersection of Hwy 285.

Take 285 East (right turn) to CR313 (Arizona St./Krocesky Dr.) It's before you get to the river.

Left on 313 to the second entrance of the Casa del Rio community.

Right at second entrance (27665 CR313) then a quick left.

Clubhouse is on the left.

Directions from BV:

South on East Main to Court Street

Right on Court Street (Court becomes Arizona St./Krocesky Dr.) keep going to Casa del Rio community

Use the second entrance on the left (27665 CR313), turn left then a quick right.

Clubhouse is on the left.

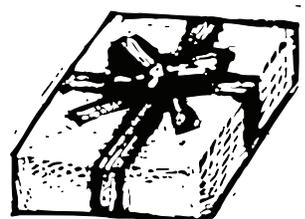
There is parking at the club house and surrounding streets but it is limited. If you can carpool that would be appreciated.

The time is noon until 2. If you volunteered to help set up please meet at 11:30 at Casa del Rio.

We will also be having a **gift exchange** for those who wish to participate. The cost limit is \$20 and the item does not have to be hand made. Once again, it's only if you want to...not mandatory.

If you have any questions, contact Cindy Bass, 314-707-8058, cindy.bass15@yahoo.com

See you there!



Message from the Program Committee

Sue Keyes, Chair & Marjie Gray, Co-chair

Refreshment Reminders!

Dec. 6, 2019: **Holiday Party/Potluck at Casa Del Rio Clubhouse in BV**

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

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

Thank You to all who remember to bring their 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

Our 11/1/2019 Program, “One Stitch At A Time” by **Carolyn Nelson** was an awe inspiring peek into how she creates her beautiful works of art! If you missed this wonderful program, check out her website: www.carolynnelsonart.com!

1/3/2020 **Michaela Hertrich** will tell us “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”. If you’d like to be added to the latter, let **Sue Keyes** know. (info. following)

Workshop will be held at the Box of Bubbles, corner of 2nd & E St., Salida from 12:30 to 4:30pm.

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

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! 12noon to 3pm (a light lunch included in fee)

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

***If interested in a Workshop: e-mail/call/text Sue Keyes: keyeskat@hotmail.com, Hm. (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!

Don't put off starting on this season's Guild Challenge to

"TAKE A LEMON & MAKE LEMONADE"

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. Then 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'll enjoy this season's Programs & Workshops!

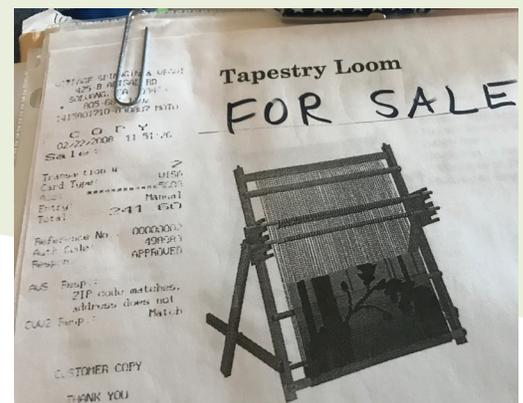
Also, we welcome any suggestions for the above to pass on to next season's Program Committee!!

Art Garment Group

The Art Garment usually meets on the 4th Thursday but we have some conflicts due to Thanksgiving and Christmas. Therefore we will combine the November and December meetings and meet in between our usual dates. No need to be making anything, just come to inspire or be inspired. **Diane Baker** will host the meeting at her home 605 East Poncha Ave, Poncha Springs on 12/12 from 1-2. Call Diane at 515 988-9978 if questions.



Schacht Spindle Co 25 inch tapestry loom with A-frame stand. Barely used. Original price over \$200. Priced now at \$75. Please call Amy McCrary at 303-519-3666



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



Heart of Colorado Fiber Arts Guild

Minutes November 1, 2019

Judy Curran called the meeting to order at 10:00 at the Methodist Church in Salida. Christy Stephens Sowers and Frank Campbell were thanked for the refreshments. Twenty-eight people were in attendance.

We went around the room with each person stating their name, where they live and their main interests. Guests were introduced.

Judy talked about the guild stating its purpose, meetings, how to join and our website.

The minutes from the October 4th meeting were approved without the treasurer's report.

The minutes were approved as they were without the treasurer's report.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cheryl Eigsti gave the current treasurer's report for Libby Fay, treasurer, who was not able to be at the meeting.

11/29/2019 The following treasurer's report was received from Judy Curran: The bank balance on October 4, 2019 was \$4,353.00 with 35 paid members.

The bank balance on November 1, 2019 was \$4,146.00 after paying \$676 in bills with 49 paid members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Holiday Party: Cindy Bass talked about the Guild Holiday Party which will be held at Casa del Rio in Buena Vista on December 6th. There will be an optional gift exchange with a limit of \$20 per gift. A sign-up sheet for food for the potluck was passed around. More information will be forthcoming.

Programs: Sue Keyes reported that there are 8 meetings each year and they plan programs for 6 of the meetings.

January: Wet Felting Class, January 3rd, is full and there is a waiting list. The cost is \$70 and it will be held at Box of Bubbles in Salida.

February: "Give Yourself the Right To Play" will be presented by Marybeth Anderson .

March: Judy Hoch will talk about making custom buttons.

April: Frank and Sheryl Campbell will present a program titled: Adventures at the 2018 Shetland Wool Week in Scotland

There will be a workshop on how to make a duct tape dress form. It will be given by Sue Keyes and Gene Marsh who will take the place of Nancy McAninch who was originally going to give the presentation.

The challenge for this year is: "Take a Lemon and Make Lemonade." A picture of a "failed" project (the before) is to be taken, and the new, improved version (after) is to be brought to the May meeting.

Fashion Show: Thanks were given to all who helped make it so successful. The event was sold out.

Cheryl Eigsti gave the financial report prepared by Libby Fay, treasurer. Our sales this year were greatly improved over last year. The guild made \$900 in commissions from the boutique sales. After expenses in 2018 the event made a profit of \$2.10, and this year the profit was \$89.05.

Newsletter: Carolyn Nelson asked to have articles for the newsletter by the 15th of the month. She asked that members send her items that would be of interest to members for inclusion in the newsletter, adding that anyone can submit to the newsletter.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a holiday sale in Leadville. More information will follow.

The Chaffee County Open Awards Show entries are due on April 29, 2020. Last year there were nine entries and at least 5 Guild members who won prizes. The year before there were only two fiber entries and they both won prizes.

SALE OF NANCY'S NOTIONS

Jan Templeton, who was wearing one of Nancy's bright red hats announced that there will be a sale of her remaining sewing items at her home on Friday, November 8th from 4-7, and on Saturday, November 9th from 10-2. The show is open only to our guild and the Monarch Quilters. Things for sale include more hats, fabric, notions, equipment, and some Nancy-made clothing. It will be cash only.

NEW BUSINESS

A Memorial Scholarship is to be set up in memory of Nancy McAninch. Nancy had asked that her name not be used in its title.

Judy Curran is reviewing all the Guild job descriptions. It is ongoing.

SHOW AND TELL

Items were shown and described

PROGRAM

Carolyn Nelson presented "One Stitch At a Time". She displayed some of her works and explained and showed how she creates.

The Meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandee Jaastad, substituting for Marybeth Anderson, Secretary