

Heart of Colorado FiberArts Guild

February 2018 Newsletter

From the President:

I vowed to myself that after I finished my current weaving project I would embark on the 2018 HCFG Challenge project. So, here I am. Yes, I have been thinking of it for some time and will now begin. My choice will be a little complicated, but that is part of the challenge. I hope many of you will consider participating in the annual challenge. It is such fun to see how everyone interprets the challenge. This year you must choose a foreign country and create something that is somehow related to that country: craft, fibers, colors, etc.; something of their chosen country that has inspired you.

What a fun meeting last time with Judy Reese presenting her Saori weaving technique. This month, another inspiration from Ruthann Schoeffield on her fiber travels in Nepal.

See you all on February 2. Don't forget your show and tell.

Karen Robinson

This Month's Program:

Date: February 2, 2018

Time: 9:30 am Social, 10:00 am Meeting

Place: Congregational United Church of Christ,
217 Crossman Ave., Buena Vista

You won't want to miss the February program. Ruthann Schoeffield will do a power point presentation on the 2013 tour of Nepal she participated in under the auspices of the nonprofit, Namio International. Ruthann was part of a group of 12 who experienced Nepalese travel and culture first-hand in their mission to improve the lives of families by teaching new fiber skills, sharing educational expertise and gaining a better understanding of third world challenges. The group was led by the founder of Namio, Magda King, who is an internationally acclaimed Spanish mountaineer. Namio International focuses on teaching women in remote villages basic knitting techniques, as well as supporting educational programs and school construction projects fostered by Namio. So be sure to be there for Ruthann's commentary describing what has to be a fascinating potpourri of her trip.

Refreshments will be courtesy of Mary Elliot and Libby Fay, with Gene Marsh volunteered for March, Sue Keyes for April, and Judy Curran for May.

Fashion Show Committee:

The fashion show is still looking for a boutique chairperson. We are visiting with a possible speaker early next month. If anyone has suggestions, please email Judy Curran or Janey Redetzke.

Janey Redetzke

Study Groups:

WEAVING STUDY GROUP meets at 9:30 am on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 (happy MARDI GRAS!), at the home of Cheryl Eigsti in BV.

ART GARMENTS STUDY GROUP meets at 1:00 pm on February 22, 2018, at the home of Nancy McAninch in Salida.

Announcements:

FIBER CELEBRATION 2018 CALL FOR ENTRIES: Northern Colorado Weavers Guild invites all fiber artists to participate in their 44th annual juried exhibit. Pieces representing fiber media of all types are welcome. For the complete prospectus, please go to www.nocoweaversguild.org where you will also find a link to the online entry process. Entry deadline: February 16, 2018 at 5 pm.

KNITTING IN ANTARCTICA: ...THE BOOK THE World's been waiting for! Patterns by knitters living and working in Antarctica, the Seventh Continent. 28 hat patterns, 160 beautifully photographed pages shot on location in Antarctica. Fascinating stories of life at the bottom of the world. Colorado author. Now available for pre-order on Amazon.com. For more info: www.antarcticaknittersd.com, www.knittinginantarctica.com, knittinginantarctica@gmail.com.

COLORADO WEAVERS DAY: Saturday, May 12, 2018. Spend the day with the fiber arts! CWD is proud to present Keynote Speakers Anne Bossert, Tom Lundberg, and Guild Display Juror Judy Arndt. Visit their website: www.nocoweaversguild.org/cwd for event registration, lunch menu choices, detailed schedule, speaker bios, and contact information. \$60 includes lunch, refreshments and seminars.

January Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order at 9:50 am by President Karen Robinson.

Treasurer's Report: Cheryl Eigsti reported that the guild has \$4,051.52 in the bank as of today. She reminded the membership to cash checks from the Fashion Show Boutique.

Program Committee Report: Judy Curran reported that today's program would be presented by Judy Reese; next month's program will be presented by Ruthann Schoeffield, Sandee Jaastad will be doing the April program and in March Amy McCrary will present info on her felted birds. The guild challenge is due at the May meeting.

Fashion Show Committee Report: Janey Redetzke reported that this year's fashion show is scheduled for Wednesday, October 17. The committee will meet today after the guild meeting.

Announcements:

Karen announced that the officer selection process for next year has begun and reminded the group that volunteers are needed.

Colorado Weaver's Day will be on May 12.

Jane Templeton announced that Rock Day will be tomorrow, January 6, at the Salida Community Center.

Show and Tell:

Marji Gray – woven black/multi scarf, white woven scarf, black and beige scarf in Monk's belt weave structure. Ginger Ferris – paper images in a photo rolodex. Brianna (Ginger Ferris' granddaughter) – small paper embellished composition books. Judy Houke – lap robe made of crochet blocks.

Mary Elliot – soap pouch, bead necklace. Sue Keyes – Christmas stocking with dog photo, recycled top, crochet edging on recycled sweater. Michaela Hertrich – art batt spun into skein. Denise Wyans – sewn top. Carolee Litvay – necklace made by Cheryl Vittum.

Janey Redetzke – woven poncho in beige/tan/black with button hem. Conrad Nelson – Parisian slouch hat in cream with multi stripe. Janet Yinger – description of knitted doll blankets. Diane Baker – novelty yarn knitted scarf. Candace Weiss – Needle (?) case found, owner unknown. Karen Robinson – woven scarf in blue and red.

Program: Judy Reese did a trunk show of Saori (Japanese freeform) weaving, following which members were able to try weaving with their own yarns.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 am. Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Shelby