

February Newsletter

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HEART OF COLORADO FIBER ARTS GUILD

FEBRUARY 2015 NEWSLETTER

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR THE MEETING!!

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY! Also, happy Groundhog's Day (Feb. 2), happy Mardi Gras (Feb. 17) and happy Chinese New Year (February 19)

TO THINK ABOUT:

If you subscribe to Weaving Today, you probably saw this week's column by Editor Sarah Jackson on how a Guild fosters a sense of community. Sarah says there are four factors that contribute to a sense of community:

*The feeling of belonging or of sharing a sense of connection.

*A sense of mattering - your needs, values and opinions matter to other members of the group.

*Integration and fulfillment of needs, such as the need for a support network, thoughtful conversation, and inspiration.

*A shared emotional connection.

The Heart of Colorado FiberArts Guild is our community. I hope each of you feels that sense of community when you participate in meetings, help with

committees, join an interest group, bring something for show-and-tell, hang around for lunch after the meetings, and maintain all those friendships that began in the Guild. And if you can think of any other ways the Guild can foster this sense of community, let us know. As Sly and the Family Stone sang, "We are family."

Candace

THIS MONTH'S MEETING:

NEW LOCATION: Bank of the West Basement meeting room (Corner of Second and G Streets in Salida).

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2015

SOCIAL HOUR AT 9:30 am, meeting begins at 10:00 am

This month Sally Mather will demonstrate Gelli Plate Printing for us. This technique uses a commercially available Gelli Plate to create monoprints on paper or fiber with acrylic paints and the results are fabulous! Sally will also lead a workshop in making Gelli Plate prints from 1-4 pm. The workshop is full but you can contact Arlene Waldorf (395-8873 or aawaldorf@aol.com) if you'd like to be on the waiting list. PLEASE NOTE we are returning to the Bank of the West meeting room for this month's meeting.

Also on the agenda: The Fiber Festival booth committee will be meeting later that day. If you have any comments, questions, or preferences about HCFG's participation in Fiber Festival 2015, bring those to the meeting or contact Gene Marsh (303-842-2179 or genemarsh5@gmail.com) who heads that committee.

NEXT MONTH:

"Let's Get Cranky!" Sheryl Campbell will demonstrate her antique sock knitting machine. Crankys (as they are called) were developed in 1875, and with very little change in design are still cranking out socks today. With a little bit of

Irish luck, she will complete one sock from start to finish during the meeting.

Sheryl is a Guild member and the owner of Serendipity Yarn and Gifts in Buena Vista. Along with husband Frank and basset hounds Bonnie Jean and Hank, she moved to B.V. several years ago from Aurora. She is an incredible fiber artist and inspiring teacher (and did you know she is also a Professional Kilt Maker?).

Also, the HCFG Board will meet at the close of the regular Guild meeting to consider the Booth Committee's report, proposed Bylaws changes and related matters.

A NOTE FROM NANCY McANINCH:

I want to thank all my dear friends for the notes, cards and phone calls. I intend to collect all the hugs offered (maybe more than once!). I am doing well and am anxious to get back into my sewing room - but other needs keep hampering me. Maybe soon. I look forward to seeing many of you at Guild meetings in the coming months.

Nancy

INTEREST GROUP MEETINGS:

ART GARMENTS GROUP will start up again in April. Be thinking about what you would like to see the group accomplish this year.

WEAVING STUDY GROUP will meet at 9:30 am on Tuesday, February 10, at the home of Nancy Walters, to display the results of their latest challenge (Doubleweave). Open to serious and novice weavers, as well as appreciators. Contact Nancy (nejwalters285@gmail.com) if you need directions.

Meeting Minutes, January 9, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Candace Weiss.

Treasurer's Report:

Due to her recent sad bereavement, Treasurer Nancy McAninch was not present. Candace announced that the guild's bank balance is in the black.

Announcements:

Gene Marsh invited the **SFF booth** group to a meeting at her house, email to follow to those in the group. Questions of sponsorship and whether to have a booth at the next Festival will be considered.

Candace thanked those who organized the holiday party and opened their studios for our guild members. A vote of thanks was offered also to Sandee Jaastad and Nancy McAninch for organizing and setting up the library display.

The **Fashion Show** committee will be Kaye Miller, Janey Redetzke, Donna Childers, Elizabeth Shelby, Judy Reese, Carolee Litvay, Cheryl Vittum, and Diana Smith. Donna will again act as chairperson with Janey as assistant. Donna asked for guest artist suggestions. Janey will also act as moderator at the Fashion Show. New Mexico weaver Elizabeth Jenkins was placed on the list of possible guest artists. Donna also requested that members think about items for men and children for the Fashion Show.

Elizabeth announced the 2015 Fiber Arts Fiesta of Albuquerque's call for entries.

New Business:

Programs—next month's program on gelli printing will be followed by a workshop. Arlene passed around a sign-up list. The March program presenters, Knitters for Peace, have had to cancel.

Rock Day—Jane Templeton reported that Rock Day was a very laid-back event with attendees from as far as Colorado Springs.

Judy Reese made a copy of the photograph of Nancy in her Fashion Show coat and framed it to be presented to Nancy at the next meeting.

Program:

Shelly DeChantal, fiber artist, explained shibori (Japanese fabric surface design tradition) and showed examples.

Show and Tell:

Donna—photo of weaving attempt that did not go quite right.

Mary Jo Bucci (new member)—tapestry bag; doll dresses sewn in her teens.

Connie Bauer—Liberty Wool shawl in green/blue/yellow, knitted with crochet edg;; gold
earrings made by daughter.

Elizabeth—knitted Liberty Wool pink baby sweater.

Judy—pick-up-stix shawl/scarf in blue and tan.

Diana—brown shawl 70% alpaca, 30% silk, hand-dyed.

Jane T—yarn spun from yak/silk/camel and yak/merino in natural colors; fabric art piece
from relative.

Sandee—orange knitted ca; white crocheted queen size bed cover.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Shelby

Recording Secretary