

HEART OF COLORADO FIBERARTS GUILD

MARCH 2015 NEWSLETTER

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2015 – 9:30 AM COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS, 10 AM MEETING AND SPOECIAL PRESENTATION

LOCATION: CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, BUENA VISTA

Don't let the snow stop you from coming to our next meeting!

Bring your winter projects to "show and tell."

Invite a guest!

PROGRAM: SPEED SOCKS DEMONSTRATION BY SHERYL CAMPBELL

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 the owner of Serendipity Yarns and Gifts. Along with her husband Frank they moved from Aurora to BV six years ago and then purchased the yarn store two years ago. It was a fairly seamless transition from their other retail store, Thistle and Shamrock, which specialized in Scottish and Irish gifts. Owning a Scottish store gave Sheryl the opportunity to advance her seamstress skills and so began her career as a professional kilt maker. Her love of all things fiber began with a neighbor teaching her to sew a simple shift to wear to school when she was 12. She is a perfectionist, always trying to emulate the beautiful garments her grandmother made on a treadle sewing machine while struggling with rheumatoid arthritis that left her hands a gnarled mess. In Sheryl's mind life doesn't get much better, living in paradise, working with a loving husband, having Bonnie Jean and Hank (the basset hounds) to pet all day and working with fiber.

MEETING AGENDA:

At the March meeting, we have a couple of important business matters to take care of. Your input is needed, so come ready to speak your mind! First, the Fiber Festival Booth committee will make their recommendations about HCFG's participation in next September's Fiber Festival. Also, we need a new Librarian or librarians to care for the volumes in our guild library. Should we pare down the number of books we have, or sell off the books at the stash sale? If we maintain the library, what is the best way to make sure our members can borrow/return books easily? Should we concentrate on adding DVDs rather than print books?

Also, the Fashion Show & Boutique Committee will meet immediately after the regular meeting. It is time to get going on this project! There is a short survey attached to this newsletter. Please take

the time to answer the questions and either email your response to Donna Childers (dchilders727@yahoo.com) or bring the completed survey to the March meeting.

NEXT MONTH:

Guild member Janet Yinger will speak on “You and Your Fiber: A Compilation from Studio to Stash.” Janet’s presentation will cover the creative process, knowing your own work environment preferences, how to plan your studio or work space(s), project planning guides, and tracking and labelling your stash (including some worksheets you can copy and use).

INTEREST GROUPS:

WEAVING STUDY GROUP meets March 10, 9:30 am at the home of Cheryl Eigsti.

ART GARMENTS GROUP will not meet in March.

If you are not currently a member of one (or more) of the Guild’s interest groups, you are missing out on a valuable part of your membership. Contact Candace (539-7184) if you’d like to find out more. If you’d like to have the meeting information for your interest group included in the next newsletter (where are you knitters and spinners?), get the information to Candace (drollworks@gmail.com) by March 27.

FASHION SHOW AND BOUTIQUE NEWS:

Donna Childers will chair the Fashion Show again this year, and Janey Redetzke will be co-chair. If you are able to help with event, please print out this sheet, complete it and bring it with you to the March meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please send Donna an email (dchilders727@yahoo.com) telling her which position you would like to serve in. We need everyone to pitch in!

If you would like to be on the committee, there will be a meeting immediately following the regular HCFG meeting on March 6.

And it is time to start on those fabulous garments and accessories that always make the Fashion Show the talk of the town (as well as a great moneymaker for the guild and for the designers). If you need some inspiration or perhaps some help with a sewing question, be sure to come to the Art Garments Group meeting in April.

MINUTES FROM LAST MONTH’S MEETING: see attachment

SEE FASHION SHOW & BOUTIQUE SURVEY ON NEXT PAGE!

FOR SALE: Briefcase charka. Contact Sandee Jaastad, sandeejaastad@gmail.com

HCFG LUNCHEON/FASHION SHOW/BOUTIQUE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2015

1. I would like to help at the Luncheon/Fashion Show in this way:

_____ be a model (all sizes needed)

_____ help dress models

_____ donate a door prize

_____ help make table gifts

_____ help set up table decorations

_____ anywhere you need me

2. I am hoping to enter items for the _____ Fashion Show
_____ Boutique

3. I am willing to help at the Boutique on Wednesday October 14 by:

_____ CHAIR THE BOUTIQUE

_____ help set up display items

_____ bagger

_____ cashier: _____ cash
_____ credit card

4. I would like to be on the Fashion Show Committee _____

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

Heart of Colorado FiberArts Guild
Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Candace Weiss. Last month's minutes, having been disseminated via newsletter, were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: Nancy McAninch announced that at the end of December the guild bank account stood at about \$3,500. With all bills paid the January statement should reflect a balance of nearly \$4,000.

Committee Reports:

Fashion Show and Boutique—the guild has invited Elizabeth Jenkins, a weaver from New Mexico, to be guest artist and she has accepted. The next meeting will be held after next month's meeting.

Fiber Festival Booth—result of a straw vote on whether to have the booth this coming year or not was positive. Gene Marsh and her committee will report next month on the outcome of the meeting they will hold this afternoon.

Announcements:

President Candace Weiss presented Nancy with a framed photo of Nancy modeling her wool coat which the *Chaffee County Times* ran before last year's Fashion Show.

P.J. Bergin class information and a sign-up sheet was passed around.

Guild Library—Miki Russell is not available this year. The library needs a new form of organization; we have a great many books and they are very difficult to move around. No one is in charge of them at this time. Possibilities brought up include selling the hardbacks to members, liquidate the library, take to Salida Swap, and ask for space at one of the local libraries. Sandee Jaastad and Nancy volunteered to help make some decisions.

Program:

Local artist Sally Mather presented and discussed examples of her gelli plate printing. Monoprinting and collaging are her current interests.

Show and Tell:

Nancy—seven Knit & Tink scarves.

Jane T—salmon shibori dyed kimono jacket

Diana Smith—leg warmers knitted of sock yarn

Sandee—blue knitted hats

Ginger Ferris—dyed/printed pink and black scarf

Mary Jo—coin purse, reversible travel bag, upholstery fabric bag

Karen Robinson—orange woven scarf, woven towel
Louise—wool felted jars.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30. Next meeting will be held on March 6th at the
Congregational Church in BV.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Shelby
Recording Secretary