



## November 2017 Newsletter

*Our MFA Guild meeting will be at noon on Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>  
First Presbyterian Church, 3940 27 1/2 Rd, GJ.*

*Our MFA Night meeting will be 5:30pm, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
The Craft Studio & Yarn Shop, 634 Main St., GJ.*

### ***Message from the President***

Dear Fiber Friends,

Another month has come and gone, and it's hard to believe it's already November! We had lots of events in October, and November is shaping up to have lots of fiber opportunities as well.

Our program this month at the day and night meetings will be "Russian Needle Punch," presented by Judy Br. I'm looking forward to learning all about it. Don't forget that the First Friday Art Walk continues and will be Friday, November 3. You don't have to be present to exhibit your work, although we are always happy to have people present to demonstrate. Our Second Saturday workshop will be Saturday, November 11. I will be teaching inkle weaving. At present we have a handful of inkle looms available for use but are looking for more. Please feel free to drop me a line if you're willing to let workshop students use yours.

Best,  
Pamela S.

There are plenty of Guild sharing opportunities, so contact [mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com](mailto:mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com) if you would like to demo, exhibit or teach.

Guild Mission Statement Article II: Purpose Mesa Fiber Arts Guild is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of fiber arts: weaving, spinning, knitting, surface design, fiber dyeing and related fiber arts. The Guild seeks to advance fiber arts through shows, workshops, study groups, community involvement and a monthly newsletter. As members of the Mesa Fiber Arts Guild we have a responsibility to represent our Guild in the best possible light. Since we are a fiber arts group, it is suggested the whenever possible our members use high quality fibers in their projects when demonstrating to the public and participating in Guild sponsored events.

## Second Saturdays Mini-Workshops

This month, learn the art of Inkle Weaving with Pamela S. on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. The workshop is from 1-3 pm and will be at The Craft Studio & Yarn Shop. The cost for members is \$15 (plus a materials fee) or \$20 for non-members. Spaces are limited, so **be sure to sign** up by writing to Pam G. at [mesafiberartsguild.com](mailto:mesafiberartsguild.com)

## Guild Library

The Guild now has an official space at The Craft Studio & Yarn shop that is designated for storing all our equipment, books, DVDs, etc. Any member may check out an item. There is also some donated yarn that may be used for teaching or charity knitting. If you know of or have any Guild equipment, please bring it by The Craft Studio or contact Pamela S. at [mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com](mailto:mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com)

Huge thanks to Michele and Jean for being our librarians this year. We appreciate your volunteering!



### OPPORTUNITIES

MESA FIBER ARTS GUILD MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO EXHIBIT FOR FIRST FRIDAY ART WALKS AT THE CRAFT STUDIO AND YARN SHOP. YOU CAN EXHIBIT AND/OR SELL YOUR WORK.

We would also like to have fiber artists present at The Craft Studio and Yarn Shop for the First Friday Art Walks to demonstrate.

For more information, contact [mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com](mailto:mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com). Ask for Pam G.



If you would like to sign up to teach a workshop or present at a meeting, *please* contact Pam G. at [mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com](mailto:mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com)

## *Specialty Group News*

**KNITTERS/CROCHETERS:** The weather is cooling down, the daylight doesn't last as long and it feels good to sit and knit or crochet. Time to pull out the woolly yarns and knit or crochet hats, socks, gloves, mittens, sweaters, shawls and afghans. Yummy! Have some warm, spicy apple cider, or maybe a pumpkin spice latte!

One blessing of working with fibers is the sensory pleasure of handling them. They bring comfort and joy, even when it's not Christmas time.

The meeting on October 11 was at Jayne S's. Thank you, Jayne, for hosting us and sharing your beautiful home with us. What a beautiful setting, right by the Colorado River! If you're not in the habit of attending our monthly meetings, you are missing out on congenial, relaxing times. I love watching the progress on others' projects, and especially the show and tell.

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Happy November, fiber artists! Pam

**SPINNERS:** subgroup chairperson needed

**HOOKERS/PUNCHERS:** We had such a nice gathering at Cross Orchards on Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to everyone that came and showed their craft.

**RIGID HEDDLE WEAVERS:** The first Rigid Heddle Weavers meeting was a blast! Several of our members brought their works-in-progress, others brought show and tell, and we enjoyed chatting about weaving.

## *Specialty Group Meetings*

**KNITTERS/CROCHETERS:** Our next meeting, November 8, will be at Pamela S's, with information forthcoming before that meeting.

**SPINNERS:** We meet the third Wednesday of every month (during the school year) at First Congregational Church from 9:30-11:30 am.

**HOOKERS/PUNCHERS:** We are still working on a date to do some wool dyeing before the Holidays. More news to follow on our Hooking Holiday event soon.

**RIGID HEDDLE WEAVERS:** We will not meet in November, but will meet again December 14<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 at the Craft Studio.



### **First Friday Art Walk**

November 3<sup>rd</sup>

The Craft Studio & Yarn Shop

If you would like to demonstrate your craft, show off a piece you've made, or sell one of your pieces, please let Pam G. know.

# Glenda Moore Weaving Scholarship

Glenda Moore, a longtime member of the Mesa Fiber Arts Guild, passed away June 17. To ensure that her love of weaving is passed on to at least one more person, Ricki H. has generously donated \$250 to the Glenda Moore Weaving Scholarship, and will donate an additional \$1 for every \$10 donated by others through December 31, 2017.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

10/15/17

### CHECKING ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance **2779.51**

#### Income

Membership 300.00

Sunshine 18.00

Class Fees 70.23

Donation 10.00

**Total Income 398.23**

#### Expense

Honorarium 100.00

Class Instructor 50.00

**Total Expense 150.00**

**Ending Balance 3027.74**

### SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Subgroup Allotment 1832.00

Glenda Moore Memorial 275.00

Interest September 0.01

**Total Savings 2107.01**



## OFFICERS FOR THE 2017-2018 YEAR

President – Pamela S.

Vice President– Pam G.

Secretary – Lesly

Treasurer – Ann

Newsletter Editor – Lynne W.

## Additional Key Contacts

Sunshine Raffle: Nancy G.

Hospitality (drinks, set up food): Lavonne H

Librarian: Michele P. and Jean McF.

## Specialty Groups Coordinators

Knitters and Crocheters: open position

Spinners: open position

Hookers: Judy Br

Rigid Heddle Weavers: Pamela S.

**Saturday Skills Class at The Craft Studio!**

*Inkle Weaving*, presented by Pamela S.  
November 11, 1-3PM

\$15 for members, plus materials. SPACE  
IS LIMITED. To sign up, please contact  
Pam G at [mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com](mailto:mesafiberartsguild@gmail.com)



**NOVEMBER PROGRAM:**  
Judy B presents  
**RUSSIAN PUNCH EMBROIDERY**  
*November 1, Noon-2 PM*  
*1st Presbyterian Church*  
*November 2, 5:30-7:30 PM*  
*The Craft Studio and Yarn Shop*



*Happy Thanksgiving*

***The Fine Print...***

**Newsletter:** The Mesa Fiber Arts Guild Newsletter is published monthly from September through June. Deadline to submit material is the third Monday of the month prior. Publication of articles and advertisements does not constitute endorsement or recommendation by the Guild. Please email material to Lynne W. at [LBHWolford@gmail.com](mailto:LBHWolford@gmail.com)

**Business ads:** must be computer ready. Monthly rates are \$5 for up to 5 lines; \$10 for 6 lines up to 1/4 page; \$10 for a half page; and \$25 for a full page. Payment must be received before ad will be printed. Send payment to: Mesa Fiber Arts Guild Treasurer PO Box 4945 GJ, CO 81501 Please indicate that the payment is for a business ad. Personal ads: are free to members. Cost to nonmembers for non-business ads is \$5/month.

**Membership Dues:** Payable in September-\$25 for individuals, \$35 per household. Send dues to: Mesa Fiber Arts Guild Treasurer PO Box 4945, GJ, CO 81501 THANK YOU in advance for all your contributions.

**BE PREPARED!**  
**FASHION**  
**SHOW!**  
*December 6, Noon-2 PM*  
*1st Presbyterian Church*  
*December 7, 5:30-7:30 PM*  
*The Craft Studio and Yarn Shop*

## Weaving Workshop

June 2018 with Dena of Vermont Weaving School

### **Beyond the Rug, Explorations in Rags:**



Weaving with “rags” gives a wide range of opportunity to learn about color, texture, movement, and form. While making “good” fabric can have specific guidelines to follow, making a rug or wall hanging out of rags can be much more flexible and creative. In addition, while it can take many hours to make a small tapestry, rag rug weaving can be a relatively quick way to produce fabulous wall pieces.

In this class, we will go beyond the ordinary. We will start with the basics of how to make a great rag rug and use that as our foundation. We will explore various tapestry techniques and how to use them with rags. We will then explore creating wall pieces that are non-rectangular. We will use surface embellishments, create empty space and interesting shapes within a piece and learn a variety of finishing techniques that can be used both as edging but also as accents within our work.



This class is for weavers who are looking to have some fun by pushing the boundaries of ordinary weaving.

The class will be three days long, and we can accommodate 15 people. Dates, place, cost are all TBD. There are pictures on the Facebook Intermountain Weaving page. Peruse her website for inspiration.

<http://www.vermontweavingschool.com>

# You're the BEST!

A heart-felt  
THANK YOU  
to fiber artists  
who demo-ed at  
Cross Orchards'  
Fall on the Farm Day.



## FOR SALE

Leclerc Nilus 36 inch 4 harness floor loom (has sectional warp beams that can be attached), loom folds to 14", weaving bench, Swedish bobbin winder, 6 Schacht boat shuttles(2- 20", 3- 13" and 1- 11"), spindles, 2 reeds (8 dent and 12 dent),9 bobbins 4 threading hooks, 24" metal temple, and Schacht warping board 29" x 38", -- \$750.00

Majacraft Green Suzie Spinning Wheel, lazy kate, niddy noddy, small combs,12 bobbins, 18" Valkyrie color blending hackle and some roving \$550.00

Weaving Yarn -- \$30.00

9 cones (1 very, very large cream cotton, 3 very large cream cotton, 1 small orange cotton, 1 small cream nubby cotton, 1 large black mohair, 1 medium raspberry cotton, and 1 small black rayon).

6 skeins 10/2 cotton (2 green, 2 green multi and 1 raspberry multi) approximately 4200 yards each.

**If interested in any of the above, please contact Carol Curtiss at 970-275-1005 or [cacur10711@aol.com](mailto:cacur10711@aol.com)**

**The Craft Studio & Yarn Shop** has an open knit night every Monday from 6:00 – 8:30 pm. All are welcome. Please don't limit yourself to just knitting! We have crocheters, spinners, weavers, cross-stitchers, and a few sketch artists that have been known to join us. Coffee and tea are complimentary.

All MFAGuild members receive 10% off any purchase at any time. (Please show your membership card to receive your discount.)



SAVE THE DATE: May 12, 2018



## COLORADO WEAVERS DAY

Host: Northern Colorado Weavers Guild

The Ranch Events Complex  
McKee 4-H Building  
5280 Arena Circle  
Loveland, CO 80538



### *The Book the World's Been Waiting For!*

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- 28 hat patterns, 160 beautifully photographed pages shot on location in Antarctica.
- Fascinating stories of life at the bottom of the world.

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# october

2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
25 September	26	27	28	29	30/1 October
2	3	4 Noon Guild Meeting First Pres Church "Social Media for Fiber Arts"	5 5:30 Night Meeting Craft Studio "Social Media for Fiber Arts"	6 5:30 – 8:00 First Friday Art Walk Demos/Show-or-Sell Craft Studio	7/8 1-3 Mini-Workshop Craft Studio "Kumihimo" by Judy Br. (970) 485 9953 to reserve your spot.
9	10	11 9:30 Knitting/Crochet Jayne's home	12	13	14/15
16	17	18 9:30 Spinning First Congregational Church	19 9:30 Yarn & Yak Craft Studio	20	21/22 Cross Orchards Fall on the Farm 9 - 3
23	24	25	26 5:30-7:30 pm Rigid Heddle Weaving Craft Studio	27	28/29
30	31 Happy Halloween	1 November	2	3	4/5

# november

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30 October	31	1 November Noon Guild Meeting First Pres Church "Russian Needle Punch"	2 5:30 Night Meeting Craft Studio "Russian Needle Punch"	3 5:30 – 8:00 First Friday Art Walk Demos/Show-or-Sell Craft Studi	4/5
6	7	8 9:30 Knitting at Pamela's home	9	10	11/12 1-3 Mini-Workshop Craft Studio  (970) 314-9013 to reserve your spot.
13	14	15 9:30 Spinning at First Congregational Church	16 9:30 – 11:00 Yarn & Yak	17	18/19
20	21	22	23 Happy Thanksgiving	24	25/26
27	28	29	30	1 December	2/3
4	5	6	7	8	9/10

# december

2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
27 November	28	29	30	1 December First Friday Bring your items to the Craft Studio	2/3
4	5	6 12pm Guild Meeting First Pres. Church Fashion Show	7 5:30 Night Meeting The Craft Studio Fashion Show	8	9/10
11	12	13 9:30 am Knitters  First Day of Hanukkah	14	15	16/17
18	19	20 9:30 am Spinners	21 9:30 am Yarn & Yak at The Craft Studio. All are welcome!	22	23/24
25  Merry Christmas	26	27	28 5:30 pm Rigid Heddle Weavers The Craft Studio	29	30/31
1 January	2  2	3  0	4  1	5  8	6/7