



Telaraña Tidings

Newsletter of the Telaraña Fiber Arts Guild

May, 2016

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May Guild Meeting

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Outreach Center of the First United Methodist Church First Avenue and Center St., Mesa. It is the free-standing building in the Southeastern corner of the parking lot. There are entrances to the lot from north & south: First Avenue and Second Avenue. The room will be open by 6:00 pm for setup.

Hospitality: May will be our year-end potluck. Bring a favorite dish of your choice. Please include a card listing important ingredients; some of our members/guests may have dietary restrictions. Plates, cups, cutlery will all be available, but please bring serving utensils and an extension cord if you need to plug in a crock pot. We've got the best cooks around!

Raffle Baskets: For this meeting, we will omit both raffle baskets and show-and-tell.

For Sale Tables: Remember, this meeting includes our annual Stash Reduction sale! Contact Kathy Silva if you need a table for displaying your wares.

2015 - 2016 Executive Board

Executive Officers

President	Linda Wade	Secretary	Nancy Ryan
Treasurer	Betz Frederick		

Committee Chairs

Demonstrations	Jean Doig	Membership	Barb Nelson
Exhibits & Shows	Paula Rudnick/ Co-chairs Sue Bunch	Newsletter	Phil Leonard
Federation	Cynthia Broughton	Programs	Kathy Silva
Historian	Wendy Beaver	Publicity	Mary Snyder
Hospitality	Marilyn Kissam	Ways and Means	Sharie Monsam
Library	Karen Kehlenbach	Workshops	Debi Deadmond
		Website	Sara Jenkins

Study groups

Weaving - Contact Cindy Reynolds
Navajo/Tapestry weaving - Contact Sharie Monsam

President's Letter

Dear Telarañians,

Here we are at the end of our Guild year. We've had some great programs and successful workshops, welcomed new and returning members, shared our love of fiber arts at public events, and had another successful showing at Mesa Arts Festival.

I'd like to thank my Board of officers and committee chairs. Your work this year has made my job easy. I look forward to working with many of you again next year and adding a few new faces to the Board. There are already plans in motion for next year's meetings and programs. We always have our ears open for interesting fiber-related programs. Let us know if you have a suggestion.

Your participation in our Guild is what keeps it strong. You don't have to be on a committee to contribute. Every time you help set up chairs and move tables, bring refreshments, or introduce yourself to a visitor or new member and get to know a little about them – you're helping our Guild. I thank all of you for your efforts to keep Telaraña a diverse, interesting, welcoming group.

It's also the time of year that many of our members travel back to cooler climes. Convergence is in Milwaukee this year. Some of you will be going there or taking workshops elsewhere. We want to hear all about it and will look forward to the samples and stories you bring back.

Telaraña continues to meet during the summer months as a social gathering. There are no programs and we meet at one of the Mesa fire station community rooms. Prior notice will go out each month to tell you where. Bring a project to work on and always, always – show and tell!

I've got "sheep" towels on my loom again (little woven sheep on the borders). Rugs are swimming in my head. Dyeing is new to me, but I have some lovely skeins and warps from our dye workshop that I'm anxious to use. I hope to be productive over the summer readying items for the State Fair (entries will be due in September). I'll have them back in time for the Mesa Arts Festival. That's my plan!

Meantime, I'm going to go through my yarns/threads and clear out some of those things that I can admit I'll never use. I'll bring them to our May meeting for the silent auction stash sale and hope they'll be the perfect thing for one of you. Of course, it's just a trade – I'll bring home your relinquished items. Seriously.

Linda

PS SEEDs for Autism is having their spring Art Jam on May 7. Please try to come; I'd love for you to see how their weaving is coming along, as well as the other departments. See details later in the newsletter.

Election of Officers:

At the April Guild meeting, the following people were elected to the 2016-2017 Executive Board:

President - Linda Wade

Treasurer - Karen Kehlenbach

Vice President - Nancy Ryan

Secretary - Lee Killpack

Board Meeting Minutes: The Telaraña Board met at the Stapley fire station on Wednesday, April 27, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Linda Wade at 7:05pm.

Members present: Linda Wade, Kathy Silva, Wendy Beaver, Jean Doig, Betz Frederick, Karen Kehlenbach, Debi Deadmond, Barb Nelson, and Nancy Ryan

BUDGET: Betz reported that the current bank balance is \$10,826.47. It was agreed that the \$20 honorarium received from Pueblo Grande would be held towards a new banner for the demonstration committee.

DEMONSTRATIONS: Jean reported that demos were done at the Higley United School District art festival and were well received. They have been asked to come back in April, 2017. Demos were also done at Pueblo Grande. Jean also needs members that demo to report their hours to her. This can be any member doing any impromptu demo.

EXHIBITS: Linda reported that there are still plenty of bookmarks available for distribution.

FEDERATION: No report.

HISTORIAN: Wendy reported that Sara now has access to the photo library so she can make changes to the pictures seen on our website.

HOSPITALITY: No report.

LIBRARY: Karen reported that she has several books on the to-buy list and is monitoring sales to get the best deal. She will have her final report on purchases at the May board meeting.

MEMBERSHIP: Barb report that we have 93 paid members to date.

NEWSLETTER: No report

PROGRAMS: Kathy presented her annual summary. She reported that feedback on the mini-workshops indicates that members would like the time for each workshop to be extended. There were no cancellations of any programs this year.

WORKSHOPS: Debi reported that the Tom Knisely, Diane Totten and dye workshops were all very successful. The weaving study group will do a group workshop again in September. Tom Knisely will return in January 2017 for a workshop on a Japanese technique (2 scarves). Robyn Spady will present a workshop on tied weaves in March, and Rosalie Neilson will give one on rep weave in November 2017.

PUBLICITY: No report

WAYS & MEANS: No report.

WEBSITE: Betz reported that no invoices had been submitted since 2014. Betz has contacted Mary Walker (our server liaison) and sent her a check for \$352 which brings the account to current through 2016.

OTHER: Linda asked the team for feedback on opening the church room at 6pm rather than 6:30. It was agreed that this has been successful and we will continue to open at 6pm for a social hour. Meeting will still begin at 7pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm. Nancy Ryan, Secretary

May Meeting

11 May, 2016 - Annual Stash Reduction Sale, Silent Auction and Summer send-off Potluck.

Now is the time to clean out those closets and shelves for yarn and weaving items that you have not used in several years. If you have other items that you would like to sell, contact Sharie Monsam or Kathy Silva and ask for a half table or a whole table for your sale item(s). You will man the table, and give 15% of your proceeds to the guild.

May is also our annual "De-Stash" silent auction. For all the fiber stuff that you are NOT using, give it up so someone else can! Bring items to the set-up tables and watch the fun! Bring your check book for what you find as well. Books, yarn, shuttles, and lots more will be accepted. Bids go up by a minimum of 25 cents. Nothing more should be said, except we all love the stash sale - and what better way to end the season than with a potluck dinner with friends.

SEEDs for Autism Art Jam

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FOR AUTISM
Success through
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& Development

DATE: May 7th 2016
WHERE: 1345 W McKinley
PHX. 85007
TIME: 10:00 to 3:00
JOIN THE FUN

you're invited!

COME CELEBRATE
GARDEN ART * GIFT ITEMS * DEMONSTRATIONS
MAKE AND TAKES * LIVE MUSIC * FACE PAINTING
Fun for the entire family

2016



For the Good of the Order

Rewards Programs: Don't forget these easy shopping steps to benefit our guild. If you forget the links, they are on the opening page of our website, www.telarana.org

Amazon Smile – donates .5% of purchases to our guild. Doesn't sound like much, but most of us do a lot of shopping on Amazon and it adds up. To select our guild, go to www.smile.amazon.com and follow the prompts to select Telaraña Weavers and Spinners. You must sign into www.smile.amazon.com for the purchases to apply. The site will remember our guild the next time you sign in. Your account details are the same as the regular Amazon site.

The Woolery – will donate 5% (yes, 5% - I double checked) of your purchases to our Guild. Use this URL and then shop as usual. <http://www.woolery.com/Store/pc/home.asp?idaffiliate=101>

Halcyon Yarn – will also donate 5%. Mention our guild when you make a phone order, or in the comment section as you check out online. www.halcyonyarn.com

Demonstrations: I need all demonstration hours you have done by the next meeting. If you have done any kind of fiber arts and you talk to some person in public about what you were doing, that is a demonstration. I just need your name and number of hours since last June 1st. If you volunteered to give a lecture or demonstration to a group, this is a demonstration. I need all hours of demonstration by our next meeting. Our demonstration hours help us keep our non-profit status.

Jean Doig – Demonstration chairperson

Library: Here is a seasonal bonus - If you check out a Library Item in May, you may (if you so choose) keep it throughout the summer. It would be due at the September guild meeting.

Membership: Our official year extends from May 31st to the following May 30th. This means it is time to think about renewing your membership for the coming year. A membership form can be downloaded: <http://telarana.org/membership> Our 2015-16 membership has reached 93. Barb Nelson

Tapestry/Navajo Study Group: This study group will be meeting the second Saturday of May (May 14) instead of the first Saturday at MCC Red Mountain, Palo Verde Building classroom 114, 9am - noon. We have a Facebook page that you may join and see pictures of our work and members: MCC Tapestry and Navajo Study Group.

Weavers Study Group: Our meetings are normally held on the 3rd Monday of each month, 7pm. All levels of weavers are welcome. For more information, contact Cindy R., webmaster@telarana.org

In and Around Town (and elsewhere)

Tucson Museum of art: *String Theory: Contemporary Art and the Fiber Legacy, 12/19/2015 - 07/24/2016.* This group exhibition explores the influences of weaving and fiber arts in contemporary art practice. Inspired by traditional techniques and craft-based art forms, contemporary artists have created fiber and mixed media works that pay homage to the past while addressing current issues and aesthetic concerns.

Fiberart International 2016: *Fiberart International*, Pittsburgh, PA, May 6 – August 21, 2016.

Fiberart International 2016 is the 22nd in a series of triennial juried exhibitions sponsored by the Fiberarts Guild of Pittsburgh, Inc. The show has been juried by Chunghie Lee, Arturo Alonzo Sandoval, and Tali Weinberg.

20th Annual SHEEP IS LIFE 2016: Dine College, June 17-19th, 2016, 9AM to 5PM

Diné be' iiná, means the way that, we, the people live. We promote a sustainable livelihood through the Navajo Way of Life. Traditionally, this has been sheep, wool, and weaving and whatever comes from that.

Sheep is Life – Dibé bé liná is a celebration of traditional Navajo shepherding and weaving culture. Enjoy educational workshops, Navajo cuisine, vendors' booths, Navajo-Churro sheep and wool shows, and much more.

Visit www.navajolifeway.org for more information.



East Mountain Fiber Farm & Studio Tour: Various locations close to Albuquerque and Santa Fe, June 11-12, 10 AM to 4 PM. Visit www.eastmountainfibertour.com for more information.

Wool Market & Fiber Festival: Estes Park, Colorado, June 10-12, 2016. Several events are included, among them a special show. FACE of Fiber in the Rockies 4th Annual Juried show features work from Colorado fiber artists as well as the work of our local Estes Valley fiber artists. There will be a wide variety of fiber work on display: embroidery, quilting, weaving, tatting, garments, basketry and more! The display will be at the Village Park Playhouse, downstairs, 900 Moraine Ave, on Friday, June 10, 1 to 6PM; Saturday, June 11, 10 to 5PM; and Sunday, June 12, 10 to 3PM. The Closing reception and Award Ceremony will be from 1 to 3. Awards presented at 2:00PM.

Go to <http://www.visitestespark.com/events-calendar/special-events/wool-market/>

And, if your travels will take you to New Mexico, see <http://www.nmfiberarts.org/> for fiber arts trails in our neighboring state.

Convergence® 2016 Milwaukee: July 30 - August 6, 2016, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, USA. This is the next occurrence of the biennial conference of the Handweavers Guild of America. Details may be found at the web site

<http://www.weavespindye.org>

Flag Wool & Fiber Festival: June 3-4, 2016 (Fri-Sat), The Pioneer Museum, 2340 N Ft Valley Rd., Flagstaff, Arizona. The 2015 festival drew more than 2000 people from across the state. See www.flagwool.com

The 8th annual Southern Adirondack Fiber Festival: Washington County Fairgrounds, Cambridge, NY, September 24-25, 2016. See <http://www.adkfiber.com/home.html> for information.

Christianson Native Craft Workshop: The Workshop is also referred to as "Shannondale" since it takes place at the Shannondale Community Center's Timber Lodge which is located 24 mi. south of Salem, MO on Highway 19. July 24-29, 2016. Visit <http://www.christiansonnativecraft.org/> to find the extensive brochure; mini-workshops taken to the max!

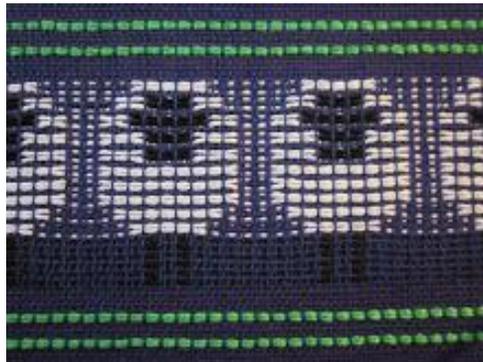
PHOENIX ART MUSEUM: *Defining Moments: 50 Years of Fashion at Phoenix Art Museum*, thru Aug. 7.

MESA ARTS CENTER: *Threads: Gathering My Thoughts*, a fiber exhibit through Aug. 7.

I.D.E.A. MUSEUM: 150 W. Pepper Place, *Underwater FantaSEA* through May 29th. The Fiber Factory's knit and crocheted ocean corral and fish are featured there.

HIGH COUNTRY ART GALLERY: 592 W. White Mountain Blvd., Pinetop, AZ. Weaving and pine needle baskets are part of this artist co-op. Be sure and stop in if you are there.

EDDIE BASHA EXHIBITION: Don't forget to visit the "A Salute to Cowboy Artists of America and a Patron, the Late Eddie Basha: 50 Years of Amazing Contributions to the American West" exhibit at Western Spirit Scottsdale's Museum of the West now through May 31, 2016! <http://bit.ly/1Yogyx2>



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