



Telaraña Tidings

Newsletter of the Telaraña Fiber Arts Guild

March 2024

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2023-2024 Executive Committee/ Chairs

Executive Committee:

President, Lee Killpack
Vice President, Nancy Ryan
Treasurer, Cindy Reynolds
Secretary, Carol Gordon
Past President, Winnie Johnson

Committee Chairs:

Demonstrations, Elly Weinel
Exhibits and Shows, Cindy Reynolds
Federation, Paula Rudnick
Historian, Russ Johnson
Hospitality, Judy Sirkis
Library, Karen Kehlenbach
Membership, Karla and Jim Elling
Newsletter, Lavender Boyles
Programs, Nancy Ryan
Publicity, Wendy Olenski
Ways and Means, Winnie Johnson
Website, Linda Wade
Workshops, Marcia Wenbert, Deb Barr

March Guild Meeting

Wednesday, March 13, 1 p.m. MST.

Live meeting only—no Zoom

Doors will open at 12 noon for socializing; the meeting will begin at 1p.m. Arizona time.

Live Meeting Location: East Mesa Christian Church, 706 S. Greenfield Road, Mesa, 85206 (Southern/Broadway).

PROGRAM:

Mini-workshops

It is time for our mini-workshops!! Our program will consist of 4-5 workshops taught by guild members. Each workshop will be approximately 40 minutes long. There will be the opportunity for each attendee to participate in 2 different workshops. Topics include such things as colour wrapping, making Hawaiian ribbon leis, kumihumo, and others.

Also, remember to bring your show and tell!!

THERE WILL BE NO ZOOM AT THIS MEETING!!

President's Message

Hello to all my fiber friends,

Thank you to all of you who donated to our February Auction. You really helped to make it a great success. What a fun meeting we had!!

There were so many wonderful treasures to be accrued. We had a fun "pencil and paper" competition on our silent auction tables. I loved the few items which I actually won.

The highlight of the day was our live auction. Brian Kayser was our auctioneer. He was so great. What a great sense of humor and ability to make us laugh as he auctioned items that he knew nothing about. He really got our bidding going and many went home with some amazing finds. Thank you so very much, Brian!!

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Thanks to to our great Vice President and Program Chairperson, Nancy Ryan, for moving our auction from May to February, so that our winter visitors may participate. Nancy was also the force behind our having a live auction. I think we now have a new February general meeting format. By the way, our guild benefited in the amount of \$1793 from the auction. Good Job and many thanks to all!

BTW – I know you would love to join our fun board as VP for our upcoming guild year! Please give me a call so that we can put your name on our ballot. We need you!!!

Lee

MAYO CLINIC SHOW

The guild show at Mayo Clinic will conclude on Wednesday, March 13 after a successful run of 3 months. We have received consistently positive feedback from the staff and patients of the clinic and in many cases, people have mentioned how the beauty of the pieces offered them peace and solace during a difficult time. We will receive copies of the comment book for guild members to peruse. If you haven't already visited, please set some time aside to view the show and support our guild.


Arizona Fiber Festival

April 5, 6, 7 in Camp Verde.

The **Arizona Fiber Festival** announces that the **Comfort Inn Camp Verde I-17** is offering a very special rate of **\$108.00+taxes/night** from April 4-8, 2024 for attendees of the festival. The block of rooms is all double queen rooms, perfect for sharing. But you must book your reservation by March 25, 2024 to get this special rate. To book your room call the Comfort Inn Camp Verde at 928-567-9000 directly and refer to Arizona Fiber Festival. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card and if a cancellation is necessary, it must be made 48 hours prior to your arrival date. If you have already made a reservation at the Comfort Inn at a higher room rate, you need to cancel that reservation and make a new reservation at the \$108.00 rate. The address of the Comfort Inn Camp Verde is 340 N. Goswick Way, Camp Verde, AZ 86322

Reminder:

Please bring your reuseable water bottle to the meeting—we are trying to cut back on disposable plastics.



Thanks,



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knitting • felting • embroidery
Vendor applications available




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Ancient Technology Day at the S'edav Va'aki Museum (formerly Pueblo Grande)

Saturday, March 9, 2024 9am - 3pm

The S'edav Va'aki Museum is a 1,500-year-old archaeological site once inhabited by the Ancestral Sonoran Desert People. Ancient Technology Day: Prehistoric & Historic, highlights technologies used for survival, art and enjoyment over time. In addition to hands-on demonstrations, families can enjoy free craft activities and artifact show-and-tell stations.

Telaraña has participated in this exciting event for over 15 years. Due to covid in 2020, we took a break but we are looking forward to joining in again this year. The Telaraña booth is set up with two main activities. One is to teach children how to weave on small looms made out of cardboard boxes. They pick out their yarns, and we get them weaving—and they can take home their weaving. The other is a display of weaving and spinning techniques used by ancestral native people. This year our own Ruth Hallows, Tsimshian, will also be demonstrating weaving techniques from Northwest Coastal People on her single bar loom. Come and see her in action and view some her completed Ravenstail and Chilkat weavings.

Volunteers needed: 6 people, or more. Morning or afternoon shifts - come for an hour or two, or stay for the day. With more people, everyone has a chance to walk through the whole grounds and the museum itself. Please contact memberstelarana@gmail.com to sign up. No experience necessary!

S'edav Va'aki Museum

4619 E. Washington St., Phoenix, AZ 85034

(602) 495-0901

www.phoenix.gov/sedav-vaaki

The Museum is located on the Southeast corner of 44th St. and Washington St. Accessible by the Sky Train and the Sky Harbor Airport Light Rail Station Stop. There is parking available on site.



Slate of nominations for elected positions:

President – Nancy Ryan

Vice president - no current nominee

Treasurer – Cindy Reynolds

Secretary – Carol Gordon



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Voting will take place in April. Write-in candidates are allowed, with the candidate's permission.

Help Wanted

Telaraña is in need of any individuals who would like to be a little or a lot involved in planning the guild's future activities. The nomination team for our upcoming election would love to hear from you and your desire to assist by becoming involved in the following positions:

Vice President: We MUST fill this position. It is a relatively quiet position but one that really allows you to see the workings of the guild. The primary role is to assist the president and cover for her at meeting if she should



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be unavailable. We have also include the role of PROGRAM chair in this position. Fear not - getting presenters for programs is easy. Currently we have a list of potential program topics available so all you would have to do is coordinate the process. This position will be a one year position with the opportunity to then move into the president position.

Workshop Chairs - This position is responsible for planning and facilitating all workshops. Again we have a list of local folks who are willing to do workshops so you would be coordinating with these instructions and working out the details of the workshops. Ideally you would also include a big name presenter workshop also. We would like two folks in this role to share the load

Treasurer - Cindy Reynolds has agreed to continue as treasurer for one more year. This person would function as her assistant and trainee so that they could step into the role of treasurer next year.

While we are seeking a primary person to assume these roles, you do not need to hold the position alone, You are welcome to have another person or team of your choosing to help with the task. This is true for any of the chair positions. We would love to hear from anyone who would like to assist in a role but does not want primary responsibility. As an experienced board member, I can tell you that this board works very well together and helps each other immensely. It is fun getting to be part of the inner workings of the guild.!!!

We want to hear from you NOW! The ballot has to be ready for publication in March newsletter which will be published in a couple weeks. If you are interested or just have questions, please contact any current board member or a member of the nominating committee - Nancy Ryan, Winnie Johnson or Shari Monsam

Nancy Ryan memberstelarana@gmail.com

Telarana Board Meeting February 28, 2024



Attendees: Lee Killpack, Cynthia Reynolds, Carol Gordon, Paula Ruddick, Deb Barr, Nancy Ryan, Karla Elling, Linda Wade, Russ and Winnie Johnson, Marcia Wenbert, Judith Sirkis, Nancy Wanek

Secretary's Report: Minutes of January 31, 2024 were published in the newsletter and board review and corrections made. Minutes from Jan 2024 were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The guild's operating funds are at \$13,983.37 plus Zorn Scholarship fund \$700. Checking account balance is \$14,683.37. The February auction did well contributing \$1,796.60 to the guild funds. Auctioneer had so much fun, he refused payment. Cindy proposed guild bank \$10,000 in a 3 month CD for the summer months. Russ so moved and Marcia seconded. Board approved the CD.

Old Business:

- The nominating committee met and are still looking for a volunteer for the Vice President's position, someone to train next year with Cindy for the treasurer's position and some committee chair positions. Nancy Ryan suggested that chair positions could be one person or a team. The Board strongly feels that filling positions is essential to the well being and continuation of the guild so are hoping for members to consider volunteering. Please let Lee or Nancy R know if you can help.*
- February auction was successful and Board is planning an auction again next February.*
- AZ Fiber Festival April 5-7 needs items for our goodie bags. Several members have agreed to help setup the guild's booth. Let Board members know if you are planning to attend and can man the booth for a while any of the days. Friday the booths and vendors will be open 4-6 PM.*

New Business:

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- The Board has agreed that cooperating with Desert Weavers' for some programs would be a good idea. The guilds could combine and share expense for national speakers and workshops.
- Nancy Wanek is in charge of the Pueblo Grande Days at the museum. Sharie M is doing box weaving with the kids. The event is Saturday, March 9 from 9-3. If you would like to help please let Nancy know.

Committee Reports:

Federation – Paula will forward information to Lavender for the newsletter.

Demonstrations - Help with demonstrations for Pueblo Grande Days and the AZ Fiber Arts Festival would be appreciated.

Historian and Technology – Russ is checking on the WIFI speed at the church so zoom meetings and recording run smooth.

Hospitality – Judith said all is fine

Library – No report

Membership – Deb Barr will take over Karla's chair position. Thank you Deb.

Newsletter – No report

Programs – March meeting will be 40 minute mini workshops. Some of the choices are Sue G doing color blending with wrapping, Ruth presenting Alaskan weaving, Winnie, and Bill will surprise us.

Ways and Means – Winnie said that the raffles and auction has contributed nicely to the guild's budget.

Website – Our website host does not offer support for Wordpress issues. So Linda contacted Mary (who designed our website) for assistance in re-establishing the library links that were lost in the recent server crash. Hopefully the library search function will be up and working shortly. The rest of the website has been restored.

Workshops – Deb B and Marcia W will write up workshop information in the newsletter. Deb will host the upcoming workshop and cash for the final payment is encouraged.

On a final note, Judith suggested the Board do a survey of members to see what possible talent we have who could help with a variety of needs (bookkeeping, technical, web work, organizational, etc) for the future.

Winnie moved and Nancy seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 PM. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Gordon, Secretary

Fun Fact!

