

Fiber Line

Four Corners Weavers Guild

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Location: Fellowship of the
Spirit Church

Address: 2009 E. 13th Street,
Farmington, NM

Chat Time: 9:30

Meeting Time:
10:00 am

Program:
Sherrie Phillips – Spinning
Cotton demo

Potluck Lunch

- ▶ Our next meeting will be on January 19th at Fellowship of the Spirit Church in Farmington, NM
- ▶ The FCWG meets six times a year on the 3rd Saturday of odd numbered months. Meeting places vary and are announced in the newsletter published at the beginning of odd numbered months.
- ▶ Yearly dues for FCWG are \$25.00 (payable in May for established members). Payments should be made out to FCWG and sent to: Kathy Sehnert, P.O. Box 253, Mancos, CO 81328.

When you feel you've hit a brick wall with your
current (or older) project, remember...

*"Being defeated is often a temporary condition.
Giving up is what makes it permanent.."*

- Marilyn Vos Savant

❖ President's Message

Happy New Year to you! How did this last one go by so fast? I hope that this year will be the best one ever.

We have some wonderful things planned for the coming year in the guild. One of the things is all of our study groups that we have organized. I hope that you have signed up for one. I have been weaving for 35 years (yikes!!) and still have many weave structures that I have not done. What a wonderful opportunity to get to know each other and learn something new.

It is also time to think about electing new officers. If you have not been honored to be one, maybe you could give it a try. I have been one for quite awhile now and have found that it really helped me to be more involved in the group as well as get to know everyone better. Would you like to volunteer?

I hope to see you all at our next meeting in Farmington.
Karen

Karen Dearing 505-334-2669

❖ Of Interest

The Livestock Conservancy's "Shave 'em to Save 'em" Challenge begins in 2019. This program is part of the Conservancy's ongoing commitment to making it more profitable to raise heritage breeds. Fiber artists involved in the program will be rewarded for working with wool from breeds listed on the Conservation Priority List. For more information see:
<https://livestockconservancy.org/index.php/involved/internal/SE2>

❖ **Membership Chairman's Report**

We've added 2 members to our list; Sherry Phillips, from Bayfield, and Lynn Hughes, who reinstated her membership. We now have a total of 38 members. The printed membership list is available for the asking; it has all members with addresses, emails, phone numbers. We have a new contact via the web page that I will email and hope to bring her into our Guild as well.

Send Dues To:

Kathy Sehnert, FCWG Membership, PO Box 253,
Mancos, CO 81328

❖ **Treasurer's Report**

Nothing Submitted.

❖ **Programs and Workshops Report**

I hope that everyone has had a very happy holiday season. It is always so busy this time of the year that I don't get to do much in the way of weaving and spinning.

I am happy to say that the program for our January meeting is on spinning cotton. Sherrie Phillips joined our guild at our November meeting and she has agreed to give a demo. I am excited to learn something new. Bring your wheel or drop spindle if you would like to try this on your own.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone in January.

- Valerie Hopper

❖ Current News and Upcoming Events

■ Intermountain Weavers Conference

Bev Kajko, IWC Board--Publicity

Mark your calendars! The next IWC will be held July 25 - 28, 2019 at Fort Lewis College in Durango, Colorado. The theme will be FIBER: YESTERDAY, TODAY, AND TOMORROW. Start planning your entries to the fashion show and Celebration of Fiber. **Remember, there are scholarships available.** This is a fun weekend for all fiber artists. We are working on a great line- up of workshops and will offer 1- and 3-day workshops again.

Anne Worthington couldn't wait to get started on her study group project!



❖ Announcements

Study Groups

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At the January 19 meeting in Farmington we will be doing our kickoff of the study groups. It is strongly recommended that you be there. If you have not been contacted for your assignment or if you would like to be in a group and have not signed up, here is a list of the contact people for the groups that have formed:

- Double Weave - Ann Kennedy
- Deflected Double Weave - Elaine Bakkenson
- Dyeing - Corey Heisler
- Weaving for Clothing - Anne Worthington
- Methods of Measuring a Warp and Dressing a Loom - Kathy Sehnert
- Overshot - Shirley Haisman

Please refer to your membership list for email addresses and phone numbers. If you do not have access to that, contact me and I will get that info for you.

We will be meeting in our small study groups for a short time during the business meeting. It is really important that for this to work well, we need to get together on this day. So, if you can only make the business meeting, that will be acceptable! If you absolutely can't come, you are still welcome in the group. But you may run the risk of being chosen as the group's leader!! (Probably not. Just a motivation for you to be there!) But please contact your group leader if you can not be there. If you were not able to get in touch with the contact person, you can still join your chosen group at the guild meeting.

If you have any questions before our meeting, contact me and I will try to have the answers for you. Hope to see you on January 19.
Karen Dearing 505-334-2669 krdearing@yahoo.com

Cricket Club

Interested in learning more about rigid heddle weaving? The Cricket Club meets at Dancing Hooves Farm and Studio on the 2nd Friday of the month. This is Karen Dearing's studio in Aztec, NM. Whether you know how to weave or not, you are invited to come. Bring your Cricket rigid heddle loom or other rigid heddle loom and join the club! If you do not have a loom you are welcome as well. We will be learning how to do different things on our looms and work on group projects as well as our own projects. We will be meeting from 1-4 on the 2nd Friday of the month. Call Karen Dearing for more details. 505-334-2669 or email krdearing@yahoo.com.

❖ November Meeting Minutes

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November 17, 2018

Christ the King Lutheran Church, Durango

Vice President, Valerie Hopper opened the meeting at 10:00. (Karen was out of town.)

New member Sherry Phillips was welcomed to the Guild, and Lynn Hughes was welcomed back. There were 15 members present.

The question of the day was to tell of your most memorable Christmas. Interesting stories were shared by all.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. The treasurer's report was also approved by a favorable vote.

Committee reports:

Membership: Membership lists were printed and distributed at the last meeting. Additional copies are available.

Hospitality: Supplies are OK.

Charity project: Shirley drew our attention to the many items collected, Lots of scarves, socks, mittens, handmade wraps, and toiletries were collected. They will be divided into 4 boxes; Shirley will take 2 to Farmington, Stanna will deliver 1 in Durango and Anne will take 1 to Cortez.

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❖ **Tips, Techniques, Educational Soundbites:**

Heritage sheep breeds unique to North America that are on the Conservation Priority List include: Florida Cracker, Gulf Coast or Gulf Coast Native, Hog Island and Santa Cruz (on the Critical list); Jacob-American, Karakul-American, Navajo-Churro, Romeldale/CVM, and St. Croix (on the Threatened list); and Barbados Blackbelly and Tunis (on the Watch list).

-The Livestock Conservancy

❖ **November Meeting Minutes** *(continued)*

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Programs: Val told us that the January meeting will be on cotton spinning with Sherry Phillips and it will be in Farmington. Other meetings: March, locker hooking with Pam Dyer; May, a dye workshop and also officer elections; July, a picnic at an undecided location; September, a discussion and reports of Study Groups.

Old business: Val brought a message from Karen about the proposed Study Groups. From the suggestions submitted to her, she had prepared a survey for each member to sign their preferences.

Double weave, Spinning, Weaving for clothing, Deflected double weave, Overshot, Methods of measuring warp and dressing the loom, Dyeing-acid and/or natural (Elaine offered dyes). Karen will contact those for each group and they can be responsible for organizing themselves for time, place and length of study.

New Business: It was brought up that the Fiberline, i.e. newsletter, is available online and it appears that it is available to anyone that gets on our website. Since the newsletter often contains full names of members and names and phone numbers of officers and that the newsletters remain on the webpage for a long period of time, and the fact that the newsletter is one of the benefits of membership and for members only, we should check with Caroline, the web mistress about limiting access to that page. A motion to that effect was made and passed. The discussion did bring out the fact that members did like to have current and historical newsletters available online for reference.

Announcements and Miscellaneous:

Ellie mentioned that the Durango Choral Society has a bazar table and Gingerbread House Contest and display at the Strater Hotel and encouraged us to see it.

Jere gave us a heads up about the end of summer Fairs. Plan NOW. Entries are encouraged and without good participation the weaving/spinning entries could be eliminated.

*-- Respectfully submitted, Kathy Senhert
(substitute secretary)*

❖ Library

We have been gifted with several books from some of our members. We thank you for your gifts. If you have any books or related sewing, weaving, spinning or knitting books that need to find a new home, why not donate them to the guild library? If you would like to know what we already have in our library you can go into the guild website to see the list. I will bring a selection of books to the next meeting for members to check out. This is a good source of information that needs to be used! Karen Dearing at krdearing@yahoo.com, 505.334.2669 or 505.860.7735 (cell).

❖ Contacts for the Four Corners Weavers' Guild

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❖ Links: Weaver's Conferences / Fiber Festivals / Magazines and Newsletters

Conference of Northern California Handweavers:

<http://www.cnch.org>

Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta: 2019 <http://www.fiberartsfiesta.org>

Intermountain Weavers Conference: July 26-28, 2019

<http://www.intermountainweavers.org>

Handweavers Guild of America: July, 2020

<http://www.weavespindye.org>

Complex Weavers: July, 2020 <https://www.complex-weavers.org>

Weaving Today:

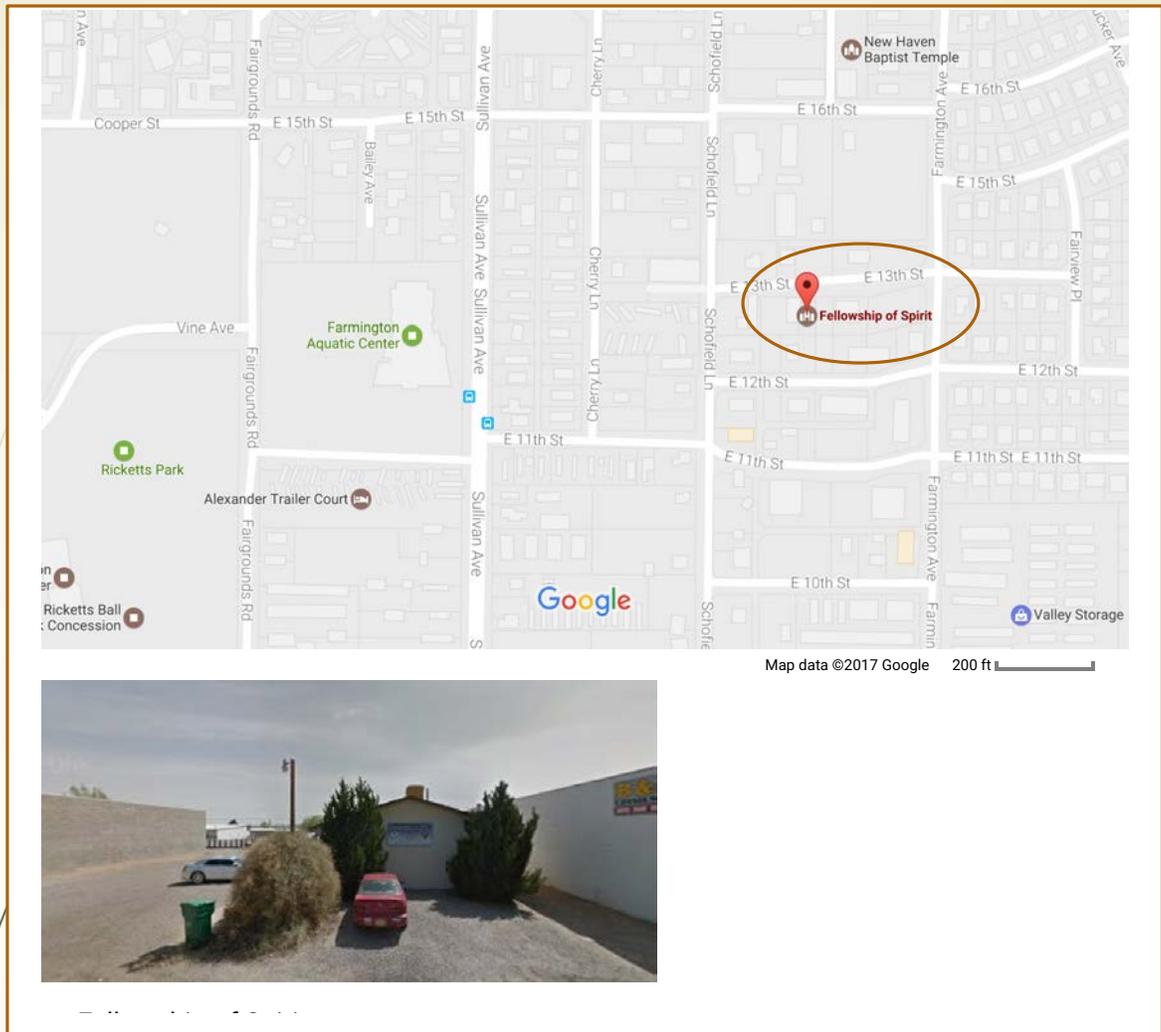
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Handwoven Magazine:

<http://www.interweave.com/store/weaving/weaving-magazines/weaving-magazines-handwoven>

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Heading west on Main Street, turn right onto Schofield and then right onto 13th Street. Church will be on the right. If you get lost call Karen 505-860-7735

Please send newsletter information to Anne Worthington, 23647 Road G.2, Cortez, CO 81321, or to woollylizard49@gmail.com.

The newsletter is usually sent out the first week of the meeting months, so have information to me by the last week of the month before the meeting.

Classified ads cost \$5.00 (payable to FCWG) and should be sent to Marianne Hurley, P.O. Box 1344, Mancos, CO 81328.