

# Fiber Line

## Four Corners Weavers Guild

Sept 1, 2019  
Volume 41, Issue 5

**Location:** Fellowship of the  
Spirit Church

**Address:** 2009 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street,  
Farmington, NM,

**Chat Time:** 9:30

**Meeting Time:**  
10:00 am

**Program:**  
Study Group Roundup

**Potluck Lunch**

- ▶ Our next meeting will be on September 21st at Fellowship of the Spirit Church, 2009 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street. Farmington, NM
- ▶ The FCWG meets six times a year on the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

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*The cure for boredom is curiosity.  
There is no cure for curiosity.*

*- Ellen Parr*

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## ❖ President's Message

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What a hot summer! I, for one have not been encouraged to sit at my big loom. However, to your surprise, I'm sure; I have completed 3 scarves on my new rigid heddle loom. It took a while for me to attempt the new learning curve, but I finally got to it (thanks to its easy portability and AC) and it's been really fun. I will actually have a show and tell at the next meeting.

I was so sorry to learn that we are losing Shirley from our guild, her easy smile and laughter will truly be missed. Also, that leaves us without a secretary and a chairman for our service project – any volunteers? Neither is a hard job. The secretary takes notes then writes them up for publication in the newsletter; that's only 6 times a year. The service project chairman just has to remind us of the items we will collect for donation, then collect and sort them in November. There have always been volunteers to help deliver to the 3 shelters.

Committees for the next 2 years:

Program: Vice President, Anne Worthington

Treasurer: Ann Kennedy

Hospitality: Sherry Phillips

Membership: Kathy Sehnert and Carol van der Harten

Website: Caroline Spurgeon (Caroline has served in this capacity for many years, she will continue unless there is a volunteer to relieve her.)

Newsletter: Cherie Pitman and Anne Worthington

Thanks to all who serve the Guild, past and present. Your time and commitment is very much appreciated.

You will note in the secretary's minutes that the problem with the lack of a quorum at meetings has been solved. It was so easy with the right suggestion from Lynn Hughes! Our by-laws allow for absentee and proxy votes for amendments to the by-laws. A policy was approved to extend this provision to business meetings that do not have a quorum. Now any item of business that needs approval can accept proxy votes. So, if you know in advance that you cannot attend a meeting; you may give your proxy to a friend or officer of the guild. If that does not constitute a quorum, absent members will receive an email and the vote will be delayed 5 days until absentee votes can be counted. The request for these votes will come from the president immediately following a meeting. If you abstain from voting, i.e., do not respond to the email, we will count your "silent" vote on the prevailing side of the motion\*.

\*per Roberts Rules of Order  
Hope to see you in Farmington!  
- Kathy Sehnert

## ❖ Membership Chairman's Report

Thank you Carol van der Harten; Carol responded to my request for help on the membership committee. It will be most helpful to have someone deal with the name tags at meetings and also to welcome guests and new members.

### **Membership changes:**

Karine Knutsen has moved to Bayfield; new address: 4241 CR 509, Bayfield, CO 81122, same cell number.

### **Members (9) we've lost:**

Kathryn Evans - no longer able to attend meetings

Shirley Haisman - moving to daughters's in Arizona

Marian Howarth - moving to Tucson

No response to emails requesting dues:

Nancy Corbin, Janet Herbert, Twila Moore, Abbie Wiler, Lois

Huffman, Marianne Hurley

That leaves 32 members.

I will print the annual membership list before the September meeting. If I hear from any former members by the 1<sup>st</sup> week of September, I will include them on the list and on the updated email list for the newsletter.

### **Send Dues To:**

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

## ❖ Programs and Workshops Report

Our September meeting will be a roundup of all the study groups that we have been working on since January. In case you do not know what this is, in January some of the guild members chose one or two study groups that focused on different weave structures. The idea was to explore a structure that was unfamiliar to them and spend the next few months with others learning about it. Ideally, we were to weave one or more samples or projects that applied what we had learned.

The time has come to show what you learned! Each group is to present their work at this meeting. One person can represent the group and tell a bit about what the structure is and show the examples of what was made. Don't worry about giving a long talk! Each group will be given 5 or 10 minutes to do their presentation. Please show drafts, resource materials and weavings for us to see what was studied.

## ❖ Programs and Workshops *(continued)*

Don't worry about how little or how much you wove. Whatever you did will be just fine. This study was for us to learn something new, not to show how much we can weave! Although lots of samples would be fun.

I will be collecting all the library materials at this time. Study group leaders, please collect everything to be returned.

So the time has come to finish up any last minute weaving and get together with your study group to put together a presentation for the guild.

I hope you all had fun with this project. I learned a lot and am eager to see what others learned. If you have any questions about the roundup, please call or email me [krdearing@yahoo.com](mailto:krdearing@yahoo.com) or 505-334-2669. See you soon.

-- Karen Dearing

It's never too early to start planning, especially if you are a model procrastinator or easily distracted. Next summer, and our big workshop, will be here before you know it, and great teachers will already have been snatched up. I am working on trying to nail someone down soon and need suggestions from you. We also need post-meeting programs or demonstrations. If you have ideas for any of these please let me know. I will be vending at Ridgway during the upcoming meeting so am presenting you with some ideas here, and Kathy has graciously offered to assist and take notes on your ideas. I have not contacted any of these potential teachers, so don't know if they are available. They all live within a reasonable distance so travel fees shouldn't be too much. I will also research others. Please give me some feedback so I know what direction to start looking. If you have other suggestions please pass them on to me.

Jennifer Moore: *double weave*

Bonnie Inouye: *twills; advancing twills; parallel threadings including turned taquete and echo weave*

Sharon Alderman: offers a variety of classes, hasn't responded to inquiry

Cathlena Burr: *turned taquete*

Melodie Usher: *Atwater-Bronson lace; Bateman multiple tabby weaves*

Annie MacHale: *Inkle weaving*

Thanks again for your feedback.

- Anne Worthington

## ❖ Treasurer's Report

Nothing submitted.

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## ❖ Current News and Upcoming Events

- ❖ Salida Fiber Festival: September 7 and 8, 2019  
Salida, CO, Riverside Park
- ❖ SNEFFELS Fiber Festival, September 21 and 22, 2019,  
Ridgeway, CO
- ❖ Taos Wool Festival, October 5 and 6, Kit Carson Park,  
Taos, NM

### ❖ Tips, Techniques, Educational Soundbites:

Tien Chu released a free online tool that allows you to simulate color mixing in handwoven cloth. You can pick colors manually or from an uploaded image and see how the chosen colors will weave up in 4 weave structures: plain weave, 1/3, 2/2 and 3/1 twills. You can also pick colors manually or from an uploaded image – or snap a photo with your smartphone or tablet – and instantly see how the chosen colors will weave up in four common weave structures: Plain weave, 1/3, 2/2, and 3/1 twills. You can also change the scale of the cloth simulation to see how it will look in fine, medium, or thick yarns.

Here are a couple ways you can use the Warp & Weave Color Mixing Tool:

- See how stash yarns will weave up together when planning projects
- Quickly find out what yarns will "go together" when shopping online, using screenshots of a vendor's yarn palette
- Find out what yarn shop yarns will work well with your stash - while you're still standing in the shop.
- Play with color palettes from inspirational photos
- Experiment with color and study color mixing - *without* weaving software.

You can find the Color Mixing Tool here:

<https://www.warpandweave.com/weaving-color-mixer/>

She's also written a blog post that explains a bit more about the tool and what you can do with it here:

<https://www.warpandweave.com/weaving-color-mixing-tool-available/able/>

## ❖ Announcements

### Cricket Club

The Cricket Club meets on the second Friday of the month from 1-4 at Karen Dearing's studio in Aztec NM.

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The Cricket Club is a group of people that get together to weave and learn more about rigid heddle weaving. In the past we have studied methods of warping the looms, creating patterns with pick up sticks as well as finger manipulation, log cabin weave and other patterns.

If you would like to learn more about the rigid heddle looms you are welcome to join us. Come whether you have a loom or not. If you want to bring your loom with a project that you are working on, that would be just fine. Each meeting will include a demo, exchange of ideas and time to weave and visit. Hope to see you!

Karen's address is: Dancing Hooves Farm and Studio, 61 County Road 3235, Aztec, NM.

Call Karen Dearing for more details. 505-334-2669 (h) or 505-860-7735 (c) or email [krdearing@yahoo.com](mailto:krdearing@yahoo.com).

**From Caroline Spurgeon:** A longtime Navajo weaver from Red Mesa, Evelyn, recently lost her house and all her belongings. While visiting relatives in Idaho the house caught fire and burned to the ground. She lost all her weavings, equipment and supplies. If you have anything that would help to replace her stash bring it to the September meeting and I'll collect it for her. She can use sport weight single ply yarn, wool warp, etc. She also lost two Navajo spindles that had belonged to her grandmother. If you have one you're not using that would be great. She also teaches at the Red Mesa Montessori preschool so if you bring anything not suitable for her weaving she can use it there.

**Handweaver's Guild of Pueblo, CO** is hosting Denise Kovnant for her "One Warp, Many Structures" workshop on Sep 25-27 in Pueblo, CO. We have 3 openings left for this workshop on Echo, Iris, and other Extended Parallel Threadings. Please contact Sandy Wells at < [sandyw88@yahoo.com](mailto:sandyw88@yahoo.com) > or (719) 369-8800 immediately if you want to take this class.

**The Pikes Peak Weavers Guild of Colorado Springs, CO** is hosting Bobbie Irwin for her "Shimmering Colors: The Magic of Iridescence" workshop on October 8, 9, and 10, 2019 at the Julie Penrose House in southern Colorado Springs, CO. We have 3 openings left for this workshop on iridescent fabrics. Please contact Kathy Dailey at [shrewdkate.dailey@gmail.com](mailto:shrewdkate.dailey@gmail.com) or (719)-200-9665 immediately if you want to take this class.

## ❖ Announcements

### Living History Day at the Animas Museum in Durango

Save the Date

Saturday, September 14 from 10 to 3

The Animas Museum in Durango(Animas City)  
3065 W 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Durango



Think back to the days of 1875 and plan to attend. You can either just come or you could participate (we desperately need volunteers). If you plan to participate we need weavers, spinners, knitters, crocheters, et al. We would love for you to wear long skirts or dresses to represent the time. We think we might try to do a sheep to shawl which is always a lot of fun. Also, we hope to have kids' activities like carding, felting, kitty balls, finger knitting, and anything else we can think of that would be fun activities. We will have a few of the people that portray the people of the time giving talks about their lives and what they did. Inside will be exhibits and teachers giving talks in the classroom. We will be outside so we will be under easy ups and will need extras of those. We will be on the south side of the museum by the cabin. On the north side we will have food and beer vendors. We are hoping to get produce vendors as well. So we are asking all weavers, spinners, fiber people for their help and attendance. If you have any questions please check out the website for the Animas Museum, [animasmuseum.org](http://animasmuseum.org), where we hope to post information. Also you can email me, Pam Dyer, [pamdye13@hotmail.com](mailto:pamdye13@hotmail.com). More information will be coming with a schedule of events. Thanks for all your help and be sure to save the date so you can be part of our Living History. Be sure to tell all your friends.

### ❖ Of Interest

*If you wish to make a **mono-chromatic** fabric – that is a fabric in shades of the same color, try the same ratio of 50% Main shade, 40% Secondary shade and 10% of the Contrast shade. This one should be at the opposite end of the section from the other two. For example, pick a medium blue for your Main shade, a light blue for the Secondary shade and a very dark blue for the Contrast shade.*

- Nancy Shroyer of Nancy's Knit Knacks

## ❖ June Meeting Minutes

**June 17, 2019**

Nothing submitted.

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- Secretary Shirley Haisman

## ❖ 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](mailto:krdearing@yahoo.com), 505.334.2669 or 505.860.7735 (cell). **See a list of new books on page 10 of the newsletter.**

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

Conference of Northern California Handweavers:

<http://www.cnych.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:

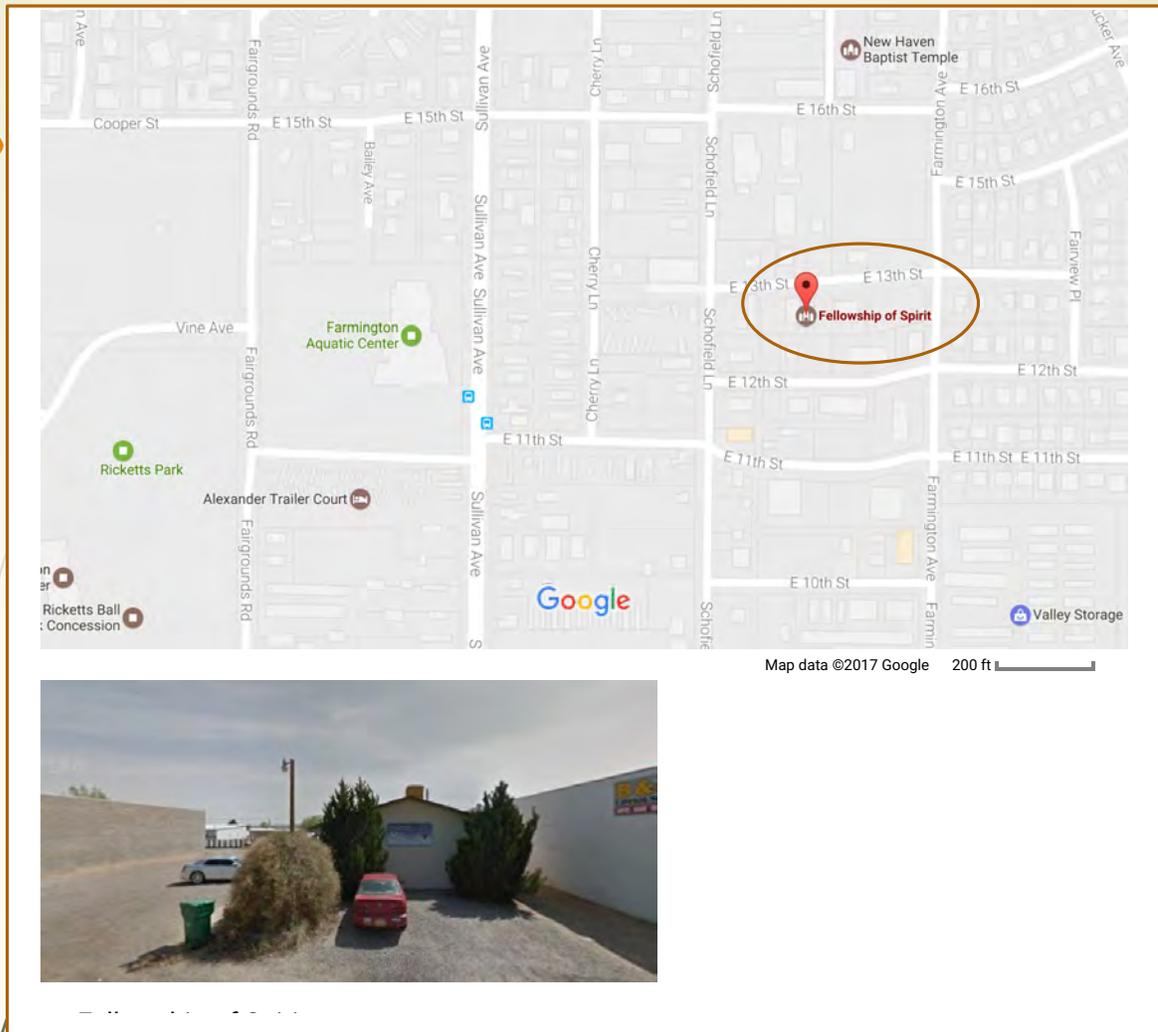
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Handwoven Magazine:

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

## Fellowship of Spirit Church, 2009 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Farmington, NM

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Heading west on Main Street, turn right onto Schofield and then right onto 13<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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 Ann Kennedy, P.O. 180 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Mancos, CO 81328.

## New Library Books

- Temari Treasures—Diana Vandervoort  
Temari a Traditional Japanese Embroidery Technique—Margaret Lublow  
Weaving of the Southwest—Marian Rodee  
Wirework—Mary Maguire  
Handcrafted Rugs—Sandra Hardy  
The Book of Looms-A history of † Handlooms from Ancient Times to the Present  
Tapestry Weaving—Nancy Harvey  
Small Looms in Action—Elizabeth Jensen  
Hand Knits for the Home—Carol Wilcox Wells  
Photographing Your Artwork—Russell Hart  
The Complete Book of Tapestry Weaving—Alec Pearson  
Learning to Weave with Debbie Redding  
Briads 250 Patterns from Japan, Peru and Beyond—Rodrick Owen  
Creative Hands—Cox Weismann  
Summer and Winter—Donna Sullivan  
The Machine Embroidery Handbook—dj bennett  
Sensational Knitted Socks—Charlene Schurch  
Braiding and Knotting for Amateurs—Constantine A. Belash  
Tapestry—Maurice Pianzola  
Knitting Socks—Ann Budd  
Creating with Card Weaving—Sally Specht  
Learn to Knit---Susan Bates  
Knit Ponchos, Wraps and Scarves—Jane Davis  
Loom and Spindles or Life Among the Early Mill Girls—Harriet Robinson  
Blue Prints on Fabric—Barbara Hewitt  
Synthetic Dyes Natural Fibers—Linda Knutson  
Decorative Knots—Peter Owen  
Soft Sculpture and other Soft Art Forms—Dona Meilach  
Fabric Printing: Screen Method—Richard Valentino  
Weaving You Can Use—Sewing Projects



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