

# Fiber Line

## Four Corners Weavers' Guild

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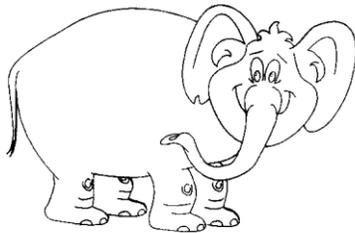
July 19, 2014

July Picnic & White Elephant Sale  
9:30am Chat Time  
10:00am Brief Business Meeting  
Potluck Lunch

Joni Geiger's house  
33314 Hwy 550 North  
Durango, CO 81236  
970-375-9317

**Show & Tell:** In addition to any recent projects, please bring your first project or an early weaving project so we can show our new weavers that we all are on a "learning curve!"

**Picnic lunch:** The Guild will provide the entrée and buns. Joni will provide beverages. Members should bring salads, desserts, or other side dish.



**White Elephant Sale** (bring items to sell, trade or donate to the Guild for sale). These can be weaving related or not – just remember you have to take home anything you bring that doesn't sell! In the past, lamps and other household items have found new homes, along with plant cuttings, bulbs, walking onions, etc.

### **BRING TO MEETING:**

- Sunscreen, hat & a chair
- Show & tell and your "first" project
- Any white elephants for sale
- Potluck dish

### **DIRECTIONS TO JONI GEIGER'S:**

33314 Hwy 550 North, 970-375-9317

From intersection of Hwy 550 and Camino Del Rio it is approximately 11 ½ miles.

Look for Mile marker #33. Turn right onto frontage road. Joni Geiger's is the first driveway. If you get to Honeyville, you've gone just a bit too far. Turn around, frontage road will be on your left. If you follow Google directions, you might turn at the south end of the frontage road; Joni's house is the last house on the north end of the frontage road.



Dearing will be co Vice Presidents. Slate was approved and new officers will serve for two years.

Everyone was reminded that the county fairs will be coming up in August and that all entries are welcome and no matter which state/county you live in you can enter all the fairs. Anna Kinney, who has run the San Juan Fair booth, will not be able to for the next two years so Jere Lard is going to fill in for her and asked for help sitting the booth from anyone able to help out. Fair dates for San Juan and LaPlata overlap but if you have enough items you can enter in both fairs.

The Cortez off month group will be doing more Eco dying at Caroline Spurgeon's home in June and anyone is welcome to come. She is cutting back on her business "Cactus Looms" so has equipment on sale for anyone interested and needing some beautiful weaving tools.

It was brought up that we need to work on a mentoring list for the different areas so there will be resource people available to new weavers, or anyone, who has a question. This was postponed till later.

Business meeting was followed by preparing another scarf for dying and taking the first one out of the dye pot and then pot luck lunch. There was time to visit before taking the second scarf out and looking at our finished work. Lots of happy comments about what fun it had been.

Sharon Sichi, Secretary

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Weaving Friends,

It seems ages ago that we were dying scarves at Pam's; what a fun day that was! And such a good turn out! We had 23 members at the last meeting and 5 guests. A record since I've been in the Guild! It was also great to see several youngsters taking an interest in the eco print dying.

The summer days are passing too quickly and here it is time to think about the July meeting. As both your new president and the membership chairman there is some crossover of information to be shared; forgive me if I repeat myself.

One of the topics of discussion at the last meeting was "Fair time." Please keep in mind that the San Juan County Fair (Farmington, Aug 11-16) will come up soon after our July meeting. If you have entries for the fair, you should be getting them ready. Anne Kinney will not be organizing the booth at the Fair this year, but Jere has agreed to step in. Call Jere if you need information about the booth or fair. We will need volunteers for "booth sitters", so check your calendars and be ready to sign up. There are also fairs in La Plata County, (Durango, Aug 6 – 10) and Montezuma County (Cortez, July 26-Aug 3)

Traditionally, the July meeting is more for fun and relaxation, so our business meeting will be at a minimum. If you have business items, let me know ASAP so we can deal with them efficiently.

I'm looking forward to an enjoyable picnic in the shade of the San Juan mountains, Joni Geiger will host the picnic at her home north of Durango. Visitors are always welcome at our meetings, and we

especially invite family to join us for the July picnic. Please, if you are bringing family or guests, let Joni know (970 375-9317) so she can get enough BarBQ.

Did you recognize our Guild member in the Telluride picture posted with our last newsletter? It was Kathryn Evans. The picture was taken when she was mayor of Telluride and present at the ribbon cutting of the Telluride ski area.

See you soon. Kathy

## MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

### DUES ARE DUE!

This is the last meeting to pay dues; or you must send them to Kathy. Dues must be paid by the end of August. The annual membership list will be compiled and available at the September meeting.

Welcome to two new members!

Elaine Young, Farmington, has re-joined the Guild. Welcome back.

Leesa Gawlik, Durango, joined at the May workshop. We look forward to getting better acquainted.

### New Member Information

Elaine Young  
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Farmington, NM 87401  
505-325-1263

Leesa Gawlik  
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Durango, CO 81302  
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## PROGRAM CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Joni's home is north of Durango, almost to Honeyville. We will be initiating Joni's new patio, but we will still be outside, so remember your sunscreen, wear a hat and bring a chair. The driveway into Joni's house has some irrigation ditches, which could be damaged by too much/too heavy traffic; she has asked that anyone driving a larger truck park on the frontage road.

## NEWS FROM AND ABOUT MEMBERS

### From Jere:

Please bring any items you wish to enter into the San Juan County Fair to the July picnic and I will get them entered for you. You can find the categories at the San Juan County Fair web site under 2014 fair book. You can only enter one item per category. Please send description of item and your name and phone #. I will get items back to you at Sept meeting. Thanks, Jere

**From Linda Smith:**

If you are going through Bayfield and need a yarn shop, Knit One has moved. It is now in the new part of town. At the only light in town, go north on CR 501 and then take a right at the roundabout. Pass Lewis Mercantile, First National Bank, and go left on the road just after the bank. You will see a little mall on your right. Knit One is there.

Bayfield Heritage Day is September 27<sup>th</sup>. J.Paul Brown’s sheep are the last to have a grazing permit for mountain pasture and will come through the town somewhere around 9 a.m. They run on sheep time, so if you want to see them it is far better to be early than late. Some of the old ways seem to be passing, but there are still a considerable number of small farms with a great variety of fiber types in our area. As fiber users we are so lucky! Please come and support the heritage of wool growing in our area by joining in demonstrations of spinning, weaving, knitting, crocheting, or any fiber craft that you do. There will be a canopy in place for shade and golf carts to ferry you and your things to the site.

The W.W. Spinners guild invites you to join us in a sale event at both Heritage Days on Sept 27<sup>th</sup> and again at the Animas Museum on Oct 18<sup>th</sup>, where the culminating Wool Festival in conjunction with the Arbor Glyph Project will be held. Both events will have a booth for items you have made and may like to part with. This is your chance to unload all those projects that you have completed but don’t quite know what to do with. A percentage of each sale will be donated to the Animas Museum and Bayfield Heritage Museum and your closet will have more space for new projects—a win-win for all!!

We are in need of volunteers to help tag items, and watch the booths, so if you would like to help, please contact for Animas Museum: Pam Dyer 970-588-2292 [pamdye13@hotmail.com](mailto:pamdye13@hotmail.com) or Susan Jones 970-247-0689 [susanjones@mac.com](mailto:susanjones@mac.com) and for Heritage Days: Linda Smith 970-884-0502 [smjam9@aol.com](mailto:smjam9@aol.com)

**From Caroline Spurgeon:**

A fun time was had by all when the Cortez area fiber artists continued their study of Eco Print Dyeing at the Woods Canyon Weaving Center (Caroline Spurgeon’s). Members from the Cortez area were joined by others from Durango, Pagosa Springs and Bloomfield. Scarves were dyed along with T-shirts and other articles. Pots were stirred and members visited and everyone had an enjoyable day. We are looking forward to showing off our treasures at the July picnic!

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*It is never too late to become what you might have been.*

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**COMING EVENTS**

**Convergence 2014 - July 14–19, 2014** - Providence, RI - [www.weavespindye.org/convergence](http://www.weavespindye.org/convergence)

**Call for Entries: Fiber Innovations** is the first fiber arts show sponsored by the Parker Arts, Culture and Events Center (PACE) from Aug. 21 - Sept. 27, 2014. The show will focus on fiber art from the Rocky Mountain region. Non-functional wall art representing fiber media of all types are welcome. No entry fee. Up to three entries may be submitted. The deadline for entries is July 1st. Artwork may be for sale or NFS. PACE will collect

a 15% commission on all sales. To learn more about PACE: [www.parkeronline.org](http://www.parkeronline.org) For additional exhibit information and/or a prospectus, please contact Jan Thornton, 303-917-3402, [janinemthornton@yahoo.com](mailto:janinemthornton@yahoo.com)

**Bayfield Heritage Day** - September 27<sup>th</sup> - Bayfield, CO (see note on p. 4 from Linda Smith)

**Wool Festival** – October 18, 2014 – Bayfield, CO (see note on p. 4 from Linda Smith)

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**FOR YOUR INFO, HERE ARE SOME CONTACTS FOR VARIOUS FIBER-RELATED THINGS**

**\*WEAVERS CONFERENCES/MAGAZINES:**

[weavespindye@compuserve.com](mailto:weavespindye@compuserve.com)  
<http://www.weavespindye.org>

[www.fiberartsfiesta.org](http://www.fiberartsfiesta.org)  
Albuquerque Fiber Arts Fiesta

[www.complex-weavers.org](http://www.complex-weavers.org)  
Complex Weavers

<http://www.intermountainweavers.org>  
Intermountain Weavers Conference

<http://www.midwestweavers.org>  
Midwest Weavers Conference

<http://www.interweave.com>  
Interweave Press

[http://www.interweave.com/weave/handwoven\\_magazine](http://www.interweave.com/weave/handwoven_magazine)  
Handwoven *Weaving Weekly* newsletter (subscribe at link above)

<http://www.cnch.org/cnchnet/>  
e-journal of the Conference of Northern California Handweavers (CNCH)

<http://www.spinningdaily.com/Spinning-Wheels/>  
free ebook on spinning wheels

<http://www.weavingtoday.com/weaving-projects/>  
free ebook from Weaving Today on weaving projects

**\*WOOL MARKET/WOOL FESTIVAL/FIBERARTISTS**

[events@estes.org](mailto:events@estes.org)  
<http://www.estesnet.com/events/woolmarket.htm>  
Estes Park Wool Market

[questions@taoswoolfestival.org](mailto:questions@taoswoolfestival.org)  
<http://www.taoswoolfestival.org>  
Taos Wool Festival

[www.weehawkenarts.org/news/sneffels-fiber-festival](http://www.weehawkenarts.org/news/sneffels-fiber-festival) [www.nmfiberartists.org](http://www.nmfiberartists.org)  
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*Your mind is like a parachute...it functions only when open.*

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