



FIBER TO FINISH GUILD NEWSLETTER

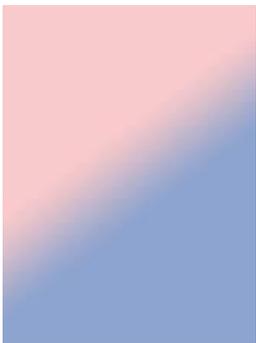
March 2016



From the Weaver's Bench

From my view I can tell you it has been a longish winter. Everyone I ran into had a horrible cough for so long. Finally, things are starting to turn—thank goodness—spring is around the corner. It is an excellent time to think about gardening, planting and color for the year!

I like to check the Panatone website for "the latest" in color forecasts. This year's color is Rose Quartz and



Serenity, actually two colors. The Rose Quartz is a very pretty, light pink with a dash of southwest in it! Serenity is a light peaceful blue. The two colors were selected based on the warmer rose and the cooler blue which calm and soothe the stressed out modern person. I felt soothed.

I tend to like edgy colors but I liked the pairing. They are reminiscent of southwest desert colors. I can see colors like this in the hills of Death Valley, rock formations of the Salt River Canyon in Arizona and in many New Mexico sunsets. I think they got it right! Now, can I capture these colors in the dyepot? We'll see. Speaking of dyepots. . .

Very recently three of us got together to dye some roving. You cannot imagine how much fun we have! It was even better when I dropped a large container of teal dye on the floor! I had teal clothes, shoes, face, etc. Dry dye is very concentrated so cleaning it up involved washing the floor multiple (more than 6) times. Oh my! Of course there are pictures of the event. Eventually it all got cleared away. Oh, and we did dye some roving and yarn. I will include pictures. Some of the yarn was a purchase from eBay. It was

inexpensive Persian needlepoint yarn in boring colors. So it was transformed into 3 shades of red, fuchsia (like the flower), "Harvard" blue, teal (need I mention this again?), and shades of purple. They are colors that are fun to see in a well-lit room.



March 19, 2016 Meeting – Special presentation of **The Ec-lec-tick Senior Players** at the home of Barbara Bogle. Her address is **1336 Don Pasqual Rd. NW in Los Lunas. This is a change in location from the February newsletter!** Refreshments will be served at 12:30 and the program will commence at 1:00. After the program, a short "Show and Tell" session will allow members to share their current projects.

Upcoming Meetings

April 16, 2016 meeting will feature a presentation of members who attended Interweave Yarn Fest in Loveland. Refreshments served at 12:30 and the program to begin at 1:00. Find out, first hand, what your friends learned, saw and bought at the second annual Interweave Yarn Fest in Colorado. Each of the members has signed up for different classes! It will be a fun meeting with projects and ideas shared. There will also be a "surprise" for each member who attends.

May 21, 2016 Meeting – Small Design Challenge – Design a pillow top for an exhibit. Pillow forms will be given out to all interested fiber artists. Design and create a pillow top (and a backing) for a future exhibit. Any fiber technique is acceptable. Use your imagination!

(continued) Many of our members come and go and intersect our lives at different times and places. It is as it should be—change is at the center of most things. Our good friend and excellent weaver, Toni Tooker, is downsizing and eventually moving to town. She has been a lovely addition to our guild. Toni has such creative ideas! Ray and Barbara Armstrong have also moved east. They've traded in their wild bird sanctuary life for something a little less "wild." Ray and Barbara have been a joy to know—they are creative, imaginative and just great folks! Megan DeBethune and her family are also moving to Rhode Island. We have all enjoyed the family's generosity and energy. We wish them all many wonderful things in their moves and future lives.

So continue to keep those hands warm in fiber,

Myra

Future Programs:

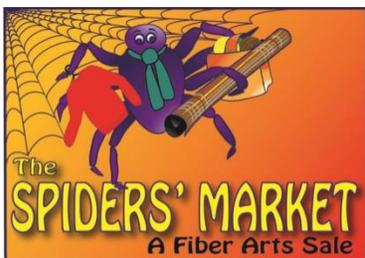
The Harvey House Museum has asked us to help them pack and patch costumes in their collection. It is a fun and valuable activity. You will get to “go behind the scenes” of the museum to see their costume collection. Please give feedback to Myra, Terri or Sally regarding this project. It might take more than one date.

Coming Events:

Spider's Market Friday and Saturday, March 18 & 19 at the Albuquerque Garden Center 10120 Lomas Blvd. Albuquerque, NM from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day.

Come and see the great works created by Las Arañas members and say Hi to Myra!

Free admission and parking.



Colors of the Southwest Show sponsored by the Albuquerque Fiber Arts Council, will also be at the Albuquerque Garden Center, 10120 Lomas Blvd, NE in Albuquerque on April 1 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. A special artists' reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. with refreshments. April 2 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. with free parking and admission. This is the biennial show for the Albuquerque Fiber Arts Council with hundreds of admissions.

Classified Advertisements

Member Chip Kimball has a ton of newly processed fiber. She has beautiful Merino/bamboo, Targhee and a gorgeous white wool. For information, contact Chip at chip.kimball.sd@gmail.com



White Wool

Targhee

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Adventures in Dyeing



Questions?

Ask your officers or any member. If we don't know, we'll find out.

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You'll be able to see the newsletters on line; the minutes from each month's meeting are in the newsletter as well. There are also lots of photos posted from meetings and members' work.

Minutes of the January meeting: There was no business meeting in January.