

# FIBER TO FINISH GUILD NEWSLETTER

Thanksgiving

November 2018

#### From the Weaver's Bench

It has been a lovely autumn, so far. Beautiful clear days with golden cottonwood trees in the bosque. Many neighborhoods have plantings with other spectacular colors too. It is too sad that it lasts only a short time and then turns into cold! The Greater Sand Hill Cranes are back as well as other migrating birds. Take a minute to spend outside and observe the beauty of the season!

Change is inevitable. But change can also be a positive force. Change allows us the opportunity to search for new ways to express our creativity. Mastery of a skill or task is fine but we can also push through to the next step—whatever it is to allow us to change and grow as fiber artists.

Change for me occurs in waves of activity. This year I will be working with the staff of Enchantment Fibers, Katy Lentes' quarterly magazine. I will also be working with the historic El Camino Real group in presenting information on textiles in colonial Spanish New Mexico. And yes, it does mean more research on my favorite textile, the jerga. As you may know, I'll also be back to offer classes at Interweave YarnFest and the Intermountain Weavers Conference in Durango this next summer. So yes, I will be busy. But won't you be busy too? I expect that everyone MUST be at least as busy as me! And if you are not, why not?

Thank you to Diana Dow and Shar Marquez for their work on the nominating committee. Emily Miller has taken wonderful photographs that Next meeting: November 17 at the Belen Harvey House. Refreshments at 12:45 and Meeting at 1:00. Program: Making Dorset Buttons presented by Carla Wackenheim. Come to the meeting and be prepared to make some unique buttons for your handmade clothing or consider a stylish pin or other fashion accessory. Please bring a pair of scissors and plan to have some fun!

December Meeting not yet decided. Plans to be announced at the November meeting.

(continued) have allowed us to document our guild's activity—another thanks. Rowena Kerry has done a great hostess job. Chip Kimball, our webmaster, in South Dakota has earned a giant "high five" for her work on our beautiful website. Terri Greenlee, newsletter publisher, works tirelessly to get the newsletter out regardless of how late it gets to her! Thank you! Remember, volunteering to do a job is something that makes our group work. Without all the helping hands, we would not have such a vibrant and lively group! So if you can lend a hand, please do.

Lastly, one of the Los Lunas Middle School Students in the Textile class recently, blurt out, "Gosh! I love this class!" He started and wove his 3<sup>rd</sup> tapestry. Students are allowed 10" of warp on the table looms—he wove 24 plus inches! Weavers in the making! You just HAVE to love it!

Keep your hands lively in fiber, Myra. Upcoming Meetings: January and February meetings are TBD.

### **Upcoming Events:**

**Shades of New Mexico:** This Spinners and Weavers event runs from October 13 to November 24, 2018 at the First Unitarian Church on Commanche and Carlisle in Albuquerque. Myra, Carla, and Shar have entered items in the show! Don't miss the Mercado on October 14.

8th Annual Pueblo Fiber Arts Show: Flyer included with the October newsletter.

F2F has agreed to host **Belen's Best Bugg Lights Festival!** We will need 10 volunteers to serve as host/hostesses on Tuesday, December 18 at the Belen Harvey House from 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. More details will be available at the October and November meetings. Contact Myra if you would like to volunteer.

#### Classified Ads

- For sale: Gilmore 4 shaft hardwood loom. \$700.00. Measurements: Reed size. 41" approx., front to back 34" beam down (beam folds upwards for transporting or threading.), full width 47-1/2". Includes the bench and extras: books, yarn, shuttles, warping board, reeds etc. Excellent condition, local. For more information, contact Myra at mchangt@yahoo.com or 864-0876.
- For sale: Jensen 24" Saxony style spinning wheel, flyer on the left, signed and dated 9/6/94. Asking \$950. Includes 1 original bobbin, plus new parts: 3 bobbins, lazy kate, distaff (missing distaff supports). Contact Terri at <a href="terri.greenlee@gmail.com">terri.greenlee@gmail.com</a> or 505-681-7421.

Advertise your items here. Contact Myra or Terri, and we'll place your ad in the next newsletter.

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

#### President Myra Chang Thompson 505-864-0876 mchangt@yahoo.com terri.greenlee@gmail.com Vice President & Newsletter Terri Greenlee 505-681-7421 sharmarquez14@gmail.com Shar Marquez **Secretary** 719-352-1677 Treasurer Carla Wackenheim 609-892-6271 carlawackenheim@gmail.com

Member at LargeDiana Dow505-864-7097rockingbd@earthlink.netOutreachDiana Dow505-864-7097rockingbd@earthlink.netHospitality

Web Mistress Chip Kimball chip.kimball.sd@gmail.com



Send all correspondence to:

2018 Executive Board

Valencia County Fiber to Finish Guild, P. O. Box 1613 Belen, NM 87002-1613

#### FIBER TO FINISH IS ON THE WEB – Check out the guild's home on the web at www.fibertofinish.org.

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. We're also on Ravelry (<a href="https://www.ravelry.com">www.ravelry.com</a>), join our group "Fiber To Finish of Valencia County.

## Photos from the October Meeting



















