



February 2021 Issue

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President's Message

Greetings All!

It is February; time for Valentines and our annual Workshop later this week. It is full this year and while it is virtual and quite different from our usual format, it is a significant date for us all. The Guild meeting prior to last year's workshop was the last time we met at Ft Caroline Community Center a full year ago. I wish I had good news about when we will resume regular meetings there, but I do not. We are still "distancing" and the Community Center is still closed.

February's program was scheduled to be our Annual Members' Sale: an opportunity to display our surplus yarn and equipment along with surplus items from the Guild's library and stash to buy and sell. Initially, we hoped to accomplish this virtually; but upon study realized the logistics were formidable, access to the library is severely limited and most of the materials need physical examination so it was decided that the sale be postponed until later in the year: during the annual picnic in May is one possibility.

As you know, our programs are already planned throughout the year, but we must take each month's obstacles and opportunities as they come. That being the case, I am pleased to tell you that we will have a **Guild meeting with Show and Tell and a program on "Piecing Handwoven Fabrics" by Susan Wallace and Judy Jull in March. We are planning to use Zoom again. Mark your calendar for the Second Saturday, the 13th, beginning at 10:00**; however, an earlier arrival allows a little facetime. We look forward to seeing you then. You will receive an email invitation with a link to the meeting closer to the meeting date.

Our members are still out there, Celebrating the Guild. Following the Reddi Arts show, several members entered the Jacksonville Cultural Council's "ARTsee and Shop" exhibit at St John's Town Center. Contact with our Guild members prompted the Council to ask The Guild to do a presentation on fiber crafts. Sunday, January 31st, Guild members gave live demonstrations at the center on spinning, weaving and felting. There were hands-on projects for the children to take home, too. Plans were to spill outside their spacious gallery, so that everyone would be safer. Thankfully, the weather cooperated, and it was a fun day for all. The exhibit and

sale will continue through March. Submissions are by individual artists who must join and contract directly with the Council. I would like to thank Gail Karson and Susan Wallace for making that first contact. For more information go to www.culturalcouncil.org/artsee-shop.

Weave Well! StayWell!

Ann



Musings

Have you ever looked up into the clouds and seen a “unicorn”, a man smoking a pipe, or even a little fox? If yes, then it is imagination and creativity at work! As a child my cousin and I would discover objects in the sky and even today at 82yrs I still “see” a variety of objects in the sky.

So, I challenge you to look at the photos below and tell me what you see. I will only tell you that they are a piece of driftwood, but the rest is up to your imagination and creativity.

E mail me your visions/ thoughts at jsjull@yahoo.com. The answers will be in the next newsletter.

*Let our creativity speak!
Judy Jull*



FTWG Annual Conference is Virtual in 2021

Friday March 19-Sunday afternoon March 21. The presenters will give 45-90 minute programs, likely followed by some time for questions, comments, etc.

The following people have signed on to present a program:

Darryl Lancaster
Melissa Weaver Dunning
Molly Elkind
Deb Essen
Barb Cabral
Connie Lippert
Robyn Spady

Other events include:

Vendors offering short presentations
Fashion Show
Guild Tables
Fiber Exhibit

Zoom Lounges for meeting up with FTWG friends
Pajama Party and keynote address on Friday evening; and SO much more!

No programs will overlap!

No limit to the number of participants in the programs.

See the complete schedule:

<https://ftwg.org/conferences/2021-conference-schedule/>

Cost for the weekend will be \$50 (\$40 for members). Registration will open on February 21 and be available until the conference.

FTWG membership is \$25 annually from June 1-May31.

You can join FTWG, renew your membership, or check the status of your membership at FTWG.org and click under the "Members" tag for options.



Call For Entries

Link for an upcoming Fiber Arts Exhibition at a local gallery. Deadline for submissions is Feb 8.

<https://wordrevolt.com/exhibitions.html>

Submitted by Pauline Bellecci

Weaving Tip

Submitted by Judy Jull

Label your bobbins- yarn size & fiber content, along with color.

Label your chained warps with the intended use, the length of the warp, the number of ends, EPI, and the fiber content and size of the yarn.



Around the Internet

Submitted by Susan Wallace, Ann Wingate, and Judi Leatherberry

Two tapestries custom made by Helena Hernmarck for the walls and ceiling of elevator lobbies in a real estate developer's penthouse residence. Four years and over 8,009 hours and absolutely fabulous results!

<https://tinyurl.com/y5ohwz5v>

[ARIANNA E. FUNK \(areclothesmodern.com\)](#)

An exhibit of Navajo Weaving at the St. Pete's Museum of Fine Arts through March 14. Tickets are timed with a limited number in the gallery during any time period.

<https://creativepinellas.org/magazine-items/color-riot-face-to-face-with-glorious-navajo-textiles/>

For photos of the exhibit and discussion of Navajo weaving: <https://tinyurl.com/y4oa46g4>

For information about the museum and to order tickets: <https://mfastpete.org/exh/color-riot/>

A New Blue Pigment For Sale [For the First Time in 200 Years, a New Blue Pigment Is Up for Sale | Smart News | Smithsonian Magazine](#)

Paint Colors from Soil [Meet the Soil Scientists Using Dirt to Make Stunning Paints | Science | Smithsonian Magazine](#)

ArtSEE Gallery and Shop Event January 31, 2021

Members of the Jacksonville Weavers' Guild welcomed people to see demonstrations of fiber crafts. They showed weaving, spinning and felting techniques. There were also activities for children. Handcrafted items were presented for sale: scarves, shawls, table runners, placemats, rugs, baskets, wall hangings, handspun yarn, tea towels, blankets and much more.



Show and Tell



Rudell Kopp - Scarf



Pauletta Berger - Scarf for her Grandson