



Fiber Fantasy

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Message from the Guild co-Chair

Guild co-Chairs
 Jeanne Cieszeski, Cathe McEnerney

Programs
 Lainie Addressi, Kari Morris

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February Birthdays

03 Karen Narciso
 06 Marsha McCrea
 11 Paula Montague
 17 Marjorie Ripke
 27 Dellora James
 29 Jan Stallworth



Newsletter Deadline:
Friday, February 17, 2023
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Welcome to February - the name of which is kind of funny and frequently mispronounced. The Roman month *Februarius* was named after the Latin term *februum*, which means “purification”. Romans celebrated cleansing and fertility in February. Saxons called it Sol-monath or “cake month” and offered cakes to the gods. For members of the Golden Isles Fiberarts Guild, February is the start of the annual election process.

We’d like to use this month’s column to review how this process works for the term beginning June 2023. This process is outlined in Section VII of our Bylaws. The steps are:

1. Form a committee of 3 members:
 - 1 member is appointed by Guild chair prior to the February meeting. This appointee is the Nominating Committee Chair.
 - 1 member is appointed by the Executive Board prior to the February mtg.
 - 1 member is nominated and elected by membership at the February mtg.
2. The Nominating Committee forms a slate of officers and presents that slate officers and presents that slate at the March mtg. Additional nominations could be made from floor prior to the election at the April mtg.
3. The Nominating Committee confirms assignments for supportive activities (i.e. Program, Publicity, Hospitality, Historian, Membership, Newsletter, Photographer, Facebook, Website)
4. Election is held at the April mtg.

Section IX of the Bylaws defines the Executive Board. Listed are those roles with current members.

5. Officers: (Each term is limited to 2 consecutive years)
 - Chair - Cathe McEnerney, Jeanne Cieszeski
 - Secretary - Teddie Martin
 - Treasurer - Joyce Poole
6. Activities:
 - Program - Lainie Addressi, Kari Morris
 - Publicity - Louise Eaton
 - Newsletter - Wanda Ruger
 - Membership - Wanda Ruger
 - Hospitality - Linda Mahoney
 - Historian - Jeanine Gehringer
 - Photographer - Janie Pritchard, Julia Cieszeski
 - Facebook - Julia Cieszeski
 - Website - Wanda Ruger

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Meeting Notes

Beading

Leola Holton

The beaders will meet February 20, 2:30 pm at Wanda Ruger's home. We will continue to work on double spiral weave in two colors using sizes 8 and 11 beads.

Hand Embroidery/Needlepoint

Jeanine Gehringer

The Hand Embroidery/Needlepoint Group will meet Wednesday, February 15, 10 am at the Frederica Presbyterian Church, 6540 Frederica Road. We will begin at 10 am, break for lunch, and continue into the afternoon. We will continue our work on our on-going needlepoint snowman project which we began in November. For questions about this project, contact Cathe McEnerney at 847-421-8395. For general meeting questions contact Jeanine Gehringer at 734-355-7156. All are welcome to join us to begin our needlepoint snowman or to work on your own project.

Felting

Marion Kennedy

The felters will meet on February 23, 2:30 at the home of Lois Vogelmann. We will be doing a project using Artfelt paper. This technique involves needle felting fibers to a specialized paper, felting it in a dryer and then dissolving the paper away. Contact Marion Kennedy for more details and to let her know if you wish to participate so we can be sure to have enough materials on hand. There will be a small charge to cover the cost of the materials provided.

Garment Girlz

Janie Pritchard

Garment Girlz will meet Wednesday, February 8 at 2 pm at Janie Pritchard's. Bring what you are working on. We can help fit any muslin jacket. Also bring anything else you have that you were planning to wear at the March meeting.

Knit & Crochet

Marion Kennedy

The knitters will meet Monday, February 13, 2:30 pm at the Stitchery. All levels of expertise are welcome. At this meeting we will work on how to calculate a gauge. Bring a knitted (stocking stitch) swatch 6 inches square. Block, but do not stretch your swatch. Use any size yarn and needle. Leave the "tails" on your swatch so we can practice weaving in yarn ends. Also bring any projects that you would like to share with the group. Gay Diz

Machine Embroidery

Anne Gasque

We will meet on Wednesday, February 1 at 1:30 pm at the home of Faye George, 102 Hillcrest Court, SSI We will be discussing threads and needles for use in machine embroidery and decorative

machine stitches. Please let Anne know if you plan to attend so we can plan on any handouts.

Quilting

Paula Montague

The Quilting Group has moved to a new location: Messiah Lutheran Church, 5661 New Jesup Hwy. The new project is Crazy Quilts. TEXT Paula for more information.

Rug Hooking

Jan Stallworth

The rug hookers meet at various members' homes on the first and third Thursdays at 1:30. Call Jan at (912) 634-3388 for location.

Surface Design

Wanda Ruger / Lane Wight

We will continue to work on our fabric houses.

Weaving

Jean Sucher

We began warping Jeanne's Kromski loom with the prepared warp in January and will finish "dressing the loom" at our February meeting. We will gather at Jeanne Cieszeski's home on Monday, February 27 at 2:30 pm to continue the Weaving 101 series. Work on our small bag projects also continues.

2022 - 2023 Guild Programs

Lainie Addressi, Kari Morris

February 06, 2023

"Folding Quilts"

The Quilting group will present a fun hands on 30 minute workshop. We'll create a 4"x4" coaster or ornament by folding fabric. A kit will be provided for each person. No sewing, just tacking, so please bring a needle, some thread, and a few pins. Let's get creative!

Upcoming:

March 6, 2023- Garment Girlz- fashion show.

April 3, 2023- Beading- program to be determined

May 01, 2023- Recap- slide show of all activities, programs, and workshops during 22-23.

FEBRUARY 2023 GUILD CALENDAR

Wednesday, February 01 at 1:30 pm — Machine Embroidery — home of Faye George, 102 Hillcrest Court, SSI

Thursday, February 02 and 16 at 1:30 — Rug Hooking — the rug hookers meet on the first and third Thursdays. Call Jan at (912) 634-3388 for location

Thursday, February 02, 09, 16, 23 at 10 am — Quilting — we have a new location! We now meet at the Messiah Lutheran Church of Brunswick, 5661 New Jesup Hwy. New members are always welcome. For more information text Paula at 912-399-6212

Monday, February 06, 3 p.m.— Guild Meeting— Holy Nativity Church, SSI

“Folding Quilts”

Wednesday, February 08 at 2 pm — Garment Girlz — home of Janie Pritchard

Saturday, February 11 at 10 am — Surface Design — home of Wanda Ruger

Monday, February 13, 2:30 p.m.— Knitting—The Stitchery of SSI on Frederica Rd

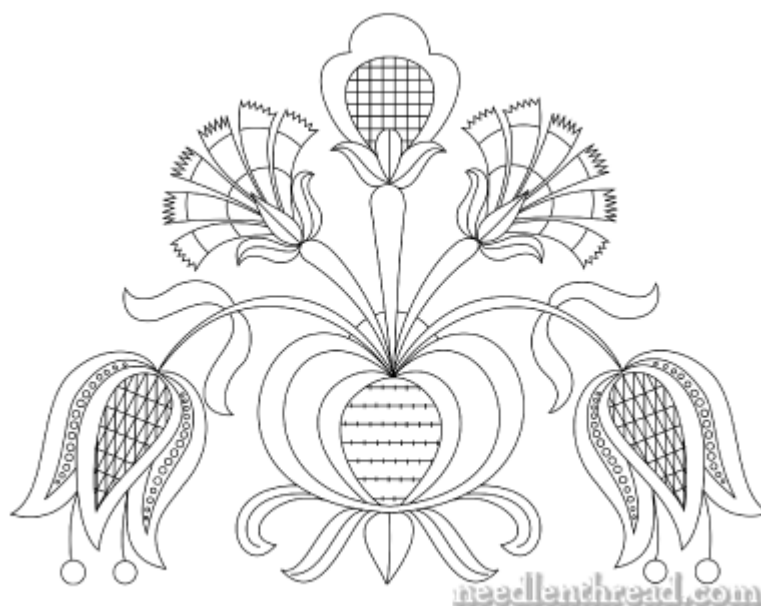
Wednesday, February 15, 10 am — Hand Embroidery — Frederica Presbyterian Church

Friday, February 17 — news for the January newsletter due!!!

Monday, February 20 at 2:30 —Beading — Wanda Ruger’s home

Thursday, February 23, 2:30 — Felting — home of Lois Vogelmann

Monday, February 27 at 2:30 pm — Weaving— Jeanne Cieszeski's home at 101 Colonial Drive in Sea Palms



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Be sure to welcome our new members:
Cynthia Horowitz - cynhorowitz@gmail.com
Anna Rogers - knittinglady62@gmail.com
Sara Rupnik - sararupnik@hotmail.com

From Lane Wight:

Lane needs used dryer sheets. Phone: 912-399-2960. final request

I am seeking advice from anyone with experience using a Brother Scan-N-Cut machine. Phone [912-399-2960](tel:912-399-2960)

Email enigmastudiossi@gmail.com

FOR SALE: Kromski Harp Forte Rigid Heddle Loom. 24-inches, assembled with stand, accessories and carrying bag. May never have been used, excellent condition. \$300.

Kitty Larkins
912-399-0532

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The Stitchery of St. Simons
 3303 Frederica Road
 St. Simons Island, GA 31522
 Monday—Saturday: 11-4
 638-3401

SoGlo Art Gallery
 1413 Newcastle Street
 Historic Downtown Brunswick
 Wed-Fri 11:00-5:30
 Saturday 11:00-4:00
 www.SoGloGallery.com
 912-262-0628

Ads, Announcements, Notices

FOR SALE

- Contact Sharon Bolin for monogramming on anything able to be monogrammed. That includes towels, sheets and pillowcases, clothing, or anything else that a monogram would enhance. My phone number is 912-577-9100.

Members are encouraged to submit ads for fiber-related items for sale. This includes no longer needed equipment,

tools, materials, etc. Also—fiber-related services and items made by members may be included.

Our member owned businesses are also welcome to place ads in the newsletter. Ads must be a reasonable length and must include asking price. **There is no charge.**

Please send the ads to the newsletter editor, (Wanda Ruger) either by e-mail (gifgssi89@yahoo.com) or regular mail (Wanda Ruger, 508 Inverness Ct., St. Simons Island, GA 31522) before the newsletter deadline.

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Oglethorpe Point Elementary School has again requested GIFG participation at history day.

It's Friday, February 10, (8:30 - 1??) at the school on North Frederica Road. School provides morning snacks and lunch.

I've done it a few times and will be doing a small weaving project with Nancy and Alice.

The basic set-up is that 3rd graders come into our room and break into groups of 2-3 kids. We have 5 or 6 stations and the kids do 1 or 2 activities depending on time.

In the past, Elaine Tatkovsky has done beads on pipe cleaners and was quite popular. However, she is no longer a member. Lainie is doing braided bookmarks. All fairly simple things that the kids can take with them.

If you have any interest, please contact Elaine Boothman. She is coordinating and will give you the details.

It is fun, really.

Jeanne Cieszeski



Our long-time member, Lisa Perrin died at her home at New London, Connecticut on March 27, 2022. She was 90.

Until recently, Lisa spent her winters on SSI. Usually with a corgi. She was very involved in our guild.

You may want to read her obituary. She had an interesting life.

go to: <https://www.byles.com/obituary/phillis-perrin>

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7. Group Leaders:

- Beading - Leola Holton
- Embroidery - Jeanine Gehringer
- Felting - Marion Kennedy
- Garments - Janie Pritchard
- Knitting/Crochet - Marion Kennedy
- Machine Embroidery - Ann Gasque
- Quilting - Paula Montague
- Rug Hooking - Jan Stallworth
- Surface Design - Wanda Ruger, Lane Wight
- Weaving - Jean Sucher

Our success depends on members willing to share their expertise and ideas. We look forward to a great election process and welcome your participation.

Jeanne Cieszeski

Minutes from Monday, January 02, 2023 GIFG Meeting

Welcomed - members, new members, and guests: Ann Rogers (Faye George), Cindi Horowitz (Lainie Addressi), Ann Poole and Bonnie Whitehead (Joyce Poole)

Approval of minutes of December 05, 2022 by Lainie Addressi and Linda Mahoney.

Jean Sucher is recovering from hip surgery. She is expected to be home soon.

Monthly Reports:

Treasurer - Joyce Poole

Opening Balance	\$3,026.60
Deposits (dues)	60.00
Expenses	399.45 (100.00 church donation, 299.45 party food)
Closing Balance	\$2,687.15

Website - issues with the site will be corrected soon.

Show Updates:

GIFG Show - Louise Eaton: The theme for the 2024 GIFG show is "Home". The site is the SoGlo Gallery on Newcastle St in Brunswick. Groups are encouraged to plan projects around the theme for display. Our goal is that 50% of the submitted items will be for sale. The gallery commission for member sales items is 35%. Plans are to have a quilt raffle, members on site during gallery hours, and a fashion show. There will be a member reception ahead of the opening which is First Friday on February 02, 2024.

JIAA Show - Lainie Addressi: This show is in Goodyear Cottage in November 2024. All items submitted must be for sale. 25% commission on sales. You must be a member of the JIAA in order to take part in the show. Dues are \$30.00 and the year runs April through March.

GVA Show - Lainie Addressi. Glynn Visual Arts is hosting an event on March 04, 2023 "Art of the Low Country". GIFG members are donating fiber arts related items for a silent auction. Please bring any item you wish to the February meeting. Lainie will collect them and create basket.

Creative Groups:

Felting - Marion Kennedy. The next project is a shell with felted wool.

Garment Construction - Janie Pritchard. Upcoming field trip to Jacksonville Joanne's and lunch

Quilting - Verlaine: Meet every Thursday Norwick Baptist Church, Brunswick

Rug Hooking - Janie Pritchard: Thursday at 1:30 at Janie's house.

Surface Design - Lane Wight: Next project is fiber houses.

Show and Share:

Marion Kennedy - "Splash" bowl and "Spiral Snail"

Faye George - Christmas quilt

Janie Pritchard - purses and hand pieced quilt

Program: Kari and Lainie

Knitting & Crochet Group - Family Heirlooms: Marion, Gabie, Lane, Karen, Kari, Lainie (for Alice), Julia, Jeanne, Roberta and Gay presented treasures including a silk dressing gown, quilts, embroidered pieces, crocheted gloves, cut glass, and knit and crocheted items and sweaters.

NEXT MEETING: MONDAY, February 6 at 3 pm

Teddie Martin