



# Fiber News & Updates

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Valley Fiber Art Guild ~ [www.valleyfiberartguild.org](http://www.valleyfiberartguild.org)

## Looking Ahead ~

### **Tues, Feb 6: 2018**

30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration  
and Luncheon

### **Tues, Mar 6: General Meeting**

"Recycled Garments" with  
Karen Lukas

### **Tues, Apr 3: General Meeting**

Election / Stash Sale / Brown  
Bag Lunch

### **Tues, May 1: General Meeting**

"Objects from Folded Paper"  
Guild Members Make and Take



General meetings are held the  
first Tuesday of the month,  
September – May

10am at:

*Good Shepherd United  
Church of Christ  
17750 S. La Cañada Drive  
Sahuarita, AZ*

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Membership \$20/year  
Guest fee \$2/meeting

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## President's Message ~

As I write this note to you tonight, it almost feels like Christmas all over again! Everyone on the 30th Anniversary Committee is busy, busy, busy — preparing for our special day when we next meet on February 6th. We are working on photo boards for you to enjoy past memories of guild activities; we are assembling food and flowers for the delicious luncheon; we have talked with and made videos of some of our early guild members — and now Dagmar is busy doing her magic on a unique presentation for our enjoyment. Our study groups have done their part, creating unique bookmarks for the occasion, and now they are busy assembling examples of their work to display. Come and enjoy this special day with us!!



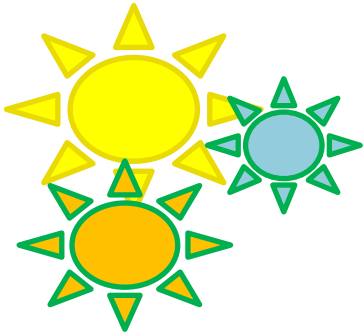
Stop by the Welcome table, which will be in the hallway, to get your name tag and program, and also take a few minutes to browse the library tables, which will be at the back of the sanctuary. And then enjoy browsing the perimeter of the room with all kinds of interesting things to see.

Even though Valentine's Day will be a week after our special celebration, I think your heart will be touched and warmed by the many memories and special guests who will be with us to celebrate this wonderful day and milestone for our guild.

*Marie*

*Photo on right:  
Our January speaker  
Winnie Johnson  
with Program Chair  
Marge Lind*





## 30th Anniversary Celebration & Luncheon!

On February 6<sup>th</sup>, our program will be a grand celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our guild. Presentations will mark our forming, growth and future plans. V.I.P. guests include several past guild members. Study groups will share what kind of work they've been doing over the years and there will be several photo boards of our guild's past activities. A special video featuring interviews with early members and highlighting their fiber art will also be shown.

We will then finish our day with a special luncheon (reservation required) prepared by our celebration committee.

*The guild library will be available at the February meeting. But due to our program's space needs, the library will be set up near the sanctuary entrance.*

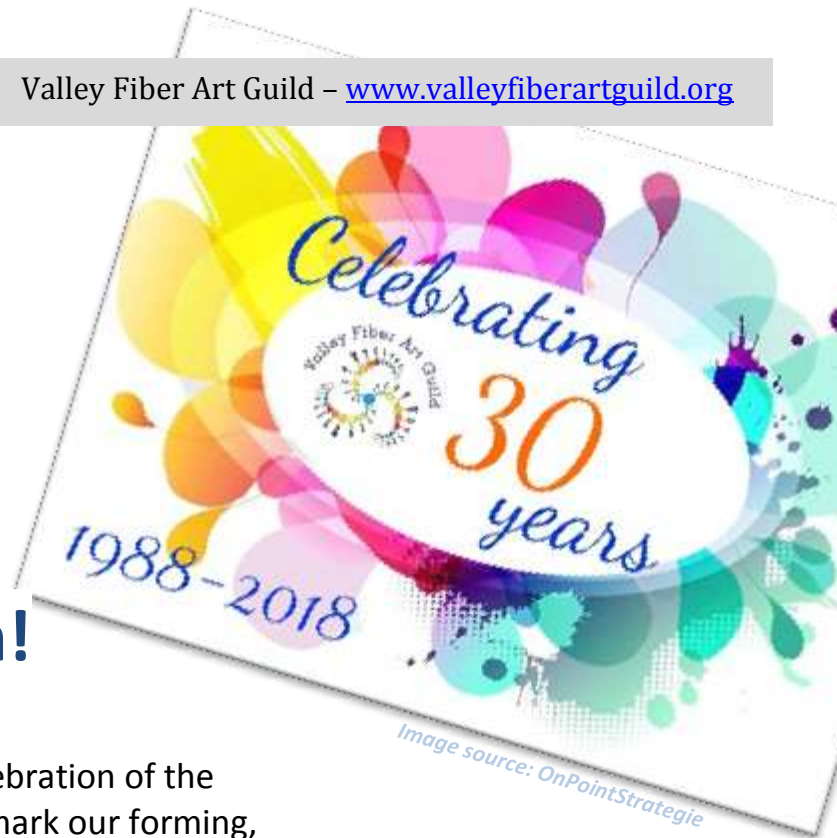


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### ~ March Program ~

#### **"Recycled Garments"** with Karen Luckas

Karen Luckas, an Eco Fashion Textile Designer from Tucson will be our speaker. Karen will share with us her journey in upcycling and transforming reclaimed materials into sustainable fashion. Using traditional handcraft techniques, Karen creates one-of-a-kind bags, fashion and accessories for the home.

### ***The Art of Giving (T.A.G.)***

Happy New Year! ~ I saw many new faces at the Guild meeting in January. Since we have several new members, perhaps a brief explanation of TAG is in order. ~ TAG is a community outreach program of the Guild. ~ We provide hand-made gifts during the holiday season to the low income elderly in the immediate area, including nursing homes and shut-ins. ~ For ideas on gifts, there is a nice suggestion list on the website; however it is not meant to exclude other items. ~ Please feel free to be creative. ~ Hand-made items can range from lap blankets to purses and include toiletries for each recipient. ~ Have fun making gifts, try something new, make gifts with friends! ~ If 2018 goes as fast as 2017, the holidays are just around the corner!

Thanks for participating! *Jane Tempel*



**THANK YOU TO THE BASKETRY STUDY GROUP FOR SENDING ALONG PHOTOS OF THEIR LATEST PROJECTS -- FROM START TO FINISH!**

**VFA Guild General Meeting  
January 9, 2018**

**OFFICERS**

**President** – Marie Gile

**Vice President** – Julianne Valentine

**Secretary** - Sue Durling

**Treasurer** – Ann Pyper

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Business meeting opened by the president at 10:05 a.m.

**Secretary's Report** - M/S/A

**Treasurer's Report** - The treasurer reported a balance of \$7470

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Membership** – Elaine Cselenko reported 10 guests today and also five new members making a total membership of 149.

**Library** – Linda Verbiscar reminded members that the library catalog is online. She also would like suggestions for new materials from all the study group areas.

**Programs & Workshops** – The spring workshops are fully subscribed. Debbi Brunner would like suggestions for the coming year. Programs are also set for the rest of the year.

**Newsletter** – Dagmar Munn is always looking for photographs. Please send any interesting photos to her.

**Website** – Kay Burrows would also like members to send photos to her.

**Arizona Federation** – Donna Lambert announced that online registration for Federation Day in Phoenix on February 24 must be completed by tomorrow, January 10. Most classes are still available. Our Guild will have an 8x10 booth where members can showcase and/or sell their work. The member must be present for sales.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Today is the last day to sign up for the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at next month's meeting on February 6. All the study groups have contributed bookmarks that will be a part of the luncheon following the Celebration program. Each study group will be displaying examples of their work. Marie Gile again requested that any member who has old historic photographs of past guild events please send them to her for display at the Celebration.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Guild is holding a “garage sale” at the Guild's storage facility at Abrego Self-Storage on January 23 at 1:00. The membership will receive an e-blast about the sale prior to this date.

Marge Lind and Debbi Brunner hope to make this coming year their last year as Program and Workshop chairmen. They requested volunteers to work with them on these committees this year with the plan to take over the chairmanships the following year.

**STUDY GROUPS**

Details about study group meetings are on the website.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 10:25 a.m.

**PROGRAM:** Helena Hernmarck Tapestry Technique presented by Winnie Johnson, Mesa, AZ.

**SHOW AND TELL**

Respectfully Submitted  
Sue Durling, Secretary

## ~Study Groups ~

Study Groups are open to all current Guild members and meet September - April. Learn a new technique, share ideas and resources or just enjoy the friendship. For more information about a particular group or the current topic of the month please contact the group leader. *Note: "OTM" refers to "of the month."*

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### **Basketry**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday OTM, 9:00 a.m. – 12 noon.  
Debbi Brunner – [misseyb@gmail.com](mailto:misseyb@gmail.com)

### **Beading:**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs. OTM, 9:00 a.m., at Friends in Deed. Karen Gabriel – [karengary115@gmail.com](mailto:karengary115@gmail.com)

### **Braided Rug:**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday OTM. Gretchen Ramsey - [grandmagretchen@cox.net](mailto:grandmagretchen@cox.net) or 393-6179

### **Clothing:**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs. OTM, 9:30 a.m., at the Desert Hills Lutheran Church. Pam Smith - [qcreekpam616@gmail.com](mailto:qcreekpam616@gmail.com) or 775-770-4630.

### **Crochet:**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday OTM, 9:30 a.m., at Sunrise Point Clubhouse.  
Kim Keast - [kimkeastart@yahoo.com](mailto:kimkeastart@yahoo.com)

### **Knitting:**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday OTM, 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon, in members' homes.  
Kathe Alves – [kathe.alves@icloud.com](mailto:kathe.alves@icloud.com)

### **Kumihimo:**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday OTM, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., at Friends in Deed. Diane Mikolyzk – [dianemik46@gmail.com](mailto:dianemik46@gmail.com)

### **Mixed Media Fiber:**

Meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday OTM, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon, at Good Shepherd Church. Debbi Brunner - [misseyb@gmail.com](mailto:misseyb@gmail.com)

### **Smocking:**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday OTM, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon, at the BMO Harris Bank, 270 W. Continental RD. (near Continental Shopping Plaza). The entrance to the meeting room is located to the right of the main entrance. Reba Ashmore – [reba99@cox.net](mailto:reba99@cox.net)

### **Spinning:**

*Note – Meeting moved to February 7<sup>th</sup>.* Usually meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday OTM, 10:00 a.m., at Ann Pyper's home. Ann Pyper - [pyperann52@gmail.com](mailto:pyperann52@gmail.com)

### **Tapestry:**

Meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month 1:00 p.m. at the home of Lila Stoffel: 569 W. Ocotillo Place. Contact - April Boyson - [gaboysen1@gmail.com](mailto:gaboysen1@gmail.com) or phone: 720-545-7748, Lila Stoffel - [lstoffel@loretel.net](mailto:lstoffel@loretel.net) or phone: 520-648-0792.

### **Weaving:**

Meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday OTM, 1:00 p.m., in members' homes. Cindy Wolf – [pclobo2@gmail.com](mailto:pclobo2@gmail.com) or phone: 608-343-6765.



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