



December 2019 Newsletter



Hi, all -

Saying goodbye to a year as well as a decade, the December Mayflower Chapter meeting was full of food, fun, and good cheer all around. However, the most special part of the event was the presence of our Chapter President, the one and only Ann Duggan. Ann's recovery from a most serious and terrifying automobile accident earlier in the Fall has left us all in awe, to say the least. Ann is walking, talking and even stitching! So happy to have Ann back!

The festivities at our last meeting of the year included traditional and holiday themed gift exchanges. We continued to marvel at the extraordinary work of our members' gifts and their willingness to "give away" such marvels. We couldn't help but ooh and aah as each gift was opened by the anxious recipient. Surely no one was disappointed in the slightest.

The menu of the day was, as always, delightful from casseroles, to salads, to desserts to savor and linger over. No one left with any room for anything else that day, I'm sure.

Our member Ania Knapp was kind enough to bring her wonderful dyed wool for us to admire and purchase for just the right project. I know a lot of members took advantage of her marvelous selection. In addition, Ania shared her knowledge of colors and tones, helping us learn how to put various hues and shades together. To be always learning from others is a real positive part of our meetings and friendships.

Wishing each and every one a happy, healthy and productive year doing whatever you love the most!

➤ We want to thank all of the Mayflower members who donated items to the HAWC women's shelter in Salem, MA. As usual, our members were generous with their donations, and everything was greatly appreciated. We'd also like to thank Eileen for organizing the drive and delivering everything to the shelter in time for the holidays

➤ **Reminder:** If you have items you like to sell or just get rid of, there will be tables set up for members to bring in rug hooking items they no longer want. One table for free items, one for "best offers," and one for sales items. For the sales table, the Mayflower chapter will receive 10% of the sale price for each item sold.

➤ **Wanted:** Alicia Mills is looking for size 6 and 4 cutters for her Bliss machine. If you have these (one or both) and no longer have any use for them, please contact Alicia

Holiday Party Pictures









Mayflower Meetings 2019 - 2020

January 18, 2020

Hook-In

Refreshments: Last names J – R

February 15, 2020

Hook-In

Refreshments: Last names S – Z

March 21, 2020

Wreaths

Lisanne Miller

Refreshments: Last names A – C

April 18, 2020

Tavern Signs

Karl & Mary Jo Gimber

Refreshments: Last names D – I

May 16, 2020

History & Repairing Rugs

Jeff Arcari

Refreshments: Last names J – R

June 20, 2020

Strawberry Festival

Refreshments: Everyone

Location: TBD

2020 Challenge Pieces

“Women’s Suffrage” is the theme for the 2020 Challenge Piece. 2020 marks the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th amendment so it’s an appropriate theme for our Challenge.

In addition, to the Suffrage theme, some type of “bling” should be incorporated into your rug.

The Challenge Rugs will be presented at our October 2020 meeting.

External Events:

Rug Hooking Demos at House of Seven Gables

There will be no rug hooking demos at the Gables for the months of January and February. In the meantime, please contact Eileen Koch for more information if you questions about the program (efmk2003@yahoo.com).

Eliot Hook-In

Saturday, January 25, 2020

10:00AM to 3:00PM

\$10.00 fee, no pre-registration necessary

- Regatta Banquet and Conference Center Eliot Commons at lighted intersection, Rte. 236, Eliot ME (one mile from the Kittery/ S. Berwick Maine exit on Route 95)
- Informal Rug Show: Please bring a rug to share with us! There will be labels for you to pin to each item with name of rug hooker, designer & teacher. Rug and other sales outside of vendor spaces are prohibited.
- Door Prizes: We ask that participants bring a door prize for distribution to attendees. It can be anything an attendee might enjoy from wool to flowers to lotions to warm socks! Minimum \$10.00 value. If you bring a door prize you will get a door prize.
- Vendors: Our vendors will bring a variety of wonderful wool and other items from which you can choose to purchase. You can get your supplies on site or purchase for future projects! Please plan to support our wonderful vendors!
- Lunch: Since this is a banquet facility you are discouraged from bringing food. Coffee, teas (decaf also), soda, juice, and other items will be available for a reasonable price. Lunch items such as soups, chowders, wraps, salad and chili will be available at the concession. Please pre-order your lunch in the morning if you are ordering from the restaurant next door to avoid long wait times.
- Facility amenities: The Banquet and Conference Center offers easy handicapped accessibility, drive up "drop off" for your hooking bags, ample parking, good lighting and restrooms just outside of our large room. If you are working on a detailed rug or need extra light please bring a light and extension cord.
- If you have questions please contact:
Corinne Carignan: 207-752-4519
(leave message and your number as needed)

- The weather would need to be extremely severe for the hook-in to be cancelled. Should that happen we will send an e-mail out to the address where you received this and also post on the Maine Tin Pedlar Facebook page.

Meeting Location:

St. Agnes Church at 186 Woburn Street, Reading, MA in the upper Parish Hall behind the church.

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Note: All chapter members must also belong to ATHA.

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GOING TO
QUIT ALL
MY BAD
HABITS FOR
THE NEW YEAR,
BUT THEN I
REMEMBERED
THAT NOBODY
LIKES A QUITTER!**

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