

Hello, Mayflower Friends!

With the holidays pretty much upon us, we're looking forward to a relaxed hook-in on November 19th at the Reading Library. Don't forget to bring your wool pieces for the Left Right Center wool swap game! (See program info below).

Our year is off to an exciting start with great programs provided by Susan Clarke and Haley Perry, six new members to welcome and a great Challenge Project presented to us by Marcy Young and Lin Fields – three wonderful patterns to choose from!

Special thanks to all the board members who have continued to lend their service or have newly volunteered in support of the Mayflower Chapter – we couldn't do it without you!

Donna Allen & Tina Carrick Co-Presidents

# Come Join us Saturday, November 19 for a fun day of hooking at the Reading Library

Our program this month will be a day of hooking, sharing stories and catching up with old friends and making new ones. We will be playing a wool swap game, so please bring three pieces of nice wool (approximately 3 x 12) to join in the fun – winner takes all!

The church is unavailable for our use on this date, so we have secured the Reading Library at 64 Middlesex Avenue for our meeting and hook-in. We will start at our usual time of 10:00. A kitchen will be available for our use, so we will serve our standard fare.

Our Hospitality Leaders invite those whose last names begin with A-M to bring something to munch on in our meeting, either sweet or savory. Thanks in advance!

#### In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Russ Daley, husband of Joan Daley. Please keep Joan and her family in your thoughts and prayers.

# **October Meeting Recap**

We had an inspiring meeting with Haley Perry and her mother, Sharon. Haley is very artistic in her approach to rug hooking. She offered many suggestions for how to free yourself to be more open to new design approaches. She was a real delight! Here is Haley and just a few samples of her many rugs!









Other events from our October meeting included:

#### **Annual Rug Mat Challenge**

Just a reminder of this year's rug mat challenge. Members wanting to participate can chose from among three animal patterns: Rabbit, Squirrel, or Frog. The goal is to have the mats finished for the March hook-in, traditionally held in Westford. Unlike last year, these mats should have their edges finished. Paper copies will be available in our November meeting, but if you want one sooner, you could download it <a href="here">here</a>. The design should finish to 8" square.

#### **New Members**

We had three new members join in September. Please welcome them to our chapter!

Jean Blanchard, Rowley

Theresa Wells, Newbury

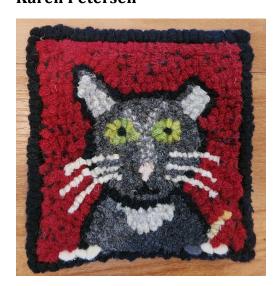
Carole Feldhusen, Acton

# October's Show and tell

# Diane Hart



**Karen Petersen** 



#### Carole Feldhusen



# Our Upcoming Programs for the Year

# December 10 Holiday Party

More details will follow about what we are planning, but as usual we will offer gift swaps for those interested. Both handmade and retail gift swaps will be offered such that those bringing a handmade gift will receive a handmade gift, likewise for purchased gifts. You can start thinking about this now! And just a reminder...to be considered handmade, the maker should be our member, not something purchased.

## 2023 Programs

Details about our programs in the winter/spring of 2023 will be announced very soon.

## 2022-2023 Board Members

We were delighted that Bonnie Floyd stepped forward to take on the role of Treasurer. Our complete board now consists of the following ladies.

Co-Presidents: Tina Carrick/Donna Allen

Vice President: Ildi Tary

Newsletter/Secretary: Ildi Tary/Andrea Gendron

Treasurer: Bonnie Floyd

Membership: Catherine Flowers

Programming: Lin Fields/Marcy Young

Hospitality Leaders: Janice Oberlander/Carol Stearn

Website: Susan Russo

Board Adjunct/Caring Connection: Jeanie Crockett

Please note that Jeanie Crockett has volunteered to reach out to a member that needs a pick-me-up if they are struggling with any of life's challenges. If you let Jeanie know that someone needs a lift, she will contact the member to offer some caring and support on behalf of our guild.



# **ATHA "Themes"**

Just a reminder that ATHA publishes their upcoming magazine themes, inviting members to submit pictures of their work that meet the theme for publication. The calendar can always be found at the back of the ATHA magazine. Here is a recent one.

# **Upcoming Events of Interest**

A short list of upcoming events is provided below. If you know of anything else coming up that should be added, please email Ildi at <a href="mailto:itary@comcast.net">itary@comcast.net</a> for publication in our next newsletter:

#### ATHA School South in Sturbridge, MA April 25-28

All ATHA members should have received an email with details of the teachers and workshops.

#### Winter Hat Hook-Along

This looks like a fascinating class. It is offered online (Zoom), with 4 classes at 2 hours each. The class starts on November 29 and will be available to access during live hours, or anytime after each class. The cost is \$127, so this may not be for everyone, but just something to consider.

Click the link for more information and to register Hat Hook-Along,

Here are a few examples of previous results.



## **ATHA Quiet Corner Hook-In**

Mark your calendars for this hook-in. Sign-ups will open to the general public on January 10. Those that attended last year should have received an advance invitation. I [Ildi] went last year and it was one of the best hook-ins I've ever been at. The guild went out of their way to make everyone feel welcomed and comfortable!



Woodstock, Connecticut

June 10, 2023 Woodstock Fairground - Rte. 169 & 171 Woodstock, CT 06281 9:00am – 3:00pm