



Mayflower Chapter Newsletter March 2014

“Rug Journeys”

The Mayflower Chapter enjoyed listening to Sandra Porter and Jenna Sleeper describe their “rug journeys”.

Sandra Porter has been hooking rugs for twelve years and has a variety of beautiful rugs. A few of her rugs are shown below:

Her first rug – an angel:





The rug below incorporates family members:



This rug incorporates Sandra's cats:



Some of the rugs shown by Jenna Sleeper:



The 3 rugs below were done using the punch needle method with wool yarn; the first rug is "sculpted" (chinese style) to add depth.



Show and Tell

Ideas adapted from Stephane Halleux artwork (author of Steampunk), by Rose Raymond:



Upcoming Board Vacancies

We still need to find replacements for Dot Woodle, Hospitality and Sandra Porter, Programs, who have generously contributed their time over the past several years and would like to step down after this year. Please consider volunteering for one of these roles. If you are interested, please contact Dot Woodle, Sandra Porter, or Jenna Sleeper.

The 2014 Mayflower Challenge!

Don't forget this year's challenge is **NAME TAG**.

We plan to have everyone show these off in May.

Guatemala Women Hookers

Please contact Jane Sittnick if you would like to donate to this worthy cause. She can be reached at janessittnick@aol.com.



Nancy Sankus' pansy brick:



Mayflower Calendar

- **April 12th**
 - Bodacious Blue Hospitality Team (Leader: Maggie Cowell)
 - Guest Speaker: Susie Stephenson, Primitives
- **May 17th:**
 - Ravishing Red Hospitality Team (Leader; Jane Sittnick)
 - Lois Dugal, Embellishments
- **June: Strawberry Festival** – we still need a member to host this meeting!

April Meeting – Susie Stephenson

Susie Stephenson is a primitive folk artist from Maine who will be speaking at the April meeting. She prefers to hook alone to avoid the influence of other people's ideas or rules. She dyes using natural ingredients and hand cuts wide strips of recycled hand dyed wools. Susie often incorporates themes related to ships, farming, fishing and mermaids and water.

Upcoming External Events

- [Region 1 Hook In – Sat, March 22, 2014](#)
(Westford, MA)
- [Pleasant Mountain Fiber Arts Classes](#)
June 20-22, Brownfield, Maine. Classes in felting, proddy, traditional rug hooking, wool appliqué, punch needle, knitting, spinning, weaving and more. Check this out at www.pleasantmtfiber.com.
- **If you know of any interesting upcoming events, please send it to Jenna Sleeper to include in this newsletter.**

Your Help is Needed

The color teams were set up to address the work required to set up, tear down, hostess duties and cleanup each month. Lately there have been complaints about less participation from folks. We recognize that members' plans may change, but everyone's continued support is needed! Please support your team, and if you're not planning to be at a meeting your team is hosting, please help another team out at one of their meetings.

Well Wishes

Please extend your thoughts and prayers to Happy DiFranza, whose husband is in the hospital.

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