



# Latimer's Loose Threads

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## Member's Challenge: Fruit Salad

Shown is Carol Weber's interpretation of our current Member's Challenge. Don't forget that the entries need to be submitted by the end of the year.

We will be closed for the Holiday's and as they fall in the middle of the week, make sure to connect with Elliana or Emily to get your entry submitted in time. They are there and always ready to help!

We have some great entries already, so join in!

**OPEN HOUSE**  
**"Fruit Salad"**  
**JANUARY 5, 2025**  
**12:00 TO 4:00 PM**

## A Message from our President

The end of the year is fast approaching. I swear every year it rolls around earlier! I have gathered some quips and quotes I hope you will enjoy:

- Life is a climb, but the view is great!
- Life is like a quilt, put together bit by bit, using ordinary materials, yet the whole is definitely greater than the sums of its parts.
- Your life is like a quilt and everybody weavers their share. Some weave huge tapestries and some weave tiny squares. Some squares bring you laughter and some will bring you tears.
- What does a quilt symbolize? Quilts represent strength, resilience and the creative spirit that allowed women to cope with death, poverty, and other hardships.
- Analogy of a quilt in the United States: "Each one is like a patch on a quilt, despite being different, each patch is connected to the others and works together for a common goal."

The Latimer Crew wishes all of you a Happy Holiday and a peaceful New Year! Be sure to check out the classes for the upcoming year. Sounds like some great ones!

Enjoy family and friends this season. Bye for now,  
Carol



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**"Life is like a  
quilt; everybody  
weaves their  
share. Some  
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tapestries..."**

**Poem by Becky Hemsley  
2020, from the Book  
Talking to the Wild**

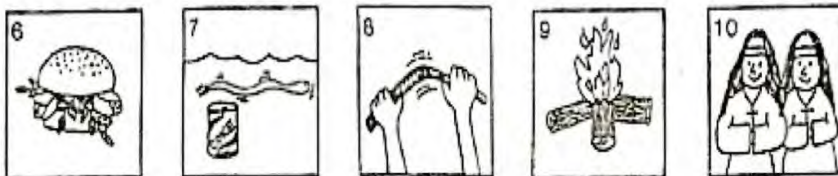
**Updates and Changes at Latimer:**

We are still looking for a written history and we do have a volunteer to do oral history with some of our elders. If you are willing to help out and meet with this volunteer to share your knowledge and the history of Latimer, reach out to Elliana, Emily, or any Board Member.

This year we had a very successful Black Friday Sale! Some items were up to 50% off and if you would like to be included in next year's event, let Elliana or Emily know so you have the details on how to participate.

The Newsletter will start a new feature in our next issue called "Letters to the Editor." Of course, this will require that I get some letters, so please send them to me at [mjr25@psu.edu](mailto:mjr25@psu.edu)

**This month's Name that Town Cartoons:**



**Last month's Name that Town Cartoons answers:**

1. Drain
2. Mount Angel
3. Applegate
4. Maupin
5. Tigard

**MEMBERS, DONORS, AND VISITORS:**

**October & November 2024**

**NEW MEMBERS:**

- Sally Ferejohn
- Kori Brooks
- Linda Norris
- Kathleen Niskanen
- Noriko Nixon

**VISITORS:**

Tillamook County	278
Oregon	89
USA	118
International	7
<b>Total:</b>	<b>492</b>

**DONORS:**

- Gary Blackmer
- Pat Collins
- Caryl Fallert-Genry
- Dick & Kathy Park

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**LIBRARY NEWS  
SEE OUR NEW BOOKS**

- "Lucious Landscapes" by Joyce R. Becker
- "Thanking our Troops" by Judy Howard
- "Large-Block Quilts" by Victoria L. Eapey
- "Quilt Style" by Lucy A. Frazely
- "Knit One Bead Too" by Judith Durant
- "60 More Quick Baby Knits" by Cascade Yarns
- "Easy Knitting" by Christina Holmes and Mary Colucci
- "The Field Guide to Fleece" by Deborah Robson and Carol Ekarius
- "100 Pin Loom Squares" by Florencia Camps Correa
- "Tatting Techniques" by Elgiva Nicholls
- "Embroiderers and Quilter's Source Book" by Angela Thompson
- "Special Effects in Bobbin Lace" by Sandi Woods
- "Beading with Brick Stitch" by Diane Fitzgearld
- "The Art of Beadwork" by Valerie Hector
- "Flat Peyote Stitch" by Michael White Owl

Latimer books can be searched: go to the Latimer library web page (<https://www.libib.com/u/latimerquilt/v/887228>). In addition to books, Latimer has equipment that can be checked out to members.

**Meet the Board**



**Kathy Park,  
Board Member**

Kathy and moved to Manzanita with her husband Dick about 25 years ago, after retiring (involuntarily) from OHSU. Kathy was a long-time knitter but was suffering from tendinitis and decided she needed a new creative outlet. Dick told her to find something she could do for the rest of her life. She took a weaving course at the Multnomah Arts Center and that was it. She found a loom through the center, and also heard about the Latimer, so when they settled in in Manzanita she came to the Latimer and started working with Shirley Metzgar. Eventually she got a new loom and donated the original one to the Latimer, where it is in use in the weaving room. Kathy joined the board about ten years ago and currently serves as secretary.

Kathy's extended family includes two children, several grandchildren, and now a great grandson. Many of them live in Redmond Oregon, although a few live out of state. None of them seem to have an interest in fiber arts. Kathy and Dick enjoy traveling and keep pretty busy with their church. Kathy recently joined a knitting and crocheting group at her church, and she is learning a new skill: crocheting. She enjoys doing this in the evenings while watching television and has made a baby blanket and has a second one in hand.

Like many of us, Kathy hopes the Latimer can attract younger people to get involved with fiber arts. She noted that the new list of classes can help with this, and she thought reviving the Saturday working group, where people can come and work on anything they want, might be a good way to get people busy with work and families to come in. You can usually find Kathy in the weaving room on Fridays.

**RECENT EXHIBIT**

**~ What My Ancestors Taught Me ~ by Stephanie Craig**

Collection of Stephanie's own work and that of her ancestors from Grand Ronde. Baskets made by English Randing methods for trade with the settlers, late 1890's to early 1900's

For more information see this YouTube with Stephanie provided by the Museum of Natural and Cultural History

[Stephanie Craig - Oregon FolkLife](#)

		
<p>Juncus Shallow Basket</p>	<p>Small Hazel Laundry Basket</p>	<p>Hazel Laundry Basket</p>

		
<p>Hazel Picnic Basket</p>	<p>Cattail Juncus Child's Basket &amp; Juncus Gathering Basket</p>	<p>Cattail and Beargrass overlay Basket</p>
		<p>This was Stephanie's wedding dress worn in 2016 Dentalium Wedding Veil &amp; Apron Skirt</p> <p>Maple Bark skirt, made in 2023</p> <p>[you can see this exhibit thru the 31<sup>st</sup> of December in our auditorium/exhibit hall].</p>

**Reports from Guilds**

**Fiber Artisans**

Things have been quieter than usual for FiberArtisans the past two months, with many of our summer members gone until next year. Our members from "over the hill" have been coming when weather permits.

Liz has been busy hemming rugs, and Tamara has been hemming towels. John and Niti continue their spinning, Sofie is working on learning the new AVL loom, Stephany has been working on her weaving, and Marilyn finally finished the baby Afghan for Rose, who is two years old now. [Baby Afghan was designed, dyed, and knitted by Marilyn Roossinck]



**Cordelia's Knitters**

Cordelia's knitters have been busy knitting and doing other fiber crafts these last few weeks. We donated hats to two charities supporting homeless people—one in the Portland area and one in Tillamook. We work on hats year-round in memory of our member Marcella, who passed away a few years ago.

In addition, many in the group are finishing projects for the "fruit salad" challenge, which will be displayed in January and February. Many people are making hats to keep themselves and their loved ones warm this winter, and many are trying out new techniques.

We've had a few new people stop by our group, and we want to remind you all that anyone is welcome to come knit with us on Thursdays from 1:00 to 3:00. We've stopped meeting at night for a while until the weather is a little better. That's all from the Cordelia's knitters for now.

Reports from Guilds (continued):



**Tillamook County Quilters Guild**

The Tillamook County Quilters Guild had a lovely retreat in October (see picture). Members sew during the daytime hours at Rockaway Community Church for three days. The 50th anniversary of the guild was celebrated with a cake and nice potluck lunch. During the retreat individuals worked on Oregon Youth Authority donation quilts, and later their own quilts. Diane Laurin once again taught her paper piecing class. People appreciated the effort she put in to have the needed items ready to use for the class. Her calm teaching skills are a true plus for this process!

In November, six Oregon Youth Authority quilts were taken to OYA and given with a pillowcase for each recipient. The quilts are awarded when the young men leave the facility having "graduated". The quilts are usually single bed size, and in masculine colors.

There were new attendees in the months of October and November, and some members returning who had been absent for a while. It was nice to see new faces. The Guild does a raffle of quilt squares created by the members. The members buy tickets for \$2 and at the December meeting, the squares will be won. Getting close!! In February 2025, the guild will have its annual "fabric sale". It will be the morning of the third Thursday of the month during our meeting time. If you would like to come and join us and contribute a couple of dollars to buy fabric we no longer need, you are welcome. As the year closes, and a new year begins, all the members of the Tillamook County Quilt Guild wish you and yours a safe, happy, and healthy year in 2025!

**Oregon Breeze Rug Krafters**

The Ocean Breeze Rug Krafters have had a nice active fall season going to a couple of hook-ins in Washington State. These gatherings are very enjoyable and inspiring. Seeing all the projects being hooked by others. Many of our members are working on seasonal pieces: fall leaves, pumpkins, Santa's and even a turkey. We meet every Friday if you would like to visit.

Due to high interest in the art of rug hooking, we will be starting Ocean Breeze Rug Krafters South at Waldport Community Center, 265 Hemlock Street in Waldport, Oregon. The group will meet from 1-4 pm the 4th Thursday of each month beginning in January 2025.

We lost a beloved member of our group recently. Sheila DeLoe finished her special rug she designed herself. Her husband plans to frame this large rug for hanging on the wall.



Sheila's rug



Reports from Guilds (continued):

**Latimer's Weavers**

Season's Greetings from Latimer Weavers! We are setting up the Oregon Trail loom as a community loom for the next few months. This means that visitors can learn the basics of operating a loom, give weaving a try, and get to know this sturdy vintage jack loom. There are also many beautiful projects in progress in the weaving room that display a wide range of handwoven fabrics, from fine scarves woven with luxurious fibers to durable, everyday household items made from hand-dyed and recycled yarns . There's a deflected double weave, merino, and silk scarf on the 8-harness Macomber loom. There are table mats on our Glimakra jack loom woven with recycled cotton T-shirts dyed in vivid colors. One of our Gilmore looms is being dressed in a blue and white cotton warp for kitchen towels and the other has a fine bamboo scarf in progress. We have two very different examples of Norwegian Krökbragd in progress as well: a heavy wool rug and fine cotton fabric for making pincushions. We are continuing to set up and learn about our new AVL loom. You'll be able to see it in action in 2025!



Marilyn Anderson making fabric for pincushions



The Krökbragd wool rug

**CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS & EXHIBITS IN 2025:**

**January/February: Latimer Artisans "Fruit Salad"**

[Open House January 5<sup>th</sup> 12 to 4 pm]

**March/April: Helene Knott Sashiko**

[Open House March 2<sup>nd</sup> 12 to 4 pm]

**May/June: High Fiber Diet**

[Open House May 18<sup>th</sup> 12 to 4 pm]

**July/August: Rogue Valley Piecemakers**

[Open House: TBD]

Open House Sunday January 5th-12PM-4PM			
Tuesday 's	Wednesday 's	Thursday 's	Friday'sFriday's
Oregon Coast Fiber Artisans Guild Tuesdays 10-4	Board Meeting Wednesday January	Cordelia's Knitters Thursdays 1-3	Ocean Breeze Rugcrafters Fridays 10-2
	Tillamook Country Quilters Jan 15 and Feb 19 10:30-2:30		Latimer Weavers Fridays 10-4

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# Upcoming Classes



Needle Felting: 1/18/25 - 10 AM to 12 PM

Handbag Making Lecture: 1/18/25 - 1 to 3 PM

Kumihimo: 2/19/25 - 10 AM to 12 PM

Wet Felting: 2/19/25 - 12 to 3 PM

Basic Sachiko: 3/1/25 - 10 AM to 4 PM

Branch Weaving 3/12/25 - 10 AM to 12 PM

Needle Felting 3/12/25 - 12 to 3 PM

Beginning Quilting April 12th, 19th & 25th 10 AM to 3 PM

Tunisian Crochet 5/14/25 - 10 AM to 12 PM

Flower Pounding 8/16/2025 - 10 AM to 12 PM

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Session 2 - 1 to 3 PM

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