

Stockton Center on Successful Aging Presents Workshops on Local History Craft

Workshops will be Held October-December at the Noyes Museum of Art

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Galloway Township, **NJ** – The Stockton Center on Successful Aging (SCOSA) is sponsoring a year-long series of craft workshops for older adults at the Noyes Museum of Art, located at 733 Lily Lake Road in the Oceanville section of Galloway, N.J.

The workshops will be presented by Niki Giberson, SCOSA volunteer art instructor, and owner and operator of Swan Bay Folk Art Center & Farm in Port Republic.

The fall schedule is as follows:

Wool Needle Felting: Pumpkins

Saturday, Oct. 24, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

\$20 materials fee collected by the Noves Museum at registration.

Using wool from her sheep farm, Giberson will instruct participants to create two pumpkins for fall decorating.

Wool Needle Felting: Silk Scarf

Saturday, Nov. 14, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

\$45 materials fee collected by the Noves Museum at registration.

Students will learn the art of needle felting wool on a silk scarf to make a designer accessory. Giberson will provide dyed wool from her sheep, and other fibers, to make one-of-a-kind scarves.

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Wool Needle Felting: Christmas Ornaments

Saturday, Dec. 5, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

\$20 materials fee collected by the Noyes Museum at registration.

Using wool from Giberson's sheep farm, each participant will create an angel and a personalized ball to hang on their Christmas tree and enjoy for years to come.

Giberson has been teaching basket-making and felting for many years. The wool used in her felting projects is sheared from the sheep that live on the Swan Bay Folk Art Center & Farm, a place where people can go to learn skills from days gone by in order to create pieces of their own history.

For 25 years, Giberson and her husband, Gary, have run the art center out of their home, on land that has been in Gary's family since 1637.

Advanced registration is required by calling the Noyes Museum at 609-652-8848. Visit the SCOSA website at www.stockton.edu/scosa for more information, updates and cancellation procedures.

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