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"Sharing A Love of Fiber Arts!"

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Up-Coming Events & Classes

Unless otherwise specified, events are held at The Studio, 482 Constitution Way Suite B-11, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83403

Studio Night — *Members and visitors are welcome every Tuesday evening from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at 482 Constitution Way, Suite B-11-same building just down the hall. Bring your wheel or a project and join for an evening of fun & chat. Ring the bell below the left front window if the front door is locked.*

Join us for Studio Day/Lunch

Please join us for lunch, **Thursday, March 13th** at 11:30 a.m.

At Republic American Grill & Tapas Bar, 355 River Parkway

In Idaho Falls for delicious food and great company. All are invited.

RSVP to Charlotte Godding (390-3776) or alexandria52@gmail.com by Monday, March 10th if you will be attending.. (We will head back to the studio after lunch).

Beginning Weaving Class (beginning March 9) taught by Mary Ellen Anderson at the Guild Studio — details are on page 4.

Join us **Tuesday, March 11** for the Big Meeting focusing this month on Heirloom Items. Do you have a handmade item your grandmother made? Or maybe your grandfather? Please bring your priceless heirlooms to share with the group and we'll see if the apple fell very far from the tree!

The Dizzy Spinners study group will meet **Thursday, March 20** at 1:30 at the Studio. We are still looking at non-wool fibers. Last month we tried spinning cotton — quite a challenge! For March, please bring a non-wool fiber that you have tried spinning or are currently spinning and having difficulty with and the group will pool its resources to help you out!

Basket Class scheduled for Saturday March 22 from 9 to 5

Join Kathie Phoenix at the Guild Studio to put together a **Wool Drying Basket**. This is a unique type of basket that features small "legs" to hold it off the floor for air circulation or "drying your washed wool!" The approximate size of the basket will be 11" x 11" x 12", using flat reed in construction and will be a great addition to your collection. Class size will be limited to 10 so get your reservation in early! Cost of materials and class will be \$45 for Guild members.

Contact Kathie at kathiephoenix@cablone.net or 522-3872

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU one and all who loaned their lovely handmade items to display at the Post Register Gallery, who assisted with the put up and take down of the display, participated in the demonstration or who visited the Gallery. It was a wonderful collection of items showing the wide variety of skills and passions our members have.

The March Board Meeting will be Thursday, March 6 at 11:00 at the Studio.



In at the Guild library —check it out

Charlotte Goddin, Guild Librarian

The Twisted Sisters Sock Workbook by Lynne Vogel is a fun, well-illustrated work that will take you from choosing roving, dyeing, spinning, plying, and then turning your yarn into beautiful socks.

The twisted sisters is a group of knitters in Eugene, Oregon whose love of fiber has led them far beyond knitting. Ms. Vogel walks the reader through both the technical process of creating the yarns as well as the artistic process of choosing the colors and determining how to combine them. The twisted sisters have taken these fibers and turned them into fabulous socks, truly a feast for your eyes.

The book is full of great information (including a technique for testing your ideas by starting with simple tube socks, and then transforming those socks into a one-of-a-kind project for someone you love.

Happenings in the Guild Library

There have been a few changes in the library:

The books are set up by category (e.g., Knitting, Spinning, Weaving) and are organized alphabetically by title within those sections. There is a list of the library books in a folder on the top right mailbox on the table where you check-out materials. Each book and DVD has a card in it for checkout, and the simple (and probably obvious) procedure is posted over the table.

The magazines will soon be organized by date with the years posted on the outside of the box.

We hope that this will make things easier to locate and that you will find it easier to make use of this great resource.

If you have suggestions or frustrations with the library, please let me know (Charlotte, 390-3776 or alexandria52@gmail.com).

The Warped Weavers met this Thursday (February 27) at 1:30 at the Studio. Anybody with an interest in weaving is welcome to come join us.

At least four members took up the project challenge from last month and wove some "mug rugs". They will be showing the results of the project, trading mug-rugs with each other and sharing the joys and problems of this project.



Another member finally finished her project of a twill sampler and will be sharing the results of that project with the group.

Kathie Phoenix will be sharing some instructions on hemstitching that she has been using on a project.

We plan to continue the discussion on all the wonderful things we want to learn (and who will teach them to us!) so that we all can become skilled and productive master weavers! I hope to see you all there! We always have fun.

Carol Lyle, Weaving Coordinator

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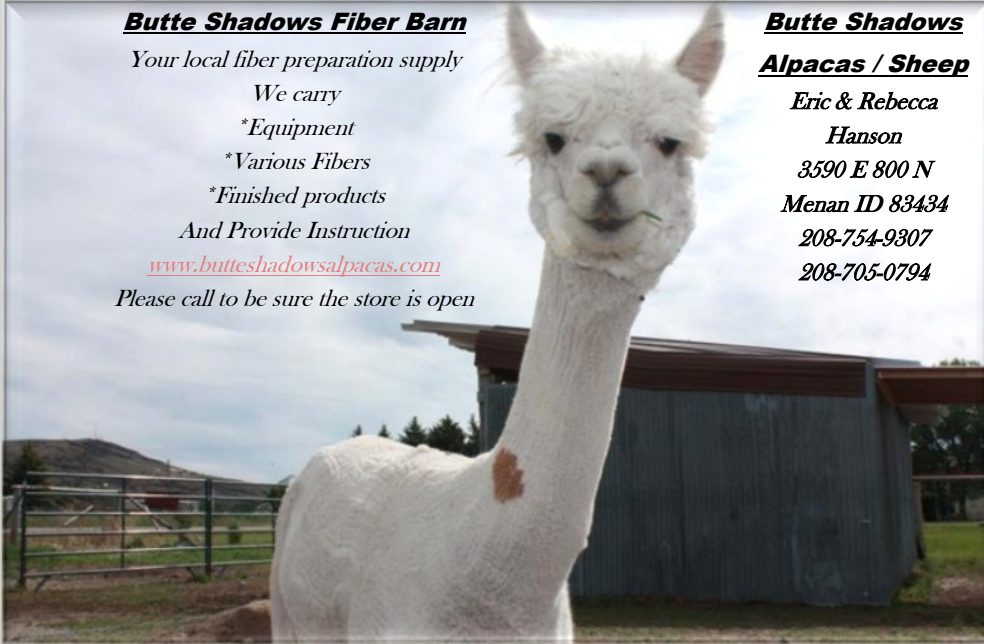
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For sale: Harrisville maple 22" 8 harness folding floor loom. Has wheels so that it can travel to workshops. Includes bench with a sheepskin cover. I have also added a cloth beam pocket to hold your various tools. 200 extra inserted eye heddles are included. \$1100. Call Mary Ellen at 208-523-7260.

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"sriche@aol.com" or Call 208.528-9467 & leave a msg.

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The newsletter can be downloaded and is posted each month at: <http://srfiberartists.org/>

WANTED

Any outgoing or shy person/persons interested in any or all of the following:

- Knitting
- Spinning
- Weaving
- Crocheting
- Rug Hooking
- Combing
- Carding
- Raising of fiber animals and/or plants
- Dyeing

No prior experience required. Unlimited openings. All skill levels welcomed with open arms. No application need be completed, however there is a registration form to complete and a small fee (\$25.00 for an individual or \$32.50 for a family) is charged. A registration form is included on page 6 of this newsletter for your convenience.

Guild has renewed it's membership to the Northwest Weaver's Guild. Go to their site at

www.northwestweavers.org to be informed of your membership benefits. You may check out videos, tapes and books and many other benefits.

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Guild News :



If you are a member of Ravelry.com, check out the following groups!

The Association of Northwest Weavers' Guilds (ANWG)—which you a member of, if you are a Guild member—has a group for you to participate in. There is a forum that discusses fiber, weaving, knitting etc. The **group** name is: "Association of Northwest Weavers".

Check out our own group! Snake River Fiber Fair 2014. Stay up to date on all things pertaining to the Fiber Fair.

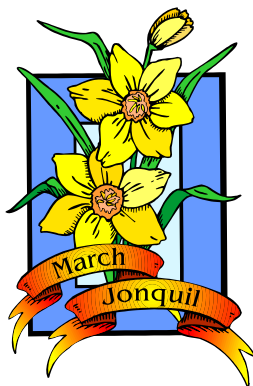
Studio Hosts:

March 4 – Kate

March 11 – Kate

March 18 – Kathie

March 25 – Laurel



Beginning Weaving Class taught by Mary Ellen Anderson at the Guild Studio

Week 1	Saturday, March 8, 2014, 9 to 11 a.m.	Vocabulary and intro to the loom
Week 2	Saturday, March 15, 2014, 9 to 11 a.m.	Weave structures, sett, yarns and drafts
(March 22, 2014 ~ Weaving class skips this week because of basket class at the Studio)		
Week 3	Saturday, March 29, 2014, 9 to 11 a.m.	Planning a project, winding a warp
Week 4	Saturday, April 5, 2014, 9 to 11 a.m.	Warping your first project
Week 5	Saturday, April 12, 2014, no meeting	Work on project
Week 6	Saturday, April 19, 2014, 2 to 4 p.m.	Discussion and start 2 nd project; set the time for the Week 8 party
Week 7	Saturday, April 26, 2014, no meeting	Work on project
Week 8	Saturday, May 3, 2014 (time???)	Party and discussion how it went

The cost of the class is \$38.00 for members (this is just the materials' fee) and \$50 for non-members. The cost of the class includes a book written by Mary Ellen for the beginning weaver and the fiber to make the two projects. During this class, you will have the opportunity to weave two scarves. The first will be of rayon slub, the second of tencel. By weaving these scarves, techniques will be learned. Class size is limited so sign up soon by contacting Mary Ellen Anderson, 523-7260 or andersondan@q.com.

Getting Prepared for Our 20th Anniversary Fiber Arts Fair

This year we are planning great things for our Fiber Arts Fair to be held May 16th through the 18th. Last year our Friday class was a great success, so we've added another! One will be with Joanne Hall teaching Double Heddle Rigid Heddle Loom Weaving, and Connie Denton will teach her Farmers' Market Bicycle Basket class. These are each all day classes and will give our members and others who may be vendors or "otherwise busy" more opportunity to take a class.

Good news for Guild Members! Our Guild members will be able to sign up for classes at a discount not available to non-members. Each class will be \$10 less for you. We hope you will take advantage of this and sign up for more classes. We have scheduled a great variety of classes with great teachers and this is your opportunity to learn something new or refresh your skills.

The catalog is almost finished and ready for publication. The whole thing will also be on our website www.srfiberartists.org so be sure to check it out.

We're also going to have a Silent Auction and Raffle at the Fair. We have asked our vendors and members to donate an item that can be entered into the auction/raffle as a fund raiser for our Guild. Contact Kathie if you have something you would like to donate

There will be a Gallery Show to showcase finished fiber items from members of our Guild as well as from our teachers and guests. The Old Time Fiddlers will be back this year to entertain us at the Saturday night dinner.

A lot going on for this special Anniversary event. Call or email Kathie Phoenix kathiephoenix@cableone.net 208-522-3872 or Kate Wolski at iwantsheep@ida.net 208-521-5343 if you have questions or would like to help.

March 2014

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COME ENJOY THE BENEFITS OF GUILD MEMBERSHIP

Dues are \$25 for individuals and \$32.50 for families. Dues may be mailed to: The Weaving, Spinning, & Fiber Arts Guild of Idaho Falls, P.O. Box 1522, Idaho Falls, ID 83403.

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