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# Roving's, Ravelings and Thrums

## The Weaving, Spinning & Fiber Art Guild of Idaho Falls

"Sharing A Love of Fiber Arts!"

**April 2015**

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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, April 9** at 11:30 a.m. at Jalisco's by the river RSVP to Suzanne @ [sriche@aol.com](mailto:sriche@aol.com) or 528-9467 By Wed. April 8. All are welcome to attend.

### Wool Roving Supply for the Studio

The Board approved the purchase of some more roving to be used when someone wants to try their hand at spinning while at the studio.

### Fiber Arts Fest Volunteers

A volunteer is needed to take care of the Shop Hop drawing at the Fiber Fest. There will be a drawing of completed shop hop cards once around 2 pm on Saturday and again on Sunday. (These times could be shifted to accommodate classes you may be in.) The winner's name will be posted and then the volunteer will be responsible for getting the prize to the winner. So just one drawing per day and 2 winners. Let Kathie know if that's something you would be able to take care of.

Thanks for your help. Contact Kathie at [kathiephoenix@cablone.net](mailto:kathiephoenix@cablone.net) or 339-3873.

### Knit Nites

Don't forget that you can come to the studio on the 4th Wednesday evening of the month to join other knitters for a nice evening of "just knitting" and chatting, of course. Board members have been taking turns hosting.

### Demos at the Post Register during our Gallery show

The demos take place in the large room where the printing presses used to be. Come participate or just come visit. This is relaxing and a fun way to show the public what we do. We've had many positive comments about the Gallery show.

April 7th from 10 – 1 : Kathie and other volunteers will meet to demonstrate "Other Fiber Arts". This would be Cross Stitching, Rug Hooking, Rug Punch, and Needle tatting.

April 14 from 12 – 2: Sylvia Wiklund and other volunteers will meet to demonstrate Spinning.

**The April Board Meeting will be on Thursday April 9th at 9:30 am  
at the Studio, right before our Guild Day Luncheon.  
All members are welcome to attend.**

## In at the Guild library —check it out

### Charlotte Goddin, Guild Librarian

Finally, almost hot of the presses (okay, some of you have probably had it since 2012), the Guild has acquired *The Spinner's Book of Yarn Designs (Techniques for Creating 80 Yarns)* by Sarah Anderson (thanks for the suggestion CJ). It is a beautiful book, with stunning color photo after, color photo.

I am not a spinner, but I will try to give you a sense of this book. Ms. Anderson makes it clear that this is not a book about how to spin. "It is for spinners who want to learn *more* about spinning and try something different." She clarifies that she is sharing her experiences and opinions. The book covers spinning basics, singles for plying, stand-alone singles, spiral yarns, opposing plies, boucles, cable yarns, crepe yarns, core yarns, and novelty yarns.

In the back are 64 unique reference cards designed to be kept by your wheel for reference (in this case, of course, only for a few weeks).

Upon learning that the Guild was going to purchase this book, several people commented on what a good book it is; so if you are, or are contemplating becoming, a spinner, I hope you will check it out. You can find it in the Spinning section of the Guild library, in what is occasionally alphabetical order by title.



### Warped Weavers

The Warped Weavers are all happily weaving away. Members report that they are enjoying the challenges of a new weave and using two shuttles. So I got to thinking about my weaving. What do I enjoy in weaving. Many people find that one weave is so interesting that they spend years just investigating everything about that one weave. Others, and I am one of these types of people, like to try a new weave and then another and another. I have done nearly two dozen different weaves over the past 16 years. Some I really love and revisit frequently. Overshot is one of those. I am fascinated with watching the pattern appear. Other weaves I am glad I haven't invested too much time on. I am not a fan of waffle weave. But the jury is still out on some weaves. Crackle is one of those. The first crackle project was a set of towels. They were fun and turned out well. I did them in cottolin and the hand of the fabric is really great. They make wonderful kitchen towels. The crackle scarf that I am working on right now is not as much fun. I haven't figured out what about it I don't like. The treadling is really easy. I love working with tencel, but for some reason I just am not thrilled with what I am creating. So this project is one of those ones that will teach me about me. It will be a time of learning what brings me joy in the creative process.

So let me encourage you, whether you are a weaver or not. Whatever your artform/hobby is, try new things....push the bounds. Learn more about what you are doing and at the same time learn something new about yourself. And if you don't like something in the whole process, change it and make it something wonderful.

Happy weaving!

Mary Ellen



### Dizzy Spinners

#### Spinning Study in April:

3 ways to spinning Polypay.

This a soft bouncy wool. We will be playing with this fun fiber. And looking at energetic yarns. How and what??

Thursday, April 16, 2015 @ 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Note: on Studio nights, there is now dedicated Beginning Spinning fiber. It is in the storage space, marked beginning spinning fiber. Please give one small bump to the beginning spinner to get them started. Make a note for the tub, so I can keep track of the beginning fiber. Thanks so much

Be thinking about summer spinning in the Park!! Do you want to??

Sylvia Wiklund

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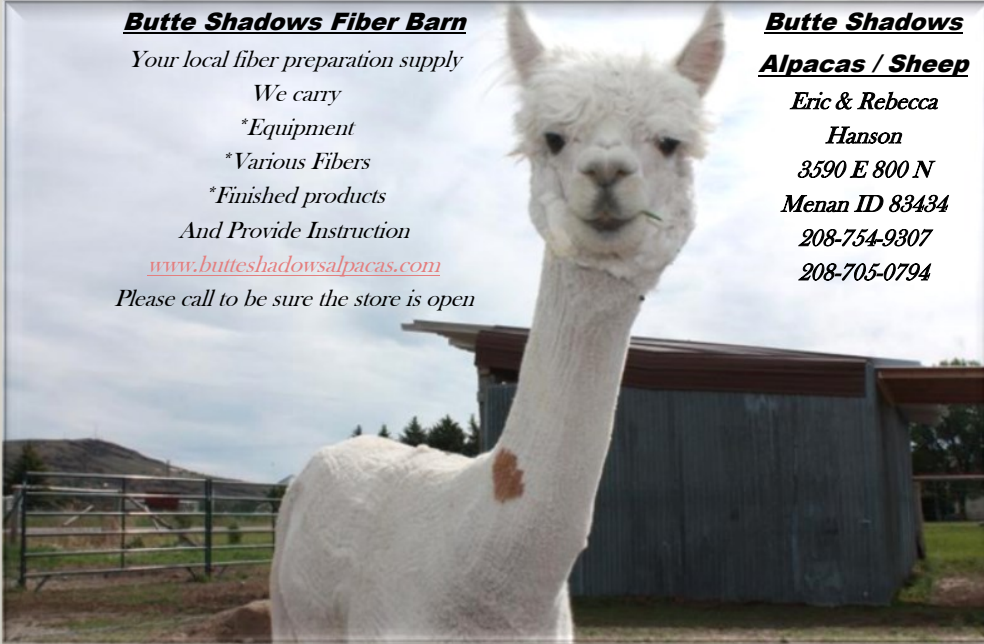
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**FOR SALE:**

**Swiss Made Knitting Machine on a stand. Includes a box of instructions and samples done on the machine. \$500 or best offer. Contact Connie Rafferty 521-4942.**

# 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](http://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:**

**April 7 – Kathle (will bring felted nametag supplies)**

**April 14 – Sylvia**

**April 21 – Kate**

**April 28 – Laurel**

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

**THE NEWSLETTER**

**DEADLINE IS ON**

**THE 25TH OF THE**

**MONTH**

## Fiber Arts Fest News:

The Fiber Arts Fest plans are progressing. It's time to take a look at the classes offered and make your choices. I hope you will take advantage of the great teachers and classes. Last year we were able to support all the classes but one, with at least their minimum number of students, so we're hoping for the same this year. Thanks to Carol Lyle and her committee for lining up the classes.

Connie Rafferty has agreed to host the Fiber Arts Fashion Show at the dinner on Saturday night. Please consider entering something you've woven or knit or crocheted, or otherwise fashioned. Last year we had a number of fiber artists from out of town participate, and it would be great if many of our members participated as well.

The same goes for our Gallery during the Fest. Laurel Cahoon is the chairman for that event and hopefully you can participate in that as well. Let's show our stuff! If you have questions, please contact Laurel. (cahoonl382@gmail.com or 523-5113.)

We have quite a collection of donated items for the raffle. If you would like to donate something, please bring it to the studio, or contact me to make arrangements. (522-3872)

We still need help with manning the different rooms/desks. Please get in touch with Laurel to get on the list.

Thanks to Kate Wolski for maintaining the web site, creating and getting the catalog printed, as well as doing registration. Big jobs. The printed catalogs are at the studio.

Come, participate, have fun. This is such a unique opportunity to see the many vendors (thanks to Mary Ellen) and take interesting classes. We're fortunate indeed!

### **Upcoming Fiber Fairs:**

Fiber Train Wool Festival	Nampa, ID	May 24 & 25, 2015	<a href="http://www.fibertrainfestival.com">www.fibertrainfestival.com</a>
Northwest Regional Spinners' Assoc. Conference	Tacoma, WA	May 28 to 31, 2015	<a href="http://www.nwregionalspinners.org">www.nwregionalspinners.org</a>
Big Sky Fiber Arts Festival	Hamilton, MT	June 12 to 14, 2015	<a href="http://www.bigskyfiber.com">www.bigskyfiber.com</a>
The Black Sheep Gathering	Eugene, OR	June 19 to 21, 2015	<a href="http://www.blacksheepgathering.org">www.blacksheepgathering.org</a>
Great Basin Fiber Arts Fair	South Jordan, UT	August 21 & 22, 2015	<a href="http://www.greatbasinfiberartsfair.org">www.greatbasinfiberartsfair.org</a>
Salida Fiber Festival	Salida, CO	September 12 & 13, 2015	<a href="http://www.salidafiberfestival.org">www.salidafiberfestival.org</a>
Oregon Flock and Fiber Festival	Canby, OR	September 26 & 27, 2015	<a href="http://www.flockandfiberfestival.com">www.flockandfiberfestival.com</a>
Trailing of the Sheep	Hailey, ID	October 8 to 11, 2015	<a href="http://www.trailingofthesheep.org">www.trailingofthesheep.org</a>
Columbia Gorge Fiber Festival	The Dalles, OR	November 6 to 8, 2015	<a href="http://www.columbiagorgefiberfestival.com">www.columbiagorgefiberfestival.com</a>
Palouse Fiber Festival	Moscow, ID	Next held the second weekend in June <b>2016</b>	<a href="http://www.palousefiberfestival.wordpress.com">www.palousefiberfestival.wordpress.com</a>
Montana Assoc. of Weavers and Spinners	Flathead Lake, MT United Methodist Camp	June 24 to 26, <b>2016</b>	<a href="http://www.mawsonline.org">www.mawsonline.org</a>

# April 2015

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5	6	7 <i>Post Register Demo 10-1 pm Studio Night</i>	8	9 <i>Board Meeting—9:30 am-Guild Studio Day — Lunch at Jalisco's / Studio</i>	10	11
12	13	14 <i>Post Register Demo 12-2 pm Studio Night</i>	15 <i>Warped Weavers 9:30 am</i>	16 <i>Dizzy Spinners 1-3 pm</i>	17	18 <i>Lace Knitting Class 11-2 pm</i>
19	20	21 <i>Studio Night</i>	22 <i>Knit Night 7-9 pm</i>	23 <i>Rug Hookers 1-3 pm</i>	24	25
26	27	28 <i>Studio Night</i>	29	30		

## Registration form -2015 Snake River Fiber Arts Fest Classes

Registration is available online at [www.srfiberartists.org](http://www.srfiberartists.org) or by mailing this form. Please keep a copy for your records.

Day	Subject	Class	Fee
Friday All Day 9 to 4:30	Basketry	Snake River Fishing Creel -- Connie Denton  (This class will be repeated on Sunday as an All Day class)	\$65.00
Friday All Day 9 to 4:30	Weaving	Twill, Queen of Weaves -- Judie Overbeek	\$65.00
Friday 1:30 to 4:30	Fiber Preparation	How to Make Blended Fiber Variegated Yarns -- Joan Contraman	\$40.00
Friday 1:30 to 4:30	Knitting	A Perfect Match: Knit 2 Socks at a Time on 2 Circular Needles -- Claudia Pine	\$35.00
Saturday All Day 9 to 4:30	Rug Punch	Rug Hooking With a Punch Needle -- Phyllis Bulgin	\$100.00
Saturday All Day 9 to 4:30	Weaving	Weave a Tapestry Beaded Bag -- Joan Contraman	\$55.00
Saturday All Day 9 to 4:30	Basketry	Teton Backpack Basket -- Connie Denton	\$65.00
Saturday 9 to Noon	Spinning	Beginning Spinning - Sylvia Wiklund	\$35.00
<b>Saturday 9 to 1</b>	Felting	Resist Felting Techniques -- Felted Mittens -- Joelle McCarthy  (NOTE longer class time)	\$50.00
Saturday 9 to Noon	Crocheting	Crochet a Freestyle Gnome Hat from Handspun Art Yarn -- Jennifer Green	\$25.00
Saturday 1:30 to 4:30	Spinning	Plying Techniques for Perfect Yarn -- Judie Overbeek	\$45.00
	Knitting	Charts Ahoy -- How to Reading Knitting Charts - Jane Sheetz	\$25.00
	Spinning	Beginning Drop Spindle - Elizabeth Dailey	\$35.00
	Fiber Arts Education	Introduction To Fiber Arts - Mary Ellen Anderson	\$20.00
	Wet Felting	Sculpted & Bedazzled Felt Bowl -- Laurel Orthmeyer	\$40.00
Sunday All Day 9 to 4:30	Spinning	You Can Spin Novelty Yarns -- Judie Overbeek	\$65.00
Sunday All Day 9 to 4:30	Basketry	Snake River Fishing Creel -- Connie Denton  (This is a repeat of the class taught all day Friday)	\$65.00
Sunday 9 to Noon	Spinning	Spin Cotton on the Tahkli -- Jennifer Green	\$25.00
	Weaving	Weaving Tricks, Tips & Techniques - Joan Contraman	\$40.00
Sunday 1:30 to 4:30	Needle Felting	Needle Felted Animals - Laurel Orthmeyer	\$30.00
	Spinning	Advanced Drop Spindle - Elizabeth Dailey	\$35.00

Day	Meal (please circle one selection)	Price	How Many?	Total
Saturday	Lunch Beef or Turkey Sandwich?	\$10.00		
Saturday	Dinner (Fashion Show and Spin-In)	\$10.00		
Sunday	Lunch Beef or Turkey Sandwich?	\$10.00		



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