

The Weaving, Spinning & Fiber Arts Guild of Idaho Falls Studio 482 Constitution Way, Suite B-11 PO Box 1522 Idaho Falls, ID 83403 Newsletter Published monthly

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Roving's, Ravelings and Thrums

The Weaving, Spinning & Fiber Art Guild of Idaho Falls

"Sharing A Love of Fiber Arts!"

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 at **The Celt** for lunch **Thursday**, <u>October 8th</u>, at 11:30 a.m. then over to the Studio. RSVP to Suzanne @ sriche@aol.com or 528-9467 By Wed. . All are welcome to attend.

The Annual Meeting and Election of Officers will be held at the Studio on Tuesday, October 6, at 6:30. Bring a dessert to share and your ideas for any programs, classes, etc., that you would like to see happen at the Guild; we are always looking for new ideas.



Some Guild members met at

the Studio Monday morning, September 28 to work on a rag rug currently underway on the large loom. We had a great time and finished one 40-inch long rug. We took turns weaving (Kathie is by far the fastest!) and worked on our individual projects and enjoyed pizza for lunch. It was such fun that we have decided to do it again on Monday, October 12 from 11 to 2. If you would like to join us, please let Kate know at <u>iwantsheep@ida.net</u>. Remember, this is easy weaving so even if you haven't woven anything before, this might be the time to give it a try with other people around to give you help and encouragement.

We had so much fun, we are doing it again on October 12, 11-2.

SAVE THE DATES:

November 14, Kathie's basket class : Kathie Phoenix will be teaching a **basket** class on Saturday, November 14, at the Studio. Cost of materials and class will be \$45.00 for Guild members. This class originally opened with 12 spaces and all but one are now filled so if you wanted to get in on this class, please contact her at <u>kathiephoenix@cableone.net</u>

Guild Christmas Party, December 12, 11 am Potluck March 12, Spring Spin-In

The Next Board Meeting will be on Thursday, October 1, at 11:00 am at the Studio. November's board meeting will be on the 12th @ 6:30 pm, No board meeting in December.



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In at the Guild library —check it out

Charlotte Goddin, Guild Librarian

Socks from the Toe Up by Wendy Johnson was donated to the Guild by Kathie Phoenix

Socks, socks, and more socks; and I think lots of people love to make socks (and plenty like to get them, too!). *2-ata-Time Socks & Toe-Up 2-ata-Time Socks*, both by Melissa Morgan-Oakes, were donated by Kathie Phoenix.

2ata-Time Socks explains the secret of knitting two at once on one circular needle. It works for any sock pattern. I wasn't aware of the "second-sock syndrome" (OK, so I've only knit maybe three, but at least two, pairs of socks in my life). I expected the syndrome to be, "How long can I make the cuff, while not having the other sock have too short a cuff or not ending up with a bit of sock yarn, for which I have no application?" Both of which (I think) could be solved by knitting from the toe up, and only using half of the yarn on the first sock. But, alas, the true syndrome is when the first sock is knit, and the knitter recollects (dreads?) that there is another sock to go, then puts the project (or I guess half of the project) away for another day that never comes.

Ms. Morgan-Oakes starts the 2-at-a-time technique with the anatomy of a sock, then she takes the reader through knitting a sample sock, toddler sized, then moves on to seventeen 2-at-a-time patterns ranging from Berry Season, Spice, and Be Mine to The Classic Sock and Ragg Hiker. She rounds out the book with a glossary, pattern stitch key, abbreviations, standard sock sizes, and resources.

A few years later, Melissa Morgan-Oakes published *Toe-Up 2-at-a-Time Socks*. Ms. Morgan-Oakes favors the turned heel with a flap (thinking they fit better and are more comfortable than a short-row heel), so that is what she writes about in her book, but she writes that once you have mastered the technique, it can be adapted to any style of sock pattern.

Ms. Morgan-Oakes has expanded on some topics since her previous tome. In her section on Needles, Yarn, and Other Basics, she goes far more in-depth regarding needles, yarns, yarn substitutions, cast on and bind offs, and adapting sock patterns to the toe-up 2-at-a-time sock technique.

Then comes the nitty-gritty, the step-by-step 2-at-a-time technique, followed by fifteen toe-up patterns, along with abbreviations, glossary, resources, and standard sock sizes.

Warped Weavers

The Warped Weavers are busy on their new project. Between now and Christmas each member of the group is investigating a weave structure of their choice. Lace, twill, collapse and shadow weave are just a few of the weaves that are being explored. The goal is to have something done by the end of the year to show and discuss. As for the next year, members are looking forward to exploring new and exciting weaving structures. The Fiber Fair committee is looking to have classes on weave structures, choosing the right materials for your project, and incorporating color into your weaving. And for next summer we hope to bring a teacher in for a weaving workshop. Weaving is such an exciting journey. A lifetime is not long enough to explore all the possibilities. If you weave or would like too, come join in the adventure.

Happy weaving! Mary Ellen

Rug Hookers meet on the 4th Wednesday from 1 to 3

It's been a busy summer, but we hope "life" will settle down to include getting together again to rug hook. Don't forget that the day has been moved from the 4th Thursday, to the 4th Wednesday of the month at the studio. Group members are working their way along on their individual projects and give each other encouragement and inspiration. Pictured is the small "mat" Kathie Phoenix has been working on for "a long time" but finally colors and materials came together to "work". All that's left is a little more of the border, then the binding. She hopes to have it done by the next meeting on the 28th for show and tell!





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The newsletter can be downloaded and is posted each month at: <u>http://</u> 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 5 of this newsletter for your convenience.

Guild has renewed it's membership to the Northwest Weaver's Guild. Go to their site at www.www.northwestweavers.org to be informed of your membership bene-

fits. 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.

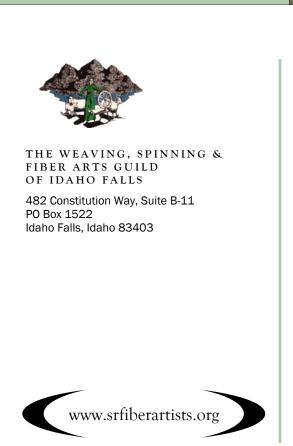
BOARD MEMBERS

THE NEWSLETTER

THE 25TH OF THE

MONTH

| October 2015 | | | | | | |
|--------------|---|---|--|--|-----|-----|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | | 1 Board Meeting 11 am | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | 5 | 6 Annual Meeting & Election Night & Potluck | 7 | 8 Lunch at The Celt, then Studio | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 Finish the Rug 11-2 RSVP for pizza | 13 Studio Night | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 |
| 18 | 19 | 20 Studio Night | 21 Warped Weavers 9:30-11 am | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 Studio Night | 28 Happy Hookers 1-3 pm | 29 | 30 | 31 |



Because of the cost of mailing and printing, we regret that we will no longer be mailing the newsletter. It is posted for download online each month at www.srfiberartists.org and can be emailed to you as a pdf. Email us a request to receive an email copy of the newsletter with your name to "sriche@aol.com". We often broadcast changes & updates through email. Copies will also be available at the Studio. Emails are not shared. Don't miss out!

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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.

Please add your email address so we can send your newsletter via email. Www.srfiberarts.org (emails will not be shared for any other use)

Membership Application

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Address_____

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Email _____