

Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild

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Officers & Board members for 2012 -13

OFFICERS FOR 2012

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| President | Jodi Gouwens | 474-9144 |
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| Secretary | Kate Hedstrom | 451-0975 |
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| Historian | Jane Gregory | 457-7707 |

Board of Directors:

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| Barbara Ebbesson | 479-0440 |
| Moxie Pender | 479-8443 |
| Pat Costello | 457-7033 |
| Gayle Hazen | 457-2786 |

Appointed or Volunteer Positions:

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| Librarian | Barbara Ebbesson | 479-0440 |
| Hospitality | OPEN | |
| Newsletter | Penny Wakefield & Kathy Buckley | |
| Fair Supervisor | Moxie Pender | 479-8443 |
| Workshops | Alice Stickney | 479-3425 |
| | Penny Wakefield | 457-4124 |
| Dye Garden | Gail Mayo | 479-2954 |
| Spinning Group: | Alice Stickney | 479-3425 |

GUILD ACTIVITIES & PROGRAMS

BOARD MEETINGS

SEPT. 17th Monday, 5:30pm

OCT. 22nd Monday, 5:30pm

Location: Jodi Gouwens home in Linck Estates, #304
 Condo's behind the Bowling Alley

SPINNING BEE SCHEDULE

September 9th Sun. 11- 5 Kim Kortenhof's home
 336 Sockeye 488-4779

October 20th Sat. 10 - 4 Monroe Holiday Bazaar
 Sales & Demo's of Spinning & Weaving



SEPTEMBER 9th Sunday, SUMMER POTLUCK PICNIC

LOCATION: Kim Kortenhof's home call 488-4779 for directions

LOTS OF ACTIVITIES OFFERED:

SPINNING BEE: Bring your wheels and enjoy spinning in the studio or the lawn..

TAILGATE STASH REDUCTION SALE or GIVE AWAY

Fill your car or truck with give away or sale fiber, even projects that you have not finished and are tired of looking at. Lots of Spinning fiber available.

LOOPER SALE: Select SOCK looper colors for a rug.

TIME: 11am to 5pm

BERRY PICKING for those looking for cranberries.

SOAP MAKING Try your hand at re-constituting Ivory soap shavings for soap forms for the Guild's hand woven soap bags to be sold at the Monroe Bazaar, Saturday, October 20th as we will celebrate National Spinning & Weaving Week.

Sign up for a 60th Anniversary bag or apron

OCTOBER 20th Saturday – 10 to 4pm National SPINNING & WEAVING with demonstrations at the MONROE BAZAAR

Jodi has signed the Guild up for a table to celebrate our cultural heritage. The Guild will demonstrate spinning, weaving and sell cards, soap bags, alpaca scarves. Handwoven donations are welcome as a fund raiser for the guild. If you are interested in getting your own table, contact Cassandra at Monroe by calling 978-6397. Contact Jodi, 474-9144 regarding signing up on the demo schedule so we have someone there all day. Set up is from 8 to 10.

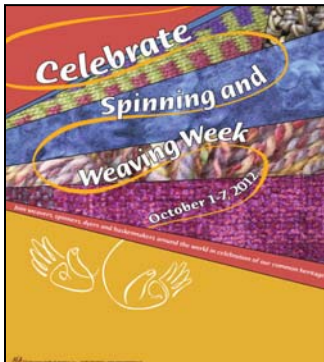
NOVEMBER 17th, Saturday 60th Anniversary Mini-Retreat rescheduled

Location: Gayle Hazen's Studio Studio 104 748 Gaffney Road

Make & take projects perfect for Holiday Gift giving. Potluck Brunch, mini projects

followed by evening Dinner out. More info will be forthcoming.

SAVE THE DATE



PRESIDENTS LETTER

September 2012

A major **THANK YOU** to all of the members, friends and relatives who helped make the Weaving & Spinning Division a definite success this year – especially the new Division 10 Fair superintendent Moxie Pender. Special thanks go to Rob Cermak and Kate Hedstrom who helped with entries on the day they were leaving town. Maureen English was also a definite help on entry day.

Thank You to the people who took the time to bring in entries; to the people who helped with judging, setup and display; to the people who booth sat, demonstrated and sold raffle tickets. This year we sold more raffle tickets than in any previous year. Each person was an important part of our success.

Congratulations to the Winners -Grand Champions, People's Choice and to everyone who entered quality items.

This fall we are **changing our monthly meeting times**. The increasingly busy schedules of our members have resulted in minimal attendance at the traditional first Wednesday of the month meetings.

At the **September 9 Guild gathering at the home of Kim Kortenhof** on Chena Hot Springs Road, we will share a potluck, make soap balls as a Guild fundraiser, take time to socialize, work on any projects we bring, and add Kim's weaving studio, sauna, etc. to our own wish list. If the weather is good a few may try to pick berries.

The Guild's **October 20 celebration of National Spinning & Weaving Week** will be held at the Monroe Holiday Craft Bazaar. I will be setting up a schedule of those who can help with the demonstrations at Monroe, so give me a call (474-9144) if you can come for a few hours. If you have any handmade items you can donate as a fund raiser to be sold there as we demonstrate, contact either Penny Wakefield 452-7737 or myself to arrange delivery of the items.

Happy Weaving, *Jodi Gouwens*

THANK YOU'S to the following:

MOXIE PENDER for being Fair Super & **JANE GREGORY & ROB CERMAK, M. ENGLISH** for Entry Intake.

CATHY EGAN for knitting the Musk Ox Raffle Smoke Ring in her spare time.

JUDGES: D. BENNETT, K. BENNETT, B. EBBESSON, S. ELBERT, M. ENGLISH, J. GREGORY, M. GRIFFIN, HENDERSON, L. HERBECK, K. PARRISH BL RAY-TURNER and GARY.

BOOTH DISPLAY: G. HAZEN, J. GOUWENS, T. ROBERTS, T. WILSON, P. WAKEFIELD, M. PENDER

JODI GOUWENS for filling almost every booth shift with two attendants.

To all **BOOTH ATTENDANTS** who stepped up to take more than one shift to fill out the schedule. Your salesmanship make the **RAFFLE TOTAL** the highest ever.

To the **SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM TEACHERS: T. CONDON, R. DAVIS, S. ENGLEBRECHT, D. GRANGER, K. HANEY, E. KEECH, B. SANTORA, M. STOLZ, D. PFALMER, M. PIECE, J. THOMAS & P. WAKEFIELD**

THANK YOU to all the **MEMBERS** who updated their membership at the Fair.

BIG THANK YOU to **JANE GREGORY & JODI GOUWENS** for snacks for the Youth Program.

G. HAZEN & K. KORTENHOF for planning the mini-retreat program. Postponed & rescheduled for Sat. November 17.

VIVIAN OSBORN for a raffle donation of qiviut yarn won by Felicity Hall.



Nachuq
(Smoke Ring)

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME to: DEENA JALLEN, LISA LINNELL-OLSEN, HANNA STIVER & BECKY ENGMAN.

AUGUST NATURAL DYE REPORT



The dye garden



(Alum) fleece dyed in rudbeckia,



Hopi red amaranth dyed Silk



Marigold dyed wool & indigo

Not many dyers showed up for the Autumn Dye Workshop. There is still dyestuff to pick & use, although frost is near. Call Kate 590-1420 to see what is there. Fleece dyed with alum in rudbeckia, then marigolds, tansy, onions, marigolds, coreopsis (different pH), and rudbeckia. The last is silk and wool dyed in Hopi red amaranth. It's a nice yellow, but... Someone on the net got a pink with super wash sock yarn, but my super wash sock yarn is also yellow. On the left wool dyed with marigold & indigo. On the right purple basil with Tin on wool & silk first bath, super wash wool in second bath. Rita says to leave it soak, then don't rinse for

Kate Hedstrom 590-1420



Purple basil with tin



FAIR GRAND & CLASS CHAMPIONS FOR Division 10

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|----|--|---|-----|----|
| Christine DiCurti | | | 3 end block weave rug black cream red | GC | CC |
| Maureen English | | | wool silk camel down blue | | CC |
| Genevieve Griffin | 14 | | torchon bookmarks "learning curve" | | CC |
| Michele Griffin | | | red black basket | | CC |
| Michele Griffin | | | green rose groud bookmark | | CC |
| Kate Hedstrom | | | blanket blue purple | | CC |
| Kate Hedstrom | | | yellow socks | | CC |
| Olivia Hrinko | 15 | | woven friendship bracelet | | CC |
| Doreen Low | | | orange red flower weaving with beads | | CC |
| Jill Marshall | | | felted bag knit from a pattern | | CC |
| Else Mayo | 11 | | placemat woven/wool | | CC |
| Else Mayo | 11 | | silk scarf with natural dyes | | CC |
| Teresa Miller | | | Jemima puddle duck and the gentleman | | CC |
| Winter Osborne | 14 | | needle felted tabby & tortoise shell cats | JGC | CC |
| Winter Osborne | 14 | | dragonfly silk wall hanging blue green purple | | CC |
| Hannah Powell | 12 | | plaited basket | | CC |
| Carol Secor | | | silk scarf | | CC |
| Leia Ward | | | two color green woven pinwheel scarf | | CC |
| Elsa Willsrud | 11 | | handspun skein of wool | | CC |
| Buffy YorkDewitz | | | handspun hand knit vest blue faced leicester | | CC |

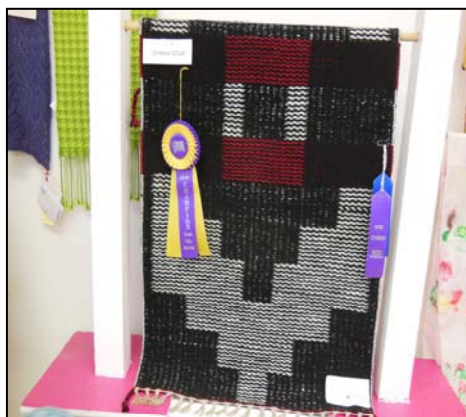


Raffle scarf knitted by Kathy Egan and won by **BRENDA HEWITT**, Juneau Alaska

The qiviut yarn donated by Arctic Fibers won by **FELICITY HALL**.

People's choice for the adults was a felted wall hanging by **BECKY ENGMAN**

People choice for the Junior's was **WINTER OSBORNE** with her felted kittens



Gayle & Moxie selling MO raffle tickets

Grand Champ Christine DiCurti

Junior Grand Champ Winter Osborne

**FOR NEW MEMBERS INTERESTED IN
KNITTING GROUPS –
Contact Moxie 479-8443 or try Ravelry.com**

IN OUR EMAIL BOX:

Note FOR KNITTERS from Moxie

We washed & blocked Cathy Egan's Nachuq (smoke ring) at our last get together - it looks so beautiful blocked out! We used my blocking wires & Tima's foam blocks. You can find them online. It's also good to check "A Weaver's Yarn" on Alaska Way, or "The Inua Woole Shoppe" on College Corner.

Tima's Foam Jigsaw Blocks:

Here is the link to the web site that carries the Knitters Block - the jigsaw puzzle shaped blocking system. She has some interesting stuff including boots & T-pins.

<http://www.cocoknits.com/>

Moxie's Blocking Wires:

The blocking wires are called "Fiber Fantasy Blockers Kit". Blockers kit includes more than enough to do a sweater: 8 (36") 4 (18") stiff Blockers, two 27" flexible Blockers (for sleeve caps and armholes), 30 T-pins and a yardstick for measuring. Blocking instructions are included.

I found at least 3 sources:

Webs: \$25.95 + shipping

<http://www.yarn.com/webs-knitting-accessories-blocking-tools-wool-wash/webs-finishing-tools-fiber-fantasy-sweater-blockers/>

Woolstock Yarn Shop: \$25.95 + shipping

https://www.woolstock.com/index.php?main_page=product_info&products_id=17

Angelika's Yarn Store: \$27 + shipping + \$2 additional

shipping - she uses USPS which is good for Alaska

<http://www.yarn-store.com/blocking-supplies.html>

Some MEMBERS DUES are still DUE

**Our newsletter is on the web for everyone but the annual membership dues and continued support still is very important to maintain our guild activities
You will receive a separate email regarding the membership renewal.**

\$20 for a year of activities

A Membership booklet will be printed in September so renew now to maintain your membership.

Renewal form is on the web.

LOOKING FOR A DOG HAIR SPINNER

I have a large bag of clean, combed dog hair from my four large dogs that I would like spun into yarn. Since these dogs are my family, I'm wanting to have the yarn then knit into a hat for my use. I'll find a knitter, but need help finding someone who will spin the hair into yarn. Would you kindly put me in contact with someone who does this? Many thanks, Jane Sandstrom 479-6280

Qiviut Wool for sale

9 oz of fiber for \$35 per ounce.

Call Moxie 479-8443 or see her at

FARMERS MARKET

Looms for Sale

45-inch 8-shaft LeClerc Nilus back hinge treadle loom, near new.

Includes many extras: custom bench, attached bobbin/skein holder, 4 reeds (8, 10, 12 and 15 DPI),

LeClerc bobbin winder,

LeClerc boat shuttle with bobbins, custom small boat shuttle with bobbins,

2 Schacht ski shuttles, 2



Northwest ski shuttles,

6-drawer accessory cabinet and several texts, all original tools, VHS instruction video and textbook included, homemade raddle, comb.

Reduced Price to \$2100

Like-new Harrisville 20-yard warping mill, \$150. Call Nicole at 488-1674



45" 4 shaft Gilmore Loom with a bench (Maple)

Includes warping reel and several shuttles \$800

It is located in Kasilof & would pick up there

Call Gretchen 474-7124 or Diane 456-2250

Rigid Heddle Loom On a Stand

20" wide, 10 epi Brand New \$400

Call the Studio, 452-7737

BOOKS FOR SALE

'Finishing Touches for Handwovens'

by Virginia West' - \$10

'Warping all by yourself'

by Cay Garrett - \$5.00

Call Jodi 474-9144

**36" Harrisville Model T 4 Shaft floor
Warping board, 2 shuttles, 2 reeds, spool winder
& 14 spools & other weaving accessories**

Kanza Keill, 457-2423 \$950

4 shaft Table loom with stand

Some Books, shuttles, warping board

\$400 Call the Studio

36" LeClerc 4 shaft Loom with bench

warping board, bobbins, reeds,

Asking \$1200

Call Nancy Perry 907-345-0828

36" LeClerc 4-shaft floor loom, 3 reeds,

Extra heddles etc \$1050

Separate handcrafted bench \$400

Call Helen Howard, 374-2914

QIVIUT FIBER FOR SALE

Vivian Osborne has 4# of qiviut roving for sale

at \$300 per pound, washed & dehaired,

ready to spin. Call Vivian at 490-6722.

Also looking for knitters and dyers

TRAVEL

Eastern Textiles of Bhutan: A Weavers' Journey

November 18 - 28, 2012

For a detailed itinerary, or to
make reservations please
contact trip leader Wendy Erd:
wendy@sacredhimalayatravel.com

Phone 907-235-8891

P. O. Box 736, Homer, Alaska 99603

Guatemala – Mayan Rug Hooking

Cheryl Conway & rug hooking artist Mary Ann Wise and
our Maya Women of Oxilajuj B'atz, Guatemala

offer this intimate 10-day tour – limited to just twelve
participants. All proceeds benefit Thirteen Threads.

February 15–24, 2013 \$1,795 + Airfare

(Price is based on double occupancy.

Single occupancy available for an additional \$180.

More info see:

www.thirteenthreads.org

www.culturalcloth.net

www.maryannewise.com

www.atitlan.com

NEW SPINNING WHEEL being made in WA.

My daughters interest in
spinning, has resulted in
building several wheels and
learned a great deal from
the process. It is now a
passion and ready to take
orders! My latest wheel
showcases a number of
features I haven't seen in
any production spinning



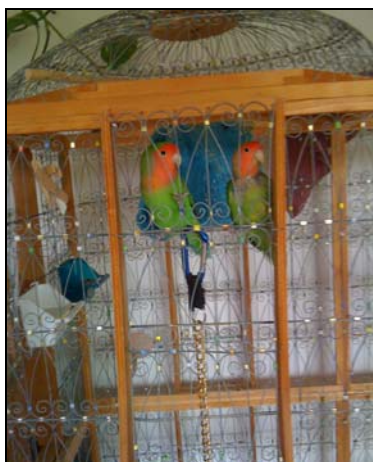
wheels. We posted three photos with a brief description
on our gallery's Facebook page. Here is the link:

<http://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.223888407683524.53969.164129566992742&type=1&l=20ebdcd941>

If you are ever in Port Townsend, WA, please stop by our
gallery & try one of these wheels. Any feedback via email
would certainly be appreciated, as I want to produce the
best spinning wheel possible. Thanks for looking and I
hope to hear from you.

Sincerely, Gary Peterson

ss.arts@hotmail.com



LOVE BIRDS FOR SALE

Melody & Artemis and a
very large ornate
birdhouse 2' x 4.5' x 6'
All for \$500

WORKSHOP UPDATE

MOXIE'S DYE WORKSHOPS – None scheduled at this
time but if you need instruction, YOU PICK THE DATE
and contact Moxie at 479-8443.

**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16th WARPING CLASS for
Rigid Heddles, table and or floor looms.** Refresh your
warping skills. The plan is to warp all the unused looms in
the studio for weaving rugs, tea towels, placemats &
offering the opportunity to weave off a holiday gift for a
small fee. We have the looms so you can weave.

CALL: 452-7737 to express your interest. Bring your yarn
or use some of ours for a small donation.

LOCATION: Weaving Studio, Rm. 219

TIME: 1pm to 4pm,

**SEPTEMBER 22 SAT. CARD/TABLET WARPING OR
INKLE LOOM.** Bring your yarn and learn the quick easy
way to warp the cards with 4 colors. No weaving
experience needed. Cards & Inkle looms are available.

CALL: 452-7737 to express interest.

LOCATION: Weaving Studio, Rm. 219

TIME: 12pm to 3:30pm

SEPTEMBER 29, SAT. IMPROVE SEWING SKILLS
Small sewing projects to be used for soap bags, eye glass
cases, pot holders, quilted pillows or need help with a
sewing project. Sewing machines provided and material.

CALL: 452-7737 to express an interest.

LOCATION: Weaving Studio, Rm. 219

TIME: 12pm to 3:30pm

**ART 127: INTRO WEAVING CLASS began on Thursday
August 30 but it is not too late to sign up.** The next three
classes are TAPESTRY Techniques..

**ART 227: WOVEN FABRIC DESIGN: TWILLS begins
on Tuesday, Sept 4. it is not to late to sign up.** Twill
structures to be included are: Turned Twill, Advancing, M's &
W's, Snowflake, Shadow, Crackle.

**DAYTIME WEAVING CLASS WILL BEGIN OCTOBER
4th on Tuesday/Thursdays, time is adjustable.**

CALL: 452-7737 to express an interest.

LOCATION: Weaving Studio, Rm. 219

TIME: 12pm to 3:30pm

SELLING Huacaya ALPACA HERD

(8 now but soon to be 11) herdsire 3 year males, 3
pregnant females (summer birth soon) 1 gelding and 1
white female, the

rest various shades
of brown. \$20,000
for all. Individual
animals may be
purchased. Contact
Moxie 479-8443

9 oz of Qiviut FOR

SALE: \$35 per
ounce. Call Moxie.

