

## **Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild**

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#### **GUILD MEETINGS**

MARCH 4 7pm WED. "Gifts from the Birch"

Share your Birch Bark collections

Location: Weaving Studio, 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Rm. 219

APRIL 1 5:30pm SAT. ANNUAL MEETING

Potluck and White Elephant exchange

Location: TO BE ANNOUNCED

MAY 6 7pm WED. ""The Many Faces of the AltEred Egos - Masks from many Cultures"
Location: Weaving Studio, 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Rm. 219

JUNE 6 Sat. "The LOCAL MEDICINE WHEEL DYE GARDEN PLANTING & SPRING HARVESTING
OF WILD LOCAL MEDICINAL PLANTS by Devta
Khalsa

KNITTING and LACE Gatherings

ADD THE STASH as another location to knit & stitch.

NEW Location: On Third Street - In the basement

Across the street from the former TWO Street

Station now River Street Coffee Shoppe

**Ravelry.com NEW KNIT GROUP,** sign up online, Meets at different locations around town.

**DROP IN & KNIT** anytime INUA Wool Peger Rd.

Knanook Knitters at UAF FRI. 12 -1pm Wood Center Email contact: fnlah1@uaf.edu Multilevel lounge Third Friday Knitters Call Lois 479-5251

Sip, Stitch & Knit 2 Street Station Downtown Memories & More 456-3679 or 2 St. Station, 456-6242

**Bobbin Lacers** Wed. 6:30pm Barnes & Noble

Contact: Sherrill – 456-5223

#### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

MARCH 16, 2009

Send email to <a href="mailto:info@fairbanksweavers.org">info@fairbanksweavers.org</a> or to the Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild, PO Box 73152 Fairbanks AK 99707, or phone 907-452-7737

## **BOARD MEETINGS for 2008 - 2009**

MARCH 16 Monday 5:30 pm APRIL 20 Monday 5:30 pm Meet at the Weaving Studio, Rm. 219, 516 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### **CHECK WEBSITE FOR ACTIVITY UPDATES**

www.fairbanksweavers.org

# GUILD PROGRAMS FOR 2009 Our theme: THE YEAR OF THE MEDICINE WHEEL AND

Our purpose: To weave topics together from meeting to meeting which help us explore ways in which fiber arts can enhance our health and sense of well being. This will include experiential hands on projects, as well as tips for health and longevity. How can we use the gifts our arctic environment has to offer as we explore novel ways to uplift ourselves through the challenges of life in our unique climatic setting?

**HEALTHY LIVING** 

# MARCH 4 7:00PM Wed. "GIFTS from the BIRCH from the Bark, the sap, the oil"

Barbara Ebberson will share her experiences from last summer when she participated in a birch bark basket making workshop with Dr. Charles Mayo and former Alaskan John Zasada. Sample homemade birch syrup – great for anyone with birch allergies and learn about the additional benefits from our tree of the North.

Bring any birch bark baskets, ornaments or pictures to share.

APRIL 1 5:30pm SAT. ANNUAL MEETING Check the MARCH newsletter for the location for the Annual meeting.

FOR everyone who missed the last GUILD MEETING: A number of ALTER EGO'S were needlefelted by those who attended. (A Jester with hat & bells, a fish for a biologist, a cat toy with buttons & bells, several flowers with watercolor painted pedals. Thanks to Devta for all the programs.



#### **OFFICERS FOR 2008**

President	Tracy Duffield	451-5952	
Vice President	Devta Khalsa	479-9722	
Secretary	Kate Hedstrom	451-0975	
Treasurer	DeLaina Stacey	479-3034	
Historian	Becky Hammond	490-4464	
Board of Directors:			

Barbara Ebbesson 479-0440
Martin Miller 374-1995
Jane Gregory 457-7707
Sue Englebrecht 457-1794

#### **Appointed or Volunteer Positions:**

Librarian	Barbara Ebbesson	479-0440
Hospitality	Open	
Newsletter Ma	rtin Miller/Penny Wakefield	
Fair Supervisor	Kate Hedstrom	451-0975
Workshops	Alice Stickney	479-3425
	Penny Wakefield	457-4124
Dye Garden	Gail Mayo	479-2954
Spinning Study Group Alice Stickney		479-3425

A Big Thank You to the Members who stepped up to be Officers & Board members.

# MEMBERS MARKETING HANDMADES

Jodi Gouwens: woven baskets, large & small availabl at:

Alaska Rag Co, 603 Lacey Street

Bear Gallery, upstairs at Pioneer Park

Ornamentry (Nov 1 to Dec 24), 801 Pioneer Road

The Stash, 535 Third Ave

ART EXPO, MARCH 21 & 22 at Pioneer Park

## THE FAIRBANKS WEAVERS & SPINNERS GUILD

Penny Wakefield & Christine DiCurti with mittens & handwoven scarves and hats Jodi Gouwens with baskets & knitted scarves

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED FOR THE GUILD BOOTH FOR WEAVING & SPINNING

Consider a SPINNING BEE FOR EITHER DAY

Hours: 12 to 5pm Saturday & Sunday



#### **MEMBERS IN THE NEWS**

**MARILYN BIAGI PARR** was featured in the Daily News Miner with a handmade quilt that she had made for a relative's memorial fundraiser.

MARTIN MILLER will be the Master of Ceremonies for the Mayor's Awards which will take place at 6pm at the Alaska Centennial Center for the Arts on March 21 during the ART EXPO Activities. A reception will follow in the Bear Gallery

**SARAH THORTON** is now the happy owner of a loom and has moved to a new home sharing with her sister. Note the address changeNew member GAIL

HIGHTOWER, an avid spinner and now an avid weaver spent the holidays by getting married. Congratulations to Gail and new husband.

JODI GOUWENS has a new hip now and is homebound for the next month or so. Surgery one day and up on her feet the next day. No rest for the active person that she is. She is by herself and does not mind company but please call first so she can let you in through the garage door — since she is not cooking to much she would welcome sharing a sandwich or a snack.

Just call first 474-9144



**DICK REED**, the husband of former member **FRAN REED** has put together a **CELEBRATION OF LIFE CALENDAR** of the many activities & luncheons that Fran shared with her Anchorage friends, as a fund raiser for cancer. You can purchase through the Museum in Anchorage or by contacting Dick at: dfreed@alaska.net

**HELEN HOWARD** has a new house in town and will be moving in this summer.

**THE WEAVERS YARN** is creating new display spaces and expanding the spinning nook so be sure to stop in check out the new arrangement, fibers, yarns & books.

#### **CARD CUTTING PARTY**

If anyone has extra time, come early on the March 5 to cut cards for the ART EXPO exhibit. We still have cards to sell but it is nice to have to have as many as possible. We can also cut cards on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 3pm. See you early on the 5<sup>th</sup>, meeting night.

New address for SARAH THORTON – Check with the Studio for the new address.

# WORKSHOPS UPDATE Sept, Oct, Nov.

Mar. 7 12-3:30 Sat. Free Warping for SPRING projects

March 21, 22 ART EXPO

May 9,10 & 11 CELIA QUINN SPIN WORKSHOP

A COMPREHENSIVE WORKSHOP on many different fibers

Check website for descriptions. www.fairbanksweavers.org

## 6 WEEK DAYTIME WEAVING COURSE Begins ANYTIME for 6 weeks,

## Flexible Time schedule

DATES: Tues/Thurs. (Adjustable time schedule)
FEE: \$175 includes materials for two warps.
REGISTER: CALL 457-4124 OR 452-7737

Student will make a colorful sampler warp with a variety of threading /treadling patterns and an alpaca scarf warp

designed from the sampler.

#### MARCH 7 SAT. FREE WARPING

PADDLE WARPING, TWO COLOR or MIXED WARP WARP THAT LOOM FOR WINTER and the HOLIDAYS Help provided for designing a project. Make a SPRING warp as you review your warping technique or Learn how to use a warping paddle with many threads. No hassle beaming, even tension, no tangles/loose threads? NO LOOM? Then make a warp for a studio loom to be used for the SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM.

MATERIALS to bring: Your portable loom, table or rigid heddle.

INSTRUCTOR: PENNY WAKEFIELD, 457-4124

LOCATION: RM 219, WEAVING STUDIO, 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

HOURS: 12 to 3:30pm

REGISTER: Call instructor, 457-4124 or Studio: 452-7737

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## PROFESIONAL TECHNIQUE SEWING CLASSES WITH RUIZ ANN ROZELL Have been put on hold UNTIL SHE RETURNS Sometime in the spring

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**: Several board members are stepping down so the board will be looking for a couple of new board positions for this next year – not too involved and a vice-president who would be president in 2010. Some board members are willing to stay on and shift positions or duties. Please let anyone on the board or call 452-7737 if you are interested in serving.

#### IN OUR EMAIL INBOX:

Hello, I have a large quantity of lambswool & lambswool/mohair in skeins. The yarn is medium gauge 2-ply and is ready to be dyed.

Skeins range in size and cost is \$15 - \$20 per lb. The wool was raised in an organic environment on my friends farm in Southern Alberta Canada. If you know of anyone who might be interested in a product such as this, please pass on my contact information

T. boyko triciaboyko@hotmail.com



ART EXPO expands the activities each year offereing workshops for artists, FREE films during the day, a PARKA PARADE with prizes and this year they have added the MAYOR'S AWARDS for the ARTS. Martin Miller will be the Master of Ceremonies for the Awards: Arts and Leadership Award: recognizes individuals or organizations that have contributed to the promotion of art in the Interior.

**Volunteer Award**: recognizes individuals/organizations whose support of the arts through volunteer service has made a significant impact on the arts in the Interior.

Arts Advocacy Award: recognizes individuals or organizations who advocate for the arts in the Interior. Youth Arts Award: recognizes individuals (regardless of age) or organizations whose efforts advance arts among young people.

**Lifetime Achievement Award**: recognizes a lifetime of artistic endeavors.

To find out who won, you will have to be present..
The presentation will be at 6 p.m. on March 21, 2009

#### FOR SALE

Sectional warping equipment for sale
Sectional pegs on wooden bars
to be screwed into your beam
a spool rack, spools and a tension box.
\$130 or best offer.
Misc. yarns of various kinds for \$1 / oz.
Helen Howard (488-2314 or hmh@acsalaska.net)

## CELIA QUINN SPINNING WORKSHOP MARCH 9,10 & 11

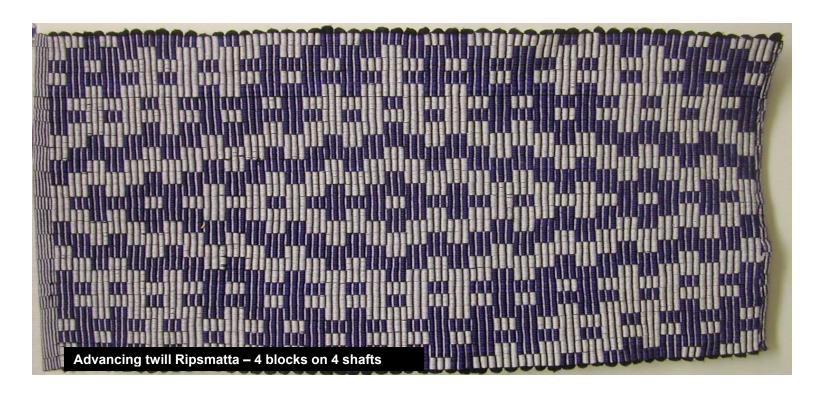
Comprehensive Handspinning Fiber Fee: \$45 per person

An intensive class to increase your knowledge of fiber properties, fiber forms available, and spinning techniques suited to each fiber. Fibers included are wool, silk, cotton, flax, cashmere, yak, alpaca, mohair, ramie and many more. Students will learn to construct yarns of appropriate fiber, diameter and twist for the desired end use. We spin approx. 65 samples. Location to be announced.

REGISTRATION FORM in the next Newsletter



Download the Membership form on www.fairbanksweavers.org



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