

# Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild

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**GUILD MEETINGS** 

November 2 Wed. 7pm Woven Fabric: LACE Soup & Bread at 5:30pm Program at 6:00pm

Location: Weaving Studio Rm. 219, 516 2nd Ave.

Phone: 452-7737

**DECEMBER 7 Wed. 5:30 ANGELS & UFO'S** Location: Weaving Studio Rm. 219, 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

Phone: 452-7737

JANUARY 21 SAT. 4pm Winter Picnic

Location: Helen Howard's Home

3015 Riverview Drive Phone 374-2914

**BOARD MEETINGS** 

Oct. 24 Monday, 5:30pm Nov. 21 Monday, 5:30 pm December No Board Meeting

Jan. 23 Monday; 5:30 pm Jodi Gouwens

**Location:** 3796 Swenson Avenue.

# NEW SPINNING WORKSHOP NOVEMBER 26<sup>th</sup> See the workshop page

Officers & Board members for 2011-12

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### **GUILD PROGRAMS**

NOVEMBER 2 Wed. 5:30pm Woven Fabric: LACE Soup & Bread at 5:30pm Program at 6:00pm

The fall advanced class is Woven Fabric design: LACES Many of the looms will be warped for a variety of lace weaves. Great opportunity to see how the lace structures work in bead leno, Swedish, Bronson, Huck and bobbin lace as the weaving creates the warp and weft spots in woven fabric. Bring your lace treasures for show and tell to share with everyone.

### DECEMBER 7 Wed. 5:30 UFO'S & ANGELS

Soup & Bread at 5:30pm Bring UFO's to finish (Un Finished Objects.) NO UFO's to work on then try some of our projects. Weave one of our loom projects for a holiday gift: bring lumpy handspun for mittens, machine knit trim to finish a hat or make a warp for a loom at home. Sewing machines available for finishing up that last minute project or make a lace angel for your tree.

# JANUARY 21 4pm Sat. WINTER PICNIC POTLUCK with the WHITE ELEPHANT EXCHANGE

Helen Howard has agreed again to host the **Winter Picnic Potluck** at her home on Riverview Drive. A special invitation goes out to all members to introduce a friend to the Weavers guild. Bring a friend and a WHITE ELEPHANT exchange. This is a great opportunity to meet any new members, catch up on everyone's activities, projects and make some New Years resolutions like 'more weaving & spinning'.

Bring a potluck dish to share and if you want to participate in the WHITE ELEPHANT exchange, bring a recycle item, a book, a yarn project, anything in a brown or white bag. We are always surprised.

Come at 4 to visit,

Potluck at 5pm and exchange to follow.

It's always lots of fun.

**For directions**: Go North off Airport Road at Market Street (opposite Value Village). Bear Left on Sunset. Then Left on Riverview Drive. Pass the junction with Kiska.

Second house on Left is Helen's home: 3015 Riverview Drive Phone 374-2914

NEXT NEWSLETTER IN JANUARY 2012 Send info to info@fairbanksweavers.org

# Presidents Letter October 2011

As we look out on the white snow cover in our yards, we know winter has finally arrived.

This means it's time to start using those yarns that you dyed this summer. It is time to start planning any holiday gifts that you hope to make. It is time to finish weaving off that warp left on the loom from earlier this year. It is time to go through our "stash" and think creatively as we design projects.

It is also time to join other Guild members at our meeting in early November to learn more about lace weaves. Take the time to invite a friend or neighbor to the meeting who may be interested in our activities. Perhaps, offer a ride to someone who doesn't get out as much after the snow arrives.

Don't forget to bring your summer's projects for show & tell. We all learn from each other as we share our projects and fiber challenges. It is always fun to share accomplishments with other members and guests.

Jodi Gouwens, President

# **MEMBERS IN THE NEWS**

Look for CHRISTINE DICURTI, BECKY HAMMOND, JODI GOUWENS, MOXIE PENDER, PENNY WAKEFIELD, GAYLE HAZEN & others selling at the bazaars.

MOXIE PENDER was juried into the 64<sup>th</sup> Parallel exhibition with her 7 foot table runner. Exhibit runs until the 30<sup>th</sup> of Oct. HELEN HOWARD had another Watercolor opening with a friend. Helen's watercolors remain on the upstairs hallway walls of the WELL & GOOD STUDIO'S on Well Street.

# THANK YOU'S TO ALL

Many THANKS to everyone who helped with the NATIONAL SPINNING & WEAVING DEMO'S at Barnes & Noble on September 25<sup>th</sup>. We had spinners, weavers, knitters and basket demonstrations and lots of youth weaving on the little looms For once we did not have to deal with ICE or SNOW.

Thanks to **JODI GOUWENS** for taking our Guild Gift inventory to the FARMERS MARKET & bazaar outings. JODI has sold enough holiday cards to pay one month's rent or the phone bill for two years, which means we have to keep cutting cards. Every little bit helps. THANKS TO JODI & JANE GREGORY for drawing & cutting the cards.

# **ArtBug Studio:**

Small group and private lessons in the Fiber Arts. Quilting; general sewing & dressmaking; surface design; and more. 748 Gaffney Rd, Studio 104. Contact Gayle Murray Hazen at 457-2786

# THE ART SCENE

FAIRBANKS ARTS ASSOCIATION
BEAR GALLERY Exhibits & DEADLINES

PORTFOLIO REVIEW FOR YEAR 2013 Deadline: October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2011

Submission info on FAA's website

Patterns of Influence – Essense of Light Deadline for Juried exhibit – January 29 Opening February 3 – 25<sup>th</sup>

26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL INTERIOR ARTISANS Exhibition Entry Deadline: April 1<sup>st</sup> Opening April 6 - 25

For prospectus for these exhibitions: fairbanksarts.org

HGA's annual Small Expressions exhibit.

Call For Entries Small Expressions 2012

January 25, 2012, for non-US entries, to allow for international delivery

February 1, 2012, for US entries
FOR ANY PROGRAM ADDITIONS OR CHANGES

www.fairbanksweavers.org

LOOKING FOR ARTISTS FOR THE BAZAARS TWO RIVERS Sugar Plum Bazaar invite artisans to participate in their bazaar on November 19. Interested artisans can call 488-6616, \$20 a table & Includes Lunch.

### MORRIS THOMPSON CULTURAL CENTER

The Morris Thompson Cultural & Visitors Center is looking for artists to participate in the Holiday Art Bazaar as part of Fairbanks' First Friday & Saturday

Friday December 3rd 5pm - 8pm Saturday December 4th 10am - 3pm

Please include a photo or a website referencing your work, and send it to:

Alaska Public Lands Information Center
Attn: Holiday Art Bazaar Committee
101 Dunkel Street #110 Fairbanks, AK 99701
907.459.3730 or email: Adia\_Cotter@NPS.gov
Inquiries should be received no later than November
4th. Vendors will be notified of acceptance the next week

## FOR YOUR BAZAAR PLEASURE

The following Bazaar's

Nov. 4 4 - 8 pm Fairbanks Potter's Guild – Dog Mushers Nov. 5 10 – 4pm Fairbanks Potter's Guild – Dog Mushers UAF Women's Bazaar, Wood Center Nov. 11/13 Holiday Market Place at Carlson Center Nov. 19 10-4pm Quota Club Bazaar, Pioneer Park Two Rivers Sugar Plum Bazaar,

18.5 mile Chena Hot Springs Rd.

Nov 26 Sat Ken Kunkle Center Goldstream

Dec 2 & 3 Fri/Sat. Morris Thompson First Friday & Saturday Dec. 3 Sat 10–4pm Tanana Valley Farmer's Market West Valley H.S. on Geist Rd.

# WORKSHOP UPDATE

# OCTOBER 29<sup>TH</sup> SAT. Fabric & Paper MARBLING

Learn the techniques for marbling your own fabric or paper for cards, quilts, gift bags, book covers etc.

MATERIALS TO BRING: squares of 22"X 22", pre-washed white or iight colored fabric, ready to mordant. Instructor will provide the paper.

TIME: 10am to 4pm

INSTRUCTOR: Sue Cole, 456-3635

FEE: \$60 includes paper, paints, mordant & gel medium REGISTER: Call Sue 456-3635 or scoleak@gmail.com LOCATION: Weaving Studio, Rm 219, Lathrop Bldg.

516 2<sup>nd</sup>. Avenue.

## NEW DATE FOR THE SPINNING WORKSHOP NOVEMBER 26 Sat. 11 to 5pm SPINNING THE DOWN by LAURLEE DELUCA

Lauralee DeLuca will teach the properties of down fibers, techniques for spinning down fibers and blending them with other fibers. Wheel instruction on how to spin down fibers, including dog, yak, camel. Additional fibers will be available to buy – like cashmere.

MATERIALS TO BRING: For folks who already know how to spin, bring your wheel & hand cards (if you have them).

TIME: 11 to 5pm 5 SPINNER MINIMUM

CONTACT LAURLEE directly regarding class 907-683-5050 FEE: \$45 including samples to spin, more available to buy. Anyone is welcome to bring their own dog fur to spin. LOCATION: Weaving Studio, Rm 219, Lathrop Bldg.

516 2<sup>nd</sup>. Avenue.

# Lauralee Deluca is an accomplished dog & down hair spinner from Denali Park who sells in Denali Gift shops

# Sun., NOV 13 & Sat. Nov19<sup>TH</sup> 10- 5pm ANTLER BASKET WORKSHOP

Ann Wood will give an Antler Basket workshop

The workshop is scheduled for both Sunday, November 13 & Sat.19<sup>th</sup> Need a minimum of 3 to register for the workshop or both weekends.

Workshop Maximum: 8

INSTRUCTOR: Ann Woods, Manley AK

FEE: \$90 which includes antler & materials. If anyone is interested in taking this basket class, please call 452-7737 to get your name on the list.

TIME: 10am to 5pm LOCATION: RM 219, 516 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. MATERIALS TO BRING: A Lunch & garden shears

REGISTER: Call 452-7737

## NOVEMBER 12 9-4:30pm SM. BREAD BASKET

This rectangular basket is perfect for serving a few rolls or slices of bread or to organize things on your counter or desk. This 3"



high plaited basket starts with a 3" x 10" base teaching the construction of a shaped rim using flat oval reed. FEE: \$47 includes basketry materials & protective oak spray stain.TO REGISTER call 474-9144

Available spaces: room for 4 more people

MATERIALS TO BRING: A Lunch **Location:** 3796 Swenson Avenue.

## \*YOU PICK THE DATE & THE BASKET \*\*\*

For a minimum of 2 people and with 2 weeks notice, you pick the basket and the date.

HOURS: 9am - 4:30 pm

FEE: Varies according to selected basket

TO REGISTER call JODI at 474-9144

## NOV 20 Sunday 1- 4pm MITTEN WORKSHOP

Learn how to make mittens from old felted sweaters or weave off a length of fabric to felt, cut and sew for the warmest mittens. Warp available at the Studio.

Location: Weaving Studio

Workshop Fee: \$25 includes pattern & leather.

Must know how to sew.

Register: Call 457-4124 or 452-7737

Materials to bring: Sewing machine, scissors, seam ripper

#### **WEAVE WARP FOR MITTENS**

Another year another opportunity to use up that Lumpy Bumpy type of handspun yarn Clean out those yarn baskets, use up that old thick thin stuff that you made way back when you wear being to spin. My loom is warped for DEFLECTED DOUBLE WEAVE which is great for mittens. The warp is red, yellow, orange, opposite blue, green & purple.

You do need to sign up for the weaving time (3 -4 hours) The Studio is open Tues/Thurs evenings from 5:30pm until 9pm. You do not need to know how to weave – so start house cleaning and find that stuff. Call 452-7737 or 457-4124 FEE for warp: \$10

#### **NEW SOFTWARE FOR THE I-PAD**

WIF 'n Proof - weaving software for the iPhone, iPad and Android, the first weaving app for smart phones and tablets, brings you weaving on the go. Design a draft at the dentist's office or waiting for your kid at soccer practice. At the yarn shop, let WIF 'n Proof tell you how much yarn to purchase. Then use your smart phone at the loom to keep your place while threading or treadling. No Internet

demo at <a href="http://www.WIFnProof.com">www.WIFnProof.com</a> <a href="http://www.WIFnProof.com">http://www.WIFnProof.com</a> Helen SandozSoftware.com

access required after installation. Read more or get the

# Hand sewing Needles--- An Illustrated Guide to the Types and Uses of Hand Sewing Needles

It has all types of great info from how they are made to descriptions of each types and its use.

http://zsuzsybee.hubpages.com/hub/Hand-sewing-Needles-An-Illustrated-Guide-to-the-Types-and-Uses-of-Hand-Sewing-Needles

# PLAN A LACE WARP TODAY FOR TOWELS OR MATS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

EPI	Yarn size	Yardage	EPI single layer	LACES
48 epi	10/2 Cotton (4	4100 yd/lb)	24 epi	20epi
40 epi	2/22 Cottolin	(3172 yd/lb)	20 epi	16epi
32 epi	5/2 Cotton (2100 yd/lb)		16 epi	12epi
24 epi	3/2 Cotton (1260 yd/lb)		12ep	8epii
20 epi	8/4 Carpet warp (1600 yd/lb)		12epi	

## **Looms for Sale**

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

Rigid Heddle Loom On a Stand 20" wide, 10 epi Brand New \$400 Call the Studio, 452-7737

36" LeClere 4 shaft Loom with bench warping board, bobbins, reeds, \$1200 907-345-0828 nancyp@AK.net

## **HOLIDAY GIFTS**

Very smooth, refurbished Ashford Traditional single drive spinning wheel, spinning ratios 4.5:1, 5.33:1, & 6.5:1 - great for spinning worsted weight yarns as well as thicker yarns.
Standard 3/8" orifice.
Comes with 4 bobbins, lazy Kate, threading hook, & spinning oil.
\$250 Moxie 479-8443

LOOM: Four harness, Lillstina Swedish loom. Convertible to floor loom with legs & 6 treadles or use as table loom with 4 top mounted hand treadles.

Purchased several years ago, however, has never been used. Comes with two 28" reeds. \$450 Call Barbara at 479-9514

45" 4 shaft Gilmore Loom with a bench (Maple) Includes warping reel and several shuttles \$800 II is located in Kasilof & would pick up there Call Gretchen 474-7124 or Diane 456-2250

21" Beka rigid heddle 4 1/2' warping board & wooden swift Tracy Duffield, 374-0271

4 shaft Schacht 20" t

36" LeClerc 4-shaft floor loom, 3 reeds, Extra heddles etc \$1050 Separate handcrafted bench \$400 Call Helen Howard, 374-2914

