



Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild

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President's Letter

Greetings All,

Since our last newsletter, there's been a flurry of activity at the studio and the second floor of the Lathrop Building. Several Board members met with Ken Alt and the landlords and renegotiated the lease. The move out date has been changed to the end of September, 2021. This is a good thing but now we're on to plan B with a bit of a different timetable! We got this!

After sorting and organizing all winter, we know what we have to deal with. We have donated many non fiber related things to non profits in town such as FRA, Boys and Girls club, Head Start, Center for Non Violent Living, West Valley HS, Love, Inc, and I'm sure there are a few more. We will be having a sale of yarn and equipment maybe as soon as June. The sale will be a fundraiser for the Guild as we don't have any income currently, other than dues. Stay tuned! Lots of fun yarn will be available!

We would appreciate it if people who have personal equipment at the studio would please make plans to come get it. Most of the snow and ice should be gone by now.

The next Guild meeting is scheduled for May 19 and it will be a good one. We'll have Board elections and presentations by the Visioning Plans groups. I'm pretty impressed with the work the people in these groups have done. Bonni Brooks deserves a huge Thank You for keeping all the groups headed in the right direction!

Stay Safe until we're out of this pandemic. When we open up for sales we will be maintaining Covid precautions.

Cheers!
Buffy

Officers & Board Slate for 2020 – 2021

President: Buffy York Dewitz 347-5370
Vice President: Maureen English 388-4465
Secretary: Pat Costello 457-7033
Treasurer: OPEN
Historian: Bonni Brooks 980-3126

Board of Directors:

Barbara Ebbesson 479-0440
Kate Hedstrom 590-1420
Sherrill Peterson 218-626-5435
Chris Waigl 699-9943

Librarian: Barbara Ebbesson 479-0440
Hospitality: OPEN
Newsletter: OPEN
Fair Supervisor: Moxie Pender 479-8443
Workshops: OPEN
Dye Garden: Gail Mayo 479-2954
Spinning Group: Alice Stickney 479-3425
Busy Bees: Jodi Gouwens 474-9144

GUILD MEETING: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 at 6pm

TOPIC: Annual Meeting

We will be holding the election for the new Board members at this meeting. In addition, there will be presentations of the results from the groups involved in the visioning process.

It's been a challenge to sort through all the possibilities as we move forward. Bonni has done a fabulous job organizing groups and people and ideas. It will be exciting to hear from each group.

Thank you to all who have shown interest in being on the board next year. See below for the slate of board members we will be voting on.

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We will be using Zoom's polling feature for the election, so your vote will be anonymous. Here's the link for the meeting. We will also send an email closer to the day of the meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86807713661?pwd=bzQwNWlXTlUwbTR4Nk1GRlA5YXZlZz09>

Meeting ID: 868 0771 3661

Passcode: 935651

One tap mobile

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+1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

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Meeting ID: 868 0771 3661

Passcode: 935651

Find your local number:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/u/ksieL2h6b>

Tanana Valley State Fair Update

TVSF will be back again this summer, trying again with last year's theme.

Theme: Don't Stop Be-Leafin'

Colors: Purple and Green

Flower: Lupine (plant now to be ready for the fair!)

Vegetable: Spinach

Dates: July 30-August 8

NON-PERISHABLE ENTRY DATES: Saturday, July 24, 1-6pm & Sunday, July 25, 11-2pm.

Pick up your entries on Monday, August 9, 2-6pm.

-Kate

Workshop Update

There are currently no guild workshops scheduled. We do have ideas for a couple of workshops this summer and fall, though, so stay tuned! If you'd like to teach a workshop or hear of one you'd like the guild to sponsor, please let us know.

Also, keep an eye out for more workshops in the future at Calypso Farm, <https://calypsofarm.org/> and A Weaver's Yarn, <http://www.aweaversyarn.com/> and, of course, the guild!

FWSG General Meetings

The guild is in search of ideas and people to present those ideas at future general meetings. Is there a topic you're interested in learning more about? Is there a person you know who would be great at presenting something of interest to other members? Are you interested in sharing something you enjoy with your fellow guild members? Let us know! We'd love to hear from you!

The June meeting is typically at the dye garden. More information about that soon.

The July meeting is usually a picnic, and the August meeting is Fair setup. We're hoping that these meetings will go as planned this year.

Let us know your thoughts and ideas for meetings during the rest of the year. We need your input!

Studio Update

Are you in need of yarn? Fiber? Furniture? Office supplies? Wall hangings? Knick knacks? Artwork? Hats or masks? Well, you may be in luck. We're almost ready to have members come by the studio to purchase these and many other items. Stay tuned and make sure your membership is current in order to be notified early.

Not sure if your membership is current? Feel free to email the guild at fairbanksweavers@gmail.com and we can check for you. A membership form is also included at the end of this newsletter.

Special THANKS to all who have renewed their membership for the new year! We truly appreciate your support.

Ever wonder how the guild is doing financially? We've decided to add the Financial Reports to our newsletters.

Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild	
Balance Sheet	
For Fiscal Year ending March 31, 2021	
	3/31/21
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Mt McKinley Accts	
Mt McKinley Checking Acct	10,197
Mt McKinley Gaming Acct	5
Total Mt McKinley Accts	10,202
Total Current Assets	10,202
Fixed Assets	
F&E Purchases	3,248
Depreciation	(3,245)
Total Furniture and Equipment	-
TOTAL ASSETS	10,202
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	149
Deferred Prepaid Membership Dues	1,810
Total Current Liabilities	1,959
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Equity	
Unrestricted Net Assets	553
Net Income	7,891
Total Equity	8,243
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	10,202

Fairbanks Weavers & Spinners Guild	
Profit & Loss for Fiscal Year	
April 2020 to March 2021	
	3/31/21
Income	
Program Income	
Class & Workshop Fees	1,200
Total Program Income	1,200
Donations	
Individual Cash Donations	4,340
Donated Studio Rent	10,844
Total Donations	14,984
Sales of Supplies & Donated Eq	
Books & Magazines	820
Cards	130
Fiber	785
Equip & Furniture	1,050
Small Tools	100
Misc Sales	25
Total Sales of Supplies & Donated Eq	2,890
Membership Dues	1,200
Misc Income	
Misc Revenue	113
Total Misc Income	113
Total Income	20,387
Expense	
Facilities and Equipment	
Studio Rent (covered by donation)	10,844
Phone	187
Total Facilities and Equipment	10,831
Contract Services	
Instructors	600
Total Contract Services	600
Operations	
Dues	80
Postage, Mailing Service	216
Program Supplies	415
Total Operations	691
Business Expenses	
Licenses & Permits	100
Total Business Expenses	100
Insurance and Banking	
Bank & CC fees	7
Insurance - Liability, D & O	468
Total Insurance and Banking	475
Total Expense	12,696
Net Income	7,691

Books and Magazines Are Still Available

We sent out a spreadsheet in March with a list of guild books for sale. Many of those books are still available.

Contact Bonni at bonontherun@gmail.com for more information.

We also have many magazines that are still available. All of the magazines are **free** since we're having a hard time rehoming them. Please email the guild at fairbanksweavers@gmail.com if you're interested in any of these magazines and we can coordinate a way to get them to you. Many are from Penny's personal collection, others have been donated over the years.

Available magazines:

Spinoff 1977 onward

Shuttle, Spindle and Dyepot 1974 onward

Complex Weaver's Journal 2000 onward

Handwoven starting in 1979

Fiberarts starting 1978

Threads 1987 to 2003

Weaver's Journal assorted 80's and 90's

Handweaver and Craftsman assorted 1950's

Prairie Wool Companion 1980's

Note that *Handweaver and Craftsman* and *Prairie Wool Companion* are more of a collector's item.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Fairbanks Weavers' & Spinners' Guild

PO Box 73152, Fairbanks, AK 99707-3152

Annual membership (April through March)

\$30 per year

(\$15 for the rest of a year if paid after September 1st)

Check one: Renewal New Membership

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

An email announcement is sent when the newsletter is available on our website, so please provide a legible email address. Please enclose your check (to: Fairbanks Weavers' & Spinners' Guild) and this form in the envelope using the address shown above.

Thank you for joining the Fairbanks Weavers' & Spinners' Guild.

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Your voluntary contribution (please check)

- I enclose a donation check of \$ _____ Please send me a donation receipt.
- I am interested in developing merchandizing, for example:
 - I could develop a kit for sale (Card weaving kit? Rag rug kit? Drop spindle kit? Handwoven project bag kit? Kids' activity kit?)
 - I could design a T-Shirt print / other merchandise for an online fundraiser
 - I could make cards for sale (equipment available)
- I could teach a class online or in person on _____.
- I could make cards for sale (equipment available in the weaving studio)
- I have skills in communications or technology I could offer:
 - I can maintain websites I could run social media communications
 - I could design a logo I know about PayPal/eCommerce/Patreon or similar
 - I know about accounting I know about fundraising
 - Other: _____

I might be interested in buying or renting a loom in the near future. Please contact me about availability (See also <http://www.fairbanksweavers.org/>, category Looms and Equipment for Sale.)

I am interested in serving on the FWSG board. Please contact me about open positions.

Thank you for your interest. A board member or other Guild officer will contact you. 