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From the President's desk...

Happy Holidays to All!

Thank you to everyone for the fun December meeting. You may have heard Sue Carneal report at the end our meeting that we matched last years proceeds! The special interest groups doubled their windfall so thank you to Georgian, Mary, David and members of your groups who helped contribute. And to everyone else who brought wonderful baskets!

December: Where did the year go? I am sure you are all wondering that. The first part of our ADWSG year has been grand. We have learned about weaving in South America and Southeast Asia from wonderful weavers, shared our expertise at several demonstration events, and enjoyed our annual holiday auction.

It is now that time of year to begin making the resolutions for 2015. I have a head start on my weaving resolutions. I had to disassemble my big loom (which I have never used) to allow laying of new carpet and decided to set it up this time in my living room. I will see it many more times during the day now and will not be able to ignore it. The warp is wound and chained, so this should be an easy resolution to address! I even have a gal who is interested in learning the weaving process and wants to assist me in winding the warp! I have no excuses (and potentially a new guild member to boot).

My second weaving resolution for 2015 is to finish the wrap that I began at the state fair. That loom is now in my bedroom, a little out of sight, but I know it is there. I spend my work hours mentoring students to be successful with schoolwork while balancing work hours and home responsibilities, and hear myself several times a week encouraging individuals to spend a half hour a day on school work regardless of what they think can be accomplished, all to establish a routine. Not a bad idea!

May you all receive your favorite fiber dreams and visions for the holiday, be they tangible or not.

Happy Holiday and Happy New Year to all,

Sue Garber

Next Meeting:
January 3rd at 10 AM
Northtown Community Center
2202 E. Waltann Lane, Phoenix, AZ

January Program: Rosemary Isaac/Kumihimo

Daytime Spinners bring Snacks & Goodies
Doors open at 9 AM – Come early and mingle

HOLIDAY AUCTION

Our 2014 Holiday Live and Silent Auction was a success!

Thanks go to Collyer Ekholm and her helpers, Helene Dammen for braving her stage fright and auctioneering and of course all donors and shoppers.

We also had a lovely spread of delicious foods and treats. Many thanks to everyone who participated!

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INTEREST GROUPS

DAYTIME SPINNERS

Third Wednesdays at 10 AM at Northtown Community Center, 2202 E. Waltann Lane, Phx, 85022. Bring your luncheon/beverage, & join us for a day of spinning. Contact Georgian Ferrante. georgianf@cox.net or 480-948-3705 for more information.

TAPESTRY STUDY GROUP

Meets after the monthly general ADWSG meeting at Northtown Community Center, 2202 E. Waltann Lane, Phx, 85022. Bring your luncheon/beverage along with any type of loom with warping yarn and various types of yarn for tapestry weaving. For more information, contact Mary Conti at mariaconti@cox.net or 425-788-5012. All are welcome.

DESERT WEAVERS

This beginners group meets the second Wednesday of each month at 10am. Doors open at 9:30 AM to socialize. Northtown Community Center, 2202 E. Waltann Lane, Phx, 85022. Bring your hand held or tabletop loom with materials to weave. You are welcome to bring your bag lunch. Meetings are about three hours long. For more information, contact Dave Kish at davidjetea@yahoo.com or (602) 686-2054.

Weaving Study Group Holiday Potluck

The Desert Weavers enjoyed a holiday potluck after their regular weaving social. There were lots of laughs and good food!- *David Kish*

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Happenings...

Fiberfest at Montezuma Castle

Lisa Takata and Jennifer Bauman attended the Native American Fiber Arts event at Montezuma Castle National Monument on Nov 22. They couldn't have asked for a better day or location!

About 100 attendees listened and watched as several speakers demonstrated Pueblo and Hopie weaving and natural dyeing techniques. I'm so glad Lisa took these lovely photos! If you'd like to see more, go to her Flickr album: https://www.flickr.com/photos/lisatakata/sets/72157647097369383/

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Pueblo Weaver and Mesoamerican Textile Export Loui Garcia

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ADWSG Jewelry

Silver logo pins and earrings are available for purchase at the monthly meetings. The "sheep with the woven coat" pins are $20, and earrings are $40. See Elaine Rowles for availability.

Desert Weavers and Spinners at the State Fair

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~ Classified Ads ~

Contact me with items for sale or sought after
Caroline Wise (caracolina@gmail.com).

~ Guild Rental Equipment ~

Our guild has equipment for rental if you are interested in trying out a new technique or looking for equipment for a classs. Several members are storing the various items however you can contact me for rental details.

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Guild Rental Equipment List:

Table Looms		Weaving Width
1	8 Harness Leclerc	22" max
1	4 Harness Rasmussen	24"

Floor Looms

1	4 Harness Baby Wolf	
1	4 Harness Pendleton	36"

Other Types of Looms

1	Inkle Loom	
1	Tapestry	18"

Spinning

1	Louet S10 Spinning Wheel with 2-bobbin Lazy Kate attached
1	Ashford Traditional Wheel
1	4-bobbin Lazy Kate
1	Drumcarder
1	Cotton handcarders
1	Wool handcarders
1	Swift
1	Niddy Noddy
1	30" Navajo Style Spindle

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CALENDAR EVENTS

- **January 23-24, 2015** - **Meet & Greet Fiber Retreat** - Arcosanti, Camp Verde For more info: https://arcosanti.org/node/13668
- **Thru January 18th, 2015** - **Explorations: AZ Surface Design Association** - Vision Gallery, Chandler. For more info call 480-782-2695 or visit http://www.tvisiongallery.org/

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15th of every month From September to May
Visit our guild's website: http:/www.adwsg.org

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