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From the President's desk...

Hello fellow Weavers and Spinners!

Our season got off to a fabulous start at the October meeting with a delightful program presented by Laverne Waddington on back-strap weaving. I was intrigued throughout the entire presentation. I can only imagine that those of you who took her workshop were doubly delighted.

We now look forward to a presentation on weaving from Vietnam for our November meeting. This is turning out to be quite the world tour. What wonderful experiences and exposures to the world of weavers we are receiving. Our Programs and Workshop VPs are bringing us quality experiences.

That brings me to our first call for support. Programs: We have a call out for some one(s) to serve as co-VP of Programs. Collyer Ekholm is the current VP and will need assistance in preparing for next year. Help prepare our monthly programs and bring speakers to our meetings to broaden all of our horizons. The speakers and topics do not need to be from across the globe, they can be in our own backyard, so do not let that challenge you.

Our second call for support. Demonstrations: One of the guilds objectives is to promote our guild and craft through public demonstrations. I encourage each of our members to participate in one of our demonstrations this year. Spend quality time with your favorite fellow weaver/spinner and work on your craft! What could be more fun? Val Hilburgh and Cher Whitehead are coordinating demonstration efforts this year so listen for opportunities at our meetings and talk with them about site suggestions if you know of the perfect opportunity.

I encourage everyone to participate and keep our guild alive and active.

My rug project update:

I do not have a lot of progress to report this month. I have had birthday projects that have consumed my time using two needles instead of shuttles and temples, but after October there are no birthdays on the immediate horizon so I will get back to the loom. I will have a progress report for December!

Sue Garber

Next Meeting:
November 1th at 10 AM
Northtown Community Center
2202 E. Waltann Lane, Phoenix, AZ

November Program:
Betz Frederick's Fiber Adventures in Vietnam, Laos, Thailand and Cambodia

During her recent trip to Asia, Betz tried to visit as many fiber related places as possible, including silk making and traditional textiles in Vietnam, paper making, and natural dyeing. She wove on a traditional pattern loom in Laos, observed weaving by the Long Neck Karen group from Myanmar seen in Thailand, and Ikat weaving in Cambodia. Betz will present a slide show of her trip and bring examples of textiles that she brought back with her.

Doors open at 9 AM - come early and mingle!

Daytime Spinners will bring snacks and treats!

WORKSHOP UPDATES

Doubleweave Diversity with Jennifer Moore

Another reminder about the upcoming Double Weave class with Jennifer Moore. The dates are Feb. 5 (half day PM), 2/6 (all day) 2/7, (AM Guild presentation, PM class). 2/8 (all day).

Jennifer will be teaching the Double Weave Diversity class listed on her website but adapted to include both 4 & 8 shaft looms. (http://www.doubleweaver.com/doubleweave_diversity.html)

Telaraña will host Jennifer following our class and offer her Round Robin Beyond the Basics, dates and more information should be on their website (http://www.telarana.org).

We began collecting $50 non refundable deposits at the October guild meeting. If you want to secure your place in the class give your deposit to our treasurer Sue Carneal at the November meeting or mail it to P.O. Box 4362, Cave Creek, AZ 85327. If we have a full class of 20 participants I estimate that the cost per person will be between $150 - $200.

Jennifer included that she can accommodate a variety of skill levels. Students should know how to follow a draft and set up their loom with the instructions she will send, but they don't need to have any background at all in doubleweave.

Any questions - email Virginia Glenn (vmatglenn@me.com)

INTEREST GROUPS

DAYTIME SPINNERS

Third Wednesdays at 10 a.m. 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 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.

Future Backstrap/Pebble Weave Class

We are gathering names of anyone interested in a future back strap class. Laverne said that she could do a 1 day catch up class for anyone who didn't attend this year and then a 2 day pebble weave class. We're hoping to get enough interest to do this sometime next year (Oct. '15 - May '16). No dates have been set. The interest sheet will be at the next guild meeting - if you think you might be interested please add your name. Once we see if there is enough interest we can talk to Laverne about dates.

Future Spinning Class

Ruth Greenspan has offered to teach a half-day class on how to spin "boucle" yarns with mohair fiber if enough guild members are interested. Please see Christine Hunt at the November meeting for the signup sheet and more information.

ADWSG Guild Pins - Help Needed!

We need a referral to a person who can use our jewelry molds to cast our guild pins for a reasonable price. Please email Elaine at emrowles@cox.net.

Prescott Guild Holiday Show & Sale

The Mountain Spinners Guild is holding their fifth annual Holday Show and Sale on November 8th, 10 AM to 4 PM in the Marina Room of the Hassayampa Inn in Downtown Prescott. No Admission Charge.

Donations requested for Live & Silent Auction

Everyone is encouraged to donate their gently used equipment, baskets of yarn, spinning fibers, books or other items that you no longer need or use. Also any handmade fiber creations, home grown organic garden produce or your famous homemade baked goodies are needed. We would also appreciate donations of gift bags and baskets to use to display donation items. If you can arrange items together in baskets or bags that would be best and save a lot of time for our auction committee.
At the time of printing it was not clear if donations can be accepted at the November meeting. I will pass on that information as soon as it becomes available to me.

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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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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.

~ Classified Ads ~

I'm starting fresh with the classified ads - contact me with items for sale or sought after - Caroline Wise (caracolina@gmail.com).

Intermountain Weavers Conference 2015

The next Intermountain Weavers Conference will be held July 23 - 26, 2015 in Fort Lewis College, Durango, Colorado. It has the motto "Try Something New."

The lists of 3- and 1-day workshops have been posted at http://www.intermountainweavers.org.

Conference registration will begin February 1, 2015.

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CALENDAR EVENTS

- **Oct 10 - Nov 2, 2014** **AZ State Fair** - Fair Grounds, Phoenix - http://www.azstatefair.com
- **Nov 8, 2015** **Mountain Spinners Holiday Show and Sale** - 10 am - 4 pm, Hassayampa Inn, Prescott

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

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