



The Weaving, Spinning & Fiber Arts Guild
of Idaho Falls Studio
482 Constitution Way, Suite B-11
PO Box 1522
Idaho Falls, Id 83403
Newsletter Published monthly
Posted at: www.srfiberarts.org

Rovings, Ravelings and Thrums

The Weaving, Spinning & Fiber Art Guild of Idaho Falls

"Sharing A Love of Fiber Arts!"

OCTOBER 2011

Guild Officers

President

Skye Larsen
932-4173, cell 881-3098
skylar76@yahoo.com

Vice President/ Fiber Fair Chair

Jeannette Cooley
403-3512
edgewriter@cableone.net

Secretary

Sarah Cain
821-4857
kain3307@vandals.uidaho.edu

Treasurer

Kim DeBlase
522-4699
Kimmie7@q.com

Spinning Coordinator

Pat Day-Hartwell
522-1337
fiberfun@lazypj.myrf.net

Weaving Coordinator

Nancy Liebrecht
390-4882
nancyjlle@gmail.com

Newsletter Editor

Suzanne LeMay-Riché
528-9467, cell 201-4922
sriche@aol.com &
Suzanne.LeMay@HCAhealthcare.com

Community Contact

Linda Wyatt
339-0652
Linda.Wyatt@HCAhealthcare.com

Librarian/Inventory

Kimberly Howard
569-1497
zenknit@gmail.com

Historian

Linda Elison
680-5654
Red.rose.petal@msn.com

Publicity

Pat Day-Hartwell
522-1337
fiberfun@lazypj.myrf.net

Membership

Kathie Phoenix
522-3872, cell 339-3873
kathiephoenix@cableone.net

Hostess

Lolly Blumhorst
520-7849
lblumhorst@msn.com

Up Coming Events & Classes

Unless otherwise specified, events are held at The Studio, 482 Constitution Way Suite B-11, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83403

Studio Night — *Members and visitors are welcome every Tuesday evening from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at 482 Constitution Way, Suite B-11 same building just down the hall. Bring your wheel or a*

We had a good turnout for the Studio day luncheon on Thursday, October 13, at the **Out of Bounds Sports Grill, Jefferson Hills Golf Course, 4074 East 500 North, Rigby, 745-5444. Exit 322 off Highway 20 (north Rigby exit).**

So next month, November 10, we will be headed back this way to go to **Gator Jack's, 11:30 am, same directions but turn left off exit 322. You will see it on your left. If anyone knows any new or interesting restaurants that we haven't been to, let one of the board members know.**

- Linda Elison will host **The Fall Spin-in** at her shop again on October 22nd. Bring a pot luck dish and your favorite project to work on or just come to socialize and eat and be merry! 10ish to 2 or 3ish.
- **The Sassy Sheep Open House** will be on November 5, 2011 from 9 am—5 pm at 244 N 4200 E, Rigby, ID (520-8305). Join us for a fun-filled day of knitting, spinning, dyeing and tons of yarn and fiber! We will be serving a soup buffet.

This years we are offering classes:

Dyeing Variegated Yarns: Register by Oct. 15 = \$45, Register after Oct. 15 = \$55. Class is from 9am—5 pm

Color Spinning: Register by Oct. 15 = \$35, Register after Oct. 15 = \$45, Class is from 9am to noon.

Spinning Alternative Fibers: \$35 by Oct. 15 or \$45 after Oct. 15, Class is from 1-4 pm.

Space is limited, so sign up early for classes. Check out our website at : <http://www.thesassysheep.com> for the details.

**There will be a Board meeting on the evening of
Tuesday, date to be announced.**

Rovings, Ravelings & Thrums

October 2011, Page 2

Visit to Weaving Studio of Jason Collingwood in England

By Kathie Phoenix

When I first learned about weaving in the 80's I became aware of a famous weaver from England - Peter Collingwood. I have a used copy of his huge book "The Techniques of Rug Weaving" (1968) - everything one would want to know about weaving a rug! His weaving and his book has been influential in my weaving.

So, when my husband Bill and I traveled to England in September we decided to try to visit the workshop of Peter's son Jason. Jason has become a famous rug weaver in his own right after his father passed away.

On September 14th Bill and I drove to the village of Nayland near Colchester about 1 ½ hours drive Southwest of where we were staying in the small village of Thorpeness on the coast of the North Sea. The British road system is nothing like ours and all but the most major roads are narrow, windy and without shoulders. We braved a number of these very small winding roads to meet Jason and see his workshop and rug looms. The trip was well worth the effort.

Jason welcomed us and showed us each loom set up with the shaft switching mechanisms. He also showed us the loom and technique used and developed by his father for Macrogauzes where the warp can be manipulated to go in angled directions. One of the Macrogauze weavings hung on the wall of the workshop. The workshop was originally a schoolhouse converted to a residence on one end and the workshop on the other. The family used to live in the residence end with the children, Jason and his sister, being forbidden to enter the workshop end of the building when they were small. Jason said he kind of "fell" into the weaving when he was not keen on going to university, the service, or another vocation! He told us about his father designing a rug and putting a note on the pattern that "Jason can do this".

Our visit in the studio was delightful and ended with him rolling out some of the rugs he was taking to a show in London. He had a few "on discount" since they were last year's. We asked how much, looked at each other and said "we'll never have this opportunity again" so bought one to celebrate our 43rd wedding anniversary. It should arrive in the next week or so.

He also asked if we were interested in John Constable's paintings. John Constable is a famous British painter and for most of our marriage we have had a copy of his "Hay Wain" hanging in our home. The area we were visiting is called "Constable Country". Jason told us there was one of two spiritual painting's of Constables' in the village church across the street, and took us to see it! The painting is very dark except for Christ's face looking toward heaven. He said it had been stolen several times so the painting is now alarmed and has several glass covers.

Jason couldn't join us for lunch, but recommended a very nice local pub where we relished our good fortune to have made this journey. This was certainly a memorable visit.



*****SALE*****RENT*****TRADE*****SALE*****RENT*****



Lots of room for advertisements! When you place a advertisement, it is also posted on our web-site at www.srfiberarts.org!

Also look at <http://www.srfiberarts.org/rental-equipment.html> at the many items we have available for members to rent from the Guild. The amount of the check we hold, when a large item like a loom is rented, has been raised to \$350.00. This check is returned when the rental item is returned.

Would you like to receive the Newsletter?

If you are not currently receiving “Rovings, Ravelings & Thrums” via email, please send an email to Suzanne at sriche@aol.com” requesting the Guild newsletter which is sent monthly.

The newsletter can be downloaded and is posted each month at:

http://www.srfiberarts.org/newsletter_events.html

WANTED

Any outgoing or shy person/persons interested in any or all of the following:

- Carding
- Raising of fiber animals and/or plants
- Dyeing
- Knitting
- Spinning
- Weaving
- Crocheting
- Rug Hooking
- Combing

No prior experience required. Unlimited openings. All skill levels welcomed with open arms. No application need be completed, however there is a registration form to complete and a small fee (\$25.00 for an individual or \$32.50 for a family) is charged. A registration form is included on page 6 of this newsletter for your convenience.

ADVERTISE HERE

Newsletter Prices:

2.50 business card size

5.00 1/4 page

20.00 full page

10.00 1/2 page

Link on website: \$25.00/yr

Page on website with link: \$50.00/yr

Your Newsletter advertisement will be posted on our web-site as well.

Advertise on the Guild Website:

To add your web-site link to our favorite Links page ---\$25.00 per year.

For those who don't have a web-site, we'll post you a Full page and a link for \$50.00 per year.

Please send your payment to:

The Weaving, Spinning & Fiber Arts

Guild of Idaho Falls

482 Constitution Way, Suite B-11

PO Box 1522

Idaho Falls, Id 83403

Contact Suzanne LeMay-Riché at :

“sriche@aol.com” or Call 208.528-9467 & leave a msg.

Guild has renewed it's membership to the Northwest Weaver's Guild. Go to their site at www.northwestweavers.org to be informed of your membership benefits. You may check out videos, tapes and books and many other benefits.



Hartwell's Lazy PJ Ranch

Jack and at Day Hartwell
12739 North 55 East
Idaho Falls, ID 83401

New products from Knit Picks, Great Adirondack Yarn Company yarns, Skacel Felting Kits, Schacht, and Glimakra. Fiber for fleece rugs. Hand-dyed yarn in luscious colors.



A great rigid heddle loom for fleece rugs and quick weaving 32" comes with everything but yarn



Beginner's loom
\$60.50



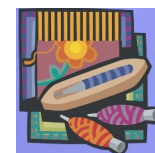
Ashford's redesigned Traditional wheel spins like a dream



Baby wolf with 8 heddles, a great buy



New books



Gift Items



Valkryie combs in all sizes



Warping boards in 3 sizes



Electric ball winder \$90.



Kromski's Minstrel



Knit Picks needles and yarn

Opal's new Antolia sock yarn



New lambs are being born nearly every day.



We are 1 m. east of Hwy 20 & 1 m. south, plus 2 houses on (Bonneville/Jefferson) County Line Rd.

Our hours are when it is convenient for you to shop.

Call before you come, so we can better serve you. Phone: 208-522-1337

Checkout our website at lazypj.com



If you are a member of Ravelry.com, check out the following groups!

The Association of Northwest Weavers' Guilds (ANWG)—which you a member of, if you are a Guild member—has a group for you to participate in. There is a forum that discusses fiber, weaving, knitting etc. The **group** name is: "Association of Northwest Weavers".

Check out our own group! Snake River Fiber Fair 2011. Stay up to date on all things pertaining to the Fiber Fair.

Studio Night Coverage

Oct. 18 – Skye

Oct. 25 – Kimberly

Nov. 1- Kathie

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

The Guild annual meeting will be held Tuesday evening, September 27th at the studio beginning at 6:30 pm



Guild News

Guild Members Come Away with Ribbon Awards from Eastern Idaho State Fair

Jeannette Cooley, Kami Jenkins, and Linda Wyatt made us proud with their winning entries at the Eastern Idaho State Fair this year. Jeannette came away with the Best of Show Ribbon for her beautiful Supalu (Fair Isle) Knit Bag. She also got a 1st place ribbon for her Coquille Mochi Scarf.

Linda Wyatt came away with 1st place for her rigid heddle fleece rug, a 2nd place ribbon for her crocheted baby afghan, and for her 5 skeins of yarn she came away with four 2nd place and one 3rd place ribbon.

Kami Jenkins took home a 2nd place ribbon for her Fair Isle knitted hat, and 4th place on her knitted

fingerless mitts. She entered eight skeins of spun yarn and won 6 blue ribbons and one 2nd and one 3rd.

Way to Go Girls! You Rock!

Dues May be Due!

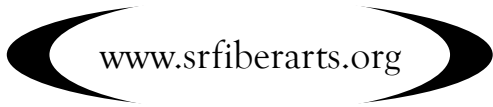
The procedure for membership dues has changed. Dues will now become payable each year by the end of the month in which you joined. For example if you became a member of the Guild in Oct. 2010, your dues need to be paid by the end of Oct. 2011. Or if you joined in May of 2011, your membership will need to be paid by the end of May, 2012 etc. If you have any questions, please contact Kathie Phoenix, our new membership chair at kathi-ephoenix@cablone.net.





THE WEAVING, SPINNING &
FIBER ARTS GUILD
OF IDAHO FALLS

482 Constitution Way, Suite B-11
PO Box 1522
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83403



Because of the cost of mailing and printing, we regret that we will no longer be mailing the newsletter. It is posted for download online each month at www.srfiberarts.org and can be emailed to you as a pdf. Email us a request to receive an email copy of the newsletter with your name to "sriche@aol.com". We often broadcast changes & updates through email. Copies will also be available at the Studio. Emails are not shared. Don't miss out!

COME ENJOY THE BENEFITS OF GUILD MEMBERSHIP

Dues are \$25 for individuals and \$32.50 for families. Dues may be mailed to: The Weaving, Spinning, & Fiber Arts Guild of Idaho Falls, P.O. Box 1522, Idaho Falls, ID 83403.

Please add your email address so we can send your newsletter via email. www.srfiberarts.org (emails will not be shared for any other use)

Membership Application

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____