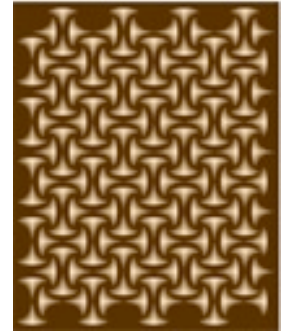


Connecting Threads

Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley
April, 2013



April Program: Beading, by Janet Stanger

I will be discussing and showing examples of several of the most popular beading techniques. There will be a brief history of beads, and I will show a few samples of my finished works.

Calendar of Events

April 6, 2013 - Guild Meeting

Boise Historical Museum at the Adelman House
11:30 am - Business Meeting
12:30 am - Social time
1:00 p.m. Program: **Beading**, by Janet Stanger

April 6, 2013 - COE Study Group

9:30 to 11:00 am
Moxie Java, 1122 S Vista, Boise

April 6, 2013 - Beginning Weaving Study Group

Boise Historical Museum at the Adelman House
Immediately after the Regular Meeting

April 9, 2013 - Bobbin Lace Study Group

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Rebecca's Studio House

April 11, 2013 - Spinning Study Group

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Maralyn's Clubhouse

April 16, 2013 - Day Weaving Study Group

1:30 to 3:30 pm
Lynn Ruggles' Home

April 25, 2013 - Knitting Study Group

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Melanie's Home

Weaving Workshop - April 27, 28 & 29, 2013

Please note:

There will **not** be a Board Meeting in May.



May Yarn and Equipment Sale

Remember that the May Yarn and Equipment Sale is coming up. Now is the time to go through your weaving and spinning stuff and get it ready. Items for sale should be marked with the price and your name (so people will know who to pay). Also please remember that the seller is asked to contribute 10% of their sales to the Guild, and may be given to the treasurer, Melanie Smith. This is always a fun and interesting meeting. Who knows what will be there this year?!

Sign Up Now!! Weaving Workshop

There is still room in Mary's Weaving Workshop. Take advantage of the lower cost workshops this year. See the workshop information sheet in this newsletter. Both of our workshop teachers this year are recognized national teachers and both write for the magazines you all know and love--*Spin-Off* and *Handwoven!!* Because we are lucky enough to have these talented teachers in our own guild and don't have to pay transportation expenses for these workshops, the workshops are more economical than you will ever find them again.

Don't miss this opportunity.

Register now, the workshop is filling fast!?



April Sample

This month's Sample is from yours truly. It is a 24 shaft Point Twill woven in 5/2 Perle Cotton. When I got my compu-dobby I played with designing different point twills on a long warp (for me any way) of natural 5/2 perle cotton. This warp produced several handtowels woven with different colors for the weft. The same idea of course can be done on fewer shafts to make many different items from one warp.

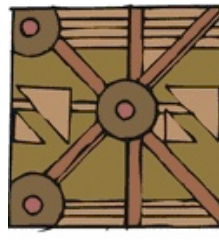
◆ Al Hayden



Sample Exchange Box

Members may pull samples from the **Sample Exchange Box** at each regular guild meeting. And remember to check your name off the list in **each** file folder. If you would like to participate or have questions, contact the Sample Chairperson.

Also, remember, there are samples from last year that are available to anyone toward the back of the box.



Notes From Your President

Again I am ready for Spring and thinking it really is happening out there! The crocus's are sunny and welcoming warmer days. Maybe back strap weaving is something I need to learn so I can be out there. Happy Fibering you Creative Energized group! Thanks!

◆ Your President, Mitzi Meyers

Study Group News

♥ Spinning Study Group

The spinning study group will meet on **April 11th** at Maralyn, club house in Meridian, from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. The theme this month will spring rain.

So please bring your spinning, knitting, bobbin lace or any other project you would like to work on. Melanie will not be at the April meeting because she will be out of town, but if you have any questions or you need directions please email Melanie Smith at yarnsnthreads@aol.com



♥ Certificate of Excellence (COE) Study Group

The COE Study Group will be held on **April 6**, 2013, at 9:30 a.m. at the Moxie Java on Vista in Boise. As usual, everyone is invited. For information call Mary Berent, 939-8906.

♥ Day Weaving Study Group

The Day Weavers Study Group will meet at Mary Berent's home on Tuesday, **April 16th** at 1.30pm. Please contact Anne Oglevie for any additional information.



♥ Beginning Weaving Study Group

The Beginning Weavers Study Group will meet on Saturday **April 6th** after the regular Guild meeting and program. The topic is lace weaves and Rena Lute will lead the discussion. If anyone has any lace samples please bring them.

♥ Bobbin Lace Study Group

We meet on the second Tuesday of every month. The next meeting will be **April 9**, at Rebecca's Studio House at 6:30 pm. Call Vila for information, 323-7736



♥ Knitting Study Group



Our next knitting night will be **April 25th**. So if you have a project are working on and need some help or you would like to start a new project, or you just want to spend the evening knitting, join us starting at 6:30 til 8:30. There is a rumor there will be birthday cake that night!

♥ Fleece to Garment Study Group

Our next step will be to talk about dyeing, because of this we are going to take a bit of a break to wait for better weather. A dye day will be planned in June, so check back for more information and a meeting date. If you have any questions please email Melanie Smith at yarnsntreads@aol.com



February Guild Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2013
Adelmann House

Present: Janet Stanger, Penny Schraufnagel, Melanie Smith, Julie Gerrard, Rebecca Winter, Vila Cox, Irene Chandler, Mitzi Meyers, Elizabeth Jeffery, Amy Butler, Kathy McGowan, Lynn Ruggles, Kimberly Brandel, Al Hayden, Anne Oglevie, Mary Siedenstrang, Mary Berent, Pat Ann, Maralyn Larson, Judy Tallent, Marita Turner, Carol Freeman.
Meeting was called to order By President Mitzi Meyers.

VP, Mary Berent announced that the Wheel of Color workshop is full and there are only 6 spots left in the April Supplementary Warp workshop.

Treasurer, Melanie Smith reports that we have \$5,009.77 in checking and \$4,508.33 in savings.

Membership Chairman, Irene Chandler welcomed everyone, new old and past members. "It is nice to see everyone."

Librarian, Judy Tallent announced she has reorganized the Library data base. It is now organized by Author, Book Title and category.

News Letter: Rebecca is asking for articles.

Sample Box: Al Hayden reports that the sample is a linen sample this month. Al also reminded everyone to get their samples.

ANWG: Rebecca Winter ANWG representative reports that ANWG is going strong and 470 people have already registered for the conference. Kathy McGowan has space for someone to ride with her to the conference.

Challenge: Janet Stanger reported and went over the rules for the September Challenge. The theme is "Holidays." Items must be handmade or hand woven. Must be made by entrant, must supply before fibers, and must identify weave structure. The Holiday identified must be a Holiday that is on the calendar. Your imagination is your only restriction. There are 4 categories that the entries will be placed. See handout.

Show and Tell: Mitzi Myers shared dyed chenille, a loomed scarf and sample sheets of her new yarn and she showed her first knitted sweater. Amy Butler donated some fiber. Irene Chandler shared a sample from the summer & winter Intensive. Rebecca Winter shared her business logo fabric. Julie Gerrard shared that she attended the Donnelly workshops in October. She used her table loom and her first hand spun, and eventually made a Table Runner. Rebecca Winter showed a Bobbin Lace piece that she made. Maralyn Larson shared a quilt that she made to raffle off for the Meridian food bank. Penny Schraufnagel is currently working on a lavender shawl. Mary Berent knitted a triangle shawl using Henry's attic yarn. Anne Ogelve shared 3 scarves. Kimberly Brandel shared 2 different, handmade tapestry looms and volunteered to head up a tapestry weaving group. Lynn Ruggles shared some books that she bought at SOAR. "Weaving Textiles that shape themselves," "Color and Textiles in Weaving," "Fiber Art Designs book 4," and "Bolivian Tubular Edging."



Kathy McGowan shared that she has a new weaving room attached to the barn. Amy Butler showed a yarn that she spun and dyed and now going to make something with. She also shared a bag that had been made out of plastic grocery bags.

Intensive: Lynn Ruggles announced it was very successful.

Nominating Committee announced that they have a slate of officers for elections.

Study groups announced when their meetings are. See post schedule in newsletter.

UFO's: There was no new UFO's presented. Kimberly Brandel finished a saddle blanket that took her 18 years to finish.

Gold Bag: Julie Gerrard is the winner of the Gold Bag. She won thread and some spinning fiber.

Meeting Adjourned for presentation of program.

◆ Respectfully submitted, Janet Stanger Secretary

March Guild Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2013

The Idaho Historical Society is planning a large event and needed the Adelman House for layout. The guild meeting was held outdoors to accommodate this change and to celebrate sunny weather and the advent of Spring.



Attending: Rebecca Winter, Mary Berent, Mitzi Meyers, Vila Cox, Melanie Smith, Joan Sheehan, Irene Chandler, Lynn Ruggles, Julie Gerrard, Al Hayden, Pat Ann, Ivy DeHart, Anne Oglevie, Caroline Dade, Katzy Luhring, Marita Turner, Teri Schladensky, Mary Seidenstrang, Judy Tallent, Penny Schraufnagel, Carol Freeman, Nancy Swenson, Rena Lute and 2 Canada Geese.

President Mitzi Meyers called the guild to order.

Slate of Officers for Election: It was noted that the following members have been nominated for 2013-2014 slate of officers: President-Julie Gerrard, Vice Presidents- Ivy DeHart and Pat Ann, Secretary-Janet Stanger, Treasurer- Melanie Smith, Membership Officer-Irene Chsndler. Please check the bylaws if you have any questions. The Guild members have one week from the March 2nd meeting to put forward to the Nominating Committee any other nominees. Continuing on for the Librarian is Judy Talent, and Rebecca Winter for the Newsletter. These two positions are not elected, but are appointed.

Vice President Report: Kathy McGowan will be the hostess for the June picnic. The Spinning for Color workshop with Lynn Ruggles was a big success. Penny brought her book of workshop samples for Show and Tell.

Treasurer's Report: Melanie will provide a document for the budget for the next year, to be published in the Newsletter.

Membership: Irene would like to welcome the sun, no other news to report.

Librarian: Due to the lack of access to the Adelman House, there was no library access this month. No report.

Secretary: Janet has been ill the past few weeks, she is wished a speedy recovery. The guild will send a get well card. Joan will take minutes in her absence this month.

Samples: Al requests that the guild members use this excellent resource for your reference library. Only 6 members picked up samples last month. This month Rebecca has provided her signature logo.

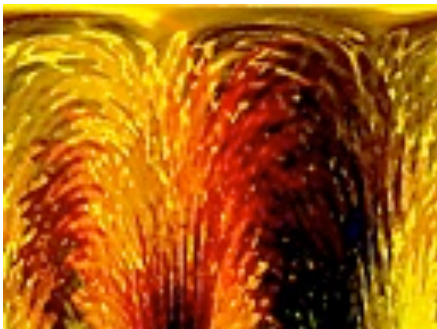
Announcements: ANWG carpoolers will soon be organized. Workshops are full with 470 registrants. We are still under the deadline for a goody bag. Meet with Ivy or Rebecca for more information.

The Intermountain Conference in Durango will be held July 25-28, 2013.

Show and Tell:

Mitzi braved the chill air and took off her jacket to show her dyed warp short-sleeved multi colored blouse. Irene modeled lovely a 5 lb shortie coat in shades of green knit with bulky yarn. Yarn was purchased for \$2.00 a skein on sale! Pat Ann brought Spin Off's to share and 10.5" heddles. Mary Berent took the heddles, Rebecca and Julie are also interested in the heddles. Pat Ann later celebrated her Gilmore Gem ii 8 harness ten treadle loom that she spent \$2,194.00 on. Joan shared a skein of neutral lace weight 'Air' from Zealana yarn company. Air is possum, silk and merino. She attended the TNNA

conference in Long Beach the first of February. She passed around some hand dyed merino singles from Page Farms, and HiyaHiya and Denise needles. Merri Williams Fiber Addict is our local contact for both types of needles for those interested.



Rebecca brought a historical show and tell. She shared a copy of the first Atwater Newsletter, and copies of the 1924 and 1928 Shuttle Craft Guild Bulletins. Carol discussed button holes that were too difficult to do in handwoven fabric. She also shared her method of working with either handwoven or upholstery fabric for a sewn garment. She places Tricot iron-on interface over the whole piece of fabric. This stops the threads from raveling. Julie spun a bulky weight natural brown yarn from Lynn's Shetland, Merlin. Vila modeled her bobbin lace chartreuse and purple scarf. Teri Schladensky brought a large, beautifully handspun 2 ply, DK weight skein she had overdyed. Ivy shared sample from her complex weaver exchange. They were quite exquisite in color and texture. The descriptive narratives were well done. Nice work Ivy! Katzy of Lunatic Fringe shared tiny little tapestry weavings from a workshop she attended in Scanlon, Georgia. She also showed a cone of hemp, which sells for \$20.00 a cone. She has 300 lbs of this fine yarn.

Gold Bag: Julie Gerrard brought the gold bag-Joan guessed the number! Now to make something of it!!

Study Group Updates:

New Weaver's Study Group-Twill will be explored with Nancy demonstrating today. The group has not warped a loom yet. Anne suggested that the group members come to her home in Weiser for a full day of practice warping, and Pot Luck. She has offered her three floor looms for the "warping challenge." The Warping Challenge is who can warp the fastest (and most accurately??). Rebecca discussed the mini-workshops that the guild held in the past. Pat Ann suggested a 'Warp-In'. Anne wondered about doing dye pots also, but the group quickly said that would be too much for one day. More information to come-

Day Weaver's Study Group: This group meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month, March 19th is the next meeting and will be held at Lynn Ruggles home.

Spinning Study Group: This group meets the 2nd Thursday of each month in Meridian at Maralyn Larson's clubhouse. March 14th is the next meeting.

Knitting Study Group: There will be no meeting in March.

Sheep to Garment Study Group: This meeting will be held on March 23rd at 11:00am. The focus will be carding, using combs, flick cards, and drum carder.

Bobbin Lace Study Group: This group meets the 2nd Tuesday each month at Rebecca's studio in Meridian. Vila would love to teach basics to any new participants.

Certificate of Excellence in Weaving (COE) Study Group: This group meets every other month to support candidates. The meeting is held at the Vista plaza Moxie Java (Kootenai and Vista). The meeting was closed at 1:15 pm

March Program: Inkle Weaving, taught by Lynn Ruggles. The program convened at 1:30pm. Lynn provided samples of Inkle weaving, several looms for weaving practice, books for reference, and a clear presentation of how to warp and weave solid and pattern in inkle.

◆ Meeting Minutes submitted by JMS for Janet Stanger who was ill.



March Board Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2013

Minutes of Board Meeting at 10:00 AM at Moxie Java prior to regular meeting. Present were Mitzi, Irene, Rebecca, Al, Melanie, Mary B, Ivy.

President Mitzi opened the meeting, saying that Janet Stanger has been in the hospital with pneumonia,

and is finally home. A card was prepared and sent around for signatures.

Vice President Mary reported on Lynn Ruggles' Spinning workshop: it was a great success, and Mary has prepared the final report, showing more than \$200 profit. The April Weaving Workshop has not been filled yet. The board discussed opening the Workshop to persons outside the Guild. Rena, who was not at the board meeting, will be contacted concerning avenues she may have already taken to do this. Suggestions are Emailing the info to interested parties, announcing the workshop through ANWG, and posting it at Puffy Mondae's shop.

Treasurer Melanie reported that around \$280 was made from the Intensive Workshop, which was about the same amount needed to purchase the new library cabinet. Current Checkbook balance is \$4,704.07. She has the proposed budget ready, and will send it to Rebecca for the Newsletter. Some changes are a smaller possible income from Challenge Entries, and somewhat less from the Intensive. She has also made separate categories for Directory and Newsletter expenses.



Also she is not sure of the Museum Donation, but has shown it as \$300 in the new budget. The bylaws say the membership must vote to accept the proposed budget. She is also preparing the email notification to Idaho Secretary of State.

Mary suggested that the Guild should not plan for a profit on all workshops, but would hope to break even over the year.

Membership chair Irene was directed to write to those who have not paid their dues for the year as a reminder. It was noted that if they pay in April, it will cover both this year and next year. Melanie and Irene think that all those who had ads in the directory have paid for them.

Rebecca reported that she is still working on the review of Policies.

Mitzi announced the slate of officers for the upcoming election: Julie Gerrard President, Pat Ann and Ivy DeHart Vice Presidents, Melanie Smith Treasurer, Janet Stanger Secretary, and Irene

Chandler Membership Chair. The vote will be in April. Al volunteered to prepare ballots. Anyone wishing to volunteer or to nominate another for any of the positions needs to do it in writing as soon as possible.

New Business: Al received notification very early this morning that the Adelman House is not available for us to use today. He left to secure us a meeting spot for today.

Mitzi ended the meeting.

♦ Respectfully submitted, Irene Chandler, substituting for Janet Stanger

Officers and Chairs

President: Mitzi Meyers 340-9775

Vice-presidents: Mary Berent 939-8906

Rena Lute 891-2111

Secretary: Janet Stanger 377-0746

Treasurer: Melanie Smith 385-0085 or cell 608-0101

Membership Officer: Irene Chandler 318-8182

Librarian: Judy Tallent 208-615-1857

Web Master: Vila Cox 323-7736

Newsletter Editor: Rebecca Winter 859-2822

Sample Exchange: Al Hayden 343-7300

Spinning Study Group: Melanie Smith 385-0085

Weaving Intensive Study Group: Lynn Ruggles 375-9172

COE Study Group: Mary Berent 939-8906

Day Weaving Study Group: Anne Oglevie 208-994-2725

Beginning Weaving Study Group: Anne Oglevie

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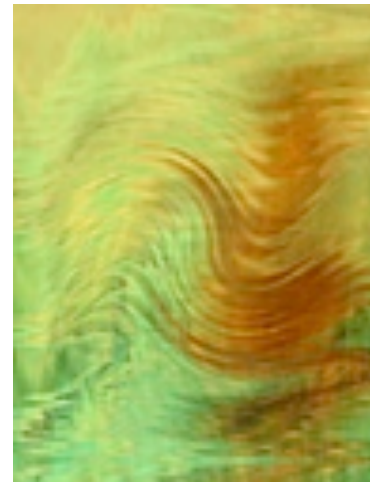
From Sheep to Garment: Melanie Smith 385-0085

Knitting Study Group: Melanie Smith 385-0085

Website

<http://www.handweavers-guild-boise.org>

Note: This Newsletter is located online at this address.



Mary Berent

Supplementary Warp Workshop

a Weaving workshop sponsored by the Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley
Saturday, April 27; Sunday, April 28; and Monday, April 29, 2013

Mark your calendars for three days of fast paced weaving, fun and learning! This workshop will get you thinking about what you can do with your loom in a whole new way.

Supplementary warp, or supplemental warp is a technique that opens a world of fabulous design possibilities. It allows the weaver to plan complex patterns that can be woven with 8 or fewer shafts and with only one shuttle. It allows for various tensions within the same warp, allowing some very interesting effects. Once weavers allow themselves to think differently about warp tension, the design possibilities are limitless. Many designs that LOOK complex are explained and turned weaves are explored. This is a round-robin workshop using 4 and 8 shaft looms.

The workshop will be held at the Caldwell Public Library Community Room. You will need to bring a loom warped according to instructions, weft yarn for that loom, shuttle(s) for that loom, basic weaving equipment (threading hook, scissors, tapestry needle, paper and pencil for note taking, masking tape, etc.) and your lunch each day. The cost of the workshop is \$95 for members of the Handweavers Guild of BoiseValley, with an additional materials fee of \$20 for a total of \$115 for the three day workshop. The total fee for non-Guild members is \$140 and includes membership in the Guild. This will be three fantastic days of weaving fun!

Name _____ email address _____

Phone _____ cell phone _____

To register send a check for the full amount to: Rena Lute, 2273 W Burns Street, Eagle, Idaho 83616, cell 891-2111.

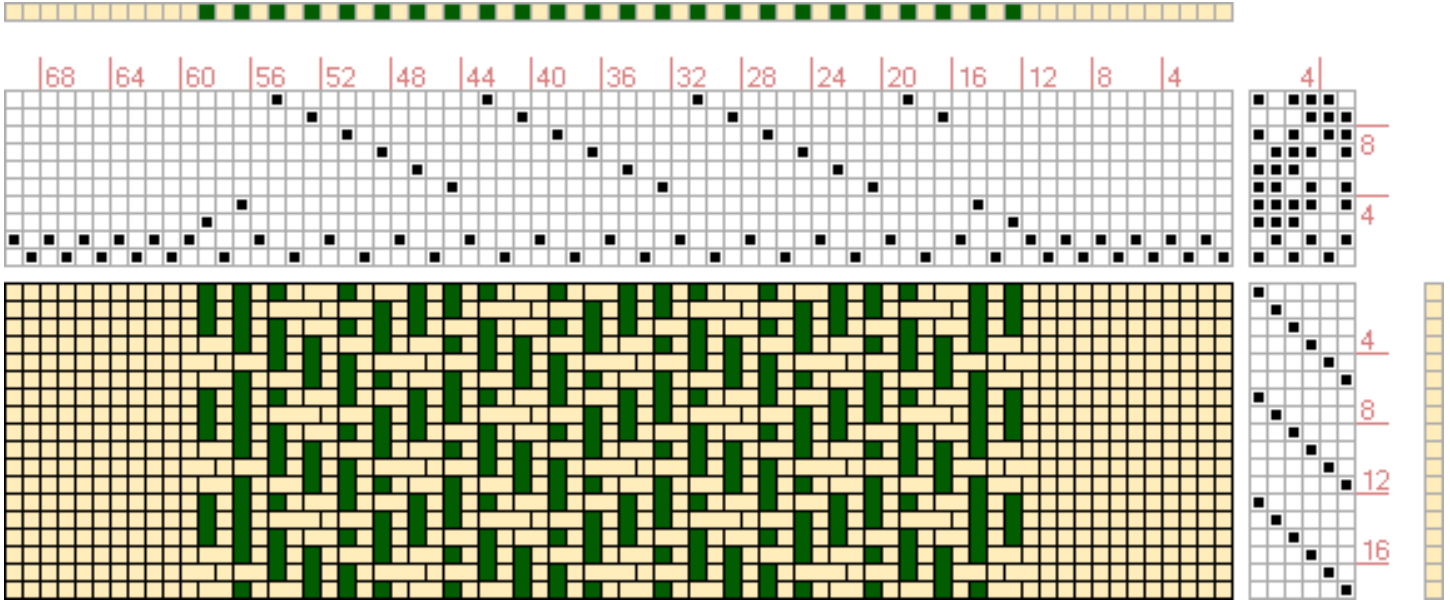


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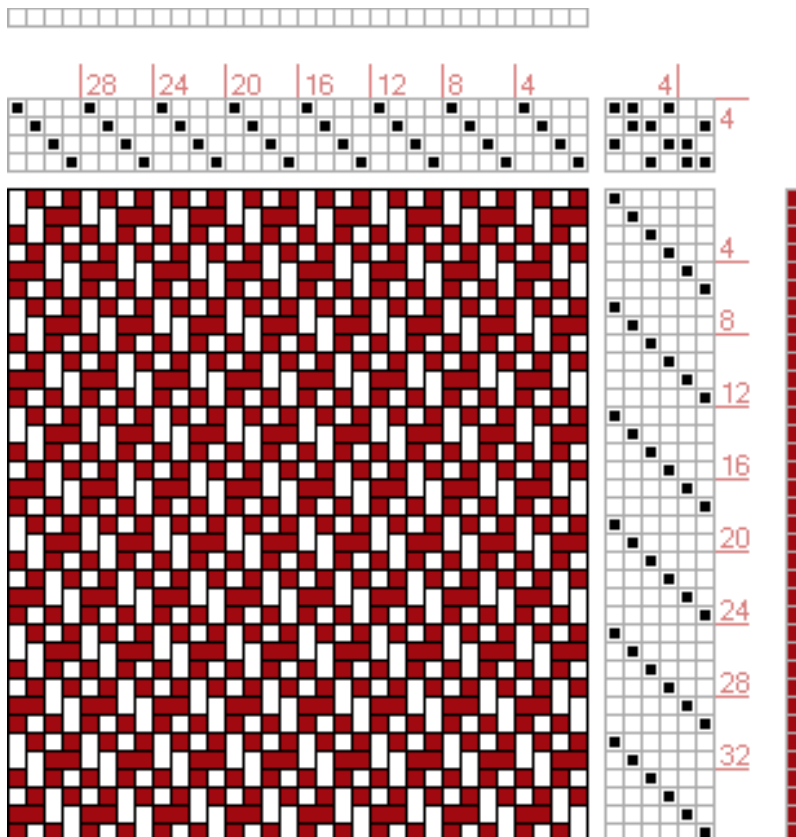
Here is a supplementary warp draft from www.handweaving.net and a 4 harness twill draft. You can go there and enter the number to see all the specifics about each draft, as well as download a .wif file.

♣ Your Editor

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Draft #60



Handweaver's Guild of Boise Valley Proposed budget for 2013-2014

Income	Yearly
Advertising	\$60
Challenge entries	\$60
Guild Sale	\$100
Interest	\$2.00
Membership dues	\$1100
Miscellaneous	
Workshop fees	\$2900
Workshop-intensive	\$400
Total	\$4620

Expenses	Yearly
Challenge prizes	\$400
Challenge supplies	\$60
Directory expenses	\$100
Membership expenses ANWG/HGA	\$90
Study group/ UFO project	\$50
Library	\$300
Misc/memorials	\$20
Newsletter Expenses	\$175
P.O. Box rent	\$70
Postage	\$50
Programs	\$50
Rent-donation	\$300
Subscriptions	\$50
Workshop expenses	\$2500
Workshop-intensive expenses	\$400
COE Party Expenses	\$250
Total	\$ 4865

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