

# Connecting Threads

Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley  
June, 2021

~ Come in Person to the Meeting ~ June 5, 2021 ~

The meeting will be held at the Life Center Gymnasium of the Bowmont Church of the Brethren.  
See the detailed directions below.

11:00 a.m. - Regular Meeting, Show-and-Tell, and .....

## The Yarn and Equipment Sale

The June Meeting will be fun, you won't want to miss it!! It will be great to see everyone.

Please bring any fiber, yarn or equipment related items you would like to sell. Please have your items priced and with your name, so shoppers will know who to pay. Also, please remember 10% of all your sales goes to the Guild. Pay this to the Treasurer at the end of the day. There are always some very interesting finds at this sale!

Pat Ann has donated ALL of her stash to the guild and there will be a LOT of her yarn, fiber, and some small equipment for sale. All the money from her stash will go to the guild.

Also, please bring your own food and drink. There is no Pot Luck for this year.

◆ Anne Oglevie, Vice President



Directions to the meeting location:

**From east of Nampa**, take I-84 west and take the first Nampa exit for the Idaho Center. Turn L toward Nampa onto Garrity Blvd and under the highway. At the third stoplight, top of the hill, turn L onto Stamm Ln and follow it all the way to the end, past the Nampa Gateway Center. This T's into Robinson Rd/Blvd. Turn R on Robinson Rd/Blvd, and head south all the way out to Bowmont Rd. It will be a fork to the R, next to an irrigation canal. Continue west on Bowmont Rd. As you cross Southside Blvd, begin watching on the L for the "town." At 3rd Ave, there is a real estate sized sign and arrow for "Bowmont Church." Turn L here, and begin watching for the church and gym on the left.

**From west of Nampa**, take I-84 east to Northside Blvd, exit R toward Nampa and continue into town. At Fred Meyer, Northside Blvd becomes Yale Blvd as you pass through two stoplights. Continue on Yale and at the curve, Yale Blvd. will become 7th St. South. Follow this to 12th Ave. South where Albertson's will be on the right. Turn R onto 12th Ave So and continue on south through town. This is Hwy 45. At the Hasbrouck House curve, 12 Ave. South becomes 12th Ave Road. Continue on Hwy 45/12th Ave. Road south towards the Snake River. Bowmont Rd will be a L turn. There is a large sign for "Bowmont Community Church." The town is east a couple miles off of Hwy 45. Turn R at 3rd Ave. and watch for the church and gym.

The physical address of the gym is 7231 3rd Ave, Bowmont, if you wish to enter this in an on board navigation program. Bowmont is a tiny community more than several miles south of Nampa. Please do not confuse this location with another Bowmont Church in downtown Nampa. Allow extra travel time until the location feels more familiar.

If you get to the Snake River, stop and enjoy its beauty, but then turn around and head back north. You went to far. ◆ Mary Chown, Vice President

## Calendar of Events

June 5, 2021 -

11:00 a.m. - Business Meeting, Show and Tell, & The Yarn and Equipment Sale  
The Location is the Bowmont Church Life Center  
**Please Note:** This is not in downtown Nampa, as your GPS might direct you. It is in the little town of Bowmont south of Nampa. See the Directions on page 1.

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June 10, 2021 - Spinning Study Group

6:30pm  
Location TBA

June 15, 2021 - Day Weaving Study Group

10:30 a.m.  
Location TBA

June 29, 2021 - Garment Study Group

10:30 a.m.  
Location TBA

Meets Every Thursday - Hook, Spin, Knit, Gab Meeting

1:00 p.m. to 5:00-ish p.m.  
Via Zoom

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June 11, 12 & 13, 2021 - Twill Immersion, by Mary Berent

June 26 to July 18, 2021 - Tour de Fleece 2021, HGBV

November 8, 11, 15, & 18, 2021 - Double Rainbow Workshop, by Jennifer Moore, Delivered Via Zoom

## 2021 - 2022 Membership

It's time to start thinking of renewing your Guild membership! Membership dues are due in June each year. For new members or those of you who never renewed this past year, dues paid as of April will apply towards your 2021-2022 membership. The membership form is posted on the HWGBV website - <http://www.handweavers-guild-boise.org/membership.htm>

There will also be Membership Forms at the June meeting to make it easy for you.

◆ Dagmar Rapp, Membership Officer

## Doubleweave - Double Rainbow Workshop, by Jennifer Moore

### Coming in November 2021!

This workshop will be delivered to you online via Zoom. The starting date is Monday November 8<sup>th</sup> then Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup>, and the next week November 15<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>.

There is room for 20 participants. This format allows for you to use your floor loom at home and weave your sample between the classes.

A video will be provided on how to wind and warp your loom 6 to 8 weeks before the class.

The cost of the workshop is \$150.

Please contact Anne Oglevie by email [anneroglevie@gmail.com](mailto:anneroglevie@gmail.com) or phone (208)994-2725 for more information and to sign up. **Send the workshop fee to hold your place.**

## From Your President

A word from your president,

Beginnings can be embraced or shorn, change is constant.

When I first started as your president I talked about new beginnings, they are for all of us. The times are changing. Now more than ever we must look forward to new ways of life, the way we are living. Thinking back to two years ago when everything was open and moving along strong, we had no idea what was ahead. Today there are new choices to be made, like what fiber project to start. Are there old projects that got put on hold? Time to reevaluate those projects and either start or give up on them, then consider it as a learning experience. Old habits are hard to change and harder to give up. We may want to study the old ways of fibre use from harvest to shawl or go to a guild sale and buy what pleases you. I am enjoying researching old patterns and drafts and how I can make old into a new placemat, as an example. Soon to get to view more old drafts and weavings and old looms.

As I finish writing this letter, I am embarking on a new journey for new beginnings.

New beginnings start with you. Well, I may be gone, but you can't get rid of me that easily.

Fibre on,

◆ Doug Ranck, President

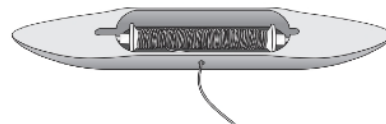
## 2021-2022 Directory Sample

For the last couple of years we have had a fabric sample on the cover of our Membership Directory. For this next year we would like to open the opportunity to create the sample to the entire Guild.

There are specific parameters required for the samples, because of the construction of the booklet.

- The fiber sample needs to be flat and made with fine yarns or threads. An example of yarn size would be 10/2 cotton or finer.
- The sample needs to be pasted inside the window cut into the Directory cover.
- We also request you provide construction instructions to be printed with your sample, such as weaving drafts or pattern instructions.
- Remember your sample will be representing the Guild, and we ask they be clean, finished, and of good quality.
- Know also we may print from 70 to 80 Directories.
- We will open this sample to any fiber method, as long it meets these parameters.

Contact the Membership Officer if you would like to volunteer.



## Garment Study Group

The Garment Study Group will meet June 29 at 10:30 am. The location will be announced on [groups.io](http://groups.io) the week prior to June 29. If you have an interest in making a garment from your handwoven fabric and are not sure how to start, this is the place you want to come for help! For additional information call Greta; find number in the membership booklet. Thanks.

- Greta Ankeny, Study Group Chair

## Officers and Chairs

- President - Doug Ranck
- Vice President - Anne Oglevie
- Vice President - Mary Chown
- Secretary - Sally Johnston
- Treasurer - Mitzi Meyers
- Membership Officer - Dagmar Rapp
- Librarian: Sally Johnston
- Web Master: Vila Cox
- Newsletter Editor: Rebecca Winter
- Sample Exchange: Julie Gerrard
- Outreach Committee: Janet Stanger & Dyan Lay
- ANWG Representative: Connie Griffin

- Spinning Study Group: Dagmar Rapp & Jinks Hunter
- Weaving Intensive: Connie Griffin & Rebecca Winter
- Spinning Intensive: Dagmar Rapp & Joan Ranck
- Day Weaving Study Group: Vila Cox
- Garment Study Group: Greta Ankeny
- COE Study Group: Mary Berent
- Bobbin Lace Study Group: Vila Cox
- Rug Punch & All Meeting: Jinks Hunter

### Website

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

### Mailing Address

PO Box 6258, Boise, ID 83707



## Meeting Minutes

### **Minutes for May 1, 2021**

#### Business Meeting

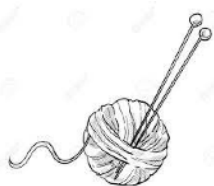
The meeting was brought to order at 10:34 by president Doug Ranck.

**Members present:** President Doug Ranck, Vice Presidents Anne Oglevie and Mary Chown, Secretary Sally Johnston, Membership Officer Dagmar Rapp, Dyan Lay, Rebecca Winter, Julie Gerrard, Jinks Hunter and Connie Griffin.

New discussion: none at this time

June potluck and sale location available: Anne and Mary C. are in charge of setting up the event. Mary called and booked the event at the Bowmont church south of Nampa on Saturday June 5<sup>th</sup>. They have tables and chairs we can use. It will be a bring your own food and drink event. Mary will get the key and we can set up starting at 10:00. Anne will bring disinfecting products so we can clean up afterward. Direction to the church will be provided in the next newsletter.

Directory preview: Rebecca and Dagmar will start to work on it and Doug will ask for volunteers to submit a sample in the newsletter.



Twill workshop update: Rebecca will set up a zoom planning meeting (probably Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30). The cost is \$175.00. Mitzi will be asked where the checks should be sent.

Also at the June Meeting Dagmar will bring forms for membership and accept checks.

Discussion about Pat Ann's fleece sale proceeds to use for a scholarship. Mary C. will look into the legal aspects of setting it up.

The meeting concluded at 11:09.

Regular Guild Meeting called to order at 11:09 with additional members present: Cindy Schafer, Katzi, Raelene Viste, Janet Stanger with more to follow.

Membership report: Dagmar has received some payments. We reiterated the information from the board meeting.

Secretary report: The annual report for licensure has been completed with the Idaho Secretary of State office for the year.

Library Report: The books and periodicals for sale have all been priced. This week the VAV periodicals will be placed into notebooks and a list of missing periodicals will be given to Mitzi so that our subscriptions continue. Rebecca and I spoke with library staff regarding hours in which we may have the library open for members of the guild. They plan to have a council meeting this Thursday evening to discuss how they plan to open the church for more functions and our guild use will be one of the topics. Doug requested that when we have a plan to let members know via groups io.

The Vice Presidents are addressing the Jennifer Moore workshop.

Treasurer reports that we have money.

Chair reports: Jinks said she will hold the spinning group at her house on the 13<sup>th</sup> of this month.

Other topics: Janet said the people from Hidden Valley Ranch have extended an invitation to the guild to participate in their September event (for publicity). Once more information has been gathered the new board will put it out for discussion.

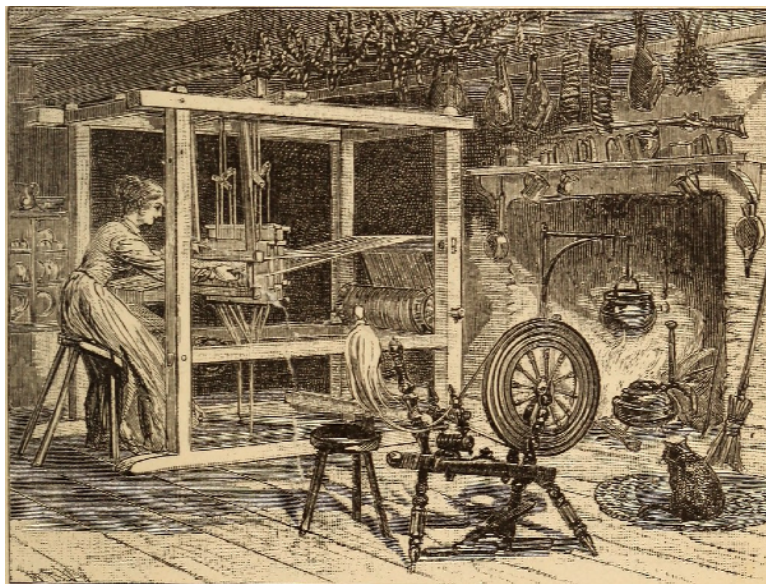
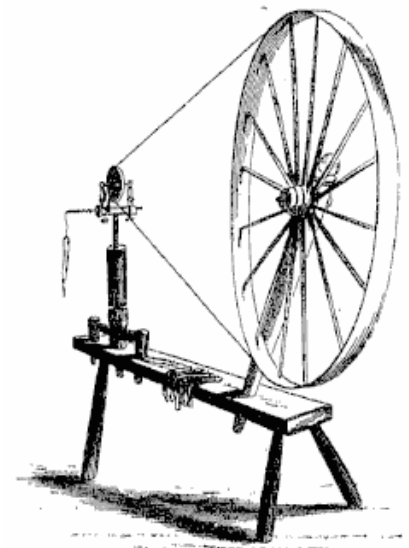
Dagmar shared that June 12<sup>th</sup> is knit outside day for anyone who wants to participate.

Jinks said the Tour de Fleece will be a little different this year due to Covid 19. She will share more about it in our upcoming newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

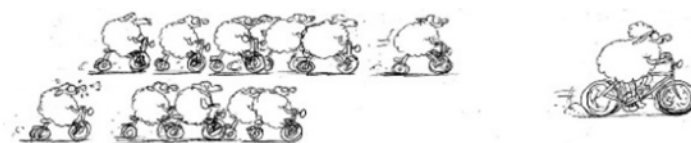
Sharing followed and finally Rebecca held an informative and enjoyable program on color.

◆ Respectively submitted by Sally Johnston, Secretary



## Tour de Fleece 2021 ~ June 26 - July 18

I hope everyone is excited for HGBV Tour de Fleece 2021! I really look forward to seeing all your projects in this year's TdF! Read on through to find instructions on how to sign up. Contact me if you have any questions.



**Tour de Fleece** is a three-week fiber event that runs concurrently with the Tour de France bicycle race. Tour de Fleece is traditionally spinning, but weaving and other fiber arts are being added to include all guild members who want to participate. References to Color, Rest and Time-Trial are a nod to the TdFrance bike race. I personally don't follow the cycle race, but I'm told it's a lot of cyclists pushing themselves to achieve their best in one of the most challenging of bicycle races, and it takes place in France.

**The Point of our Tour de Fleece** is to take on a personal goal that challenges you in your craft, and to work towards that goal every day, except designated rest days. Make it realistic to fit your available time, but push yourself some. Make it yours. Make it fun!

Goal examples:

- Spinning an amount of fiber
- Working on your goals for a specified time daily
- Weaving or creating something specific - an object or a garment in a fiber related craft
- Learning a new technique to help you become more proficient on a wheel/loom/etc.

**TdF 2021 Calendar:** This replaces the daily emails in previous TdF's. The activities in this calendar are optional. Have fun with them, or ignore them if they are too distracting from your main goal. In these activities to show color, etc., you can spin, wrap yarn around card stock, or make a cardboard loom to show examples.

**Share with the Guild:** Send pics of your progress and calendar activities to [boiseguild@groups.io](mailto:boiseguild@groups.io)

**Special Award:** Show creativity and a bit of whimsy in finding the most interesting crafting **place!** One person will be selected to win this very special award. Weavers - if your personal goal involves a regular size loom, then take along a tiny or cardboard loom, or card stock and colorful yarn to work with in your most interesting place. Spinners - a drop spindle is in order here. Be sure to send photo of you crafting and the name of the place to [boiseguild@groups.io](mailto:boiseguild@groups.io)

**For all TdFleece Participants:** We will have a goodie bag with some fun fibery/weavy stuff and special rewards from local and online vendors. So try to work hard on your goal every day (except rest days).

**We are asking participants to donate a Fibery/Weavy/Arty something** to add to the goodies pile. Find something in your stash that you would like to receive as a gift, but maybe isn't fitting with your current project lineup. Make it something someone would be delighted to add to their stash!

Note: this is optional, but we're hoping for enough donations to make the goodie bags really fun.

### **To participate in Tour de Fleece 2021 HGBV You Must:**

1. Be a guild member
2. Set a Personal Goal for the Fiber Craft of your choice (Spin, weave, other fiber craft)
3. Send a description and photo of your project/goal to Jinks Hunter's email.  
**BY June 24.**
4. Send a description and photo of your project at end of the tour to Jinks Hunter's email.  
**BY July 24.**

Contact me at - [jehunter101@gmail.com](mailto:jehunter101@gmail.com) or 208-867-2953.

◆ Jinks Hunter

# Tour de Fleece 2021

June 26 - July 18

Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
To Keep your personal goals in mind - enter here:						
Share info and pics of your progress of your goal and any daily activities you choose to do on <a href="mailto:boiseguild@groups.io">boiseguild@groups.io</a>						
Day 2 June 27	Day 3 June 28	Day 4 June 29	Day 5 June 30	Day 6 July 1	Day 7 July 2	Day 8 July 3
	<b>Kool Aid Dye Day</b> On your own or w/a group dye fiber or yarn. Make something to show by end of tour		<b>Time-Trial 1</b> Spin, weave, craft as much as you can in 7 minutes.	Use a natural color fiber	<b>Green Day</b> Use green in some way today – spin, weave, craft, wear, eat	
Day 9 July 4	Day 10 July 5	Day 11 July 6	Day 12 July 7	Day 13 July 8	Day 14 July 9	Day 15 July 10
<b>White Day</b> Use white in some way today – spin, weave, craft, wear. Add some red and blue – Happy Independence Day!	<b>Rest Day</b> What are you reading? Share 2 of your favorite fiber books and any good books you have read lately	Spin, weave, craft A color you don't like. Add something to jazz it up.		Use some exotic or unusual fiber	<b>Yellow Day</b> Use yellow in some way today – spin, weave, craft, wear	Spin, weave, craft in public today
Day 16 July 11	Day 17 July 12	Day 18 July 13	Day 19 July 14	Day 20 July 15	Day 21 July 16	Day 22 July 17
<b>Rest Day</b> What else have you been working on?	Ply a thin single on to a thicker single	<b>Polka Dots Day</b> Use some red & white or make polka dots!		<b>Time-Trial 2</b> Spin, weave, craft as much as you can in 7 minutes.	Find 3 items from your stash and spin them together.	Spin @ Jinks' Ranch Ask for directions
Day 23 Jul 18						
Last day – finish up your project!	