

ConnectingThreads

Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley
June, 2023

Program: Annual Potluck Picnic

Our June 3, Potluck/Picnic will be at Anne Oglevie's. Her address is in the Guild directory.

Meeting starts at 11:30 AM, followed by the picnic, followed by a social hour where you can bring your wheel, knitting, handwork, etc.

Please bring:

- * a dish to share
- * your own drink
- * a lawn chair
- * a dinner service (Anne would like to minimize trash as much as possible)
- * some type of piece work for the social hour

Anne says bring a bathing suit, as she has a swimming pool!

Plan on car-pooling.

Have a wonderful time!

◆ Barbara Redmond, Vice President

Highlights & Reminders:

- Dues are due in June
- Volunteer to provide a Guild Sample
- Join the Spinning Study Group
- Next Regular Meeting ~ August 26, 2023



Calendar of Events

Regular Meeting:

June 3, 2023 ~ 11:30 a.m. ~ **Annual Picnic**
At the Home of Anne Oglevie

Study Groups:

- May 30, 2023 ~ Garment Study Group
10:30 a.m. ~ At the home of Julie Gerrard
Meets on the 5th Tuesdays, when they occur.
Next meeting - August 29, 2023
- June 7, 2023 ~ Spinning Study Group
11:00 a.m. to 2 p.m. ~ At Rubaiyats Book Store,
314 S 6th Ave, in Caldwell
- June 8, 2023 ~ Beginning Weaving Study Group
6:00 p.m. ~ hosted by Sherry Bittner
~ In-person and via zoom
- June 13, 2023 ~ Lace Study Group
10:00 a.m. - 12 p.m. ~ At the home of Raelene Viste

June 15, 2023 ~ Tapestry Study Group
7:00 p.m. ~ At the home of Kelly Sandusky
~ In-person and via zoom

June 20, 2023 ~ Day Weaving Study Group
10:30 a.m. ~ At the home of Mary Berent

August 5, 2023 ~ COE Study Group
Time & Location TBD - Look for details in groups. io

Every Thursday ~ Thursday Fiber Friends Zoom
2:00 p.m. ~ Zoom link later in this Newsletter

January 13, 14 & 15, 2024 - Weaving Intensive
Topic ~ Overshot

September 17, 2023 ~ Old Time Farm Day

Note: Many of the Study Groups will meet through the summer. Contact the Chairs for more information.

Dues for the 2023 - 2024 Year ~ Due in June

According to our By-Laws, the fiscal year for the Guild is July to June, which means dues are paid in June of each year. Per Guild Policy, if you paid dues in April or May your dues also count for the next year. Annual dues are \$30.

Here are just a few of the benefits of Membership:

- Checking out books and videos from the Library
- Renting our ever-expanding inventory of Equipment
- Access to Study Groups and Workshops
- The camaraderie of like-minded fiber enthusiasts

Please fill out a new membership form to submit with your payment, even if your contact information is the same. Not only does this help with our record keeping, but it also provides an

opportunity for the member to provide feedback regarding interests or volunteer. If you've already filled out the photo release form, you do not need to submit that form as the permission is in effect until we receive written revocation instructions.

I will not be at the June meeting, so please mail your check and registration to the P.O. Box listed on the form, or send an electronic check via your bank. You can then email the membership form to membership@handweavers-guild-boise.org with a notation that the check is in the mail.

Also, Rebecca will collect checks and forms at the June meeting.

Enjoy your summer!

◆ Connie Griffin, Membership Officer

VP News:

Christine and I want to thank the Guild for the opportunity to serve as Vice Presidents in charge of Programs and Workshops.

Mary Berent told us it was our opportunity to create the programs and workshops we would like to see and we took her at her word. It was great fun. We decided to mix it up a bit. We chose to focus on interaction and getting folks out of their seats.

The highlights for me included:

- small groups introduction
- Temari ball demonstration by Boise local, Cynthia Brandt
- dying wool fiber
- mini workshops
- the fashion show

I thought in the end it was all fun and informative and just the thing Christine and I were looking for.

Putting the workshops together was more challenging than I'd first thought... but we did it! I organized the Felt Panel workshop taught by Flora Carlile-Kovacs, which was very well received. Christine organized the Tapestry workshop led by Katzy Luhning and the results look to be amazing!

I would also like to wish Julie Gerrard and Cheryl Wurtenberger all the best as they lead us into the new Guild year.

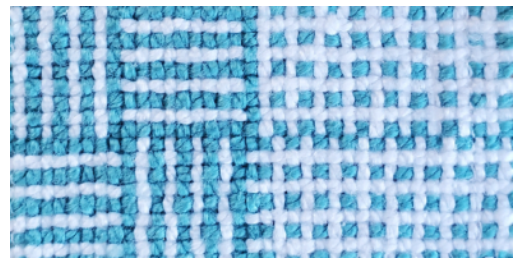
◆ Barbara Redmond & Christine Brady, Vice Presidents

May Sample Exchange

This month's sample was woven by Kathy McGowan. She found this draft on Facebook. It is plain weave with Color-and-Weave and would make beautiful towels with the 3/2 cotton she chose. Be sure to pick one of her samples up at the June meeting. This draft would be a great summer project whether you have a multi-harness loom or a rigid heddle loom.

The sign-up sheet will also be available. There are still some open spots for making samples for the 2023-2024 Guild season.

◆ Kelly Sandusky, Sample Chair



President's Corner

I would like to add my thanks to all who have made this a successful Guild year. A good time was had by all, I'd say, & more people than ever interacted with the Guild in some way to learn about fibers and what to do with them.

This is our purpose.

◆ Rebecca Winter, President



Study Groups:

Spinning Study Group

Spinning Study group will continue to meet at the Rubaiyat book store throughout the summer, the first Wednesday of each month. 11a-2p. The owner of the store looks forward to seeing us and loves learning more about spinning and fiber. Her name is Amy and she's awesome!

- Jeannie Phillips, Study Group Chair

COE Study Group

Our next meeting will be on August 5. Look for the details in our email system called - groups. io.

- Mary Berent, Study Group Chair

Beginning Weaving Study Group

The June Beginning weaving study group will be held on June 8 at 6pm and will be hosted by Sherry Bittner.

This month's discussion will be a round-robin discussion about color-and-weave. The topic can go all sorts of directions. Take some time to research, and bring your ideas to show.

The June meeting will be the final meeting of the Beginning Weaving Study Group for this year (unless the group decides to meet informally over the summer).

The group is also looking for a new chairperson to lead next year. If you are interested, notify a member of the board and they will get you connected with the right people to get started.

- Cindy Griewe, Study Group Chair

Lace Study Group

Our June 13th meeting will be at Raelene Viste's, 10am to 12pm. Locations for July and August will be sent out by email before each meeting.

- Vila Cox, Study Group Chair

Tapestry Study Group

We will meet on June 15 at 7PM. Our regularly scheduled meeting will be held at the home of Kelly Sandusky. Come and join us as we start another challenge. An email to the IO group will be sent out as a reminder with the address of the meeting.

- Cindy Schafer, Study Group Chair

Day Weaving Study Group

Please join us to be inspired by the many talented projects, people; and to ask questions about your own projects. It is an open and sharing forum. We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 10:30am. We will be meeting on June 20 at Mary Berent's at 10:30am. And we will meet all summer, as usual.

- Jenni Jimmerson, Study Group Chair

Garment Study Group

The garment study group will meet at the home of Julie Gerrard on Tuesday, May 30th, at 10:30 AM. All are welcome. If you have any questions please call Anne Oglevie 208 994 2725.

The next meeting will be on August 29 - the 5th Tuesday.

- Anne Oglevie, Study Group Chair

Thursday Fiber Friends Zoom

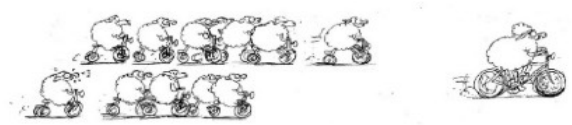
This is a great way to just hang out at home, show each other what we are working on, ask about project issues, inspire, encourage, and laugh. Hope you'll join every Thursday at 2:00 pm. Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84563744178?pwd=WVl4WWNGRmJmd3A1KzIzaUtEaUtTZz09>

- Jinks Hunter, Study Group Chair



Ready for HGBV Tour de Fleece 2023? I'm sure looking forward to seeing all your projects in this year's TdF!
Read all the info and instructions below to sign up.



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 we have added weaving and other fiber arts to include all guild members who want to participate. References to Color, Rest and Time-Trial are a nod to the Tour de France bicycle race.

The point of our Tour de Fleece is to take on a personal goal that challenges you in your craft and 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
- Weaving or creating something specific - an object/garment in a fiber related craft
- Working on your goals for a specified time daily
- Learning a new technique to becoming more proficient on a wheel/ loom/etc.

TdF2023 Calendar (page 5) The activities in this calendar are optional. Have fun with them or ignore if too distracting from your main goal. To show color, etc. in these activities, you can spin or wrap yarn around cardstock or make a cardboard loom to show examples.

Share with the guild - send pics of your progress and calendar activities to boiseguild@groups.io

TdF Traveling Award Show creativity and a bit of whimsy in finding the most interesting crafting place!

- Take your project along on your travels and wandering and snap a pic of you creating in a fun or unusual place. - Be sure to send pic of you crafting and the name of the place to boiseguild@groups.io.
- One person will be selected to win this very special award created to display in your home for the year
- Note: Weavers - if your personal goal involves a regular size loom, then take along a tiny or cardboard loom to weave on or cardstock to wrap with yarn to create in your most interesting place. Spinners – a drop spindle might be in order here. Be creative, original, spontaneous! Get out there and create in someplace interesting!

The 2023TdF Focus will be on everyone's projects so prizes and goodie bags will not be a feature this year.

To participate in Tour de Fleece 2023 HGBV You Need to:

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 jehunter101@gmail.com BY June 30.
4. Send a description and photo of your project at end of tour to Jinks Hunter jehunter101@gmail.com BY July 30.

Contact me at - jehunter101@gmail.com or 208-867-2953

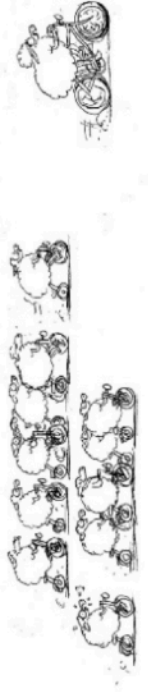
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Tour de Fleece 2023

July 1- July 23

Handweavers Guild of Boise Valley

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
To Keep your personal goals in mind – enter notes here:						
Post lots of pics & info of goal progress and any daily activities you do! boiseguild@groups.io						
Day 2 July 2	Day 3 July 3	Day 4 July 4	Day 5 July 5	Day 6 July 6	Day 7 July 7	Day 8 July 8
Time-Trial 1 Spin, weave, craft as much as you can in 7 minutes.		White Day Use white in some way today – spin -weave – craft - wear. Add some red and blue –Happy Independence Day!	Use a natural color fiber or yarn		Green Day Use green in some way today – spin, weave, craft, wear, eat	Spin, weave, craft in public today
Day 9 July 9	Day 10 July 10	Day 11 July 11	Day 12 July 12	Day 13 July 13	Day 14 July 14	Day 15 July 15
Ply a thin single on to a thicker single Weave or craft thick and thin yarn	Rest Day Books! 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 or yarn	Yellow Day Use yellow in some way today – spin, weave, craft, wear	
Day 16 July 16	Day 17 July 17	Day 18 July 18	Day 19 July 19	Day 20 July 20	Day 21 July 21	Day 22 July 22
	Rest Day What other projects are you working on? Share some pics!	Polka Dots Day Use some red & white or make polka dots!		Time-Trial 2 Spin, weave, craft as much as you can in 7 minutes.	Find 3 items from your stash and spin, weave, craft them together.	
Day 23 July 23	Last day – finish up your project!					



Meeting Minutes - May 6, 2023

Regular Meeting

Rebecca as president called the general meeting to order. Additional members present include: vice presidents Barbara Redmond & Christine Brady, treasurer Mitzi Meyers, secretary Sally Johnston, Thomas Thompson, Dyan Lay, Pat Dayton, Esther Kleinkauf, Nancy Alzola, Kelly Sandusky, Katzy Luhring, Kari Lawton, Stephanie Blihovde, Raelene Viste, Hanna Meinikheim, Cindy Griewe, Nicole Phillips, Katie Taylor, Anne Oglevie, Kathy McGowan, Julie Gerrard, Nancy Swenson, Janet Stanger, Marita Turner, Georgianna Goetsch, Cheri Byrnes, Jean Zaske, Douglas Kelly, Christie Farrin, Sheila Miller, Jinks Hunter, and Brenda Hatch.

After welcomes, this month's question "Where do you live?" kept us at a fast moving pace so we would have time for our yearly sale. We also kept the show and tell part of our meeting short for the same reason.

Business:

There was a short discussion regarding our June potluck (directions, what to bring, etc.). This year it will be held at Anne Oglevie's home in Weiser. Thank you Anne.

Officers and chair reports as needed. As librarian, I reiterated the process of checking items out and returning them. Rather than returning books each month, during summertime members may retain the items and turn them in at our first meeting (approximately 3 months).

Our Outreach Chair, Janet Stanger, reported on the Old Time Farmer Day, scheduled for September 17. She reported that she needs volunteers for demonstration.

Jinks Hunter, as our Tour de Fleece chair, reminded us about the coming days and times, which match the Tour de France bicycle race. Members participating will take photos of the strangest locale they decided to practice their fiber art. The "strangest" locale will win the traveling trophy.

It was announced, with compassion, that our member Cindy Schafer's husband recently died. She was at the Stone House during our meeting and members could visit her the after our meeting.

The annual sale occurred, and a fun time was had by all.

❖ Respectfully submitted, Sally Johnston, Secretary



Officers and Chairs

- President - Rebecca Winter
- Vice President - Barbara Redmond
- Vice President - Chris Brady
- Secretary - Sally Johnston
- Treasurer - Mitzi Meyers
- Membership Officer - Connie Griffin
- Past President - Doug Ranck
- Librarian - Sally Johnston
- Web Master - Vila Cox
- Newsletter Editor - Rebecca Winter
- Pat Ann Fund Administrator - Doug Ranck
- Sample Exchange - Kelly Sandusky
- Outreach Committee - Janet Stanger
- Social Media - Dyan Lay
- ANWG Representative - Connie Griffin
- Spinning Study Group - Jeannie Phillips
- Weaving Intensive Study Group - Chris Farrin & Kelly Sandusky
- Day Weaving Study Group - Jenni Jimmerson
- Beginning Weaving Study Group - Cindy Griewe
- Garment Study Group - Anne Oglevie
- COE Study Group - Mary Berent
- Lace Study Group - Vila Cox
- Thursday Fiber Friends Zoom - Jinks Hunter
- Tapestry Study Group - Cindy Schafer
- Tour de Fleece - Jinks Hunter
- Church of Christ Contact Person - Vila Cox
- Bowmont Church Contact Person - Rebecca Winter
- ANWG Guild Booth & Name Tags - Barbara Redmond
- Post Office Box Name Holder - Mitzi Meyers
- Mail Collector - Barbara Redmond

Website

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

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