

Weaving News You Can Use!

October 2014

SPOKANE HANDWEAVERS' GUILD

Dedicated to increasing skill in and awareness of the art and craft of weaving by hand

Next Guild Meeting

Next meeting is **Tuesday, October 14, at 6:00 PM**. At this month's meeting we will be treated to the sure-to-be-amazing textiles created as a result of a Weavers' Game challenge from Diane Sutton's *Ideas in Weaving* that we played during the May meeting.

Everyone attending is also encouraged to bring any recent textiles arts projects for show-and-tell, finishing or knitting or spinning or other handwork as well as finger foods and beverages to share and enjoy.

The meeting will take place at Orchard Crest Retirement Community, 222 S. Evergreen, Spokane Valley, in the meeting room on the 4th floor, right across from the elevator.com

Upcoming SHG Events

- **October 14, 4:45 PM:** Board of Directors' Meeting in the main floor lobby at Orchard Crest Retirement Community, 222 S. Evergreen, Spokane Valley. All SHS members are welcome to attend.
- **Entire month of November:** SHG guild sale at Pottery Place Plus gallery at 203 N. Washington in downtown Spokane. Contact Jen for more information.
- **November 11, 6:00 PM:** Monthly Guild meeting that includes a program on finishes for handwoven fabric. Members are encouraged to display and/or demonstrate favorite finished. Please let Jen know if you would like to participate and look for more information in next months' newsletter and on the website!



Judy set up a loom and demonstrated weaving at the fair!



Your 2014 - 15 Board of Directors

Elected Officers:

- President: Jen Garrison Stuber
- First Vice-President: Ellie Sheeran
- Second Vice President: *Open and filled with an at-large seat*
- Secretary: Susan Keeger
- Treasurer: Marsha Hein

Appointed Board Members:

- At-Large Seat #1 & Communications Committee
Chair: Kristie Sherrodd
- At-Large Seat #2 & Guild Historian: Judy Olsen
- At-Large Seat #3: Sarah Laudendach
- At-Large Seat #4 & Equipment & Library
Committee Chair: Gina Hoefler

Online Weaving Communities To Visit

Weavolution is an online, international handweaving community offering forums, project notebooks, drafts, loom information and more. It's like Facebook just for weavers only better! Anyone may view content but you must have a free account to participate. <http://www.weavolution.com/>

WeaveTech is a Yahoo group for intermediate and advanced shaft-loom weavers. It does not entertain novice questions, nor does it focus on tapestry, rigid heddle, or Navajo-type weaving. You must have a Yahoo account to view or participate. <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/WeaveTech/info>

Weaving is a Yahoo group for weavers of all levels. It is mostly a group of hobby weavers. You must have a Yahoo account to view or participate. <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/Weaving/info>

Warped Weavers group on Ravelry, an online community for knitters, crocheters, designers, spinners, weavers and dyers to keep track of their yarn, tools, project and pattern information, and look to others for ideas, information and inspiration. You must create a free account to view or participate. <http://www.ravelry.com/groups/warped-weavers>

President's Notes

A piece of yarn walks into a bar and orders a drink, but the bartender growls, "We don't serve your kind here."

While sitting on the curb feeling bad for himself, the yarn has a brilliant idea. He ties himself up and pulls at his plys. He walks back into the bar and orders a drink.

"Hey," says the bartender. "Ain't you that piece of yarn I just threw outta here?"

"Nope," replies the yarn, "I'm a frayed knot."

Our first Guild-wide project is due next month from the Weaver's Game. I confess I've only just finally figured out the details for mine. I am looking forward to seeing what comes off your looms for this project! Our annual sale at the Pottery Place Plus is upcoming (November!) and I am informed on Facebook that there are only 12 Saturdays before Christmas. Sometimes I'm pretty sure I'm a frayed knot.

The most exciting change on the horizon is a new home for the Spokane Handweavers' Guild. We submitted a letter of intent to rent property on Garland, right in the heart of that neighborhood of arts. The space is sunny and cozy, close to Sew Easy Too, and neighbors with the Spokane Art School. The whole stretch is full of artisans, small crafters, and local businesses. With any luck, we'll be well-ensconced before Thanksgiving.

As we get into the swing of the new Guild year, this is a great time to consider coming alongside any Board member to get a feel for the job(s). You are also very welcome to attend the Board meetings (always announced on the website).

It has been my great pleasure to serve as the president of SHG, most especially because of the support I've had from you and the Board. I wish there were enough words to express what a fine job this Board has done, what work and effort they've put into the Guild, and how wonderfully they've worked together and stepped to to meet every challenge that's come their way. I am so proud and honored to have this group of women to work with. They've stepped up, stepped in, and made all kinds of great things happen. And when I look at all of that, I know I'm not a frayed knot.

— Jen

October Fiber Events in the Inland Northwest

It's getting cold outside, the days are shortening and the events listed here fulfill our desire to stay inside and play with fiber and yarn - Let's go!

- Every Wednesday, 9:00 AM until 12:00 noon - open handspinning and other fiber arts studio at Create Art Center, 900 W 4th St. in Newport WA. Information at <http://pendoreillefiberarts.weebly.com/index.html>
- Thursdays Oct. 2, 16 and 30, 1:00 until 3:30 PM - Every other Thursday experienced spinners are on hand to answer questions and demonstrate techniques during free, open spinning at Blue Flag Handweaving Studio in Sandpoint.
- Wed. Oct. 8, 12:00 noon until 3:00 PM - North Country Weavers Guild meets at Create Art Center, 900 W 4th St. in Newport WA. For more information see their website at <http://northcountryweavers.weebly.com/index.html> or send an email to northcountryweavers@gmail.com
- Oct. 9 -12 - Trailing of the Sheep Festival in Ketchum and Hailey, ID. <http://www.trailingofthesheep.org/index.php>
- Sat. Oct. 11 - BEST (Buy-Eat-Spint-Talk) Day at Wheatland Grange just outside St. John, WA. Spin-in with vendors and a noon pot luck coordinated by Twisted Threads and Pals. For more information contact Margaret at 509-648-3895 or marggg@stjohncable.com or or Ellie Sheeran at ebsheeran@gmail.com or 509-939-3454
- Oct. 17-19 - Pend Oreille Fiber Arts' Fall Spinning Retreat at Bear Paw Camp north of Newport, WA. For Information & Registration visit <http://www.pendoreillefiberarts.weebly.com> or contact Linda Karr at irisalpaca@gmail.com
- Oct. 17-19 - Woolgatherers' Retreat at Camp Sanders near Tensed, ID. Make reservation(s), submit payment, ask directions or get additional information with Lee at leebates@sheepskinsnyarn.com
- Oct. 18 & 19 - Fiber Fusion Northwest at the Evergreen State Fairgrounds in Monroe, WA. Thirty fiber-related classes, over 60 vendors featuring yarns, roving, books, supplies, tools and more, a live fiber animal exhibit, a fiber arts contest, people's choice photo contest, a spin-in and much more! Check it out at <http://www.fiberfusion.net/>
- Nov. 1 & 2 - Silk Tasting & Plying, a day and a half of classes with Jane Fournier, is sponsored by the Alpine Weavers and Spinners Guild in the United Way Conference Room at the Gateway West Mall on Hwy 2 in Kalispell, MT. Registration opens Aug. 15. Send \$35 fee to Joan Goldstein, PO Box 2556, Bigfork MT 59911. An additional \$25 materials fee will be collected at the workshop.



It's not woven but we love it anyway - Colleen's knit and crochet scarf was a Grand Champion at the fair!

Marketplace Listings

To list items on this page as well as on our website's Marketplace page, please mail or email your weaving-related ad with photos (for the web), descriptions, prices and contact information to weaving_news@spokaneweavers.org

Ads will appear for two issues only unless the seller requests an extension of an additional issue.

WANTED: Looking to possibly purchase handwoven yardage. Please contact Kaley Hurst with prices and examples at kaleykdaniels@gmail.com.

TO TRADE: Two tabletop looms that were made in Spokane, one a four harness and one a two harness. Knitter would be happy to trade in exchange for fiber or yarn. The 2-harness loom is 28" by 19.5"; the 4-harness is 40" x 18". Both of them need a good clean, but appear to be working fine. Labels on looms read: "LOOMS by SHRIVER, E. 2419 17th Ave. Spokane." Located in Deer Park, WA but owner is willing to meet in Spokane or Spokane Valley. Contact Megan at mlangfitt777@comcast.net

FOR SALE: Folding warping reel – \$25.00. You can wind a warp sitting down! The base is 60" from end to end. It comes apart and folds up for storage. If you need more information or would like to wind those long warps sitting down, e-mail sskoetter@hughes.net

FOR SALE: Glimakra floor loom, 47" wide (120cm), Standard countermarch, 10 harnesses, 12 treadles, more than 1000 heddles. Comes with matching bench; 40, 50, 60 dents/cm reeds (Swedish, carbon steel) and 8 dents/inch reed (American, stainless steel); warping sticks and corrugated cardboard rolls; 4 sets of lease sticks; harness caddies; older style adjustable temple; homemade reed and stick stand; rubber feet; "Tying up the Countermarch Loom" by Joanne Hall. Everything is in working order and ready to pick up and reassemble. \$2500. (New cost for everything would be about \$5000.) Located in Pullman, WA. Pick up only; cannot ship. Contact Cynthia Hosick at cyhosick@yahoo.com

Membership News

As of September 30 our membership total stands at 53 paid members, and this month we are pleased welcome new members Kelsey Jackson and Susan Thomson, both of Spokane, as well as new business-level member A Child's Dream (Deborah Staggs) of Sandpoint, ID.

If you haven't joined or renewed yet, find a membership form to mail with your dues on the next page of this newsletter or pay online. Visit <http://www.spokaneweavers.org/wp/membership/> for complete information about SHG membership.



Weavers Love COLOR!

Above, Kristie used a painted warp in this cotton scarf that features a wide, wool stripe down the center. When it was fulled - viola! - ruffled edges appeared.

Below, Jen wove an assortment of brightly colored wefts in spectrum sequence to create her "ROYGBIV Kitchen Sink Scarf."



It's Not Too Late To Join SHG For 2014-15!

The Guild's diverse membership includes weavers, other textile enthusiasts and fiber-related businesses from Spokane and surrounding communities. Member benefits (in addition to many, many wonderful fiber friends!):

- Emailed or mailed news and reminders about upcoming events
- An annual Yearbook containing a list of fellow members, information about the guild and planned activities
- Use of Guild library and equipment
- Invitations to and price discounts on Guild-sponsored events and workshops
- Membership in the Association of Northwest Weavers Guilds
- Business members receive a complimentary listing on the Guild's Member Businesses web page

Become a part of the Spokane Handweavers' Guild!

Complete and send this form to: Spokane Handweavers' Guild, P.O. Box 4202, Spokane, WA 99220

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State & Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Membership type: Individual - \$25.00 Family (2 or more persons at a single address) - \$35.00

Business - \$50.00 Business name (for listing on website Resources page): _____

Check or money order payable to Spokane Handweavers' Guild enclosed

Charge my credit card: Visa MasterCard Discover American Express

Account number: _____

Expiration (mm/yy): _____ Security code: _____ Billing zip code: _____

Or use your credit card to join online at www.spokaneweavers.org



New SHG business member A Child's Dream offers a large array of fiber, natural fabrics and supplies for felting, nuno and spinning along with Jacquard dyes, yarn, Ashford products, wool felt, tools, kits, silk and more. Shop online at <http://www.achildsdream.com/> or in downtown Sandpoint, ID at 214-A Cedar Street.

Support Our 2014-15 Business Members

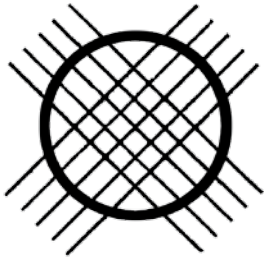
Alison Addicks Handwovens LLC (Alison Addicks), 2075A Johnson Rd., Rice, WA 99167, 509-738-6998, addicks@centurytel.net

Blue Flag Handweaving Studio (Kristie Sherrodd) 1223-B Michigan St., Sandpoint, ID 83864, 208-263-4600, <http://www.blueflagweaving.com/>

A Child's Dream (Deborah Staggs), 214-A Cedar St., Sandpoint, ID 83864, 208-255-1664, <http://www.achildsdream.com/>

The Yarn Underground (Shelley Stone) 409 S Washington St., Moscow, ID 83843, 208-882-7700, <http://yarnunderground.com/>

If you would like to see your fiber-related business listed here, please join us as a business member!



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Handwoven Entries In the 2014 Spokane County Interstate Fair

Pictured left to right, a hand towel woven by Judy Olsen, a plaid scarf woven by Susan McKee Nugent, a green color-and-weave runner (weaver unknown) and the Gonzaga University tartan woven by Jen Garrison Stuber.



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