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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting:

January 16th
Carolyn Greenwood
6:30 Meet 'n Greet
Pioneer Craft House

Wild About Fibers
1-10 to 2-26
Cultural Celebration
Center

February 20th
Pioneer Craft House

High Desert Wool
Growers' Fiber Market
Day- 3/30/2013
Oregon

President's Message

Happy New Year! Time for making some resolutions and not just those ones you will forget in three weeks. On the top of my list is spin more! I have been so focused on knitting projects that my spinning has been neglected for a while. I have decided to calendar some me time every week to do some spinning. That way, I know my challenge project will be finished in time and I will have entries for the fairs come this summer. You all may have different reasons for wanting or needing to spin. Don't let life get so busy you forget to take time for yourself.

Looking forward on our calender we have our January meeting on the 16th. Carolyn Greenwood is coming to show us different ways to spin her braids. There will be techniques for beginning and advancing spinners alike, including fractal spinning which many folks were interested in at the Park City retreat this past year. At the end of the meeting, the guild will provide those who want to participate with some "pigtails" so you can practice what we learned. We will have a special show and tell with them in our February meeting to show off our new spinning skills.

Also coming up:

- Fiber Outlaws Retreat – January 17-19 at the U of U campus in Roosevelt. Please contact Donna Trotter for more details.
- Helper Retreat – February 28 – March 3rd at Michelle's house in Helper. For those interested they will be doing dying this time including injection dying. Bring what you want dyed or dyes to add to the pot. Spun white yarn in a center pull ball will be used for the injection dyeing. Contact Shirley or Michelle for more information.
- March Woolpack meeting is the dye exchange. You choose your favorite – dyeing method, color, whatever – and bring enough to share an ounce with everyone. I usually prepare about 2 pounds of fiber and I have enough. Additional information on this traditional event is also posted on our website.
- Our meeting in May will be the challenge reveal. Hopefully, you are making time to spin a non-animal fiber (this means plant or man-made) and make it into something awesome (this is where my resolution comes in). I can't wait to see all the cool things you will show off.

Hope you are planning for some of this stuff. It is going to be a great year!

Happy spinning!! Jill Tew

December Meeting Notes

The holiday party was hosted by Julie Davis's home in Eagle Mountain. She has a lovely home that was festively decorated for the holidays. There was a lot of holiday cheer and great potluck food. The Guild would like to thank Julie for opening her home....

The night was definitely chilly and many wanted to either sit by the fireplace or try out Cheryl Stratton's foot warmer...definitely something every household should have.

Jill Tew made a few announcements....

- Fiber Outlaws Retreat in Vernal in January
- Spinning Saturday at Shirley Marshall's Jan 5th
- January's meeting will be taught by Carolyn Greenwood on Fractal Spinning
- Carolyn Ferro noted there is a new magazine called "Ply" by JC Boggs. She also reported that her dog will be in the Spring Issue of Spin-Off.

Gift Exchange

Members outdid themselves this year with the gift exchange. First the most decoratively wrapped gift went to Kathleen Fisher who wrapped her gift in a 3D 'glitter' star. She was able to pick her gift last....As usual there was the "civilized" stealing to popular gifts.

Gifts consisted of...(apologies if I missed anyone's items)

- Basket with a book, cider, candy canes, roving, wine glasses, cheese crackers, mug, and chocolate cherries. Nothing like a picnic to spin by....
- Basket with a handmade lamb, sheep soap, roving, lotion, foot warmer, book and handmade bag. A popular steal for the evening
- A handmade wreath with accompanying dyed fiber, ornament and silk scarf
- Large hand knit Christmas sock that contained cherry chocolates, sock yarn, roving, orange, lotion bar and bag
- BFL roving
- Handmade Christmas tree with an orifice hook, yarn gauge, Knowlton roving and a woven scarf
- Hand knit and felted bag and hand knit novelty yarn scarf
- Wool roving and BFL pink roving
- Ceramic vase with a carded fiber batt inside
- Glitter star with yarn inside
- Fabric wrapped package with candy, book and table runner
- Roving, foxfire alpaca yarn, and small bag
- Handmade shawl pin, stitch holder and stitch markers
- Greenwood fiberworks roving and black roving
- Handmade triangle shawl
- Judy Gunn's roving (Kira's colorway) and 2 DVDs on how to spin cotton and spinning energized yarn
- 2 needlefelting kits and candy cane

It was a great evening of fun had by all.....Perhaps we should do two gift exchanges a year!

-Cathie Delewski

New Year's Resolution or More Fun Things To Do With My Handspun

Last year's resolution was to learn some nalbinding and I did make several good starts. If I had taken the time to go through these websites instead of bookmarking them and then just 'going for it' I would be much further along!

Another new year and again it is time to pick up the nalbinding plus adding in some twined knitting.

<https://sites.google.com/site/neulakinnas/>

Wonderful website by Sanna-Mari Tonteri. She has pages on different items that may be made from Nalbinding with helpful suggestions on fit and construction. She has videos of numerous stitches plus more pictures and descriptions of stitches. Not sure if we have any left handers, but there is also a link that would help to make the translation.

http://www.midrealm.org/starleafgate/Documents/Basic_Nalbinding.pdf

A site by Lady Caelfind ingen Failtigerna, better known as Spider, shows pictures and describes the buttonhole stitch. She also describes a basic U/OO stitch and what those initials mean.

<http://home.arcor.de/bedankbar/index-eng.htm>

<http://www.geocities.com/alixtibergera/index.html>

<http://www.angelfire.com/zine/kiarapanther/project/naalbinding.html>

<http://webpages.mcgill.ca/staff/Group2/jhobbi/web/nalbinding/>

A website with a list of stitches, diagrams on the linkages and other information regarding the stitches as available.

<http://www.stringpage.com/naal/naal.html>

Another website with a wealth of information on the stitches. This may be the one where it all makes sense!

There are many more sites one can visit and videos to watch. I just listed a few of my favorites...which I vow to use a little more diligently while learning this craft!

Please, Please, Please

All members interested in making the photo light-box please **let Jill know asap or at the January meeting**. We will be working on those in February.



Newsletter Contribution Prize Winner

Shirley Marshall

Thank you for contributing an article to the Woolpack Newsletter!

Besides the January program, the camaraderie, the dedicated spinning time, come to the January meeting for the **chocolate!!**



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