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UPCOMING EVENTS

Next Meeting:

Dec. 18, 2013,
7:00 pm
323 Hedge Hollow
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Draper, UT 84020

Spinning Saturdays

Contact
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if you want to
volunteer to do a
spinning Saturday.

Editor's Note

Since it is already December, I am playing catch up one more time and including November information. My New Year's Resolution (actually, I prefer goal - with a goal you know where you are aiming but you don't give up the first time you miss) will have to be to be on time with the Newsletter each month for the rest of the year. As always, we are happy to accept articles for the newsletter, which may be sent to me at wreiersen@gmail.com or send to wasatchhandspinners@yahoo.com (but let me know if you have sent something to the yahoo address and I have not responded, as I might not have seen it).

President's Message

Did you realize the holidays are sneaking up on us? I came to that realization just the other day and wondered how many presents I can actually get done for Christmas. I was very ambitious in June when I made my plan and now I'm thinking only one or two will get done. That's okay though because as long as I'm spinning I'll be happy.

Are you looking for a bit of a challenge in your spinning? Then I have just the project for you - a spinning challenge with mystery fiber. You have the opportunity to buy a fiber kit for just \$5 at our next meeting, then at the end of the guild year, we'll see what everybody's made with the same fiber. You can use any method you want - the sky's the limit. You can dye it, spin it, knit it, whatever your imagination can dream up. Please let me know if you didn't get a chance to get your kit and I will make arrangements to get it to you right away. You'll have until May to complete your project. There's only a few kits left so get yours while they're still available.

Happy spinning!
Jill T

October Meeting Notes

November meeting: Cindy's presentation about Ravelry
Dye exchange March: dye your favorite national park (or fiber inspired by your favorite national park).
December Meeting: Christmas party! TBA will not be at pioneer house (see address above).
Tonight's meeting: What to do with Little bits of fiber.

Ideas to use up those bits and pieces of yarn

I am sure that many times you have looked at that certain corner or basket with all your odds and ends of handspun and yarn. What to do? Here are just a few ideas:

1. Check books out at the county library or our guild library.
2. Magic ball projects: tie all scraps of yarn together with a knot and wind in a ball. When you knit it up, hide the knot on the wrong side of the fabric.
3. Double sided knitting. You can use two different color balls of yarn at the same time knitting one color on one side and the other color on the opposite side.
4. Listen to podcasts or videocasts about knitting and spinning to get ideas about what they have on their needles.
5. Many patterns I have found while browsing ravelry for ideas. Next month we will be taught more about this

Some patterns that you might look up on Ravelry:

Aspen neckwarmer
the beekeepers quilt
Victoria crochet drawstring purse
jigsaw afghan
Jamaica scarf
sock yarn blanket
Calorimetry
198 yards of heaven
Just search "bath puff"
valentine heart cushion
Fan bookmark
toys knit and stuffed with wool
Learn to knit a log cabin blanket
any washcloth or potholder pattern
Baby or preemie hats from sock yarn
any of Frankie Brown's blanket patterns
It's a moustache for your fingers
headbands
Paintbox log cabin blanket
knitted patchwork recipe
Elefante (not much

yarn) spa day facecloth
Baby shoes or booties
mustache cuffs or any fingerless mitts

Additional pattern suggestions and sources shared included:

Jill: locker hooking, felted soap, weaving

Mom: hand out

Navajo ply bits and pieces

15 color rainbow socks

Random rainbow socks

Fandango

Nose warmer chicken hat

Knitty

Vegas scarf

Cheryl brought a sweater out of the knits weekend magazine called the Spoked Cardigan, by Carol Feller, and shared the following web sites relevant to using up odds and ends of yarn.....cutoutandkeep.net and also simpleknits.blogspot.com

November Meeting Notes

Challenge fiber was handed out and there were a few left at \$5 for anyone who still may want to do the challenge

Explain how challenge works.... Everyone receives a portion of the same fiber. Make anything that you want to. Be creative. You can dye it, spin, felt, knit, weave, etc. Bring to a future meeting and we will see all of the different things that each of us did from the same starting point.

Cyndi Marshall taught us about Ravelry tonight. We learned that you can use Ravelry for everything. You can stash yarn, maintain your library, patterns, and even purchase and find things from others. Ravelry is like FaceBook for Fiber Artists. Check out what everyone is doing: The following is a list of Wasatch Woolpack members and their Ravelry names:

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Ravelry name</u>
<u>Molly Anderson.</u>	<u>Angelkind</u>
<u>Haley Cassleman.</u>	<u>Haleycassleman</u>
<u>Sharon Neyme.</u>	<u>Sharonlou</u>
<u>Luli Josephson.</u>	<u>LJ spins</u>
<u>Sarah Marsden.</u>	<u>Sarahm96</u>

<u>Brandie Bruce.</u>	<u>Brandieann</u>
<u>Rebecca Thomas-Maurer.</u>	<u>Yarnismyantidrug</u>
<u>Judy Jackson.</u>	<u>Judyspinning</u>
<u>Kathleen Fisher.</u>	<u>Dipsydoodledesign</u>
<u>Dian Cheney.</u>	<u>Diteche</u>
<u>Becky Wilford.</u>	<u>Beckywilford</u>
<u>Shawn Clarke.</u>	<u>Shadowweaver</u>
<u>Laurel Wright-Feighery.</u>	<u>LLWright</u>
<u>Carolyn Chen.</u>	<u>2468cc</u>
<u>Cyndi Marshall.</u>	<u>Ispin4 fun</u>
<u>Kira Masnica.</u>	<u>Bluetoespinner</u>
<u>Wendy Reiersen</u>	<u>rampion</u>

Show and Tell:

Wendy brought her dye exchange shawl.
Class by Michelle Poplin Alfeld projects
Wool in bottles to protect from moths but
you can see the gorgeousness of the wool.
Janet showed her beautiful fingerless mitts
Sarah showed her cowls that she knit while
figuring out pooling.. They turned out
beautiful.

Cyndi showed her toe head scarf she made
for her niece..it is on Ravelry.

Announcements....spinning Saturdays...

*If you want to host contact Kira.

*Great Basin...artwork contest... New
graphics if you are interested we will pay
\$100 for the design any entries by the first
of January. Kira.spins@gmail.com

* Judy Gunn sent a sample blending board
which will be a project for an upcoming
meeting.

Lemon Bars

By Carolyn Leigh Bennion Ferro

At the August Natural Dyeing Workshop on
Wyoming, I was asked for my recipe for
Lemon Bars. These Lemon Bars have been a
family favorite for many years and is my 'go
to recipe' when I need to bring a dessert.
The original recipe I found on an old,
yellowed index card in a rusty tin card file
box I inherited from my mother. The card
states the recipe came from a 1950 era
Relief Society publication.
Here is my adaptation:

Lemon Bars

CRUST

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup butter
1/3 cup powdered sugar
1 Tablespoon lemon zest
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon baking powder

Sift the flour and baking powder together
and add to the butter, powdered sugar and
zest. Mix until crumbly.

Press into a 9x13 glass baking dish

Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

FILLING

3 eggs
1 to 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ cups sugar
3 Tablespoon flour
6 Tablespoons freshly squeezed lemon juice
2 Tablespoons freshly squeezed lime juice
2 Tablespoons fresh lemon zest
1 Tablespoon fresh lime zest

Beat the eggs with a mixer till smooth and
light yellow. Gradually add sugar. When well
blended, add the remaining ingredients,
mixing thoroughly.

Pour filling over baked hot crust and bake
for 15 minutes in a 350 degree oven.

Let cool in pan and sprinkle with extra
powdered sugar, if desired.

My notes:

*When mixing crust, one can either cut cold
butter into the remaining crust ingredients,
like a pie crust; or melt the butter and stir
all crust ingredients together.

*If you don't have limes, substitute all lemon
juice and zest

*We like our lemon desserts very tangy, and
lemons vary in tartness, so I adjust the sugar
in the filling to taste.

*The filling will not look done after 15
minutes. Don't cook it longer. It sets up as it
cools. Be sure to add cooling time before
attempting to cut into squares, or you will
just have a gooey mess.

*These freeze beautifully—so double the
recipe, and always have some on hand!



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