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**NEWSLETTER**  
**THE MOUNTAIN SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD**  
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**P. O. BOX 1820 PRESCOTT, AZ 86302**

**President's Letter**

*Are you all going through your stashes and your equipment with the telltale patina of dust from non-use? Load your car up, and bring it all to sell at our indoor potluck picnic and sale at our July 17 meeting. The way the days are heating up, I think we'll be happy to be inside!*

*I'm excited to hear about all the weaving projects people are doing for the Gallery Show and Holiday Sale-- 'tis very inspiring, to say the least. I've been concerned about my lack of energy lately, but yesterday I turned my AC down a few degrees, and lo and behold, your prez got her groove back!*

*Happy weaving & spinning,*

*Anne Marston*

**July Membership Meeting**  
**Saturday, July 17, 2010**  
**American Lutheran Church**  
**1085 Scott Dr., Prescott**

**10:00 AM** – Indoor Picnic/Potluck/Tail-Gate Sale at our regular meeting place. Bring food to share; the Guild will supply plates, cutlery, drinks, etc.

**Special Interest Groups**

**Mondays – Spinning** 10 am -2 pm at Sharlot Hall Museum.

**Tuesdays – UFO (UnFinished Objects)** 1:00 pm, Annemarie Bellem's or Anne Marston's, call first, 445-5564

**Wednesdays – Bead Weaving**, Wilda Postel's, call first, 776-4481

**Fridays – Sewing Handwovens**, 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month, 11:00 a.m., Wilda Postel's

## Future Programs

**August:** Joan Ruane (program topic TBA)

**September:** TBA

## Announcements

### Further Discussion of Copyright and the Visual Arts

Guild member Susan Swiggers responded to the copyright information in the last newsletter with the following: "I went to the first of the links you posted in the newsletter, and I have to say that writer is wrong. Copyright only protects the written work itself, NOT the items made from that written work. You can make, and sell, items made from a pattern you have found on the internet, purchased in a magazine, or purchased outright. Copyright does NOT protect clothing or other useful articles made from a pattern. That is why the big pattern makers like Simplicity and Butterick lost their legal battles so spectacularly. You cannot sell a pattern that is copyrighted because THAT violates copyright law. You CAN make something from that copyrighted pattern and you can sell that item and you don't owe the creator of the pattern a thing. Useful articles are simply not copyrightable."

My research supports Susan's assertion. The written patterns themselves (the documents) are copyright protected. A knitted pattern of a cat on a sweater would also be copyright protected, since the cat would represent a separately identifiable, non-utilitarian aspect of the object, but the sweater itself would be a non-copyrightable useful article. – Diane Braun

U.S. Copyright Office's definition of "useful articles" - <http://www.copyright.gov/register/va-useful.html>

U.S. Copyright Office's 2006 statement on H.R. 5055's proposed protection for fashion designs - <http://www.copyright.gov/docs/regstat072706.html>

Last major action on H.R. 5055 occurred on 7/27/06 when subcommittee hearings were held. - <http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/z?d109:h5055>:

"Should Fashion Design Be Copyrightable?" - <http://www.law.northwestern.edu/journals/njtip/v6/n1/7/>. This article discusses the issue of fashion design copyrights. Although not a source document, it is a recent (2007) and informative overview of the subject.

### July Indoor Picnic and Tailgate Sale

Your board has been busy emailing back and forth and has come up with an active couple of months for summer. Joan Ruane will do a program and workshop for us in August. Mary Morel (filling in for our recovering Barbara Albeck) will have more details to share about this. That meant no August picnic. I won't go through the many steps that brought us to our July event. We will have our potluck picnic inside at our regular meeting place, and our eagerly awaited (by some) Tailgate Sale will come inside as well. This sale is for your equipment and other fiber related items that you're no longer using but don't want to just give away. Members wishing to sell items to other members can set up, and we'll have generous time for shopping before our potluck lunch. Since this is our 'picnic', we will have a very abbreviated business meeting. Our meeting hours will change to 10:00 a.m. through 1:00 p.m.

## **In Memoriam**

Our friend, Joanna Lines, has died. This is such an unexpected shock. Her sister, Linda Sanders, thinks it was possibly a heart attack or stroke. Linda said that our guild was a life line to Joanna. Joanna's sister's address is:

Linda Sanders  
PO Box 1343  
Wickenburg, AZ 85358

## **Convergence**

July 18-25, 2010 – Albuquerque, NM. “New Visions: Ancient Paths.” [www.weavespindye.org](http://www.weavespindye.org)

## **Yavapai College Gallery Show**

We finally received a written confirmation from Yavapai College. Our dates for our Gallery Show are November 5, 2010 through December 1, 2010. Our opening reception is Friday, November 5, from 5 to 7 pm.

Jurying will be done September 26th and 27th. Intake for the show is the week of September 20th at Wilda Postel's home. A firm date will be announced at the July meeting. If your entries are accepted, you may leave them with Wilda for safe keeping, or you may pick them up. Our scheduled date and time to pick up our work after the show at the gallery is December 5th after 3 pm.

I hope you're all weaving some gorgeous things to enter. We only have three months to go!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

If you have any questions at all, please contact me at 776-0052, [earthandfiberdesigns@cablone.net](mailto:earthandfiberdesigns@cablone.net) or Jean Brugger at 445-4979, [j\\_brugger@msn.com](mailto:j_brugger@msn.com).

Thank you, Jo Manginelli, Co-Chair, Gallery Show

## **History, Lore, and Other Arcana**

Burling – The removal of flaws in cloth taken from the loom, by removing thick places and taking knots to the back of the cloth for unpicking ready for mending.

Misti – The progeny of a male alpaca and female llama.

Rock – A term at one time commonly used for a distaff. (Hence St. Distaff's Day or Rock Day on January 7).

Spangle – Irish term for hank or skein.

(All definitions came from The Encyclopedia of Hand Spinning by Mabel Ross.)

## Workshops

**Bio-Engineered Fibers** by Joan Ruane. Open up to a new world of fiber! Learn how to spin and handle Soy Silk, Ingeo, Silk Latte, Bamboo, Sea Spun, and who knows what else! Everyone has fun and goes home with spun samples of these fascinating fibers. Friday, August 20, 2010, at Mountain Artists Guild. Cost TBA (depending on participation - if we have 15 spinners, the cost would only be \$25.00 each, plus whatever supply fee Joan charges.) Send \$25.00 deposit to Barbara Albeck to hold your spot. Don't miss out--register now.

Please let Barbara Albeck know what workshops you would like to see given in the future. If you have a special talent, perhaps you'd like to offer a workshop. Barbara wants to know what you, as members, would like to learn - or teach. Please e-mail her at [Barbalbeck@msn.com](mailto:Barbalbeck@msn.com) or call 520-831-3242. Thank you.

If a workshop is \$20.00 or less, you need to pay for it in full when you sign up. If the workshop is over \$20.00, you need to give a 50% deposit to hold your space in that workshop. Please make checks payable to MSWG.

August NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – July 24.

Send articles to Diane Braun, [highlander1@highcastlecrafts.com](mailto:highlander1@highcastlecrafts.com).

Send address corrections/updates to Anne Marston at [anne@annemarston.com](mailto:anne@annemarston.com) or [info@mtnspinweave.org](mailto:info@mtnspinweave.org).

**DIRECTORY UPDATES are listed on their own webpage and sent with the newsletter quarterly to those on snail mail.**

### MSW 2009-10 Officers and Staff

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## July Birthdays

July 19 – Michelle Veatch

July 21 – Diane Braun

July 24 – Mary Phares

July 28 – Yvonne Johnson

### *Mountain Spinners and Weavers Guild* Minutes of the General Meeting June 19, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Anne Marston at 9:00 a.m.

Mary Jane Hopf's friend Suzie was a visitor today along with a new member, Diane Moore.

Minutes: May minutes were approved: M/S/V, Luida Gottlieb/Marilyn Smith/All.

Treasurer: MJ has begun to develop a preliminary budget for 2010/2011. There are presently 17 newsletters mailed each month. If you currently have an e-mail address and also request to have a hard-copy mailed to your home, it will cost you to receive the mailed copy starting in September. (It currently cost \$12 per year). There will be no charge for mailing to those who do not have e-mail access.

1st VP: Mary Morel (Diane Braun reported for Mary): Today's program is "The Criteria for Judging Handspun Yarn" with Nancy Wilson. July will be the picnic/potluck/Tailgate Sale (10:00 am to 1:00 pm). This event will be inside at the American Lutheran Church. Joan Ruane, a Tucson spinner, will present a spinning program and a workshop in August. Mary is still working on getting a program lined up for September.

Additional Tailgate Sale information: The Tailgate Sale will be in July. It will be indoors. This sale is considered a "yard sale" and will not be taxed. Anne suggested a 5% fund raising fee from all sales for our Library Fund. It was suggested that the Guild collect 10% if Anne will bring her credit card machine. There will be no Treasurer handling the monies. Each seller is on an honor-system to pay the 10% to the Guild Representative (probably Anne).

2<sup>nd</sup> VP: Kathy Kelly (Anne reported for Kathy): The Folk Art Fair was June 5 & 6 at Sharlot Hall Museum. The annual picnic/potluck will be held in July after a short business meeting. The following event is the Summer Festival at the Courthouse Plaza, August 14-15. Diane Braun will chair the Festival event. The Yavapai County Fair is September 30 through October 3, 2010. We also have the October display at the Prescott Library for "National Spinning and Weaving Week".

Workshops: Barbara Albeck: Joan Ruane will hold a spinning workshop on "Bio-Engineered Fibers" on August 20, 2010 at the Mountain Artists Guild facility in Prescott. The workshop is \$25 plus a materials fee (TBD). We may be able to get Bobbie Irwin, next April, for a weaving class. Her subject is weaving iridescent, so the class is about color and not structure. If anyone has suggestions for a future workshop, please contact Barb.

Special Interest Groups: Bobbin Lace, Beading, Spinning, and UFO's (Unfinished Objects) are continuing to meet regularly. The Clothing/Sewing group meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month at Wilda's home. Mary Morel is leading a study group on knitting the "Surprise Sweater" at the Prescott Library.

Sunshine: Mary Bricker (absent): Mary Morel has a new grandson.

Announcements & Mail: Anne – The collection cup will be passed around. If you forgot your name tag, you need to put in a quarter (\$.25). Sharon Richards is missing a skein of yarn from the Fair-on-the-Square sale in May. It may have accidentally got packed in with someone else's items, so please check your inventory if you were at the sale. Nancy Wilson reminded us that the Southwest Regional Spinners Retreat is in late July, in

Cloudcroft, NM. She is attending and asked if anyone from our group is interested in attending also. Marion Patterson brought in extra hand-out copies of the "Self Care Exercises" given by Leslie Loomis.

Hospitality: Yvonne Johnson – Refreshments provided by: Sue Holle, Beverly Pott, and Mary Phares.

Historian: Marilyn Smith – There are photos from the Folk Art Fair and some additional photos from Jill Holbrook's workshop.

Librarian: Margaret Espinoza – absent.

Membership: Caralee Roberts – We currently have 81 members.

Newsletter: Diane Braun – As a regular reminder, all inputs for the newsletter are due the Saturday following the Guild meeting.

Parliamentarian: Debbie Allen – nothing to report.

Publicity: Margaret Espinoza – absent.

Ways and Means: Carma Koester – Today's raffle is an inkle loom with an assortment of yarns. We also have totes, Tee shirts, sweatshirts, and cookbooks.

Old Business: Anne Marston – Lauri Hoover, who was nominated for next year's 1<sup>st</sup> VP, is relocating and will be unable to serve in this position. Anne will ask the nominating committee for a new recommendation. If anyone has a candidate to nominate or would like to volunteer, please see Anne.

Yavapai College Gallery Show: Jean Brugger reminded us the show will run from November 5 to December 1. The judging will take place September 25-26, so get your projects started.

Holiday Sale: Yvonne Johnson and Joanna Lines will co-chair the Holiday Sale on November 13<sup>th</sup>. Sandy Evans will chair the raffle baskets for the Holiday Sale. Yvonne asked the membership if there were any objections to inviting the Woodturners to participate. There were no objections. Joanna said she would start bringing in sign-up sheets, by various categories, so they can get an idea of how many members will be participating. Kitty Martenis suggested we contact the Woodturners right away, as they, too, need time to make their items.

Other Discussions: Diane Braun will chair the Summer Festival event, August 14-15, at the Courthouse Plaza. She will have sign up sheets. There will be a \$10 charge when you sign up. That amount will be adjusted, at the end of the event, based on the total number of participants. She will also need help setting up and taking down. She will contact each person who signs up with the pertinent drop off schedule and other requirements. She is also thinking about another way to display the fibers. If you have some suggestions, display stands, or racks, please let her know. She also suggested packaging your items in smaller quantities if practical. It may be easier to make a \$20 sale than a \$40 one.

New Business: Anne Marston: We need to appoint a representative for the Arizona Federation. There are three annual meetings in Phoenix. There may be other subcommittee meetings. Their fiscal year begins July 1<sup>st</sup>. Carma Koester volunteered to be our representative. Thanks, Carma!

Show & Tell: Mary Jane Hopf – A knitted baby Surprise sweater; Barbara Albeck – Handspun yarn samples from a recent Verde Valley Guild workshop; Nancy Wilson – A knitted hat from fractal (color blending) handspun yarn from Jill Holbrook's workshop, several hand dyed fiber rovings, several skeins of handspun yarn, and a new book on little felted animals; Donna Meyer – 2 knitted lace shawls plus another one in process; Debbie Allen – A knitted zippered sleeveless sweater and 2 large handwoven rugs in memory of a past Guild member; Wilda Postel – A fringed short jacket made from one of her handwoven shawls.

Motion to close meeting: M/S/V, Luida Gottlieb/Mary Jane Hopf/All.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

Secretary: Marion Patterson

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We now have locally-grown alpaca roving from Dreamweavers. It comes in tri-color, black, and dark fawn.

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Our classes are ongoing in weaving and spinning. Doubleweave is full, and one spot is left for Lace.

Overshot and Summer and Winter classes still have several openings. Come in for more details!

Hope your summer is fun! We are weaving up a storm here. Come by, and say hi!

The Knitting Nanny is back from TNNA with new ideas and workshops. Her Thursday open knitting is from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Conne and Patti

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