

THE MOUNTAIN SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD
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President's Message

Everyone is, of course, frantically weaving, spinning, knitting, dyeing, etc. in preparation for the Holiday Show and Sale, and, as such, you won't have much time to read this message, so I'll keep it short and give you a question to ponder while you work. Why do we put off to the last minute things we like to do so much? I'd much rather be weaving than working or doing laundry, but instead I (usually) prioritize those kinds of things first. Inconceivable!

---Diane Braun

November Membership Meeting
Saturday, November 19, 2011
Meeting: 9 am Program 10:30 am
American Lutheran Church
1085 Scott Dr. Prescott AZ



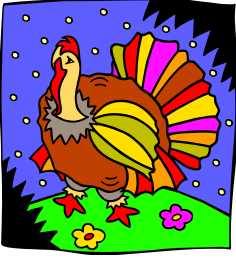
Program: Rebecca Fabos

"Overshot Coverlets - Humble Beginnings"

She will discuss the basics of the Overshot structure, and focus on the history of the 4-shaft Overshot Coverlet - What it is, where it began and where it is today. She will exhibit pieces of various Overshot weavings and encourages you to bring any Overshot coverlets, or pieces of coverlets you have.

The **MSWG Holiday Show and Sale** occurs Saturday, November 12th from 10 AM to 4 PM and combines the talents of the Mountain Spinners and Weavers Guild and the Prescott Area Woodturners. Location: Marina Room, Hassayampa Inn. MSWG members may order a lunch through the Hassayampa Inn - a deli sandwich and macaroni salad at \$13.00 - which will be delivered to the Marina Room at noon. You may place your order before 10:00 the Saturday morning of the sale.





Thanks to our November Hospitality Team!

Brenda Behrens, Chair
November refreshments from: Caralee Roberts,
Gretchen Mummert, Donna Meyer



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November Birthdays:



Nov.8 – Luida Gottlieb
Nov. 9 - Lois Longfield
Nov 28 – Dawn Phillips

Collingwood Workshop

February 21-23, 2012 **Jason Collingwood presents...3 - end b l o c k w e a v e.**

This workshop will be an exploration of three end block weaves the same structure Jason uses to weave all his rugs. Starting with simple two color designs and moving on to designing within the blocks and the introduction of a third color techniques such as clasped wefts and dovetailing will be looked at to further increase the design scope of this structure. 2 / 1 double faced twill will also be covered in this class. Special emphasis will be placed on Shaft Switching. Participants will adapt their looms in class to try out this exciting technique. Visit Jason’s site for inspiring photos of his rugs.

<http://www.rugweaver.co.uk/>



Correction to email address in directory for Marilyn Smith
spn2wev@msn.com

Dues are past-due.....See Caralee to renew your membership.



Yavapai Fair September 30 to October 2, 2011

The MSW Guild participated at the Yavapai Fair from September 30 to October 2, 2011. The 3-day event was held in Prescott Valley at Tim's Toyota Event Center. Some of our guild members entered items and all won ribbons. Luida won a Blue Ribbon and a Rosette Ribbon for her triangle woven shawl. The public was pleased with our participation and seemed to enjoy our variety of demonstrations (Weaving: on a floor loom, a table top loom, a triangle loom, and an inkle loom. A wool combing demonstration with Viking combs. A variety of spinning wheels and drop spindles spinning and some knitting). Cindy's French Angora bunny was a "big hit" with the youngsters and the young at heart. We also shared our "Easy Weave" with the school children who stopped by. Special thanks to Carma for helping distribute the name tags. The members that demonstrated were: Jeanne Zinda, Luida Gottlieb, Cindy Faulkner & Fuzz-muffin, Gretchen Mummert, Susan Swiggers, Brenda Behrens, Rebecca Bass, Yvonne Johnson, Sigute Walker and Marion Patterson. Elizabeth Vicory, a young student from Del Rio Elementary School in Chino Valley, joined our group. She recently began weaving lessons with Carma and wanted to demonstrate at the fair. Thanks to all who demonstrated at the Fair. What a wonderful way to educate the community and share our crafts. The Fair chair person was Marion Patterson. [See more pictures...](#)



Mountain Spinners and Weavers Guild Minutes of the General Meeting October 15, 2011

The meeting was called to order by: President, Diane Braun at 9:05 a.m.

Secretary: September's minutes were approved: M/S/V, Gretchen Mummert/Kathy Kelly/ All

Correspondence from Lois Longfield presented.

1st VP: Janice Masson: October: A program on "How to price your items for sale." November: Rebecca Fabos - " Overshot Coverlets: Humble Beginnings."

2nd VP: Rebecca Bass: December Potluck. Decision: Date set as December 10th with gift exchange.

Workshop Chair: Susan Swiggers

Jason Collingwood will do a rug weaving workshop February 21-23, 2012. Interest sheet distributed.

Special Interest Groups: Spinning (Monday), UFO's (Un-Finished Objects) (Tuesday), Beading (Wednesday), and Sewing Handwovens.

Sunshine: Mary Bricker –

Announcements & Mail: Diane Braun – (1) the collection cup will be passed around. If you forgot your name tag you need to put in a quarter (\$.25). (2)NAU Arts & Crafts December 9-10. Cost for tables \$20 with 10% going to support the College of Education Scholarship Fund. (3) Islandcrest Alpacas on Camano Island, WA are selling bags of alpaca fiber for \$25 each. (4) Carma Koester announced a week of sales at A Good Yarn.

Hospitality: Brenda Behrens is our hospitality hostess. Today's refreshments were provided by: Yvonne Johnson, Mary Bricker, Nancy Wilson and Sharon Taub.

Historian: Marion Patterson – Album available with pictures from the Yavapai Community Fair participation by MSWG.

Librarian: Janice Masson – Has brought in Library books for check-out and is accepting book returns. Janice highlighted a book with information on miniatures to encourage participation in Convergence's Small Expressions competition. MSWG Facebook membership includes forty participants.

Membership: Caralee Roberts – MSWG Directory available today. Membership currently at 67.

Newsletter: Donna Meyer – As a regular reminder all inputs for the newsletter are due the Saturday following the Guild meeting.

Parliamentarian: Debbie Allen – Nothing to report.

Publicity: Nancy Ricketts –

Ways and Means: Carma Koester – Fiber Raffle today includes a drum carder and bags of various fibers. We also have sweatshirts, Tee-shirts, and tote bags available.

Old Business: Diane Braun (1) Yavapai College considering resumption of weaving classes in the spring of 2012. (2) Jeanne Zinda encouraged membership to complete lap robes for our VA project. 75 lap robes are needed. December deadline.

Holiday Sale: The Holiday Sale is November 12, 2011 from 10 to 4. Marina room adjacent to the Hassayampa Inn. Johnson and Diane Braun are Co-chairs for the sale. (1) MSWG members should wear nametags. (2) Deliver display items with name label between 7 a.m. – 9 a.m. Barb Kiger in charge of set-up. (3) Take down between 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. (4) Pick up items from 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. checking off inventory sheet in brown notebook. (5) Take-in container should be labeled with name. Inventory sheet lists all items. MSWG labels (2 tags) for each item should have first initial, last name, and item number. Attach a label to each item with fiber content and care of fiber. You may also attach a personal card with additional information. Submit the acceptance of payment form. (6) Hand mirrors, hat stands, quilt stands, plant stands, etc. are needed. (7) Lunch arrangements should be considered. You cannot bring in food. Hassayampa Inn will provide a pre-ordered box lunch for approximately \$15. (8) In take on November 9 (Wednesday) from 1-4 p.m. at Yvonne Johnson's home – 7231 E. Conestoga Way in Prescott Valley. November 10 (Thursday) 1-4 p.m. at the home of Wilda Postel's home – 704 Camino Real, Prescott. Call ahead for a special time to drop-off if you can make either date. (9) Sign-up sheet available today for afternoon demonstrations (10) Models should wear neutral colors. (11) Volunteers needed for the jewelry sale table and door greeters. (12) Distribute flyers to friends and throughout the community. (13) Carma Koester asked for donations and received several commitments from members. (14) Household items needed for sale including: place mats, kitchen towels, table runners, and pot holders.

New Business: Diane Braun – (1) Proposed Budget 2011-2012 presented by Treasurer. Motion: 1st Kathy Kelly/2nd Barb Kiger/All.

Other discussions: (1) Scholarship committee to review forms and policy.

Show & Tell: Diane Braun - Croatia pattern (cotton) overshot and plain weave; Janice Masson – Fabric for jacket; Luida Gottlieb – Plain weave shawl that won a blue ribbon at the fair, a skein of bamboo that won Best of Show; Marion Patterson – scarf woven (bamboo warp, Perle cotton weft) while demonstrating at the fair; Nancy Wilson- Hat with mobius strip and poncho (llama/wool blend); Susan Swiggers – Shawl (cleaned, combed, Wilton dyed, spun, knitted adapted from Zimmerman's pi shawl); Shelly Leichter – scarves (warp natural organic cotton), crocheted socks, Shibori tie from Japan; Mary Bricker – scarf, hand towels (cotton), iridescent Tencel scarves, huck fabric (requested pattern for mobius); Kathy Kelly – Hat, lace shawl (merino) using a Shetland Orenburg pattern (donated for raffle); Debbie Allen – dog leashes created on inkle loom; Jeanne Zinda – 2 skeins of yarn dyed using the ice-cube technique, crocheted scarf, felted purse (2 blue ribbons and 3 red ribbons at fair); Brenda Behrens – vest using crochet thread with added matching fabric.

Raffle Winner: Jeanne Zinda.

Motion to close meeting: M/S/V, Jeanne Zinda/Luida Gottlieb/ All

Meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m. Secretary: Donna Meyer

Today's program: Panel discussion on pricing items.



MSW 2011-2012 Officers and Staff

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – November 26th.
Send articles to Donna Meyer, dmeyer661@gmail.com
Send address corrections/updates to info@mtns핀weave.org



Item for Sale:

Mighty Wolf 8 shaft loom with High castle, Stroller, Wolf trap. Like new condition with very little use. According to Conne at Studio Three, the above items would cost \$3000 plus tax. I am selling this for \$1850. Susan Cheyney, Phone 717-8166, Email. Sqcheyney@cableone.net

Out and About the Region

- “Fibers Through Time” conference April 19 – 22, 2012. The theme is ARIZONA FIBER ARTISTS ... WHO ARE WE? Four Points by Sheraton, Phoenix North, 10220 North Metro Parkway East, Phoenix, Arizona.
- HGA's (Handweavers Guild of America) is sponsoring its annual “Small Expression's” exhibit in Long Beach, CA from May 10 – August 12, 2012.
- Convergence 2012 - Long Beach, CA, HGA's Convergence® features special lectures, workshops and seminars, exhibits, tours, special events, and a commercial vendor hall full of fibers, fiber-related equipment and an artist market. Instructors: We invite teachers and workshop leaders to submit proposals for workshops, studio classes, hands-on seminars, and short lecture.
- Pacific Portals is ATA's unjuried small format exhibition held in conjunction with the Handweavers Guild of America's conference, Convergence, in Long Beach, California 2012. Entry form and fee deadline is January 15, 2012. Tapestries may not exceed 10" by 10" by 1" deep Pacific Portals Unjuried Small Format Show



Three Southwest Weaving Traditions and Rugs from Colorado University Museum

MSWG 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 on 4th
Friday of the month Wilda Postel's, call
first, 776-4481

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Studio Three's 2012 web site information is now up. We have our class schedules there as well as some new pictures of our classes. We really appreciate the support you have shown us!

We have several table looms for sale. These both are Schacht Table Looms with a weaving width of 20 inches. They are both 8 harness and have stands too. We are offering these below cost as they are gently used. We also have a Katie loom below cost too, for the same reason.

It's that time of year again to put your name in for the Holiday Drawing. If your name is selected, you could receive a \$20.00, \$10.00, or \$5.00 gift certificate from Studio Three. -- Conne and Patti

See Courier article at <http://www.prescottaz.com/main.asp?SectionID=1&SubSectionID=1086&ArticleID=98884>

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