

**February 2011**

**WHATCOM WEAVER'S GUILD**

**Promoting community interest and education in textiles, and communication among fiber artist, with an emphasis on weaving**

Regular Meetings:

September through June, 2nd Wednesday of the month

6:30pm- -Social time

7:00pm- -Short business meeting, Show & Tell,

7:30pm- - Scheduled program

St. James Presbyterian Church (Westside, lower level)

910-14th Street, Bellingham, WA. 98225

**FEBRUARY MEETING:**

**Wednesday, February,9,2011**

**6:30pm**

Message from the President:

You will have received the results of the survey by now and the board has had a chance to review it and act accordingly. The Treasurer, Barbara Young, and I will be giving a brief outline of the finances and new budget at the February member meeting. We'll keep the meeting portion short so that we can get on to the fun part.

See you on 9th.

Donna

**WWG 2010-2011 Programs**

Programs for February and the rest of the year

Our February 9 meeting will be a chance to meet and share in small interest groups, and get to know each other a little better.

There will be a leader or facilitator for each group, and her role is to get the conversation going. You are all welcome to bring your own ideas, questions or items you want to share. The leader may well have specific instructions, handouts, and so forth, which she'll include as she sees fit. Some interest groups will be fairly specific, others could be fairly broad.

Here's what we have lined up for the February meeting:

Sondra Rose - warping 6 threads at a time using spools

Donna Hunter - felting

Elinor Tapio - clothing from hand wovens

Joyce Noordmans - tapestry

Carol Berry - beading

Barbara Snow - embellishments

Sheri Ward - photo transfer

At the beginning of the program part of the meeting, members will go to whichever table they choose, and then two or three times during the meeting, we'll have members

switch tables (leaders stay put!), so that a person can participate in two or three topics during the evening.

### **Programs for the rest of the year**

Mar. 9: Madelyn van der Hoogt, editor of Handwoven, speaking on the state of handweaving today

Apr. 13: Barbara Heller, tapestry artist

May 11: Anita Mayer, noted clothing artist, speaking on "The Creative Journey"

June 8: Stash sale

#### **\*NEXT BOARD MEETING:**

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TBA

#### **\*THE DAYTIME WEAVERS:**

Day-weavers are now meeting at the Roeder Home on the first Thursday of each month @ 10:30am.

Daytime Weavers will meet Thursday, February 3rd at 10:30 a.m. at the Roeder Home. Bring a sack lunch, a project to work on and show-and-tell if you have any. This group is open to all and you don't have to be a guild member so bring a friend or two. Questions? Call Joan Cunningham 733-8820.

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See you there.

#### **From your ANWG Representative:**

No news this month

#### **\*CLASSIFIED ADS:**

No ads this month

#### **Additional Guild Meetings**

Whidbey Weavers Guild Meeting

Thursday Feb 3, 2011

Our meeting runs as follows:

10:00 - 11:00am Business Meeting

11:00 - noon Show & Tell and other fiber presentations

noon - 12:45pm Brown Bag Lunch

12:45 - 1:45 Program

1:45 - 2:00 Wrap up/clean up

February Program- Jennifer Moore Double Weav

Pacific Northwest Art School  
(formerly Coupeville Arts Center)

15 NW Birch Street  
Coupeville WA 98239

The Pacific Northwest Art School is the first street on the left off North Main Street as you enter Coupeville from Highway 20.

Important parking information! Parking on the street can only be the side opposite the School and the additional space at the end of the street in the unpaved area. There are only a few spaces in the Art School lot itself so you need to drop off items or people please do then park elsewhere. Do not park on the street on the same side as the Art School as this is a tow away zone.

## **WORKSHOPS**

Learning Curve: Donna Hunter is offering felting classes on some Tuesdays and Saturdays in February (to be arranged).

There will be felted purse, hat or scarf options and a reduced rate for return students. A sign up sheet will be at the meeting or contact Donna if you have questions. 332-5526 [gndhunter@telcomplus.net](mailto:gndhunter@telcomplus.net)

## **OUTREACH /COMMUNITY**

### **EDUCATION**

#### **Walk-in weaving and spinning**

The guild's PROGRAM AT THE ROEDER HOME to provide walk-in weaving and spinning opportunities has been a rewarding experience for guild members and helpful for people who have attended.

### **FOR YOUR INFORMATION-**

Two new members signed up at the last meeting. They are:

Guo Cheng  
680 Georgia St.  
Blaine 98230  
360-332-1435  
black92619@aol.com  
Interests: crochet, knitting

Cathy Taggett  
3432 Sweet Rd.  
Blaine 98230  
360-332-8082  
circleoftrees@wildblue.net  
interests: weaving, felting, dyeing, papermaking, fabric collage

We have a new member:

Carol Janson  
1100 Inverness Ln.  
Bellingham 98229  
Carol.janson@wwu.edu  
360-738-0975  
Interests: beading; papermaking; felting

Hello-  
Attached is a call for art for a fundraiser that we are doing. It would be much appreciated if you passed it along to your members and artists. Thank you so much and please let me know if you have any questions!

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Katy Borden  
Artist Services  
Allied Arts of Whatcom County  
676-8548 x5  
katy@alliedarts.org

## WORKSHOP FOR KNITTERS AND WEAVERS

April 29, 30 and May 1, 2011 - Dévoré Workshop with Anne Field

The Greater Vancouver Weavers' and Spinners' Guild is delighted to be offering you another workshop opportunity with Anne Field. Anne is returning to Vancouver for a three-day Woven and Knitted Dévoré workshop from April 29 to May 1, 2011.

DÉVORÉ is a technique that we are familiar with when it is applied to velvet. With hand-woven and machine or hand knitted dévoré, students will make cloth containing both plant and animal/synthetic fibres. Then the plant content is dissolved, using stencils, leaving transparent areas. This technique can be used for scarves, wraps, clothing fabric, and also window and wall hangings.

### Ability Level:

Knitters: Students should be able to knit garter and stocking stitch and be able to choose the correct needle size for a variety of yarns.

Weavers: Students should be able to warp their own loom, following the instructions sent with the pre-wound warp. Plain weave only will be woven during the workshop, so the weaving is not complex and less experienced weavers are welcome.

### REGISTER TODAY!

#### Payment details

The cost for Greater Vancouver Weavers and Spinners Guild (GVWSG) members is \$225 for this three-day workshop and includes the materials fee.

Non-GVWSG member fee is \$255, which includes the a one-year GVWSG membership and the workshop materials fee.

#### Registration details

Register by FEBRUARY 15, 2011. Contact Sandra Crompton to reserve your place in this workshop. Be sure to advise Sandra whether you are a knitter or a weaver. Registrants will be sent materials specific to knitting OR weaving as they have specified to Sandra.

#### Location

The workshop will be held in the Champlain Heights area of Vancouver – just off Boundary Road near 49th Avenue (easy access from Hwy 1 Boundary Road exit). Workshop address and driving directions will be provided with registration confirmation.

Contact Sandra Crompton by February 15, 2011 to register. Registration or workshop questions contact [fibrelady@telus.net](mailto:fibrelady@telus.net) OR 604-435-0823.

#### **Check out the GUILDS'S BLOG**

If you like to surf the web from time to time, be sure to check out the guild's blog at [www.whatcomweavers.blogspot.com](http://www.whatcomweavers.blogspot.com). Julie Barnes got this going about a year ago, and we've used it primarily to describe official guild happenings – programs at meetings and workshops. But is open to any guild members who want to post fiber-related cool stuff that would be of interest to other members. So your latest project, a small mini-workshop or a gathering of the Daytime Weavers would all be great things to post and let everyone share in what's going on. Be sure to take some photos!

If you need help getting started, contact me or Julie (and I'm a novice, Julie's the pro).

While you're surfing, you might also have a look at the Spindrifter's blog at [www.spindrifters1.blogspot.com](http://www.spindrifters1.blogspot.com), organized by the local spinners guild.

Thanks.

Sheri Ward, 961-4956, [sheriward@clearwire.net](mailto:sheriward@clearwire.net).

#### **\*WWG BUSINESS:**

**DUES ARE DUE! Now that we have made the switch to a calendar year, your 2011 dues are payable in January. You can pay at the January meeting, or mail your check to WWG, P.O. Box 403, Bellingham 98227. Dues are still \$20 per year, \$15 for students, and \$30 for a family membership.**

The Guild is now on a calendar year (January-December) schedule for dues. We will collect dues for 2011 in January.

Whatcom Weaver's Guild

Annual Membership Dues:

Adult: \$20-- , Student: \$15.--, Family: \$30--

Make checks payable to Whatcom Weaver's Guild, mail to Whatcom Weaver's Guild, P.O. Box 403, Bellingham, WA 98227

2010/2011 BOARD

President: Donna Hunter

Past President: Pat Fisher

Vice President and Programs: Sheri Ward, Julie Barnes assisting

Secretary: Cathy Thompson

Treasurer: Barbara Young  
Workshops: Toby Smith, Donna Hunter. We would like a third person to be on the team.  
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