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FIBERGRAMME



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Temporary Meeting Place

3rd Saturday of the month at 10:00am

Winter Park Towers meeting room.
1111 Lakemont Ave
Winter Park, FL 32792

We hope by the second half of 2014 we'll be back in a permanent location.

WoO Calendar 2014

January 18 - "Twill Challenge"

February 14-16 - Towel Workshop with Tracy Kaestner

March 22 - WoO Annual Picnic
Note this is the 4th Saturday

April 26 - Tips, Tools & Techniques
Note this is the 4th Saturday

May 17 - Shadow Weave with Cynthia Starr

June 21 - Weaving a Wedding Gown with Diane Click

July 17 - 19 - Bead Leno workshop with Berna Lowenstein

August 16 - Auction/Fiber Sale

September 20 - Weaving a Mini Santa in Doubleweave - Mary Schmute

October 17-19 - Workshop "Weaving From the Right Side of the Brain" by Kathin Weber

November 15 - Twill Challenge Wrap-up

December - Holiday Party Details
TBA

A Word from Our President

Where did 2013 go? The years fly by faster and faster, and the same volunteers keep running the guild.

I would like to encourage our new members to help us keep this guild fresh and invigorated. Please consider volunteering for a chairmanship. You don't have to do the job yourself. You are the chairman of committee and you can get other members to join you on your committee. If everyone does one small job, then it doesn't fall of a few people to do many jobs. The various committees are not difficult. And we're all here to help each other.

On a different note, my mother called me a few weeks ago and said, "If you're not busy . . ." Well, I am, but my mother never asks me for anything. ". . . could you weave me a table runner?" I've woven her towels and other useful items, and she uses them to death. They are well loved. However, when she wants to brag on me, she doesn't like pulling out a wrinkled, stained towel to show off my work. She wants a fancy, schmancy table runner, with lots of pattern and color. It has to match two completely different sets of china. Her wedding china is white with a 1950's turquoise border and silver trim. Her good china is white with a cobalt blue and dark brown border with gold trim. It also has to be a particular size and shape and have big heavy gold tassels on the ends. She wants it to resemble a machine made table runner she gave me a few years ago.

I actually like having constraints like this. It pulls me out of my comfort zone, and forces me to try color combinations that I would not have picked for myself. I decided to put on an 8 yard warp, so I have plenty of space to play and sample before I do the actual runner. Because the finished runner is only about 13 inches wide, it made sense to me to warp up the full width of the overshot pattern I selected. I can resley closer or wider and try different textures and color combinations, and I'll still have enough warp for two table runners.

I've finished the first table runner, and I'm weaving the second one with slightly different weft colors. I'm also moving the silver and gold threads to different weft picks than where I placed them in the first table runner. She keeps asking me which runner is the defective one, because she wants the other one. I keep telling her they are both lovely. She gets a choice of which perfect one she wants. She's too funny. I hope to have these for show and tell in a few weeks.

Thanks, Berna Lowenstein

Membership Notes

In Memoriam:

In the past month W.O.O. has lost two long-time members, friends who joined together nearly 24 years ago. They will be greatly missed and lovingly remembered.



Carol Maier –member since 1990 passed on November 25th.

Jane McLean –also a member since 1990 passed on December 17th.

In addition two members have lost loved ones. It has been a difficult season for many:

Joy Bergman and Jim lost his daughter Debbie on November 14th.

Cathy Amberson lost her husband John on November 24th.

Get Well Wishes

Several members have been dealing with illness, either a loved one's or their own. Remember **Diane Click** who is helping care for her son in SC after open heart surgery.

Directory Updates

New email and address for our new member:

Mimi Smith (352) 735-3150
2840 Sparkle Lane
Mt. Dora, FL 32757
alnmini@comcast.net

Alice-Ann Ferderber
doublea1882@gmail.com

Just a Note....Our membership year ended with December 31st and if you have not renewed for 2014 you have had a note from me. Please do so either in person or by mail by our meeting on January 18th so that you will be included in the new Directory. Get in touch if you are not sure:

Marilyn Frew
mlfrew@earthlink.net

Anniversary Certificates

Membership certificates will be given out at the January meeting, since I failed to bring them to the Holiday Luncheon...*mea culpa!* Congratulations to the following:

- 5 Years:** Jan Beasley
Helen Carnes
Mary Ann Gilbert
Pat Iverson
Laura Jelks
Jamie LaMoreaux
Barbara Monroe
Julie Zimmerman
- 10 Years:** Buzzie Anderson
Mary Burns
Linda Hansee
Beverly Tavel
- 15 Years:** Joan Furci
Cynthia Starr
- 20 Years:** Anne McKenzie
Judy Smathers
- 30 Years:** Art Lee (H)

Scholarship Awarded

This year's drawing at the Holiday Luncheon awarded **Diane Click** a scholarship to attend a workshop in 2014. You could win next year, since the drawing is open to anyone who has been a member for at least one year...Diane says this was her first entry!

Tidbits and More

Twill Challenge will be the program for the January, 18, 2014 presented by, Mary Schmutte

The Twill Challenge, is to see just how far members can push themselves to produce wonderful things using a twill structure. It is a personal challenge for each weaver in the WoO Guild to use an old weave structure to make something new.

For beginning weavers, the challenge may be to learn how to thread a loom and to weave variations of a plain twill threading. For someone who hasn't worked with color, it may be to put two colors in a warp and/or weft and try different threadings or treadlings.

For someone who has more than four harnesses, the challenge may be to put on a twill threading and learn to design weave structures by changing the tie-ups instead of following patterns.

For someone who always weaves with cotton, it may be to weave the same pattern in a fiber that they have not used before and experiment with the sett.

The **Twill Challenge** is designed to be a personal exploration process: it will begin at the January meeting and will last until the November meeting when we will meet to share our work and compare our progress. Samples with drafts and finished projects based on individual challenges should be brought to that meeting.

New Yarn Shop

Hi all, As you can see, I am a member of the group and want to tell you about a new shop my partner, Diana Neff, and I opened yesterday. The Mad Yarnigan is not just another yarn shop. Our aim is to show you new and unique ways to use your yarn stash. "Mad" sells fabulous yarn at incredibly affordable prices. Mad's yarn is meant to give that extra kick to what you already own. Bring some of your orphan yarn and let Mad start your creative juices flowing. Check her out on Facebook in the coming weeks and plan a trip to beautiful historic Gulfport where every Tuesday is festival day on Beach Drive.

Margot Woodrough

A Good Cause For Yarn

<http://purplestitchproject.org/>

Use your knitting, crocheting, or sewing skills to put a smile on a kid with epilepsy's face. Join the Purple Stitch Project initiative today!

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Advisor to the Board and immediate Past President...	Cynthia Starr		

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Holiday Party: Our Holiday party was held at the Howard Johnson's Hotel, Altamont Springs on Saturday, December 14th. Approximately 40 people attended. The raffle took in \$148.00 and there were lots of items to win. Anne McKenzie bought in many weaving books and also magazine donations from a past member Terry McDermott (who is now in a nursing facility). There was a brown bag exchange and Diane Click won the Scholarship for a free weaving workshop. Have a wonderful holiday season. Anne McKenzie
Acting Secretary



MEMBERSHIP FORM

Dues year is January 1 – December 31, dues are collected from November 1 and are past due January 15. Membership directory goes to press in January with paid members listed as of January 15th.

WEAVERS OF ORLANDO MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL 2014

Name/s _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ Cell # _____

E-Mail Address _____

Please make any corrections in your address, phone number/s or email so that we can keep our records up to date. Any time you have a change, please be sure to notify the membership chair who will see to it that all of the guild records are kept up to date.

___ INDIVIDUAL \$25.00

___ FAMILY \$35.00

Please make checks payable to: WEAVERS OF ORLANDO

Mail to: Marilyn Frew, Membership Chair
507 Fernandina St NW
Palm Bay, Fl. 32907

Areas of interest, please mark all that apply:

___ BASKETRY

___ SPINNING

___ LOOM WEAVING: ___ 4 SHAFT ___ 8 SHAFT ___ MORE THAN 8 (#___)

___ OTHER, PLEASE SPECIFY: _____

Congratulations on joining our group this year!