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November 2009

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

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, November 11, 2009 --6:30 p.m.

Crochet Me Author Kim [Werker](#) Speaks to Weavers Guild

Crochet anyone? Author Kim [Werker](#) will make you want to pick up your hooks when she visits the [Whatcom](#) Weavers Guild's November 11, 2009 meeting to discuss her new Interweave Press book Crochet Gifts.

As former owner of the [internet](#) site [crochetme.com](#) and author of the book of the same name (i.e. Crochet Me), Kim's career has taken off. She recently stepped down from her position as editor of Interweave Crochet magazine to venture into new territory. Kim is also a self-proclaimed social networking junkie and can be found at [www.kimwerker.com](#), [www.thecreativelife.net](#), and

<http://twitter.com/kpwerker> promoting fiber arts, crafting and more. Full of spit and vinegar, Kim's going to charm everyone as she talks about her adventures in crochet, the fiber world, and the [internet](#).

Kim posted this to her website ~

"I'll be talking crochet and will specifically be focusing on the rise of new generations of yarn [crafters](#) – something I think weavers can relate to. I won't talk technical crochet at all (unless folks want me to), and I'm sure I'll do lots of arm-waving and hope to do lots of question-answering. They'll have copies of Crocheted Gifts on site, and I'll be signing copies. Mostly, I'm excited to hang with yarn people for an evening – it's been a long time!"

Yes, that's right! Kim will be signing her new book Crocheted Gifts, and we are fortunate to have our [LYS NW Handspun](#) Yarns be our special vendor to secure copies of the book for you to purchase and have Kim sign. Now wouldn't that make a great Christmas gift for your mom (or self), sister (or self), cousin (or self)...well, heck, why not just buy a copy for yourself!

To make sure we have ample copies for folks to purchase, drop me (Julie at jahbarnes@msn.com) or Nancy [Bjerke](mailto:nancy@nwhandspun yarns.com) (nancy@nwhandspun yarns.com) an e-mail to get on the list for a book (or two!).

[WWG](#) Annual Theme

By taking a broader look at what our membership is interested in these days, this year's theme will be "Influences". Guild programs will reflect how we are influenced and gain influences from the things around us ~ influences could mean a lot of things to a lot of people. Each area of fiber arts influences the other ~ each skill we learn in one area translates to the next ~ each exposure to an artistic expression influences our personal work ~ one guild member influences the work of another.

How do guild members, meetings and programs influence you? Feel free to take this theme as far as you want this year. Try something new that has been influenced by something you have learned, heard, or even read. Dazzle us with your work at the last meeting in June when we have our wrap-up show and tell and stash sale.

[WWG](#) Board Meetings:

The board meeting schedule will be announced once it is confirmed. Please contact any board member if you should have concerns to be discussed or want to confirm dates/times of meetings.

Next Board Meeting:

Clubhouse @ Darby Estates

Wednesday, November [18th](#) @ 6:30 p.m.

The Daytime Weavers:

I confirmed with Rob that we can use the [Roeder](#) Home for Daytime Weavers on

Thursday November 5, 10:30 to 1:30

and

Thursday, December 3, 10:30 to 1:30.

It is a great space to gather, lots of room.. . there is no set agenda...it is drop in when you can.

We do not have to pay for using the space because it is open to the public while we are there. The kitchen is available to us..stove, fridge, dishwasher, table, utensils, [lg.](#) coffee pot, tea kettle, cups, etc. We will bring our own lunches...unless we want to do potlucks ...and perhaps take turns bringing snacks for our morning coffee!

We will pass an envelop around in case people want to make a donation (last time we collected \$13) to help keep the [Roeder](#) Home open. County Parks does not know what will happen with the [Roeder](#) Home...they don't have the funds to pay electricity, etc.

- -Joan [Dudley](#)

Sneak Peak at Future Programs ~

And the rest of the year (so far!) ~

December ~ Yarn Bombing authors [Mandy Moore](#) & [Leanne Prain](#) (there will be a book signing too!)

January ~ Al Currier will present the history of Barber's Hand Weaving and its roots in our community

February ~ [TBA](#)

March ~ Linda [Rees](#) ~ Oregon based tapestry artist (and former [WWG](#) member!)

April ~ Toby Smith ~ Fiber arts, travels, and their influences

May ~ [TBA](#)

June ~ Annual Stash Sale & Dessert Potluck/Social

Fibers and Beyond Sale

We had yet another fantastic sale, thanks to each and every one of you. This is a true example of all sections together make an orange. We brought in \$20,047 before tax. After paying artists and expenses, we made an estimated \$600, which is excellent. The sale is designed to showcase our members, not make money for the guild. There were 60 people who entered, 54 brought items for sale, 1995 items entered, 874 items sold (43.8% which is wonderful). It was such a mix of items sold from rugs to scarves to jewelry to felted creatures to linens. In the December or January newsletter it will show items entered, items sold and price range.

We need to think now about next year's sale. Start weaving (more weaving!), felting, making jewelry, knitting, crocheting. Plan to **add new items** to your repertoire. Give our returning customers some new and fresh items to look at (and hopefully purchase).

Next year's date: Friday Oct. 15

Saturday Oct. 16, 2010

Fox Hall

Next year's chairman: Mary [Oates](#)

As always, your help is important.

Joan [Cunningham](#)

Chairman, 2009

Community Outreach Project

Here is a request for basket weaving assistance. Can you include this in the newsletter? Thanks! -- Julie

Joy [Monjure](#) (monjjoy@aol.com) is looking for basket weaving assistance. If you have time to help or teach, please send her an e-mail

Community Events & Classes

For more info on the International Year of Natural Fibres 2009, visit www.naturalfibres2009.org.

ANWG NEWS

From Gloria [Lebowitz](#), [ANWG](#) representative/Member-at-Large:

Barbara Young, our new Treasurer, has sent the dues for this year, thus putting our Guild in the running for a \$50 raffle prize of books or [DVDs](#) for our Library.

The [ANWG](#) newsletter is now being published only in an [online](#) version. You can all read the latest (as well as older issues) at <http://www.northwestweavers.org/Newsletters.htm>.

As Member-at-Large to the [WWG](#) Board, it is my responsibility to share with the Board any thoughts or opinions that you have with regard to the direction of the Guild, whether it be about meetings or programs or what you would like to see happen. I will keep your comments confidential unless you specify otherwise.

Current Exhibits

Seattle – Seattle Art Museum downtown, Textile Gallery, [Aug.](#) 2008 – [Feb.](#) 28, 2010. Cultural and historical aspects of beads on the international scale, [incl.](#) bead necklace collections. More at www.seattleartmuseum.org/Exhibit

Tacoma – “Joe [Feddersen](#): Vital Signs.” Tacoma Art Museum, Sept. 26 – Jan. 10, 2010. NW artist - printmaker, [basketweaver](#), glass artist. Touring exhibition of 60 pieces. Details at www.tacomaartmuseum.org

Sequim – Exhibit “Cultural Fiber – Civilization, Ethos and Strength of Character” in conjunction with 2009 North Olympic Fiber Arts Festival. Oct. 2 – Nov. 28, 2009 at Museum & Arts Center. All details at www.macsequim.org.

La Conner – [Quiltfest](#) 2009 at La [Conner](#) Quilt Museum, Oct. 2, 3 and 4 (Fri. – Sun., 10 am – 5 pm). Handwoven quilt by 60 [SWG](#) members in 1997 on display Sept. [30th](#) – [Dec.](#) [27th](#). Details at www.laconnerquilts.com. More in next issue...

Vancouver, BC – [Maiwa](#) Textile Symposium 2009, “Every Thread Has A Story.” Lectures, events, workshops, [podcasts](#), Sept. – Nov. 2009 . [Maiwa](#) Foundation supports artisans and [craftspeople](#) in developing countries; many activities in conjunction with Vancouver Museum. Details at www.maiwa.com

--Calls for Artists – Shows to Enter--

Group Fibers and Textile show - 2 and 3 dimensional fiber creations on general theme of "pocket." [Juried](#) exhibit in March 2010. Submission deadline [Dec. 1, 2009](#). Beet Gallery – Portland, OR . More info at beetgallery@msn.com

Convergence 2010 in Albuquerque: "New Visions: Ancient Paths." Four [juried](#) exhibits (Small Expressions, "Eye Dazzlers," yardage and fashion show). Deadlines for each in [Feb.](#) 2010. Details at www.weavespindye.org

Other Guild Meetings

Thursday November 5, [Whidbey](#) Weavers

meet at [Greenbank](#) Farm

765 [Wonn](#) Road off SR 525

www.whidbeyweaversguild.org

Inventory check in [A-L](#) at 9:30 And [M-W](#) at 10:30

Short business meeting at !2:00

Afternoon will be sale set up.

Uncommon Threads Sale

[Greenbank](#) Farm

765 [Wonn](#) Rd off SR 525

Friday Nov 6 11-6

Saturday, Nov .7 [th](#),

10 a.m.-4 p.m

WORKSHOPS

tobyMsmith@hotmail.com

Workshops Update

There is an opening in the Linen and Lace Workshop, Nov 7,8,9. Are you interested in spending the weekend and Monday with us? It is really the last minute, if you or anyone you know is interested please give me a call.

The warp is a simple 4 shaft straight draw. Anne [Lorgen](#) 360 724-6344 home or 360 708-9552 cell.

Details.....

[Suzie Liles](#) - Linen and Lace Workshop - November 7, 8 & 9 (Sat, Sun, Mon) at the Allen Fire Hall. 15 participants.

The workshop schedule is

Saturday 10 - 4:30

Sunday 9 - 4:30

Monday 9 - 4:30

The Hall will be open one hour before and after class.

There will be coffee and tea available, bring a cup. You are welcome to contribute to the goodie table. To be discussed later is the option of having dinner together before Monday evenings guild meeting. The meeting should be a perfect cap to the workshop

"Be kinder than necessary, for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle."

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[Suzie](#) is also bringing 2 warped looms for us to weave on!

Here are details about the workshop that came from [Suzie](#):

Warping with Linen

Please pretend you are using cotton and just wind it on evenly and with tension. My goal is to let you know it is not a scary fiber. When you are winding on use sticks or heavy paper .

Here is the materials list for you all

Equipment and supplies provided by Participant Scissors Pencil Tape measure Tapestry needle Pick up stick (if you have one) Masking tape 1 inch wide Shuttle Paper to write on.

4 or 8 shaft loom

I will provide you with a note-book for your samples

Questions? Concerns?

Anne [Lorgen](#) 360 724-6344 home

or 360 708-9552 cell.

November Workshop Report

Submitted by: tobyMsmith@hotmail.com.

COME-FROM-AWAY WORKSHOPS

Both the instructors we have lined up so far this year have articles in the Nov/[Dec](#) *Handwoven* magazine. The Bonnie [Tarses](#) workshop on [ikat](#) is full and is set to go Nov [5th](#). [Robyn Spady's](#) "[Fab](#) Four", a workshop on four shaft weave structures will happen the weekend of 20 and [21st](#) of March, 2010. That workshop is presently full but I would like to take some names for the waiting list in case someone drops out: March is a long way off. So if you are interested, please let me know at the above email address. I am now working on getting Sarah [Swett](#) to do a three day introduction to tapestry weaving for May. I have applied to [ANWG](#) for a grant to help defray the costs for this workshop, but we are in the running with a number of other guilds, so we'll just have to wait and see.

LEARNING CURVES

I have had a good response from people willing to do Learning Curves, although no specific ones have been scheduled yet, due to everyone being so busy with the sale. I will get busy on this immediately, now that our sale and the [Maiwa](#) Textile Symposium are over and I have a bit more time. If you are interested in giving a Learning Curve and have not received an email from me by the time you read this, please e-mail me at the above email address and we'll get going.

Registration is open for the Threads, Ruins & Tunes tour, April 8-21, 2010.

I'm looking for people who have a great desire to visit Scotland to join me on

this [4th](#) annual tour. I welcome a group of travelers from a guild that wish to share a fiber adventure, individuals, or couples. Detailed information is available on my website www.singingweaver.com

while images and stories from past tours can be viewed at www.singingweaver.blogspot.com

Contact me to request a brochure mailed directly to you. Nadine Sanders, PO Box 268, [Chehalis](#), WA 98532 nadine@singingweaver.com

Tel: 360 740 0914

Classified Ads

No ads this month

WWG Updates

A Message from Hospitality:

Hospitality needs your help. We would like to respond to our members' times of happiness and/or stress with appropriate cards (get well, sympathy, congratulations, etc.). Donations of cards would be great, but we also need to be notified when needs arise. If you know of a member who could use some cheer or a pat on the back please email (preferred) louisebayma@comcast.net or call 756-5042. Thanks, Louise

Holiday Opportunity

Update for WWG newsletter on Fall Whatcom Art Guild events

The [Whatcom](#) Art Guild has asked us to be their guests in two Holiday Season sales events.

1. WAG Arts and Crafts on the Lake – [Bloedel](#) Hall, Electric Avenue, Bellingham. Saturday November [14-Sunday](#) November 15, [10am-6pm](#) each day.
2. WAG and Friends Holiday Show – [Waldron](#) Building, [12th](#) and [McKenzie](#) Streets, [Fairhaven](#). Five weekends (Friday-Monday) from November [20th](#) to December [18th](#); [10am-6pm](#) each day; November 27 and [28th](#) ([Fairhaven](#) Gallery Walk days) [10am-9pm](#).

Our participation is being coordinated by Marcia Ford, Donna Hunter and Pat Fisher.

For all members who have decided to join one or both of these events, thank you for volunteering to help set up, staff, demonstrate and take down. The shift schedules for both events is almost complete and will be [emailed](#) to the individual participants by the next Guild meeting (November [11th](#)) and will be available for discussion at the Guild meeting.

Check-in for the [Bloedel](#) show is Friday November [13th](#), 7-9.[30pm](#). Check-in for the [Fairhaven](#) show is Monday November 16, [11am-2pm](#) and Tuesday November 17, [10am-2pm](#). If check-in times for the [Fairhaven](#) show do not work (because [you do!](#)) contact one of the organizers to arrange another time.

We will use our usual [F&B](#) tags and inventory sheets, and comply with our normal acceptance criteria. Please add "[WWG](#)" to the top right corner of the two parts of the tag and provide two copies of the inventory sheet. WAG will do all cashiering. If you require more tags, contact Marcia Ford or Donna Hunter. Extras will be available at the November 11 Guild meeting.

Pat Fisher pat.fisher@comcast.net, 715 3360

Marcia Ford samijo@az.com, 734 8399

Donna Hunter gndhunter@telcomplus.net, 332 5526

Hi Folks,

Just put up a [blog](#) for the guild. This can be used as little or as much as we want www.whatcomweavers.blogspot.com

If you accept the invitation you have received through whatcomweavers@gmail.com you will than be an approved author for the [blog](#) (we can have up to 100 authors). **The password for the e-mail account and the [blog](#) account is [19weavers71](#).**

The [Blogger](#) user [Whatcom](#) Weavers Guild has invited you to contribute to the [blog](#): [Whatcom](#) Weavers Guild.

To contribute to this [blog](#), visit:

<http://www.blogger.com/i.g?inviteID=572230406839366358&blogID=8745075619736755428>

You'll need to sign in with a [Google](#) Account to confirm the invitation and start posting to this [blog](#). If you don't have a [Google](#) Account yet, we'll show you how to get one in minutes.

To learn more about [Blogger](#) and starting your own free [blog](#) visit <http://www.blogger.com>.

I have opened a yahoo group the guild. It will make for easy communications if any one wants to use it.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Whatcomweavers/>

---[Maggie Weyers](#)

F.Y.I.

[Maggie Weyer](#) has volunteered to be the "Announcement Person" to pass on messages to the Guild at large that come up between newsletters. If anyone has information, please email it directly to [Maggie](#).

Flu prevention advice

Submitted by Tracy [L. Vandermay](#)

I received this email and checked it out [online](#). This same information is being used on health-centered [websites](#). All of it is useful, even if you can only stomach doing some of it (those [neti](#) pots gross me out a little!). I apologize if you've already suffered with it. I just thought it would be great to have this info out there!!!

Prevent Swine Flu - Good Advice

[Neti](#) pots and sinus rinse kits are available at the drug store and relatively

inexpensive and under \$15.

Dr. [Vinay Goyal](#) is an [MBBS,DRM,DNB](#) ([Intensivist](#) and Thyroid specialist) having clinical experience of over 20 years. He has worked in institutions like [Hinduja Hospital](#) , [Bombay Hospital](#) , [Saifee Hospital](#) , [Tata Memorial](#) etc. Presently, he is heading our Nuclear Medicine Department and Thyroid clinic at [Riddhivinayak Cardiac and Critical Centre, Malad \(W\)](#).

The following message given by him, I feel makes a lot of sense and is important for all to know

The only portals of entry are the nostrils and mouth/throat. In a global epidemic of this nature, it's almost impossible to avoid coming into contact with [H1N1](#) in spite of all precautions. Contact with [H1N1](#) is not so much of a problem as proliferation is.

While you are still healthy and not showing any symptoms of [H1N1](#) infection, in order to prevent proliferation, aggravation of symptoms and development of secondary infections, some very simple steps, not fully highlighted in most official communications, can be practiced (instead of focusing on how to stock [N95](#) or [Tamiflu](#)):

1. Frequent hand-washing (well highlighted in all official communications).
2. "Hands-off-the-face" approach. Resist all temptations to touch any part of face (unless you want to eat, bathe or slap).< like the last one. 😊
3. *Gargle twice a day with warm salt water (use [Listerine](#) if you don't trust salt). *[H1N1](#) takes 2-3 days after initial infection in the throat/ nasal cavity to proliferate and show characteristic symptoms. Simple gargling prevents proliferation. In a way, gargling with salt water has the same effect on a healthy individual that [Tamiflu](#) has on an infected one. Don't underestimate this simple, inexpensive and powerful preventative method.
4. Similar to 3 above, *clean your nostrils at least once every day with warm salt water. *Not everybody may be good at [Jala Neti](#) or Sutra [Neti](#) (very good Yoga [asanas](#) to clean nasal cavities), but *blowing the nose hard once a day and swabbing both nostrils with cotton buds dipped in warm salt water is very effective in bringing down viral population.*
5. *Boost your natural immunity with foods that are rich in Vitamin [C](#) ([Amla](#) and other citrus fruits). *If you have to supplement with Vitamin [C](#) tablets, make sure that it also has Zinc to boost absorption.
6. *Drink as much of warm liquids (tea, coffee, etc) as you can. *Drinking warm

liquids has the same effect as gargling, but in the reverse direction. They wash off proliferating viruses from the throat into the stomach where they cannot survive, proliferate or do any harm.

I suggest you pass this on to your entire e-list. You never know, 20 who might pay attention to it - and STAY ALIVE because of it.

Coming Events

We will be holding our annual WWG Spin-In

on April 10-11, 2010.

It is also the weekend of the marathon on Whidbey Island, but Easter is the weekend before so this is what has been chosen. We are just trying to let folks know ahead of time so they can make hotel reservations, etc. before those "peskie runners" do (we love them, though). We are really thrilled to have Amelia Garripoli as our featured presenter. She is preparing a great program on spinning yarns for durability and color design- ie for socks, mittens, etc. We plan to have our two day admission at \$15.00 with an optional fiber packet for \$10.00.

June 2010

Under the Rims MAWS Con-ference, Billings, Montana.

July 31, 2010

ANWG AGM, Willamette Uni-versity, Salem, Oregon

I just learned of this online journal/blogzine from Barbara Heller. It is an online magazine about fiber arts in Canada.

Thought you might want to share the links in the next WWG newsletter. -- Julie

<http://www.velvethighway.com/>

http://www.velvethighway.com/joomla/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1

Produces' Fleece Sale

November 14th, 2009

9a.m.-3p.m.

17543 Peterson Road
Burlington, Washington
360-757-6281

WWG Business-

Whatcom Weaver's Guild

Annual Membership Dues:

Adult: \$20.00

Family: \$30.00

Student: \$15.00

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

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