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President's Message

Happy spring fellow fiber artists!

We, after a long, dreary winter (by some of us), spring has finally decided to make an appearance. The snow has in fact melted and the grass is green and the trees are budding and the birds are singing. I don't know about you but I am ready for spring. I don't know if it is the cold or just the lack of sunlight, but I need to go through my stash and practically do start some of it. I don't know if I will actually do it but I need to at least think about it.

A few things to mention and some you may ignore:

- I hope that many of you are finishing plans for Weaving Week, WWGA's bi-annual conference in beautiful Yakima, WA, in June.
- You are reading "Note Below"? This is a piece of which I am highlighting various aspects of the Note below. The Note below is "Note Only" and is full of fun & interesting topics.
- Speaking of Note Below, I am looking for someone to take over the Newsletter before, this is not an immediate job and it includes two or two, or if you prefer alternate and regularly Newsletter Editor for Contributions. Please let me know if you are interested.

Well I think that is all for now. Hope to see you at in Yakima. Now off to the stash.

Warmest Weaver Wishes
Pamela Hamilton

Note from the Editor

I apologize for the tardiness of this edition of our newsletter. I am open if a small group of women is looking to become NWEW's unofficial Fiber Legend. If you would like to become a Fiber Legend, please let me know. Fiber Legends are responsible for sharing fiber related information with the rest of the Northwest Weavers' Guilds. Sharing information could be in the form of a fiber-related blog, sharing weaving patterns, - yarn, any thing that is fiber. So much happening fiber wise that I am sure to leave out stuff or forget. I am happy to share information with the Fiber Legends. Contact me at Fiber Legends.

Nancy Bauer, ANWG newsletter editor

ANWG News

2020 ANWG Conference

June 11-14, 2021

Yakima Convention Center, Yakima WA

The 2021 ANWG Conference, Weaving Week: Information, Inspiration, Innovation, is now less 3 months away! Make sure to share your work with your Fiber friends in one of our Showy Fashion - Deadline for entries Mar. 1st. Juried and Open Showy Fashion Categories.

Individual Guilds will be on hand to sell their wares, Friday, 10th, and Saturday 11th, and Sunday 12th, and promote individual guild activities. Individual guild activities will be posted on our website www.anwg.com/events/ as they are scheduled. Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Conference attendees will be able to visit Individual Guilds to find out what they are doing. Individual guild activities will be posted on our website www.anwg.com/events/ as they are scheduled.

Check out our FB Marketplace, and similar venues.

You and your guild members can support the conference through donations. The website has a tab for you. Explore and support the conference by donating to the conference scholarship.

Looking forward to seeing you all in Yakima, WA in June!

and more conference news

The Conference is just Around the Corner

ANWG 2021, Weaving Week

Monday, June 14 - Saturday, June 17 in Yakima, WA

The 2021 ANWG Conference is just around the corner, June 11 to June 14. Yakima is one of the questions the year. Conference attendees will be able to visit Individual Guilds to find out what they are doing. Individual guild activities will be posted on our website as they are scheduled and activities that are interesting to you.

Individual Guilds will be on hand to sell their wares, Friday, 10th, and Saturday 11th, and Sunday 12th, promote their guild, or some guilds choose to do a raffle, and I am sure that Individual Guilds will take pot luck. This includes, ANWG, Sub Guilds and Guilds meeting. Also include all of ANWG Conference.

Conference Activities

Fiber Legends participation is open through Monday, May 20. A quick review whatever you want - a workshop, a seminar, an on-going workshop, WWGA, Workshop, WWGA seminar.

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Workshop and Seminar Leaders: pamelahamilton@frontiernet.net

Workshopper

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Conference Shows

Showy Fashion - Open, Sustainable. ANWG Sustainable is a Showy Fashion Category. Showy Fashion - Open, Sustainable. Showy Fashion - Open, Sustainable. Showy Fashion - Open, Sustainable

from as early as the 1940's, clothing, wall-hangings, scarves, and an early tapestry work by Jane Kidd, who in 2016 was awarded the Sadye Bronfman Award, a Governor General's Award for Visual and Media Arts, Canada's foremost distinction for excellence in the visual arts. Photos of the collection and some information have now been loaded to the guild website and can be browsed at https://vhwsg.ca/the-permanent-collection.

If you would like more information about work in the Permanent Collection or can help us identify weaving techniques, we would love to hear from you. Please contact the guild at info@vhwsg.ca and put Permanent Collection in the subject line.

Christine Purse, ANWG rep

photos:
J. Farrington evening dress
M. Hill coverlet
F. Daniels placemat
H. Hodson placemat

Whonnock Weavers and Spinners Guild

This is a season with a different pace for the Whonnock Weavers and Spinners Guild. Nestled between our two large community events, these are months of relaxation, of learning, and of making as we prepare for this year's events.

As we reflect on the success..and fun... of our Exhibit and Sale last Fall, we are making adjustments to make our event even better this year, and busy creating new items to share. We are also contemplating our Country Festival event in July. And of course we are spending time together learning new skills!

Our Program committee has held some wonderful sessions to bring new awareness and knowledge to areas of fibre arts that we may not have experienced. While the broad focus was on weaving, we also learned about processing fleece and the possibilities of the yarn we can create. This led into our Guild Challenge which will be shared later in the year.

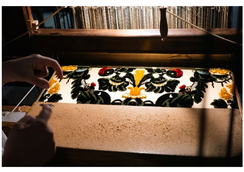
We had programs highlighting different aspects of weaving, including a spotlight on alternative looms such as small tapestry looms, pin looms, as well as rigid heddle looms. Many of us tried our hands at weaving on a rigid heddle loom, too! We even had a session to increase our knowledge and proficiency in working with a weaving draft.

A special treat was a presentation by our Meredith on her visit to the last Jacquard weaving mill in Italy! She shared a wonderful glimpse into her visit with her informative presentation and beautiful images to accompany her talk. It was an incredible look into a part of the history of weaving, and showed us how the development of technology that began in ancient times continues to bring advances to help us create beautiful woven pieces today.

This inspiring presentation and the season's programs all lead beautifully into an exciting weaving workshop in May! Our Sheila and Trudy will be leading a round robin workshop covering a variety of weave structures on a number of different looms, to be held at Corsican Textiles. We're now busy weaving off our projects on our looms to dress the loom with new warps in preparation for what's promising to be a wonderful opportunity to learn and weave together!
You're welcome to follow us on Instagram to see how it goes!
https://www.instagram.com/whonnockweaversandspinners

Tracey Lewindon, ANWG rep

Meredith's Presentation of her journey to Venice, Italy



Jacquard velvets in Venice

Rigid heddle weaving

Fiber Events

- **April 12-13** Shepherds Extravaganza **Enumclaw Expo at 9:00 AM**

- **April 26 High Desert Wool Growers Annual Market Day Redmond OR**
- May 1 - DEADLINE The Handweavers Guild of America, Inc. (HGA) is accepting proposals for Art Sparks Sessions at HGA's annual Spinning & Weaving Week Celebration, taking place virtually October 6–12, 2025.
- May 3-4 Ritzville Fiber Fest Wheatland Communities Fairgrounds WA
- May 30 Crazy Mountain Fiber Fest
  301 Hopper Street Civic Center
  Big Timber, MT
- June 5 – July 3, 2025 Current Threads & Small Wonders
- June 9 - June 13, 2025 Current Threads Workshops
- Cowichan Community Centre, Duncan, BC,
- June 6-8, 2025 Fiber Fusion Northwest in Monroe WA
- June 14 World Wide knit in Public Day
- June 16-21, 2025 ANWG Conference "Weaving Webs"
- June 21-Aug 3, 2025 Sebastopol Center for the Arts International Fiber Arts XII
- June 27-29, 2025 Black Sheep Gathering Linn County Expo Center, Albany Oregon
- July 19-20 Copper K Fiber Fest
  www.copperkfiberfestival.com
  786 Point of Rocks Road
  Whitehall, MT
- July 26-27 Prairie City Fiber Fest Prairie City, OR www.prairiecityfiberfest.com
- October 3-5 Pacific Northwest Fiber Expo Vern Burton Community Center Port Angeles, Washington
- October 18-19, 2025 Oregon Flock and Fiber Festival 2025 Linn County Expo Center Albany, Oregon

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The deadline for news articles for the ANWG newsletter "Northwest News" is the 10th of the month of issuance: January, April, July, and October. Articles may be sent at any time to newsletter@northwestweavers.org. Please send news in unformatted text, preferably in the body of an email. Please attach photos in jpeg format.

Newsy, short articles with photos about guild happenings are of greatest interest. All photos sent may be used in the ANWG newsletter "Northwest News" and/or on the ANWG website. Before sending photos obtain permission of those people pictured to have their photo in the ANWG newsletter and/or website. If you have any questions, contact Nancy Skakel, Communications Chair and Newsletter Editor, at newsletter@northwestweavers.org.

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