

The Roving

May 2012



The Redbud Arts and Crafts Festival - May 12-13th is the May meeting. Guild members are invited to bring items for sale, to come demonstrate or just sit and visit. The Redbud is held at the Lions' Roping Arena, in Three Rivers, 10 am - 5 pm Saturday, 10 am - 4 pm Sunday.

If you are selling at the Redbud, please call Susan Jackson ASAP to confirm details 559-789-0882.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I have enjoyed the inspiration and insights provided by the Vice President these last two months. She is a much better writer, and can create beautiful messages. However, I decided that you need to hear from me at least a few times a year.....



First, I want to thank Vanda MacArthur for her fascinating lecture/demonstration on bobbin lace. Her depth of knowledge and skill surpass anything I have seen on this subject. Her collection of laces is impressive in its scope, and reflects her passion for it.

Second, I want to thank those Guild members who volunteered to help with the Tule Gourd Patch Gourd and Basketry seminar last weekend (April 21-22). Our Guild booth looked well-appointed and drew much interest from the conference attendees. Members helping/selling/demonstrating were: Sylvia DeGroot, Hope Overholt, Michael Jackson, Susan Jackson, Sandy Willey, Monica Rook, Cheri Fitton, Charlotte Pavelko. Many thanks to all of you.

Next, is the Redbud Festival and the Guild has a booth available for members to sell or demonstrate their handcrafted items. This is an opportunity to sell any of your hand crafted products as well as your handweaving and handspun items as there are no rules other than handmade.



Lastly, I love the fiber arts for the joy of creating something formed or organized from something essentially formless. Weaving, spinning, felting, dyeing all fascinate me and each offers so much opportunity for playing creating and "making magic". Also, and most importantly, the camaraderie of the fiber community is intoxicating and just plain fun!

~~~~~ Susan

Toni Best again thanked those of our Guild who helped with conference registration, and with arranging the pre-paid lunches. The show was a success and so was the Guild Booth. Susan J feels the Guild should consider setting up a booth at the next Gourd and Basketry conference (April 2014). The attendees appreciated the value of our hand work and bought merchandise.

**Proposed change to Bylaws:** We (the Board) are recommending that the ASCH Conference representatives' Chair and the ASCH conference booth Chair be deleted from our list of committee chairs, as the ASCH organization has been dissolved. The board has approved the proposal, however for the change to be official it has to be presented to the membership in the Guild newsletter and at a Guild meeting before it can be voted on by the membership. This notice will be in the May and June newsletters, and will be read at the June meeting. It will then be voted on by the membership.

For the Raffle Basket at Show and Sale, the Guild has selected the title of "My favorite Things". We are asking members to contribute accessories for the raffle. They do not need to be handwoven or handspun to go into the basket. Suggestions for accessories, (but not limited to); neck wraps, scarves, socks, leg warmers, hats, bags, mittens, gloves( fingered or fingerless), belts, pins, earrings, necklaces, headbands, barrettes, shoe laces, watch bands, eyeglass cases, eyeglass lanyards, key chain dangles, cell phone charms, purses, plus any other accessories suggestions you can think of!



#### Guild Programs for 2012:



**June-** DeeDee King- Spin-In at Camp Nelson  
(directions on last page)

**August-** DeeDee King- Rep Weave Symposium

**October-** Show and Sale October **27-** no meeting

**December-** Guild Christmas Party at Capella's in Exeter

**July-** Lynda Bass- Silk Painting (\$40 for workshop)  
Class Full – wait list (supply list attached)

**September-** Wool Day and Show and Sale last notes

**November** Lindsay Dion & DeeDee King Wool  
Dye Day



The Guild has funds specifically set aside for workshops outside of the guild meetings, so let's get thinking. A place for ideas might be to look at the Convergence workshops ([www.weavespindye.org](http://www.weavespindye.org)) or see what's happening at [www.interweave.com](http://www.interweave.com). It takes some time to pull a workshop all together, but they sure are fun!

#### **Upcoming Events:**

**Convergence 2012:** Handweavers Guild of America's biannual conference is being held in Long Beach July 15-20. Their website is; [www.weavespindye.org](http://www.weavespindye.org).

**Check out** [www.knittersreview.com](http://www.knittersreview.com) then click events in the header bar, for a list of every fiber conference scheduled for 2012 – it's by month and there's a lot!

**Squeekie Wheels** – the spinning group, meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month in Porterville at Sierra Hills Retirement Community, 2500 W. Henderson Ave from 10 – 3, bring your lunch or get it there (\$7). They also meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month in Exeter at the at Capella's Coffee House, 10-3ish.

**Kaweah Konnection** meets on the second Wednesday in Three Rivers at the Presbyterian Church.

## SILK PAINTING -----SCARF

Lynda Bass

Handweavers of the Valley

July 14, 2012



COST- Approximately \$40.00 for the following tools and materials, less the PVC pipe which is approx. \$4-\$5.

### TOOLS-

1. Frame PVC Pipe (1)
2. Hooks (16)
3. Rubber Bands (16)
4. Palette (1)
5. Brush (1) included in Dye Set,
6. Applicator Bottle (1)
7. Eyedroppers (6)
8. Design for scarf

### MATERIALS-

1. Silk Haboti Scarf (8" x 54") 1
2. Jacquard Dye set- brush, gutta dye, dye set
3. Rock Salt

### PROCEDURES

Each student will be provided with all of the above, except the PVC frame, which should be brought to the meeting already assembled. The PVC frame should give you 2"-3" of space on each side of your scarf which will be 8" x 54". This means that your interior space of your frame will be approx. 5' in length and 16" across. It should be made from 1 1/2" or 2" PVC pipe. By my calculations, 2 10' pieces and 4 90 degree corners will do. You will have to cut the pipes. A hacksaw or pruning saw works well.

I will wash the scarves and when we arrive, we will go over the color wheel, see the color harmonies and how they are used, pencil in the design, attach the scarf, and put the resist (gutta) on the scarf. While that dries, we will have lunch.

After lunch, we will begin painting the scarf. I will go over the techniques and the students will be able to progress on their own scarf, while I can answer questions and guide their progress. If students do not finish painting it, they will be able to take it all home to do so. The dye will be set using the dye set, at home.





Directions to the King Cabin:

From Springville, California:

Head uphill on highway 190 for 14.4 miles. Turn left onto Pierpoint drive at Pierpoint Springs Resort. Left again on John Lewis Drive. Bear right at Sunset Drive, and follow the road up the hill. The cabin is 439 John Lewis Drive. If you are there early, you can pull down into the yard, but the cul-de-sac is paved and easier to get out. Take care not to block the two driveways on the cul-de-sac. The trip up from Springville should take a half hour to forty minutes.

Please bring:

Spinning wheel

Salad for potluck lunch

Chair for spinning

Iced tea, water, paper goods and morning snack provided. There will be door prizes and fun fiber to share. Meeting will get started at 10:00, and run through?

Hope to see you there.

If you are lost, the phone at the cabin is 559-372-4606.



### **For Sale**

Sophie Britten has a large warping board to sell for \$25.00 - 561-4265

Items for the newsletter need to be received by Karen Dennis by the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month. E-mail is [knjdenni@att.net](mailto:knjdenni@att.net) or phone 559-561-4705 (please leave message or call back number).