



Jacksonville Weavers' Guild

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President's Message--NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

Every year we all make personal commitments to change various aspects of our lives. Generally they start out with losing weight, walking more, eating healthier, and then progress to items like meeting new people, learning a new weave structure, going someplace new, attending a workshop, etc. Well, I don't know about you, but I am starting a 17day diet as I write in an effort to lose 10 pounds in 13 days before I get on the plane to New Zealand. Wow, those pounds can sure creep up on you during the holidays with all those breads, cakes, cookies, etc. and I need to get rid of the extra weight. And because the tour I am going on requires one to walk at least 3 miles a day - I need to really get myself in gear to walk - not run (might fall and break a leg or hip at my age).

Enough said about resolutions, the key is about sticking with your personal commitment. So tomorrow all the sweets, breads, etc. in the apt. will be gone by noon (grandchildren) and Boston and I will walk 2 miles - to the end of the lane and back. I believe that the tour will take care of some of the other resolutions and I only hope that you will take your resolutions seriously and follow your dreams to a more satisfying life - weave on!!

Happy New Year!!

Judy



January Program: Fiber Forum Discussion of Characteristics of Types of Yarns. (January 10th)

We will talk about the characteristics of different yarns and do some testing for fiber content. Some questions to be answered: Why do we need to know the fiber content? What yarns are biodegradable? What yarns can I use together? Can I wash handwoven fabric? What kind of yarn should I use to knit socks for hiking in the mountains of Idaho? What yarn or fiber is used to reduce flammability in production of mattresses?

Please bring 3-4 mystery yarns about 5" long and we will conduct some tests to determine fiber content. Optional: tin pie plate, foil, or glass bowl; tea light candle, lighter, long tweezers.

If you have any questions, email me, Lynette Holmes, holmeslyn@aol.com.

FOR SALE: New, never used. Arty's Fabric Stretcher Frames for painting - Basic system and extension stretchers. \$65. See description in Dharma Trading Catalog. Lynette Holmes (holmeslyn@aol.com)

[Diane Click from the Florida Tropical Weavers Guild writes to us by email:](#)

I'm responsible for making the arrangements for FTWG conference attendees to have the opportunity to see their handcrafted items at conference. Would you please distribute this information to the members of the Jacksonville Weavers Guild? Perhaps it could be included in your newsletter. If you regularly contact members by email (meeting reminders, etc.), perhaps this info could also be shared.

Thank you for your help. Please contact me with any questions!! If I need to contact someone other than you, please say so!!!

Diane Click (District 4 Rep/FTWG)
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Picture from Esme Lee's Memorial Service, held at Tree Hill. She was a long-time member of Jacksonville Weavers Guild, and passed shortly before our November 2014 meeting; several members of our Guild attended. The magnolia tree to the left was planted in her honor.

Picture from Barbara Wroten.

The Guild had a program in November about Profile Drafts, so I am listing a few resources I found online; I hope that they're useful. --Judi L

COMPUTER WEAVING SOFTWARE

- Fiberworks: www.fiberworks-pcw.com (Windows, Mac)
- Weave-It, Weave-It Pro: www.weaveit.com (Windows); iWeaveIt (iPhone, Ipod, Ipad)
- Proweave: www.proweave.com (Windows, Mac)
- PixelLoom: www.pixelloom.com (Windows, Mac)
- WeaveMaker: www.weavemaker.com (Windows, Mac)
- WeavePoint: www.weavepoint.com (Windows)
- Patternland: www.mhsoft.com (Windows)
- WIF 'n Proof, www.SandozSoftware.com

SOCIAL NETWORKING AND OTHER GROUPS

- www.weavingtoday.com (blogs, forums, galleries)
- www.weavevolution.com (networking, online classes)
- www.zinio.com (eBooks, eMags, DVDs)
- www.ravelry.com (social networking, groups)
- www.weavezine.com (archived podcasts, articles, blogs)
- www.complexweavers.org
- www.weavearealpeace.org (WARP)
- www.weavespindye.com (Handweavers Guild of America and Shuttle, Spindle & DyePot)
- youtube.com (how-tos)



May the new year
bring new weaving
inspiration to you!

As always, if you have anything you'd like to see in our Newsletter, email it to me at jleatherberry@att.net. Thanks, Judi L!!