

IOWA FEDERATION OF HANDWEAVERS AND SPINNERS

Fall Meeting – October 9, 2010

Waterloo Center for the Arts – Petersen Town Hall

225 Commercial Street, Waterloo, Iowa 50701

Hosted by

NORTHEAST IOWA WEAVERS AND SPINNERS

9:00 – 10:00 Registration
Coffee, tea and refreshments will be provided.

Hanging of Popular Choice Entries – bring woven, knitted, felted, handspun items for display.

Shop the vendors.

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome and introduction of speaker

Lynn Tedder

Lynn has been weaving for over 25 years. Her specialty is loom controlled lace weaves and she has published several articles on the topic in *Weaver's* magazine, *The Best of Weavers: Huck Lace*, and *Handwoven* magazine. Lynn is currently working as a technical editor for *Handwoven* magazine. She is a member of the Tulsa Handweavers Guild, Complex Weavers, and the HGA.

10:15 – 11:15 “A Field Guide to Lace Weaves” by Lynn Tedder

11:15 - Shop the vendors.

Lunch is on your own. A list of nearby restaurants will be available, the art center café will be open, or you may bring a sack lunch.

Officers and Guild Reps will meet during lunch.

1:00 - Iowa Federation Meeting and drawing for door prizes.

1:30 – 2:30 “Textile Cross-crafting” by Lynn Tedder

2:30 – 3:30 Shop the vendors

The Northeast Iowa Weavers and Spinners have a new guild home! Please plan to stop by and tour our new facilities. The building will be open from 3:00 to 4:30. Directions will be available at the Federation meeting. Those of you taking the workshop may move your equipment in at this time.

Driving Directions for Fall Meeting

Waterloo Center for the Arts
225 Commercial Street
Waterloo, Iowa 50701

If you are coming in from the north on Hwy 63, you will cross the river, and then turn left on Commercial Street. The Young Arena will be on your left. Just across 1st Street, the Arts Center is on your left.

Coming from the South on 63, follow signs for Young Arena. The Arts Center is across the street from the arena.

Coming from either the north or south on Hwy 218, follow the signs for Young Arena. The Arts Center is across the street from the arena.

The Waterloo Center for the Arts has a large parking area. Go in the entrance nearest the middle of the building. There is a fountain to the left, and a mosaic dolphin to the right.

Huck Lace Weaving Workshop October 10th and 11th

Hello Iowa Federation members!

The Northeast Iowa Weavers and Spinners Guild is hosting the fall Iowa Federation meeting on Saturday, October 9. Our speaker, Lynn Tedder, will present a Huck Lace weaving workshop on Sunday the 10th, and Monday the 11th at our new Guild building.

The cost of the workshop is \$100, and there will also be a small fee for the workshop notebook. Participants provide their own warp and weft, and looms need to be warped prior to the workshop. The yarn used is 10/2 cotton, and Lynn prefers white, natural, or pastels since the patterns show better in light colors.

Questions, or to check on availability:

ccharrismosaics@aol.com (please put “workshop” in subject line) or call (918) 606-4164.

Warping instructions, directions to our building, and hotel information will be sent upon receipt of payment.

You may also call Carol Dahms (319) 215-4602.

TO BE ANNOUNCED ???

We are saddened to hear that the Ames Area Fiber Arts Guild disbanded early this summer. It is our hope that the fiber arts enthusiasts in that area will continue to explore their craft and someday soon a new guild will rise phoenix-like from the ashes. In the meantime, we are working to find a new host for the Fall 2011 Iowa Federation meeting. Please refer to the Meeting Rotation Schedule, below.

You guild representatives (following page) have been contacted about this change to our meeting rotation schedule and discussions have begun to determine a new host. In the event another guild does not step forward, the fall meeting would be canceled. The Iowa Federation depends on the volunteer efforts of our member guilds (and those guilds' own members) to promote the fiber arts across the state. Please support your local group.

Current Meeting Rotation Schedule		
Spring	Year	Fall
Des Moines	2010	Waterloo/Cedar Falls
Iowa City	2011	TO BE ANNOUNCED
Northwest Iowa	2012	Cedar Rapids
Quad Cities/Clinton	2013	Decorah
Waterloo/Cedar Falls	2014	Des Moines
TO BE ANNOUNCED	2015	Iowa City
Cedar Rapids	2016	Northwest Iowa
Decorah	2017	Quad Cities/Clinton

**Craft Guild of Iowa City to Host
Iowa Federation Spring 2011 - 50th Anniversary Meeting
April 30, 2011
Johnson County Fairgrounds, Iowa City, IA**



Bishop Hill Fiber Guild 30th Annual Spin-In

October 16, 2010

Black Hawk College – East Campus

26680 N 100th Avenue

Galva, IL 61434

Preregistration \$12.00 by October 2.

Lunch on site \$6.50

Check their website for more info: www.bishophillfiberguild.org
or contact Char Rickey at 309/692-6344 or SpinWool7@aol.com

Minutes from the Spring 2010 Iowa Federation Meeting

Iowa Federation of Handweavers and Spinners

Hosted by the Des Moines Guild at the Plymouth Congregational Church

April 10, 2010

- Meeting called to order at 1:30 by Linda Ryden. A Thank You was extended to the Des Moines Guild for hosting this meeting.
- Secretary's report was moved and seconded to accept.
- Treasurer's report was read and moved and seconded to accept.
- Old Business: Interest of having a web site and the cost for the Iowa Federation. Tabled.
- New Business: Election of Iowa Federation of Handweavers and Spinners Officers:
 - President: Mary Boulet
 - Vice President: Jan Fitzpatrick
 - Secretary: Mary Ehrlich
 - Treasurer: Lucy Hansen
- Each position was nominated, seconded and accepted.
- Linda presented Mary with the office of the President.
- Members are encouraged to support the Iowa Sheep and Wool Festival.
- The Midwest Weavers Association awarded the Iowa Federation of Handweavers and Spinners a \$2000 honorarium for hosting the 2009 Midwest Weavers Conference. Suggestions are being collected for what we might want to do with this money. Among them: Pay it forward, door prizes, cost of meetings, Sheep and Wool Festival, safety net, encouragement of youth, teaching of young to spin and weave
- Waterloo will be hosting the Fall Meeting of Iowa Federation
- Iowa City will be hosting the Spring 2011 Meeting and it will be the 50th year of the organization.
- Meeting was closed.

The minutes will be approved at the Fall Federation meeting. If you have any corrections, please contact Mary Ehrlich, the Federation secretary prior to the meeting. Thank you.

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No group in your area? Start a new one!!!

Please contact Mary Boulet to make changes to this list.

Many thanks are due to Linda Ryden for serving as the Iowa Federation President for the past three years.

Elections for Secretary and Treasurer will be held at the Spring 2011 meeting in Iowa City.

Please consider volunteering your time to fill one of these offices. For more information on the duties of the office, contact the current officer.

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Wool Gatherer's Retreat

The 2nd Annual Iowa Wool Gatherer's Retreat is November 5-7, 2010 at the Barn on The Bluff,

Elkader, Iowa. Check their web page www.iowasheep.com for more information or contact Margie Meehan at 563-926-2573.

Eviction Notice

The Iowa Federation of Handweavers and Spinners is web-home-less. Our Geocities website was 'boarded up' when Yahoo shut down the Geocities free web hosting. Try searching for the Federation on the internet. What do you find? Current news about upcoming Federation events? Connections to fiber guilds across the state? News of exhibits and workshops? Links to fiber vendors? Photos of Federation popular choice winners? Classified ads for gently used fiber equipment and unwanted fiber/yarn? Imagine what you might be seeing if the Federation had a web site.

The stated purpose of the Iowa Federation of Handweavers and Spinners is threefold: "to encourage co-operation between individuals and organizes weaving groups in the State of Iowa; to help all weavers achieve a high standard of the craft; and to promote exhibits and programs to stimulate a public interest in the art and craft of weaving."

We need a presence on the world-wide-web to fulfill our purpose. To reach new weavers and spinners without a local connection we must have a web presence. To notify our members of exhibits and programs taking place between our twice yearly newsletter mailings we need our own web site. How often do you go to the web in search of a particular yarn or to check out a conference?

We have a \$2000 bequest from the 2009 Midwest Weavers Conference. For as little as \$10 a month the Federation can have an address on the web so new fiber enthusiasts can make the connection with us. I am asking you to let your guild representative know how you feel about spending some of that \$2000 bequest on web hosting costs. I will be asking for a vote at the Fall Meeting.

In the meanwhile, I'll be exploring alternative hosting sites and checking into the websites of other fiber guilds in our area. You might want to do the same, starting with the Bishop Hill website: www.bishophillfiberguild.org What an inviting 'home' this website is for a new weaver, spinner, or felter living in the western Illinois area! Can we do no less?

Mary Boulet, President