Desert Fiber Arts (DFA)
INTERIM MONTHLY NEWS BLAST - JANUARY 1, 2023

As always, please continue to go to the DFA website at desertfiberarts.org for the most current and detailed information.

PRESIDENT’S BLURB:

Did you know that Bonnie Baker has been producing the DFA newsletter for 31 years? I had no idea! She is retiring her position effective this month. A suitable celebration of her service will be held in early February, after the Allied Arts show. Keep your eyes peeled for the announcement.

In the meantime, your new newsletter committee has been working diligently in the background to develop updates and new ways to get our DFA news to all of our members. The team is:

Gayle Lawn-Day - A fairly new member with a strong leadership background and great organizational skills.
Liz Martini - A graphic artist with many computer skills.
Nancy Kelly-Girvin - A member for several years who has been updating the website calendar each month.

Please be patient as we make the transition. The team will be using the Blaster for a while until they have completed the process for disseminating the newsletter. The target month is April.

Betsy Dickinson, DFA President

NOTES FROM THE NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE:

This INTERIM MONTHLY NEWS BLAST is designed to keep you all informed while the Committee works to develop a modernized news format. This temporary news blast will provide only basic information. Details can always be found on the DFA website at DesertFiberArts.org

DFA JANUARY CALENDAR

Jan 2 - Allied Arts Show. Please begin bringing your items to display at 10:00 a.m.

Jan 2-31 Allied Arts Show. The show will run throughout the Month of January, 2023. Location: Allied Arts Studio, 89 Lee Boulevard, Richland, WA 99352, 509-943-9815. Contact Mary Fraser 509-946-9850

Jan 2 & 16 - Basketeers, 1-4 pm at the DFA Studio Join in the fun of making baskets! EVERYONE WELCOME! Contact Marion Halupczok with questions marionmade55@gmail.com

January 4 - Tapestry, 1-3 pm at the DFA Studio. Everyone is welcome. Come visit, bring a project you haven’t had time to do. It doesn’t have to be Tapestry related. The Tapestry group will be working on lessons they haven’t finished. Contact Karen Lamar with questions Karen.lamar@gmail.com

Jan 5 & 19 - Sticks and Hooks Daytime Knit and Crochet Study Group, 10-noon at the DFA studio. Everybody is welcome. Contact Sue DeMerchant at oswald1@yahoo.com or Kathy Thorndike at kthorndike@msn.com if you have any questions.

Jan 11 - DFA Board Meeting, 10 am - noon. Contact Betsy Dickinson with questions betsyd1207@gmail.com
Jan 9 & 23 - Rigid Heddle Study Group, 1-4 pm at the DFA Studio. Contact Dorothy Mucha, dee.mucha@outlook.com or Kathy Myers, kbmeyers@gmail.com for more information.

Jan 17 - By the Book Knitters, 6-8 pm meets once a month on the 3rd Tuesday at the Richland Library. Contact Earlene Mokler with questions emokler@gmail.com.

Jan 19 - General (All-Member) Meeting - Waxed-Linen Basketry, 10:30am-12:30 pm at the DFA Studio and via Zoom. Link coming to you in a blast. Note: If schools are cancelled that morning, we won’t meet. Contact: Cheryl Reed cheryldavisreed@gmail.com.

Feb 7 - The Stafford Study Group will not meet in January; next meeting is sometime in February. Check the DFA website calendar or Contact Cheryl Reed if questions. cheryldavisreed@gmail.com.

OTHER EVENTS OF NOTE

Spokane Handweavers Guild is sponsoring an online workshop with Linda Hartshorn and we’d love to invite your members to join since it is an online workshop. Registration open to non-members December 7, 2022 thru January 14, 2023.

Secrets of Shadow Weave
Virtual Workshop with Linda Hartshorn
9 a.m.-5 p.m. February 4 and 11 & 9 a.m.-noon February 18, 2023

Registration information is found at this link; https://spokane-handweavers-guild.sqaure.site/product/secrets-of-shadow-weave-virtual-workshop/38. Or visit our website at SpokaneWeavers.org where you can register.

The Northwest Spinners & Fiber Arts Association is organizing another online celebration of fiber art, Saturday, January 7, 10am-4pm.

It’s free, but register at https://nwsfa.clubexpress.com/ Click on Events. Scroll down to the Fiesta. Click the green arrow on the right to register. You don’t need to be a member to enjoy the day.

Contact Cat Snyder for more information, csnyder999@msn.com.

In 2023, the By The Book Knitters Study Group will knit another afghan for the Summer Reading Program. This year’s theme is “All Together Now” representing Kindness, Friendship and Unity.

As always the library will provide the yarn, we’ll try to have 4 solid colors and 1 multicolored.

Contact Earlene Mokler with any questions. emokler@gmail.com.