Major Workshop Silk Spinning With Celia Quinn

There are still two spots left in the Silk Spinning Workshop with Celia Quinn workshop. If you are interested or know of anybody who is, please let them know about this rare opportunity. The workshop dates are March 30, 31 and April 1, 2010 approximately 9:00 am to 4:00 pm each day. The estimated cost is \$175 plus a \$30 materials fee. We will be at Table Rock Llamas for the first day and at the Penrose House for the second and third day. As soon as I know the total costs for everything I'll send out a letter to all participants detailing the days and also the final cost. We would like to have payment in full by the end of February or by the March guild meeting at the latest. Please contact Heidi Bates at babyweave@msn.com or by calling 719-392-4522 if you have any questions or are interested in signing up for this class.

President's Notes by Susan Bowman

One of the core reasons for PPWG's existence is to promote learning in the areas of weaving, spinning, and dyeing. Many of you are members of one or more study groups and you've probably noticed that a couple of new groups have started recently (see Jane Rock's article on the Northern Lights group). New PPWG members may not be aware of the topics that study groups choose to focus on so I'd like to challenge a member of each study group to write a short article on their group for the PPWG newsletter at some point during a guild year. Something a simple as describing a current and previous topic along with information and benefits that the group members received from the study. Who knows, it might just prompt a new or longtime member to join one of our study groups. See you in February!

Vice-President's Notes by W.W.

In March we will be having two programs. At the March 12th meeting Anne Vickrey Evans will be sharing her felting skills with us. A member of Pikes Peak Weavers Guild, Anne has wowed us with many of her projects during show and tell. Now we will be able to have her share more of her love of the art. Then on March 31, visiting artist Celia Quinn will be giving an evening presentation at the Penrose Public Library on 20 N. Cascade Avenue. Celia will be sharing her collection of spindles with us and giving us the history behind them.

April's program will be given by Helen Summers of Placitas, New Mexico. She will be joining us for the day to share tips and techniques of using our handwovens to make fabulous garments. We are looking for someone to host Helen and her husband for one or two nights while they are here. They will be driving up from New Mexico so will have their own transportation.

As a follow up to Helen's program, in May please wear some article of clothing you have woven. While we are not having a fashion show per se here is your chance to show off your work. We will be having our annual luncheon so we can parade our masterpieces for the community.

Finally, Ellen and I are starting to plan for next year's programs. We have received several suggestions from the membership but we are always looking for more ideas on who we can book for programs and mini workshops. Please contact either of us via our emails. Ellen – pyrartlady@yahoo.com WW-corancher1999@yahoo.com