

# Northern Lights News by Jane Rock Costanza

This past year went out with a bang...I mean bag! The PPWG Northern Lights study group's bag challenge helped wrap up the guild year in a fun and colorful way. An impressive array of bags gave the judges, Kris Hill and Donna Brown, cause for a great deal of deliberation and careful thought. Prizes included handwoven ribbons for



1st, 2nd, 3rd, and honorable mention; commemorative treat filled coffee cups designed by Jane Rock; prize certificates, gift certificates

and a special prize for the wackiest bag. Prize ribbons were handwoven by Debra Scott, Beverly Weaver, Jane Rock, and Deb Greer.



Winners: 1st place: Sandra Hutton. 2nd Place: Susan Bowman. 3rd Place: Debra Scott. Honorable Mention: Laura DeKloe. Best use of color: Beverly Weaver. Best use of hand dyed materials: Debra Scott. Best use of recycled materials: Pam James. Best use of handspun: Carole Stewart. Wackiest: Laura DeKloe.

The theme was Northern Lights: Reflections. Each entrant was asked to provide a statement that described how what was created tied into that theme. Little did we know that one of the judges, Kris Hill, has lived in Alaska and was delighted to see how that particular theme had been interpreted through weaving, spinning, dyeing and bag construction.



Membership in Northern Lights is open to all PPWG members and guests are welcome. If current members are interested in meeting over the summer, please drop an email to Deb Scott this week. If you're a PPWG member and would like to join this focused but relaxed group, drop an email to Deb.

A new theme and challenge will be cooked up for next guild year and will be announced in the September PPWG newsletter.

The Northern Lights study group would like to thank Table Rock Llamas for donating space in their fiber studio to us this past year for our weekly meetings.



Wishing everyone a relaxed and fun summer filled with weaving, spinning, and dyeing!