



# THE WOOLPACK WATCH

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## Presidents Messages

As summer winds up I find it easier to spin, because I am being called by the beauty of nature! I have spent some time treading under the shade in my own yard. Our family has some camp trips planned...who cares about packing food as long as I have plenty of fiber and my wheel ready.

June is my birth month and Kyle spoiled me with a fiber of the month subscription from Paradise Fibers. If you've never checked it out, it's really fun. Each month I get a box of fiber and other goodies that are based around a theme. June's theme is "The great outdoors". I received camel silk and Polworth fiber and some pine colored dye. I'm sure great things will come when I make up my mind!

June's meeting is a really good one. Jill Dahle is going to be teaching a color techniques class. I took a similar class from her years ago when I was a brand-new spinner and it was excellent. Please bring your wheels or drop spindles. We will see you at the Viridian center on June 18th at 7:00 p.m.

Love to all and happy spinning!

*Jenny Ferguson*

## Guild Meeting Schedule

- June 18th - Jill Dahle will share her Color class as it relates to spinning with us! And Guild board elections will be held.
- July 16th - Guild Meeting at 7:00, Topic to be announced.
- August 20th - Guild Meeting at 7:00, Topic to be announced

### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

- Special Announcement!!! Spinners needed for Patriot Camp in Bountiful Park on June 24-28 from 9:00am-11:00am. If interested, please contact **Tammy Adair** at **801-682-5103** or **ttadair2017@gmail.com**
- **July 25th thru 28th—Retreat at Notlwonk Springs!!!**

## 2019 Spinning Goals

Remember your 2019 Spinning Goals? How you doin'??



Are you just itching to fill your home with your  
Best Fiber-y Friends???

To host our next Spinning Saturday  
Call, Text or Email Kira  
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## **Wasatch Woolpack Handspinner's Retreat July 25th through 28th Notlwonk Springs in Cornish Utah**

Brandie and I are so excited to present this year's Wasatch Woolpack Handspinner's retreat at the Knowlton's farm in Cornish. It was a lovely location last year, and we are so grateful to the Knowltons for inviting us back this year. This is our first time planning retreat, and we hope to make it fun and relaxing for everyone. Set up day this year is on July 24th, Pioneer Day, but we will be there and set up will happen! We know that many of you celebrate Pioneer day with family, but we would appreciate anyone who is able to volunteer to help with set up that day.

Cost for Retreat this year is \$85 or \$35 per individual day. There is not a limit on how many we can have at retreat, but it is open to Wasatch Woolpack guild members only! Deadline to sign up for retreat is July 1st with all payment due no later than July 8th.

Checks should be written to Wasatch Woolpack & PayPal should be paid directly to the guild email [wasatchwoolpack@gmail.com](mailto:wasatchwoolpack@gmail.com). \*When paying with PayPal please select that it's a gift, otherwise they charge us a fee. Also, please note your name (we may not recognize your email address) & note that it is for retreat. Please state your food preference (Omnivore/Vegetarian) and 3 volunteer positions you would be willing to do. We will try to give everyone their first choice, and only 1 will be assigned.

### **Retreat Rules:**

- **No children**
- **No dogs (No exceptions this year because of the livestock)**
- **No parking along the roads (Cars are to be parked in the designated pasture)**
- **No admittance to animal pastures or enclosures**
- **No climbing on equipment & haystacks**
- **No camping in the grove (camp in the designated pasture only)**
- **Please separate recyclables from trash**
- **No picking the milkweeds (Knowltons are trying to preserve and encourage their growth)**
- **Take your phone conversations out of the spinning grove, and set your electronics to silent.**
- **If you are going to have alcoholic beverages, please realize no one likes to be around drunks, including another drunk. Haul out your own glass.**

***Be mindful of your companions in the meadow. While we all want to have a good time, not every conversation is appropriate for every group of people. Remember your audience! Also, be mindful of your fellow attendees belongings. Please ask before moving belongings in the grove.***

#### **Prizes:**

We ask that you donate at least one prize to the tent. For those who haven't been to retreat before, most people donate more than one and we thank you for that! Please bring only spinning related items. It's up to the prize queen/king to decide if something you bring is a prize or an auction item. If you don't have anything, please don't feel like you will receive grief. We won't say anything if you are unable to contribute.

**Silent Auction:** If you have some items you would like to donate to support the Woolpack, please only bring fiber related things for these auctions. (Spinning, Weaving, Knitting, Etc)

**Fiber Exchange:** Bring at least 8 oz of fiber for someone else to spin and finish. Please bring something wonderful that you would love to spin too. This is a secret exchange. You won't know who received your wonderful fiber until next year when they present you with the finished item. Each participant takes the fiber they received and makes something wonderful for the person who brought it. If you have not finished your partners project, make arrangements directly with them. Also, if you have a retreat exchange project outstanding, we ask that you do not participate in exchange until your outstanding project has reached its intended recipient.

**2019 Fiber Exchange and Show & Tell:** The spinner-creator will present their creations to the fiber owner at this year's reveal, followed by show & tell. This takes place Saturday, right after lunch. First the exchange and then show & tell. Please limit your items to one or two so we have time to get to everyone.

#### **Checklist of Suggested Things to Bring:**

**Camping equipment**

**Lantern or Flashlight**

**Warm clothing and also clothing to wear for warm sunny days**

**Prizes**

**Canopy if you have one**

**Personal eating utensils and dishes(Plate, bowl, cup)**

**Spinning wheel or spindle and lots of**

**fibers to spin (vendors will be selling more fiber for your spinning pleasure)**

**A rug or mat to put on the ground under your wheel**

**A comfortable chair**

**8 oz of fiber for the 2018 retreat exchange (if you are participating)**

**Insect Repellent (This one is important!!! Make sure you are using it.)**

**A 5 (five) Gallon Beverage Cooler full of water (We have no water this year so bring what you are able)**

**Towels**







## NEXT MEETING:

**Tuesday**

March 19th @  
6:30 p.m.

**TBA**

The Viridian Center  
at  
8030 South 1825 West  
West Jordan, UT 84088

## We're on the Web!

See us at:

[www.wasatchwoolpack.org](http://www.wasatchwoolpack.org)

[https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/  
groups/  
wasatchwoolpackhandspinners](https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/wasatchwoolpackhandspinners)



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[wasatchwool-  
pack@gmail.com](mailto:wasatchwoolpack@gmail.com)

**We need volunteers! All attendees need to help make Retreat great.**

- \*Class Wrangler
- \*Gophers (1) Run to the store to get anything meal planners need
- \*Welcome Tent (2) Greet people, pass out name tags
- \*Prize tent- 1 Queen/King and 2 princesses (or princes)
- \*Porta Potty Slosers
- \*Silent Auction Coordinator
- \*Fiber Exchange Coordinator
- \*Set-up
- \*Take-down



Also we need Chefs for Friday, and one for Sunday Brunch. Nyssa Farnsworth has volunteered to do Saturday, and Shirley Marshall has volunteered for Thursday. If you are a Chef Friday or Saturday your retreat fees are covered. Sunday's Chef pays \$30 less for retreat (or pays a balance of \$55 for the rest of retreat). Chef's will be given a food budget and must submit meal plans. We need meals that have vegetarian options as well as meat options.

The Woolpack (and Shirley) has all the cooking gear, stoves, etc. Each volunteer will be given a budget and check for their day.

Also, there is a sign-up sheet for all attendees to help prepare and clean up one meal during retreat. You may volunteer for more than one meal, but everyone needs to help with at least one!

Also when signing up for retreat you must state your food preference as to **omnivore or vegetarian**. We will post the menu at retreat to allow planning if you can't eat certain things. There will be snacks on site.



**TIMON: "MAMA, WHERE IS ME HAGGIS!!"**