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## Spinners, weavers to hold conference in Dawson Creek

The Peace Country Spinners and Weavers are holding their fall conference and workshop on October 25 and 26 in Dawson Creek at Northern Lights College.

Diane Mortenson of Vancouver will be the guest speaker and workshop instructor. The two-day hands-on workshop is entitled Clothing and Home Furnishing Fabrics.

Ms. Mortenson is the former chairperson of the Craftsmen's Association of B.C. and is the current Handweavers Guild of America representative for the Pacific Northwest.

The Peace Country Spinners and

Weavers are also holding their first Juried show during the October Dawson Creek Conference. The juried show is open to all weavers, spinners and dyers living in the peace region. Mrs. Ernestine Allan, of Vancouver, a juror for the Greater Vancouver Weavers and Spinners Guild and the PNE, along with member of the Dawson Creek Guild, will jury the show.

Information on the conference and juried show is available from your local PCSW representative area representative, Suzanne Motola, at 785-0877.

# Weavers set for new season

The North Peace Spinners and Weavers Guild will begin another season with the First meeting being held on Saturday, September 20th.

The Guild looks forward to another productive and enjoyable year of pursuing the craft of spinning wool, silk and cotton and weaving on Salish, tapestry, inkle and four harness floor looms. Workshops will be offered to explore dyeing different fibres with natural and chemical dyestuffs and weaving different patterns in tabby, twill and overshot.

Anyone who is interested in any facet of spinning and weaving is welcome to become a member of the Guild and attend the monthly meetings which are held in the basement of Fort St. John Central Elementary School at 10215 - 99th Avenue. The Guild meets the second Saturday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

For further information call Chris, 785-1204 or Rene, 789-9275.

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The Peace Country Spinners and Weavers regional organization and Alberta culture are presenting a two-day conference of workshops at Falher College in Fahler, Alta. on March 15 and 16.

The keynote speaker, Edmontonian Cr. Peter Poohkay, a noted authority and tacher of Ukrainian weaving, will give two one-day workshops on Poyas (sash) weaving. He will also have a lecture and slides of his research trip to the Ukraine. Dr. Poohkay, a semi-retired dentist, has taught at the Banff School of Fine Arts and has given workshops throughout Canada. He is a proficient weaver not only of traditional Ukrainian patterns, but also fine fabrics which he has tailored for his own suits and jackets.

Fritz Anthony of Fairview will instruct a workshop on spinning and conduct a spinning wheel clinic for problems with old or new wheels. Mr. Anthony is an award-winning spinner of all types of fibre, including silk.

Alfred Canuel of McLennan will present a workshop on the original Canadian Fleche weave-finger woven sashes. Mr. Canuel has taught throughout Western Canada and sells his work in shops throughout the country.

Another workshop on the weekend will be on wool fleece preparation by Marlene Noseda of Valleyview. Mrs. Noseda is a commercial production spinner and weaver who sells her work n shops throughout the country.

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The St. Isidore Weavers will present a demonstration and exhibit of the French Catalogne (rag) weaving. They have a studio for production consignment work in St. Isidore with several full-time hand weavers.

Jane Kelm of Dawson Creek will instruct a workshop on computer draw down weaving on Apple IIe computers and lecture on the history of looms and computers and their application in today's modern technology.

Sue Miller of Good fare will conduct a warp management workshop on the winding, chaining and beaming of warps in weaving. Mrs. Miller is an art teacher and has taught weaving and spinning throughout Alberta and B.C.

The conference gets underway at 9 a.m. at Falher College. Pre-registration fee is \$20.00 per day for non-members and \$15 per members. The registration fee includes lunch. For more information contact:

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