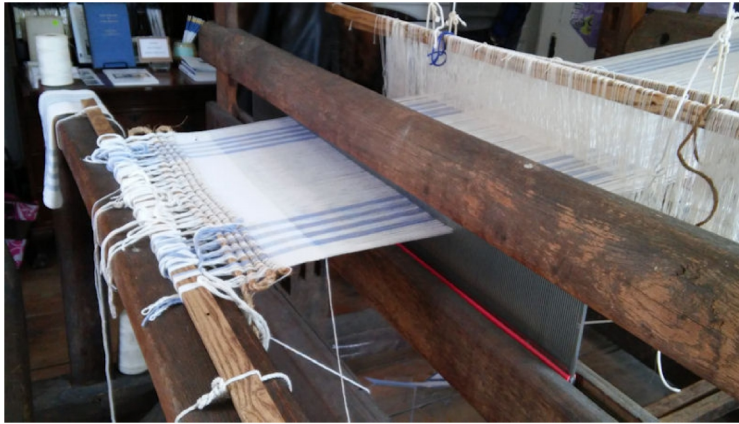


Historical Society Seeks Fiber Arts Crafters & Demonstrators April 16th & 17th, 2016



The Oxford Historical Society will celebrate the restoration of the Jensen Farm barn frame loom, which dates back to the 1700's with a festival in April. The event marks another milestone in the Society's efforts to preserve Oxford's historic rural character and to promote interest in our organization through hands-on participation in traditional crafts.

The event will include a demonstration of sheep shearing by Ron East on both days. We are seeking folks to demonstrate all phases of wool and fleece preparation. We would like to have demonstrations and instruction on the use of drop spindles. We also need volunteer spinners, weavers, felters, tape loom weavers, etc. to show their crafts at the event. There will be no charge to exhibitors who participate, and demonstrators may offer their hand-made fiber crafts for sale, including woven, knitted, crocheted and felted items, etc.



The Society seeks a person to advise us on the use and preservation of our Great Wheel, which we have not yet put into use. We would like to have it in use for the festival. If you know of someone who might fill this role, please let us know.



The festival will be held at the Twitchell-Rowland Homestead, 60 Towner Lane, Oxford, on April 16 and 17. Hours will be 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

Demonstrators may bring their own pop up tent in which to demonstrate their craft and sell their hand-made creations. There will be limited indoor space for demonstrations. In order to be sure that there is enough space available, registration for crafters will be accepted in the order received. If you are interested, or have a suggestion of someone to invite, please contact dottie@oxford-historical-society.org for a registration form. (Phone 203-910-4574) Please share this post with others who might be interested.