



NORTHWEST ARKANSAS HANDWEAVERS GUILD

OCTOBER 2018

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

A really big "THANK YOU" to everyone who helped with the Shiloh Museum's 50th anniversary party on September 8. Our display was so very impressive! There was a lot of interest from the crowd that meandered through the main building of the museum. I don't know the exact numbers of attendees, but we handed out all but two of the NWAHG postcards we had prepared. I fielded questions about tapestry weaving, the rug display, Sheep-to-Shawl, and the guild's commemorative coverlets. I saw other members engaging with folks, helping them try out our looms and answering questions. People were also watching with interest as Marty demonstrated overshot and Lee worked on her rigid heddle loom. This was a great opportunity to shine a spotlight on the great work our guild does. We are looking good!

The business portion at our next meeting on Saturday, October 13, will be a busy one. Because of our summer break and September's guest speaker, we haven't had a full business meeting since June. So review the June and September minutes and treasurer's reports and we will try to get through our guild's current business as quickly as possible. I hope to see all of you then.

PROGRAMMING:

This month we are delighted to host Allyn Lord, Director of the Shiloh Museum. She will be presenting a program on the history of the museum. It is appropriate to have this program at the beginning of our tenure with the museum as they have graciously allowed our guild to use their space. We look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship with the museum.

Also, since we did not have time for show and share last month, please bring your handwoven items to share.

Officers, 2018-2019:

Deborah Thomas, President
Cari Kessler, VP/Program Chair
Roberta Hamilton, VP-Elect
Debbie Davis, Secretary
Gayle Pace, Treasurer

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Find us:

On the web at
nwahandweaversguild.com
and on Facebook

Join us:

10:00am on the 2nd Saturday of
the month (unless otherwise
noted) at:
Shiloh Meeting Hall
an annex of the Shiloh Museum of
Ozark History
121 W. Huntsville Ave.
Springdale, AR 72764

Guild Resources:

Library is at:

<https://cloud.collectorz.com/nwahwguild/books>

Loom & Equipment Rental.

Contact Laura at
laredford@gmail.com or 925-1102.
See the back cover of the Guild
Yearbook for available items and
rates.

TAPESTRY STUDY GROUP

Ellen Bruce has started a tapestry study group. The first meeting of the group was after the September meeting. Those interested in the study group can contact Ellen at: bruce.ellen1010@gmail.com.

DOUBLE WEAVE WITH OVERSHOT PATTERNING STUDY GROUP

Our study group will hold its first meeting after the Guild meets on Saturday, October 13, Please come prepared to learn about this exciting technique. I will have handouts for each person who has signed up, as well as samples to examine, and a plan for our study group year. I can hardly wait!

Marty Benson

YEARBOOKS

The new yearbooks are available for all who have paid their dues. Pick yours up at the October meeting. If you see errors, please contact Laura (laredford@gmail.com or 479-925-1102). Over the next 12 months, as new members join the guild, their contact information will be published in the newsletter.

NEW WEAVERS CLASS

The guild will offer a class for adults who have never woven before on March 2-3, 2019, at the General Store at Shiloh Museum, Springdale. Maximum class size is four and a waiting list will be started and second class scheduled if needed. The fee is \$50 and includes all equipment and fibers. Space can be reserved now; registration will take place after January 1. Contact Laura (laredford@gmail.com or 479-925-1102)

EXHIBIT

Did someone get home with an extra piece after the exhibit? Mary Harp is missing a black and white shawl/scarf. Thanks for checking.

SEPTEMBER MEETING

With Melissa Weaver Dunning

For the September meeting, we had the pleasure of having Melissa Weaver Dunning as our speaker. Melissa is a hand weaver, spinner and knitter with over 35 years of experience working on antique equipment to recreate 18th and 19th century home produced textiles. She began her textile study with Scottish master weaver Norman Kennedy in 1980, and carries on this rich tradition in her own teaching. Melissa is an avid tartan and linen weaver, a compulsive knitter and lover of wool who enjoys sharing her passion for weaving and spinning with students. Melissa presented a program on Shaker Weaving with an Emphasis on Rugs.

A FEW PHOTOS FROM SHILOH MUSEUM SHEEP TO SHAWL AND HOBBS STATE PARK FALL FESTIVAL



And this from Steve Chyrchel with Hobbs State Park:

You crafters are wonderful! AND it is sooo obvious on the faces of our visitors...see attachment.

The adults as well as the kids are awed and fascinated. What an important part you play in the Hobbs Fall Festival!

I realize that many crafters for myriad reasons were unable to participate in the Hobbs State Park Fall Festival, but for those of you who were with us for the fun day...Thank you so much. Some of you even remember years ago when we had all the crafters in Van Winkle Hollow. A special "high-five" to you who we see faithfully every year. Perhaps we will see more of your friends demonstrating with us at the 2019 Hobbs Fall Festival.

You all are super!

Steve

**NORTHWEST ARKANSAS HANDWEAVERS' GUILD
MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 8, 2018 MEETING**

The Northwest Arkansas Handweavers' Guild met on Saturday, September 8, 2018 at the Shiloh Museum of the Ozarks Odd Fellows Building. President Deborah Thomas called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and welcomed members, visitors and guests.

Due to having a guest speaker and presentation, regular business was tabled until the October meeting.

Laura Redmond, chair of the Demonstrations Committee, announced that on October 4th and 5th the Shiloh Museum's Sheep to Shawl Event would occur. She announced the need for helpers for the following times; 9-12 and 12-3. We will also be doing a demonstration on October 7 at The Hobbs State Park Family Day at the visitor's center. Volunteers were asked to sign up for the time period of 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

The Shiloh Museum's 50th Anniversary Celebration was scheduled for the evening of September 8th. Members were invited to view the guild's exhibit and to return for the celebration from 5:00 to 7:30 pm.

Monica Milam announced for the Hospitality Committee that from this meeting forward, each member should bring their own cup, plate, napkin and utensils for snack time. All snacks in the future should be finger food. We will still have paper goods for guests.

Cari Kessler, program chair and vice-president, shared the calendar for the rest of 2018 through November 2019.

Ellen Bruce, chair of the tapestry study group, and Marty Benson, chair of the doubleweave study group, announced that both groups will meet after the October meeting for the first time. There being no further business, the regular meeting adjourned at 10:50 and our speaker was introduced.

Melissa Weaver Dunning presented a program on Shaker Textiles.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Davis

Secretary

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Treasure's Report						
Description		Deposits		Debits		Current Total
Working Balance	8/31/2018					\$ 7,979.97
Membership dues		\$240.00				
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Membership dues		\$100.00				
Donation		\$ 7.00				
Total Deposit		\$455.00				\$ 455.00
Web Site				\$ 132.00		
Program				\$ 250.00		
Total Debit				\$ 382.00		\$ 382.00
Working Balance	9/30/2018					\$ 8,052.97
Stewart Fund						
Description		Deposits		Debits		Current Total
Working Balance	8/31/2018					2388.03
Int		1.81				
Ending Bal	9/30/2018					2389.84

BUY OR SELL

Baby Wolf loom, 4-shafts, \$800. Contact Mary Trulock for more info 479-301-5724 (Fayetteville). Can deliver anywhere in NWA. (7/18)

For sale: Large Schacht tapestry loom sells for \$150.00 new. Never used. \$100.00 or best offer. And a Louet Erica loom with four shafts never used still in box. Sells for \$460.00 brand new. Take \$400.00 or best offer. linda.christy@att.net (7/18)

Books for sale: The Weaver's Idea Book by Jane Patrick \$20, New Key to Weaving by Mary Black \$20, A Handweavers Pattern Book by Margurite Davison \$20, Warping All By Yourself by Cay Garrett \$15, Practical Weaving Suggestion Vol. XXIV \$2, Byways in Handweaving by Mary Meigs Atwater \$15 gpace001@windstream.net (8/18)

Looms for sale: Union 36 Loom with bench. Weave rag rugs to your heart's content! Has complete paperwork and instructions. \$350, and a antique refurbished mahogany loom. 4 harness, 6 treadle with size 6 and 12 reeds. Has a 36" weaving width. It is in good working condition. It was refurbished right before I bought it and I haven't had the time to ever use it. \$500. Both looms are located in Bella Vista, AR, Melanie Moncur 801-918-9566 (10/18)

Guild Calendar

2018		
October 13	Guild Meeting	Allyn Lord, Director of Shiloh Museum: Shiloh Museum History
November 10	Guild Meeting	Weaving Essentials: Planning and Recording a Project
December 8	Guild Meeting	An Old-Fashioned Christmas and Social
2019		
January 12	Guild Meeting	TBA
February 9	Guild Meeting	Member Focus: Mary Harp & Linda Long: Bead Weaving
March 9	Guild Meeting	TBA
March 15-17	Workshop	Wynne Mattila: Finnish Style Runner/Cotton Rug Technique Workshop
April 13	Guild Meeting	TBA
May 11	Guild Meeting	Member Focus: Study Groups Presentation
November 7-9	Workshop	Jennifer Moore: Double Rainbow Workshop

Finnish-Style Runner/Cotton Rug Technique Workshop

BY: Wynne Matilla

When: March 15, 16, 17, 2019 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday)

Where: Shiloh Meeting Hall, Springdale AR

Description: Using the alternating 3-shuttle technique, weave a table runner 15"X40" using cotton fabric weft on 15ply finnish seine twine warp. Color , design and craftsmanship will be emphasized. Techniques specific to rug weaving will be taught as well as lashing on, cutting fabric in one continuous strip, tension, temple usage, end finishes and more. Handouts include ideas and inspirations, photos and samples, information on fabric calculation, selection and preparation.

Skill Level: Intermediate, ability to wind a warp, read a draft and warp a loom independently

Cost: \$285 plus materials fee (class fee may decrease, dependent on actual expenses)

Deposit: \$50 due by December 8th, 2018

Balance due by: January 12, 2019

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

