

NORTHWEST ARKANSAS HANDWEAVERS GUILD

NOVEMBER 2016

NOTES FROM OUR OFFICERS

From Vice President Janelle Engle

November's program is by Teresa Corbett. She's going to talk about her missions group working in India that spins, weaves, prints and produces textile products. She will be bringing items for show and sale. It may be a good opportunity for guild members to pick up some Christmas gifts, and support a good cause at the same time!

From Vice President Elect Beverly Maloney

I have good news for the guild. I have contacted three weavers for future workshops and they have said yes! These are scheduled to visit us in Northwest Arkansas:

Karen Donde in May 2017

Ruby Leslie in late October 2017

Laura Fry in April 2018.

You would be amazed how far some teachers are booking in advance. I am still working on workshops and study groups. But I know you are enthused with these upcoming events.

Hospitality Report

Hello, I hope everyone is enjoying the hint of fall in the air. I doesn't seem possible but Thanksgiving is just around the corner. The hostesses for November are Beverly Maloney, Jill Maddox and Jen Ainsworth. We look forward to seeing everyone on November 12. Happy weaving, Linda O

Yearbook

The 2016-17 yearbook was handed out at the October meeting. See Laura to get your copy. Please welcome these new members to the guild and add their contact information to your book:

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It's interesting to note that our members live in seven different states (Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Missouri, Oklahoma, South Carolina). Many of our more "local" members drive two hours to get to meetings.

Officers, 2016-2018:

Charlotte Mizell, President

Janelle Engle, Vice President

Beverly Maloney, VP Elect

Marty Benson, Secretary

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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:

The Arts Center of the Ozarks

214 S. Main Street

Springdale, AR

Guild Resources:

Library is open 30 minutes

before each meeting and during meeting breaks.

Loom & Equipment Rental.

Contact Laura at

wannaweavemore@cox.net or

925-1102. See the back cover of

the Guild Yearbook for available

items and rates.

October Guild Workshops



The Northwest Arkansas Handweavers' Guild recently hosted two workshops led by Jette Vandermeiden. The first, held September 30 - October 2, was a study of profile drafting. The participants learned to draft and weave eight different weave structures into one two-block profile. Each weaver became more confident of her ability to read and understand profiles, as well as thread a loom and weave from a profile without having to translate it into a threading or treadle draft. This powerful concept will help us understand how to weave any profile, as well as how to design our own. A notebook containing swatches and notes from this workshop will be placed in the Guild library.

The second workshop was held October 8 - 9. Called "Get Sett!", this workshop focused on improving and refining our weaving skills, and understanding how to choose the right sett for each yarn and project. Each participant wove a sampler of plain weave at varying picks and ends per inch, followed by a twill sampler that also explored different setts. Many of us were surprised at how difficult it was to weave at a specific number of ends per inch, and we were all amazed at how different the various sections of the sampler felt when taken off our looms. Hopefully all the good habits we learned will stick with us, as we continue to grow as weavers.



October Demonstrations

The guild has participated in two fall demonstrations for many years and this year was no exception. On Sunday, October 2, Laura, Janelle, Ava, and Lee and her husband Dan talked to about 600 children and adults at the Hobbs State Park Fall Festival at the visitors' center east of Rogers. Loom types were well represented with a floor loom, two table looms, two rigid heddle looms and a triangle loom. Peggy also demonstrated bobbin lace weaving. Several spinners were also present.

On October 6 and 7, Blanca, Monica, Jo Ann, Loyanne, Laura, Janelle, Larry and Charlotte demonstrated the weaving part of the annual Sheep-to-Shawl demonstrations at Shiloh Museum of Ozark History in Springdale. More than 600 children saw sheep being sheared, thread being spun, and also got to weave one or two shots on the table looms. This is about the 27th year for this program.

Thanks to all who arranged their lives to teach students and adults about weaving!

And Girl Scout Troop 5176 visited Deborah Thomas on October 12 for an introduction to weaving using improvised tapestry looms and taking turns on floor and table looms (Thanks to Monica Milam for the loan of her loom).



Northwest Arkansas Handweavers' Guild Minutes of the October 8, 2016 Meeting

The Northwest Arkansas Handweavers' Guild met on Saturday, October 8, 2016 at the Arts Center of the Ozarks. President Charlotte Mizell called the meeting to order at 10:00 am, and informed the attendees that the meeting would begin with the program portion of the agenda.

Marty Benson introduced Jette Vandermeiden, who presented a program on the numerous types and kinds of shuttles used by hand weavers. After her program, the Guild enjoyed refreshments, and then reconvened at 11:30. A visitor, Leola Lindsey, brought an antique hand woven coverlet for the Guild's review. Woven in cotton and undyed wool, the weaver used a half-drall structure that is not common to this area. Leola estimates that the coverlet was woven prior to 1900, but is not sure of where it was woven or by whom. Helen Jeffry brought a shuttle basket and discussed how it was made and how it could be used.

There were no corrections or edits to the Minutes of the September 10, 2016, meeting, nor to the treasurer's report as printed in the newsletter.

Several members brought items to share with the group, including Deborah Thomas, Cecelia Jaffe, Gary Hansford, Cynthia Christie Peven, and Blanca Morales.

There being no new or old business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:55. Following the meeting, member of the various study groups congregated, while other members left for the Get Sett! workshop led by Jette Vandermeiden.

ADDENDUM TO THE MINUTES: REPORT ON GUILD DEMONSTRATIONS

Submitted by Laura Redford

On October 2, four guild members and one husband demonstrated weaving and one member demonstrated bobbin lace at the Family Fun Day at Hobbs State Park. Thank you to Peggy Bowen (bobbin lace), Janelle Engle (brought two rigid heddle looms), Laura Redford (Baby Wolf), Lee and Dan Rodriguez (triangle loom), and Ava Slinkard. Almost 600 children and adults visited the nature center during the three hours of the event.

On October 6 and 7, eight members demonstrated weaving at the annual Sheep-to-Shawl event at Shiloh Museum of Ozark History. Thank you to Loyanne Cope, Jo Ann Dell, Janelle Engle, Monica Milam, Charlotte Mizell, Larry Mizell, Blanca Morales, and Laura Redford. Approximately 650 students saw sheep shearing, spinning, and weaving. Each one got to throw the shuttle a couple times. Some of our members, who are also members of the Wool and Wheel Handspinners Guild, also demonstrated spinning.

October Show and Share:



Leola Lindsey: Antique Coverlet



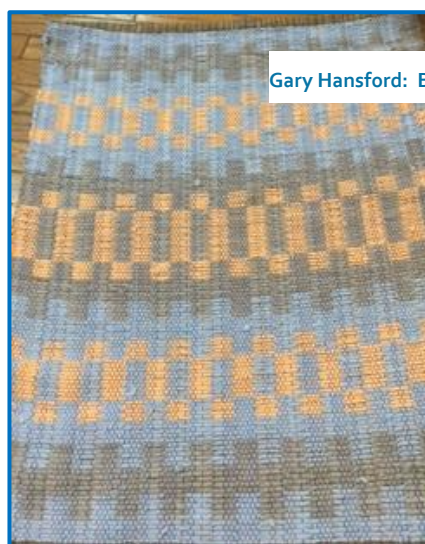
Helen Jeffrey: Loom Basket



Helen Jeffery: Corduroy
Bound Weave Samples



Deborah Thomas: Summer Seminar
Second Project - Overshot Doubleweave



Gary Hansford: BoundWeave Rugs



Celelia Jaffe: Knitted Shawl



Cynthia Christie Peven: Picnic Rolls



Laura Redford: Fabric from
Sheep-to-Shawl, Shiloh Museum



Blanca Morales: Small Tapestries

October Program: Shuttles Presented by Jette Vandermeiden

Pictured below is a Mystery Shuttle brought by Cari Kessler



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Treasurer's Report- October 2016			
Description	Deposit	Expenditures	Current Total
Working Balance on 9/22/2016			\$10,432.14
Membership dues	\$60.00		
Red Scottie Share of Jette costs	\$83.10		
Workshop balances paid	\$875.00		
Postage for newsletter	\$8.00		
Total Deposits			\$1,026.10
Supplies for Workshops		-\$44.42	
Workshop Expense travel & fee		-\$700.00	
postage		-\$6.57	
Total Expenditures			(\$750.99)
as of 10/23/2016			\$10,707.25

To Buy or Sell

Ads run for 3 months and are limited to 5 lines. To post an ad or renew after 3 months, email your listing to the guild at nwahandweaversguild@gmail.com.

LOOM FOR SALE. Restored **Union** 36 floor loom. 2 harness each with 100 new heddles. New reed is 12 dent. Other accessories available and negotiable. Asking \$299 OBO. Contact: Debby Saalfeld debbylynns@aol.com or by phone [479-721-9383](tel:479-721-9383) Bella Vista, AR (9/16)

LOOM FOR SALE. I have a **Leclerc** Nilus 36" weaving width for sale. It comes with a Leclerc bench, bobbin stand, warping board, 5 reeds, various bobbins and shuttles. I am asking \$900 for all. It is just too big for the house we bought here in Springdale. Thanks, Sharon Schmidt. 303-264-9694. sharoncschmidt@gmail.com (10/16)

LOOMS FOR SALE. **Schacht** Baby Wolf 8 harness loom and bench, 26" with wolf trap, extra heddles. Shuttle bench is adjustable and padded. \$1500.
Leclerc Voyager 16 harness Table loom, extra heddles, 2nd back beam. \$900.
 Weaving books, yarn, skein winder, etc.
 Dena Jones. [479 751 1408](tel:479-751-1408) or dsjones79@yahoo.com (11/16)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Guild Meeting, November 12:	Weaving Project in India
Guild Meeting, December 10:	Holiday Potluck