

Weavers Guild Meeting May 9, 2019

Business meeting notes

Jaqueline Jacobsen called the meeting to order.

There was no meeting last month (April) because of the field trip to the Kansas City Art institute and the Kemper Museum of Contemporary Art. Minutes from March were approved as recorded in the last newsletter.

Janet Meddings gave the Treasurer's report, and it was approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Current Assets:

Cash operating Fund	\$ 8,917.52
Workshops/Field Trips	
Scholarship Fund	1,398.78
Library Fund	<u>361.71</u>
Total Current Assets	\$ 10,678.01

Guests and new members were recognized.

Thank you to hostesses Linda Stoker, Kathryn Worley, and Cheryl Davis

Committee Reports:

Programs

- In June Janet Meddings will present a program on using a fan reed on your loom to weave a wavy fabric.
- October's program will be a presentation on using a triangle loom (continuous strand weaving). A class will be available after that meeting. The cost for the class is \$50 and will include all materials, as well as use of a triangle loom for each participant.
- October 10 is our Guild Challenge. This year's theme is "Movies/Cinema".
- December 12, will be our Holiday Party. This year's gift exchange theme will be "bags".

Newsletter

- Any information for the newsletter or items for sale should be passed on to Kathrine Worley by the 28th of each month.
- Please check the directory to verify all personal info is correct. If you are not receiving the newsletter, send an email to Janet Meddings, so she will have your correct address.

Workshops

- A committee has been formed to discuss and plan a Beginning Weaving workshop. If you are interested in helping to plan or teach, please contact Lynette Beebe.
- A field trip to Florilegium in Weston, MO has been cancelled, due to the fact that too few people could be accommodated.
- October 9 – triangle loom (continuous strand weaving) workshop \$50. Sign up ahead of time by contacting Marcia Harvey
- Marcia is looking into the possibility of a dye class in the future.
- This fall there will be a one-day workshop on making a wool Christmas tree, taught by Georgia Adams at the Georgeville Store. Registration is on line at www.kcweaversguild.org

Service Project

- The Weaver's Guild provides hand-work projects for the Hospice House as a service to our community. Contact Jackie Kincaide for more information.
- When you bring supplies for this project, please put them in zip lock bags, and bring supplies for an entire project; for example, embroidery hoops, cloth, pattern, thread, needle, and scissors, *or* color pages and crayons or pencils, *or* yarn, crochet hook, pattern, and scissors.... Please begin the project, so the person who takes it up can just continue without having to think or plan. Examples would be to knit a few rows of a scarf, or embroider a leaf, etc.

Library

Two new books are available in the library, as well as the whole set of Weaver's Craft Magazines.

Scholarships

Gail White asks that everyone see the updated scholarship guidelines in the directory. Send any scholarship applications to Gail, who will forward them to the board for approval. Scholarships can be used to pay for real time or on-line classes.

Felting Group

Nothing to report except to say their next meeting is short on space, but newcomers are welcome at the following meeting.

Sewing Group

- The sewing group are doing research on topics that apply to handwovens and sewing with handwovens and preparing to share what they learn with their group.
- They meet on the first Saturday of every month from 10 to 12 at the Yarn Mercantile in Independence, MO.

KAWS

- Registration for KAWS 2019 begins soon. Check the web site for registration information. Dates for this event are October 11-13.
- Registration for KAWS 2020 will begin November, 2019, and will be available on line.
- The 2020 event will be the first time KAWS has worked along-side Missouri Fiber Arts, and will be a unique opportunity for sharing talent and knowledge. Kansas City Weaver's Guild will host. Volunteers are needed in all areas.
- The schedule so far includes workshops, classes, general conference, and key-note speaker

New Business:

- A new study group is forming on the using rigid heddle looms. There will be no charge. The first meeting will be held at Mary Babcock's house in Lee's Summit, 601 NE Mulberry, zip code 64086 , at 10:00 am on Thursday May 30. Contact Lori Deason to sign up.
- Alternatives to the Weston field trip (Florilegium) were suggested. Members are looking in to a trip to Watkins Woolen Mill. Other ideas are welcome.
- Rebekah Foote is looking in to having shirts embroidered for guild members with our logo, as well as extras to sell at KAWS and Creative Hand. Discussion was about how much of the cost would be a gift from the Guild to members. If you are interested in more information or in helping with this project, contact Rebekah.

Old Business

- Kathy Landers has volunteered to host our equipment library. Thank you Kathy!
- The Guild will soon celebrate 65 years. A committee is being formed to work on some sort of public display to share with the community. Contact Judy Santner or Sue Metzler if you are interested in participating. A suggestion was made that we make 65 small weaving projects and display them in a city hall, library, etc. a city hall, library, etc.

Of Interest

- Jacqueline and Erin report they recently visited the St. Louis Weaver's Guild. Although their guild has more funds than we do, they didn't have as much participation in meetings and show-and-tell. Many of their study groups met less than monthly, and they do not meet in the summer. Their weavers and fiber workers are combined into one organization. Their swap-and-shop is open to the public. The ladies reported a good visit, and that there are things we can learn from each other.
- Judy, Barrie, and Vickie are participating in an art show at the Leedy-Voukos Art Center, 2012 Baltimore Ave. in the Crossroads district through July. On June 15 they will give be giving artist talks at the gallery, and hope to see many Guild members there.

- Demonstrators for weaving, spinning, and other fiber crafts are needed for the State Fair. If you are interested in participating, the deadline to sign on is early July. Check the State Fair web site for more info
- October is spinning and weaving month. The Guild would like to see demonstrators in local libraries and other public places. Be proactive, and contact your local library branches and/or city hall to see if you can spend a few hours spinning or weaving in their facilities during the month of October.
- As an outreach to the public, we are planning to offer a beginning weaving workshop in September. Please contact Lynette Beebe if you can help or lend a loom
- The Handweaver's Guild is inviting guest columnists to add to their newsletter. See their web site or contact Jaqueline Jacobsen for more info
- Leila's Hair Museum in Independence offers a unique look at a Victorian art form. Call ahead for demonstrations on how these unusual creations were made
- The Kansas City Indian Center is looking for tutors for children at their summer camp, Saturday through Wednesday, June 1-5, at the Rotary Camp in Lee's Summit. The organizers are looking for volunteers to introduce children to the art of weaving. Find more info at information@kcindiancenter.org
- Raffle tickets are available for the upcoming quilt show in Excelsior Springs. Contact Barrie Mason for more information
- Lolly has some vintage sewing patterns to give away to anyone interested

After show-and-tell, Gail White shared a presentation about her time running a cottage industry woolen mill. Thank you, Gail!