



WVBA Reeder

President's Message



Hello Fellow Weavers,

It's been a hot and sometimes stormy summer. I trust that you and yours have fared well and that you have had some time to enjoy weaving.

Take time to visit our new website at

<http://pages.suddenlink.net/wvbasketmakersassoc/index.html>

The convention booklets were mailed Tuesday, Aug 28. I'm looking forward to seeing each of you at our convention in November.

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Convention Coordinators' Report

The 2012 WVBA convention, to be held Nov. 9 - 11, is just around the corner. We are getting very excited. There will be some changes this year, and some things that we wouldn't want to change.

One BIG change is that we will be eating at the convention center, with Sharon Flanagan and Nancy Sealey planning the meals. There is a great kitchen at the center, and Sharon and Nancy will be sure we have enough to eat. We do ask that you bring some snacks to share during the day.

Another change is that during the weekend, we will have a table set up called Someone Else's Treasures. Bring some things you've had, but just didn't get around to using and put them on the table. Anyone can come and take anything from the table and it is theirs. Just leave some money in the box on the table for the items, whatever you think they are worth to you. The money collected will be used to help sponsor a scholarship for next year's convention.

Once again, we will have a silent auction. Bring some baskets for this project. Last year the money raised was shared among the teachers to help with gas expenses.

There are several motels and hotels in the area. The one giving us a group rate of \$85 per night plus tax is the Best Western Bridgeport Inn, [304-842-5411](tel:304-842-5411). The cut off date for the special rate is Oct. 25.

Our vendor for the convention is **Willowes** from Indiana. Our keynote speaker is **Venie Hinson**, one of our teachers. There will also be a teacher market place throughout the weekend.

A couple of things to note: The registration fee **includes the meals**. What a bargain!
When registering for classes, please note that some begin at a different time than the other classes.

Your convention co-coordinators,
Susan Hammock, Paula Huber, and Sharon Sutton

Convention Committees

Jury	Western Weavers
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Class/On-Site Registration	Mid Ohio Valley
Raffle/Door Prizes	Moundweavers
Teacher Liason/Gifts	Gail Hutchinson
Welcome Gifts	Homespun



Member of the Quarter Fyrn Frame

I had wanted to learn a new craft when I moved to Ripley. I saw an article in the Jackson County newspaper about an all day open weave at Reedith Beegle's house. When I got there the house was full of weavers and food. This was my introduction to the group. I had no tools or knowledge of making baskets but Reedith and Shireene Matheny soon fixed that. I was sitting between Shireene and Eleanor Bennett, what a trip.

I soon learned that weaving with the Ripley group meant: meet, eat and weave. This turned out to be my favorite thing in life. I went to Reedith's once a week to learn. When I attended my first weave-in it was in Ripley at the Senior Center. There I took a class (I don't remember the teacher) but I do remember I sat beside Jo Garrett, who said "Just watch me."

This introduction started a friendship that is still continuing. After Reedith passed away, Eleanor, Jo and I wove at each other's houses for some time. Eleanor has since passed, but Jo and I try to weave together each month.

During this time I joined to WV Basket Guild and have attended many of the conventions. I have also gone to many weave-ins with the other guilds in the state and have been to Jabez in KY several times. I served as vice-president when Susan Whitecotton was President.

Our guild now has a yearly weave-in in August and it is a blast. Everyone should attend at least one weave-in with another guild, attend a state convention and try to weave with other weavers. You really learn from each weaving experience.

Please encourage everyone you know to try weaving at least once in their lifetime, it is a wonderful experience.

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Homespun Basketweavers

Greeting from Homespun Basketweavers!

Well, school has started and our August One Day Weave was a huge success. Many have voiced their feelings of joy and time shared with good friends and good food. All will have fond memories to share with others that were not able to attend. We have already started planning next year's one day weave.

Now, we turn our sights toward working on our State Convention for this November in Harrison County. We are making plans to attend and to have a beautiful basket filled with wonderful and useful items for the season. Also, we are working on putting together Goody Bags for this year's convention and we ask each guild to contact either me, and/or Wilma Harrison (304 532-0117) with the item(s) they would like to add to this year's Goody Bag.

We meet every third Monday of the month at the Harris Building in Ripley at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome to join us for our meetings. We ask you call ahead so we can have extra kits on hand for our guests. (Diane Easter 304 532-0997 or Linda Philyaw 304 273-2373)

See you in November;
Diana Easter
Member at Large



Mid Ohio Valley Guild

Summer's drawing to a close and we're looking forward to fall and making baskets. We didn't have a meeting in July and attend the Homespun Weave in lieu of our August meeting. What a great Weave In! It was fun to weave with old friends and meet new ones. Thanks to Homespun Guild Members for all their hard work.

Sept 8 we will meet at Sharon Sutton's house at 9:30. Join us if you are in the area.

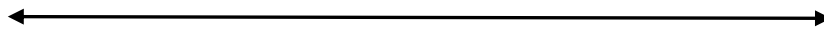
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Mound Weavers Guild, CEOS

Mound Weavers are excited to be hosting their first Weave In with Dee Johnson instructing on September 15 in Moundsville. For more information check out our website at moundweavers.webs.com or email us at moundweaversguild@gmail.com. We have been meeting regularly and are planning on donating a basket for the "Pink Day Event" held in October by the Community Education Outreach Services. Three members are eager about the trip to Ripley, August 25 for the Homespun Weave In. Others are working on ideas for a donation to the Silent Auction, Door Prizes and Goody Bags for the upcoming State Conference. With school back in session and vacations over it will allow more time for weaving, so until next time...Happy Weaving.

Selena Straughn
Member at Large



Western Weavers

Our guild weaving year ends with August. We made plans at our last meeting for the new weaving year. We have some fun and exciting things planned. You are welcome to join us on the 4th Tuesday of the month for good weaving and good fellowship. Contact either Gail Hutchinson 304 634-2602 or Ken Ambrose 304 736-0545 for information.

Happy Weaving
Ken Ambrose
Member At Large

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