



WVBA Reeder

President's Message

Hello to all WVBA Weavers. It is mid May and I'm sure like me everyone is ready for warmer weather.

A big thank you is due to the North Central Guild for taking the responsibility of jurying for the 2009 Convention. Delores sure enjoyed logging in and seeing all the submissions. There are a lot of beauties this year so make sure you get your membership paid so you can attend the Convention, which will be held November 13–15 in Vienna, WV.

Amendments to the Bylaws are being discussed. If you know of something that needs to be changed or added, please submit it in writing to Pat Spangler, Chairperson.

Nominations are being accepted for Sec-

retary, Treasurer and Membership Chairperson. If anyone is interested in filing any of these positions, please contact Sharon Flanagan, Chairperson.

Happy weaving and please keep the sick in your prayers.

*Elaine Sinclair,
President*



Election Nominations

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Per our by-laws "the election of Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chairperson are to take place in odd numbered years". Nominations are now open for these offices. Nominations will close Sept 14, 2009.

Eligibility requirements from our by-laws, Article VI, Section C follow:

1. Nominees shall be members of the Association and have maintained current membership status.
2. Nominees must be in good standing, which reflects compliance

with Article II-A.

3. Nominees must have indicated a willingness to serve if elected.

All nominees must attend the annual business meeting at which the election will be held. Nominations are now open.

Respectfully,

Sharon Flanagan
Chairman, Election
Nomination Committee
brigel@verizon.net

Secretary's Report

*West Virginia Basketmakers Association
Saturday, May 16, 2009
Harrison County 4-H Center*

Those attending were: Carol Edge, Vivian Shomo, Teresa Paugh, Shireene Matheny, Diana Easter, Wilma Harrison, Paula Huber, Sharon Sutton, Fyrn Frame, Elaine Sinclair, Sharon Flanagan, Delores Stutler, Bobbi Gaylon, Dee Johnson, Maxie Sperry and Lara Lawrence.

Elaine Sinclair, President, called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

Secretary's Report – Minutes were not read as they had been printed in the newsletter. Sharon Sutton amended the minutes to include her name which had not been included. Also not included was the office of membership chair, which will be open for election this year. Report was approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report – Paula Huber, Treasurer, reported. The previous balance reported as follows:

<i>\$6292.49</i>	<i>Previous balance</i>
<i>- 132.16</i>	<i>Deductions for January</i>
<i>.00</i>	<i>No deposits or disbursements for February</i>
<i>+34.75</i>	<i>Deposit for March</i>
<i>-22.08</i>	<i>Newsletter cost</i>
<i>.00</i>	<i>No deposits or disbursements for April</i>

\$6,173.00 Balance

Report was approved as presented.

Old Business – none

New Business – The registration fee for the 2009 convention will be \$ 40.00. This will include a dinner on Saturday night.

The hotel located next to the convention facility is the Wyngate. The phone # is 304-295-5501. Rates will be \$92 per night with each room accommodating 1-4 people. There are 35 rooms reserved. You must tell them you are with WVBA when making reservations to get this rate. A full continental breakfast is included in the reservation price. The last date to make reservations at this rate is October 13.

It was agreed to allow the public (non-members) to attend the convention. They will pay a pro-rated registration fee which will not include dinner on Saturday night. They will be assigned classes only after members have registered for classes.

Committee to Amend By-Laws – Pat Spangler is the chairperson. Committee members are:



Secretary's Report (continued)



Fyrn Frame, Sharon Sutton, Pat Gray and Sharon Flanagan. Any member may submit items they feel need to be amended to any of the committee members.

Nomination Committee – Chairperson is Sharon Flanagan. Committee members are Teresa Paugh and Terry Stepp. Offices open for election this year are: Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Chair. If you are interested in running or know of someone you would like to nominate, please contact one of these members.

Convention 2010 – Dee Johnson has agreed to serve as convention coordinator.

Discussion was held regarding the location for Convention 2010. Alderson Broadus College will let us have the weaving rooms free if we pay for our meals.

Other Business – Shireene Matheny brought up the subject of purchasing jackets. Paula Huber is checking into this and will report at the next meeting.

Discussion was also held regarding gifts for convention attendees.

Theme suggestions submitted at this time are:

Weaving is Sublime in 2009

Weaving is Fine in 2009

Dreamweavers

2009, How Sublime

The next meeting will be held July 12 at Sharon Sutton's house at 2 p.m.



*Homespun
Basketmakers Guild*

Greeting from Homespun Basketweavers!

I hope this writing finds everyone dry and enjoying the warmth of the sun before it leaves once again, for the rain will surely return.

So far the change of date and time for our guild meeting is going great. We are meeting every third Saturday at 11a.m. at the Country Place in Ripley.

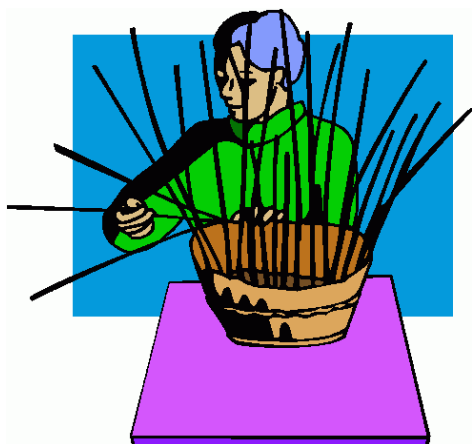
We have been working on our one day weave. I think every one will be enjoy the basket selections.

Our guild assisted with the jurying in Clarksburg on May 16th. There were so many beautiful baskets to select from. It was very hard decide. I think everyone will enjoy the selections and the there are several new teachers this year.

Several of our members will be journey to Jabez, KY for a week in June for basket making and learning new techniques.

Happy Weaving!

Diana Easter,
Member at Large



*The strongest weapons are courage and persistence.
With both you can accomplish all things!*

Mid Ohio Valley Guild

Hello Weavers,

To celebrate spring at our March guild meeting we made small pocket baskets with a spring design. April brought with it the weave-in at Lost Creek which two of our members attended. Both chose to take Dee Johnson's class on making a hen basket. A fun day of learning and weaving!

Linda Elschlager graciously hosted and taught a quilt basket that she designed - a large basket with pine trees and a moose made on a D-handle.

The months are rolling by quickly and my thoughts are turning to the WVBA Convention in November. I have four naming suggestions to present to the board from our guild members.

The Mid Ohio Valley Guild meetings are held the 2nd Saturday of the month at Sharon Sutton's home at 9:30 am. Contact one of the following if you have questions:

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sasutton@suddenlink.net

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woodnweave@suddenlink.net

Sharon Flanagan 304-482-0033
brigel@verizon.net

Happy Spring!

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Flanagan
Member At Large

Mountain Heritage Guild

Mountain Heritage Guild is looking forward to our June meeting which will involve some restructuring and elections of officers. Classes have been tentatively planned for the remainder of the year. Local artisans will offer a variety of classes for the beginner as well as the more advanced weaver.

As one who was privileged to be a part of the jury process for our fall Convention, my comment can be summed up in one word...WOW!! I am excited already. I cannot impress upon each reader how much you will enjoy receiving your Convention booklet and agonizing over the many spectacular choices. It is not too soon to be making plans to attend this annual weave November 13-15, in Parkersburg. Check this publication for more details.

Who knows, what delights you will see, when we gather, where our friends will be too, why not call for reservations now and how many can you do in a weekend/or carry home to do later?

Carol J. Edge,
Member at Large

North Central WV Guild

We have had a very busy spring. Our one day weave-in on April 4th was a success due to all of you who attended classes, teachers who taught wonderful baskets, and those of you who helped in various ways. A special thanks to Vicki and Robert Worrell and Betty Edwards from North Carolina. Everyone received a packet of basket patterns from Vicki and the guild supplied "Hen & Chicks" plants. The Basket Tree Raffle was won by Karen Bowers and the Basket Swag was won by Jennifer McDonald. A big thanks to all who supported this endeavor.

Our Guild is responsible for the jurying of baskets for the 2009 WVBA Convention this year. This process took place on May 16, 2009. A short Board Meeting was held before the jurying process and a light lunch was provided by the NCWVG.

The Board and two or three members from each guild attended and chose the baskets that will be taught at the Convention in November. It was a daunting task as we had thirteen teachers propose 75 beautiful baskets and stools but I think you will be delighted with the choices made.

We thank everyone who proposed baskets and are sorry we cannot accept them all, but at this time our Convention is limited from Friday afternoon to Sunday.

Our Guild meets at Elaine Sinclair's Basket Shop on the last Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. A basket is usually taught by one of our members. May 30th basket is "Springin' Up" taught by Bobby Galyon (round basket with spring flowers all around.) Everyone is welcome at any of our meetings so drop in for a fun time.

Delores Stutler, Member-at-Large

Western Weavers

The Western Weavers Guild has been staying pretty busy lately and looking forward to some warmer, drier weather.

The last couple of months we tested a new basket pattern for Gail Hutchinson. We are quite sure you will see this new one around very soon.

We are planning a picnic and weaving party for June. We usually do not have a regular meeting during the summer months but you can occasionally see a few of us on someone's porch or deck weaving or attending a summer convention or drooling over upcoming convention books.

We have started working on the door prize from our Guild for the WVBA Convention and a couple of our ladies will be attending the jurying on May 16th. Our Guild meets at 6 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month. (Aug-Jun) at Highlawn Church of Christ in Huntington.

If you are in our area please come and join us.

Nancy Sealey
Vice President

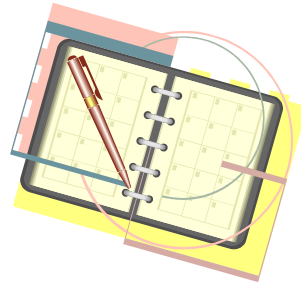
Don't limit yourself. Many people limit themselves to what they think they can do. You can go as far as your mind lets you. What you believe, remember, you can achieve.
-- Mary Kay Ash

2009 Convention Vendors Needed

The WVBA is seeking basketry related vendors to vend at this year's Convention November 13-15th.

If interested, please complete the application found on Page 9 and return it along with your check to Wilma Harrison at the address indicated. If you have any questions please call me at (304) 532-0117 or email me at wlharrison25245@yahoo.com

Upcoming Events



Homespun Basketweavers Guild Weave Day—August 15th, Ripley, WV. For information contact Wilma Harrison at (304) 532-0117.

WVBA 2009 Convention — November 13-15, Grande Pointe Conference Center, Vienna, WV. For information contact Elaine Sinclair at (304) 783-316.



Membership Dues



Just a reminder that dues need to be paid by the end of June.

If you have sent them to me since the March newsletter, you are in great shape. If you're not sure if you are paid up, you can e-mail me at:

sasutton@suddenlink.net, or call 304-422-0068 and I can let you know for sure.

An application form is included with this issue of the Reeder.

Sharon Sutton,
WVBA Membership Chairman

Newsletter Submissions

Publication dates for the WVBA Reeder are **December, March, June** and **September** each year. The Reeder is distributed electronically to members with a valid email address and hard copies are mailed to those without email or upon request. Copies of the WVBA Reeder are also posted on: www.wvbasketmakers.com

If you regularly experience difficulty receiving or opening the electronic copy of the WVBA Reeder, or simply prefer to receive a hardcopy by mail, please contact me at wlharrison25245@yahoo.com or at Rt. 1, Box 182B, Pleasant Valley Rd., Given, WV 25245.

Guild reports, member news, upcoming events, tips, etc. for the newsletter should be emailed or mailed to the newsletter editor by the 10th of the month **prior** to publication!

Happy Weaving!

Wilma



Everyday try to be a blessing to everyone you meet.
~Bonnie Raitt
Singer, songwriter & Guitarist

Convention Lodging

It's not too soon to be thinking about Convention and making your hotel reservations. Lodging is available at the Wingate by Wyndham, (1502 Grand Central Avenue, Vienna, WV 26105, (304) 295-5501 www.wingatehotels.com/hotel/30422) which is right beside Grande Pointe Conference Center. WVBA has a block of 35 rooms reserved at the rate of \$92 per night for 1-4 people per room. Be sure to state you are a WVBA Member to get the Convention rate. A full continental breakfast is included. The cut off date for room reservations is October 13, 2009.

**WVBA Membership
July 1 - June 30
2009- 2010**



Please print.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip+4** _____

Phone _____ **E-mail** _____

Basketry Business Name _____

(A business that sells basket supplies, basketry related items, or baskets)

_____ I have joined as a business member or teacher member and I would like my basketry business listed in the annual membership booklet.

Basketry Business Phone # _____

Basketry Business Web Site _____

Were you a member for 2008-2009? _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

Are you a basketry teacher? _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

Are you a vendor? _____ **YES** _____ **NO**

Membership is for: (Please check those that apply.)

_____ **INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP \$20.00** Entitles you to Newsletter, and receive Convention booklet.

_____ (Individuals under 18 on July 1, and 80 or over membership **\$10.00**)

_____ **BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP \$25.00** Entitles you to the same as an individual membership plus mandatory in order to vend at Convention.

_____ **TEACHER MEMBERSHIP \$25.00** Entitles you to the same as individual membership, plus is mandatory to teach classes, vend, or participate in the Market Place at Convention.

Paying by _____ **Cash** _____ **Check #** _____

Please make checks payable to: WVBA (No pro-rated checks.)

Please send check and application to:

Sharon Sutton

#160 Scenic Hills

Parkersburg, WV 26104-8085

304-422-0068

e-mail sasutton@suddenlink.net

Dues not paid by July 31, 2009 will be subject to a \$5.00 late fee.

VENDOR APPLICATION

WEST VIRGINIA BASKETMAKERS ASSOCIATION
November 13-15, 2009
Grand Pointe Conference Center
Vienna, WV

Business Name _____

Contact Person _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Vendor spaces will be approximately 10' X 10'. Each space will include 2 tables and chairs.

Please check all that apply:

_____ I would like a 10' X 10' space, \$35.00

_____ I would like an additional space, \$10.00

_____ I will need electrical power. (If you do not check this we will not know you want it.)

_____ I would like my space without tables set up because I have my own displays.

Please read and sign:

I understand that I will not hold West Virginia Basketmakers' Association / Grand Pointe Conference Center responsible for any losses or damage incurred.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please send application form along with check (made out to WVBA) for total amount due to:

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