



WVBA Reeder

P r e s i d e n t ' s M e s s a g e

Hi everyone:

It's less than 2 months until convention. Have you sent out your registration yet? Hurry! Classes are filling up and I know you want your first choices. The booklet should be on our website by September 26th open to members and nonmembers alike.

We have four very fine nationally known teachers who are offering two or more classes each day. This gives you a large variety of baskets to choose from.

Tamarack will be a great setting for weaving baskets. All of that beautiful art surrounding us should inspire us to create our best work.

Kathy Halter from Royalwood is going to be our guest speaker. If you have never heard her speak you are in for a wonderful treat. She and her husband Bill have traveled all over the world and have some great pictures and knowledge to share. She will also be our vender for the weekend, along with each teacher having an on going marketplace.

There are a few surprises thrown in to round out our weekend. All in all this is going to be an event that you don't want to miss. Hope to see you there.

Gail



Member of the Quarter Sharon Flanagan

We will be spotlighting one WVBA member each Quarter. Members will be picked at random from the Membership Roster.

After my mother's heart surgery, my step-sister Dolores Smith decided I needed a diversion, and took me to my first basket class. Paula Huber was the teacher. The fascination with the pattern and rhythm of weaving hooked me immediately. And to think, I didn't particularly like baskets before I made my first one. So here I am ten years later still weaving baskets and having fun. Even though I've retired, I prefer to weave in the evening, sometimes until the wee hours of the morning.



The secret to happiness is not in doing what one likes to do, but in liking what one has to do.

- Anonymous



The purpose of life is not to be happy – but to matter, to be productive, to be useful, to have it make some difference that you have lived at all.

- Leo Rosten, American teacher and humorist



The best and most beautiful things in this world cannot be seen or even heard, but must be felt with the heart.

- Helen Keller



H O M E S P U N B A S K E T W E A V E R S G U I L D

Greetings from Homespun Basket weavers! Our one day weave in August went very well. Many of the ladies attending this weave expressed how much they enjoyed their day of weaving. These ladies liked how we did our raffle and the items we had for them to bid on. There was so many beautiful basket made that day. Everyone had a wonderful time and many expressed they are looking forward to returning next year.

We are still meeting at the Harrison building every third Monday at 6 p.m. for fellowship and basket making. Looking forward to seeing you there.



Diana Easter, Member at Large

M I D O H I O V A L L E Y G U I L D

Hello Weavers,

In July Billy Owens taught a white oak oval tote with a herringbone bottom. We enjoyed the class, visiting with friends, and sharing a meal.

We made Lara Lee Zanger's breast cancer basket in August to donate to Relay for Life teams.

My goodness, fall is fast approaching and we're looking forward to convention at Tamarack.

The regular 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.



Sharon Sutton 304-422-0068 sasutton@suddenlink.net
 Paula Huber 304-834-1435 woodnweave@suddenlink.net
 Sharon Flanagan 304-482-0033 brigel@suddenlink.net

Sharon Flanagan, Member At Large

M O U N D W E A V E R S G U I L D

We are pleased to share our new website with you, member Tricia Wilson is the webmaster for our new site. Please visit us at moundweavers.webs.com. We also have a new email address: moundweaversguild@gmail.com. Please feel to contact us with upcoming events we will be glad to post them on our site for you. Any ideas or suggestions would also be appreciated.

Selena Straughn and Tricia Wilson participated in the Annual Weave- in held on August 20 in Ripley sponsored by the Homespun Basketweavers Guild. The members had a great time weaving and purchasing items and kits from the vendors.

The guild participated in basket weaving demonstrations at the Elizabethtown on August 27 and 28 in Moundsville. Members that volunteered demonstrating weaving were: Susan Drake, Tricia Wilson, Terri McGuire, Arlene Perigo, Dee McDowell, Selena Straughn . The guild held a drawing for a free basket on Sunday, over 75 people signed up for the Handwoven Tea basket with Longaberger insert, the winner was Stacy Ovies of Moundsville. Also during the two day demonstration, we placed a sign up sheet for a No Commitment \$5.00 beginner tea basket class. The guild was excited to have 22 people sign up to take the beginner class to be held on October 3 @ 6:00 at the WVU Extension Office.

On Wednesday September 14 the Guild meet at the WVU Extension Office. Members reviewed the upcoming events and had a new member join, Jerilyn Clegg from Clarington, Ohio. She has been weaving for over 15 years. She will be sharing her knowledge, techniques and tips with all of us. We are so glad to have her join. After the meeting, members wove a Cracker & Cheese Basket with Plastic Insert, instructed by Selena.

Members were excited to get the Convention packets, at least 3 members will be attending all 3 days and several are going to try and attend Saturday only.

The members are making a Breast Cancer Awareness basket in October and will be donating it to the American Legion Auxiliary to raffle off. The will be donated to a local members who is currently battling breast cancer.

The Mound Weavers Guild wish happy weaving to all this fall. Hope to see you at convention.

Submitted by Selena Straughn



2011 CONVENTION UPDATEJurying

Jurying for the convention classes was held June 18th, 2011 at the First Presbyterian Church, 1341 Juliana Street, Parkersburg, at 10:00. The Mid Ohio Valley Guild were excellent hosts and served a light lunch. Several of the recipes are featured in this newsletter! Those jurying were WVBA board members, members-at-large, and presidents of the guilds. Only three members from each guild were eligible to vote. Teacher's for the 2011 WVBA Convention will be Karen Griffith, Mary Smith Stokes, Kathy Tessler (ash baskets) and Laura Lee Zanger. Work has begun on the convention booklet and there are some beautiful selections to choose from!

Theme

The theme for this year's convention will be "*Wild & Wonderful Weaving in West Virginia*".

Date & Location

As previously announced the convention will be held at Tamarack, Beckley, West Virginia, November 11—13, 2011.

**WESTERN WEAVERS GUILD**

We had our end of summer bash in August. At the meeting the teachers for our monthly meetings were assigned. Gail will be contacting potential instructors for a February weekend weave.

The upcoming WVBA conference was discussed. Everyone is looking forward to it.

We have decided to continue the UFO's which is completing unfinished baskets or kits. Ken Ambrose announced the Healing Flags which represents the 3,000 who died on 9/11. There was also a Fit Fest on 9/11 which benefited the Paul Ambrose Trail for Health.

Ken Ambrose,

WVBA Jacket & T-Shirt Order Form

We are offering nylon coaches jackets and t-shirts for sale. They must be **preordered**. None will be for sale at the convention. They will have the WVBA logo embroidered in gold. The navy jacket is water resistant, 3.5 oz., 100% nylon taffeta with contrasting white polyester inside lining. It has raglan sleeves with elastic cuffs, dyed-to-match metal snap front, slash pockets and a toggle pull at the waist.

Items are to be picked up at the convention. If you are **not** attending the convention and wish to order one it is your responsibility to make sure someone will pick it up for you.

You may contact Paula Huber at 304 834-1435 or woodnweave@suddenlink.net if you have any questions.

Send your order form and check (made out to WVBA) to Paula Huber, 4100 Grand Central Ave., Vienna WV 26105. Must be **received** by Oct. 15, 2011.

These are men's sizes.

Jackets

_____ Small \$30.00
_____ Medium \$30.00
_____ Large \$30.00
_____ X-Large \$30.00
_____ XX-Large \$31.00
_____ XXX-Large \$32.00
_____ XXXX-Large \$33.00

T-Shirts

_____ Small \$10.00
_____ Medium \$10.00
_____ Large \$10.00
_____ X- Large \$10.00
_____ XX-Large \$11.00
_____ XXX-Large \$12.00
_____ XXXX-Large \$13.00

_____ I would like my name embroidered on the right side for an additional \$3.00.
(Jackets only)

_____ First name only _____ Full name

Name _____ Phone # _____

E-mail _____

I am not attending the convention but _____ will pick-up my order.

2011 Officers & Board of Directors

President: Gail Hutchinson

(304) 743-5424
weaveme02@aol.com

Vice President: Karen Buskirk

(304) 733-1004
ksbuskirk@aol.com

Treasurer: Paula Huber

(304) 834-1435
woodnweave@suddenlink.net

Secretary: Nancy Sealey

(304) 523-2008
nsealey@jabosupply.com

Membership: Sharon Sutton

(304) 422-0068
sasutton@suddenlink.net

Newsletter Editor: Wilma Harrison

(304) 532-0117
wlharrison25245@yahoo.com

Members-at-Large

Homespun Basketweavers Guild:

Diana Easter
(304) 532-0997
sunset@directv.net

Mid-Ohio Valley Guild:

Sharon Flanagan
(304) 482-0033
brigel@suddenlink.net

Mound Weavers:

Selena Straughn
(304) 8445-2512
sstraughn284@comcast.net

Western Weavers Guild:

Ken Ambrose
(304) 736-0545
ambrose@marshal.edu



WVBA Reeder
c/o W. L. Harrison
2228 Pleasant Valley Rd.
Given, WV 25245