



CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA BASKET WEAVERS GUILD

MEETINGS

1:30 PM
2nd Sunday of
every month

East Shore
Library
4501 Ethel St
Harrisburg, PA

The Library is located at the rear of the Colonial Park Mall, near the intersection of RT 83 and RT 22. Please park in the Mall Lot near the rear of the Boscov Store. The meeting is in the Lower level of the Library Bldg.

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<http://basketry.homestead.com/index.html>

Presidential Musings...

As I write this, I'm enjoying the beautiful weather. It's beginning to feel a bit like fall, my favorite season. Perfect weather for weaving. Of course any weather is good for weaving.

The program committee has been hard at work planning great programs for the year. I appreciate all their hard work. Lots of fun to look forward to! For October--a dye party at my house. I will have 2 or 3 dye pots going--more if anyone has a hot plate and a dye pot to bring. Dye will be provided. Bring some reed to space dye. Be sure to wear old clothes and rubber gloves are handy. Keep your fingers crossed for a good day!

November will be our first all day meeting. Two beautiful baskets will be taught. You won't want to miss it. Many thanks to June Blake for securing the barn to meet in. I'm really excited about an all day event. The afternoon meetings just fly by.

A great fun fall is planned that you won't want to miss. Hope to see you there!

Upcoming Programs

October 8

Reed Dyeing Party at Carol MacNeil's.

Bring plenty of reed. The Guild will provide various colors of RIT dye. Bring any other kinds of dye or special colors you might want to use. We'll have at least a couple of kettles going at any one time so there will be plenty of opportunity to amass a rainbow of colors. If you can bring a kettle you use for reed dyeing, it will be appreciated but not necessary. Plan to bring a goodie to share with the others on a beautiful Autumn afternoon.

Directions to Carol's: From the Turnpike Exit 16, follow Route 11 south into Carlisle. Take a right at the 3rd light; Cavalry St. Take the first right -- this is Harriet Street although the street sign is hidden in a tree. It's just a short distance from the light and looks like a driveway -- easy to miss. We're the first house on the left. White, US flag hanging and a black flag with a big Army A. Call Carol at 717-240-1276 if you get lost!

Upcoming programs (continued)

November 4 (Saturday)

All-Day Weaving Event!

This extra-special meeting will take place at the Lower Allen Township Park Recreation Barn from 11:00 – 5:00 (or later if you wish). Directions to the Park can be found at : WWW.lower-allen.pa.us/TwpInfo/directionsframe.htm. The Barn is directly to your left as you drive through the main entrance. Please call Jeff Shields (717-774-3508) or Linda Clifton (717-938-4309) for directions if you are Internet challenged.

There will be 2 concurrent weaving sessions held.

Carol MacNeil will teach a "Quilter's Tote Basket".

Jeff Shields will teach a musical basket named "New Neighbor's Basket".

To get a look at the baskets and help decide which you want to do, check out the Guild Web page: basketry.homestead.com/programs.html. Well try to have each of the baskets at the October meeting.

You need to pre-register for this event by October 14. Contact Carol (717-240-1276 or jc-mac2@earthlink.net) or Jeff (717-774-3508 or shieldsj@mindspring.com) depending on which basket you wish to do. They will provide you a list of needed supplies.

Pattern cost for the Quilter's Tote Basket is \$3.50.

Pattern cost for the New Neighbor's Basket is \$4.95 (actually a booklet of 7 patterns).

Cost for the event will be \$10 to help defray cost of the Barn rental and a catered lunch.

December 10

Holiday Delight Basket. A cute little basket just right for holiday decorating. This is a free pattern that may be found on the Web at: WWW.basketmakerscatalog.com/hol97ins/hol97ins.htm.

Materials: 1/4" Flat Oval, #1 Round Reed, 1/4" Flat Reed, 3" Round Ash Handle and Fine-Fine Cane.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!

2001 A WEAVING ODYSSEY September 7, 8 and 9, 2001 are the dates to reserve to attend Central Pennsylvania's first weekend weaving event. If you attended the September 2000 guild meeting you were able to get a look at the baskets potential teachers have proposed to teach. If you missed them, they are GREAT. Teachers will be chosen by October 1, 2000 and schedules and details will be coming to you soon after the New Year. Plan now to attend all three days. Also start planning now for the things you can do to help this be the best event ever. It takes a lot of hands to put something like this together. Be ready for action when the planning committee calls on you.