

CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA BASKET WEAVERS GUILD

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Presidential Musings

2003 A Weaving Odyssey was a wonderful success! Isabel did her best to wreck the weekend but you can't keep a good basket weaver down! The Odyssey committee worked hard and followed that olde addage "the show must go on!" Many beautiful baskets were created and I believe everyone had a great time!

It's that time of year again! At the October meeting a slate of officers will be presented (and nomination accepted from the floor). Step up and hlep keep our Guild strong. Run for an office or better yet, volunteer for one of the many positions.

A membership renewal form is included in this newsletter. Please remember that membership dues are to paid before December 31.

Due to budget cuts at the state level, the library may be closing one or two days a week. More than likely Sunday will be one of those days. Therefore, we as a Guild may need to find another location for our Sunday afternoon meetings. Please look around and bring suggestions for an alternate location.

I look forward to seeing you at the upcoming meeting. Until then, have fun with all of your weaving projects!

Deb

Membership

Welcome to these new members:

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The nominating committee, consisting of Jean Foutz and Elaine Longenecker have been hard at work compiling a slate of officers for the 2004 calendar year. To date, the candidates for the offices of President and Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer are:

For President: Jeff Shields
For Vice-President/Secretary/Treasurer:
Billie Stanford
Suzette Humer

At the October meeting, nominations from the floor will be accepted. A member may nominate herself/himself, or may nominate another member, with permission. If you want to nominate but will not be at the meeting, make your wishes known to Jean Foutz or Elaine Longenecker, who will present your nomination.

Shortly after the October meeting a special mailing will go out to all the members. We will include some information regarding the nominees and what they would like to add to our Guild, plus a ballot for your vote. You may include any suggestions for our 2004 officers. Ballots MUST be received at or before the November 8 meeting.

Since our members are widely scattered the voting can be done by mail. The ballots will be opened and counted in the presence of the general membership at the November meeting.

Questions about the election? Ask:

Jean Foutz at 717-838-6563 or

jlfoutz@worldnet.net

Elaine Longenecker at 717-545-8859 or

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GUILD SCHEDULE

Below is a tentative schedule. Linda has been working hard to fill our schedule and find interesting projects for us to weave. This schedule and or locations are subject to change.

October 12 (Sunday) 1:30 to 4:30

Location: East Shore Library

Leader: Elaine Longenecker

Program: painting on baskets

November 8 (Saturday) 9 AM to 5 PM

Location: Sunbury City Hall

Hostess: Beth Kremer

Leader: Jean Fisher/Mary Hancock

Program: Baby Cradle

December 14 (Sunday)

NO PROGRAM SCHEDULED

January 10 (Saturday) 9 AM to 5 PM

Location: Quakertown Area

Hostess: Kathy Stone

Leader: Suzette Humer

Deb Roberson

Program: to be announced

Including our annual swap and party

February 4 9 (Sunday) 1:30 to 4:30

Location: East Shore Library

Leader: Colleen Skelton

Program: Demo/discussion on traveling to basket related sites

March 13 (Saturday) 9 AM to 5 PM

Location: looking for volunteer

Guest Teacher: Patricia Yunkes

Program: Butterfly basket

2003 A WEAVING ODYSSEY

The Odyssey was a great success again this year! All that attended had a wonderful time and left with beautiful baskets and lots of stories to tell! The food was delicious. Everyone who attended will definitely remember this event!

Our class pattern books were coveted by all. The winners were:

*Friday's Book - Mimi Jackson
Saturday's Book - Sherral Nelson
Sunday's Book - Joanne Sheriff*

The raffle was an addition to the Odyssey this year. We didn't really know what to expect from the raffle but the items that were donated went way overboard! We needed 2 8" tables to display all of them. Our students and teachers really got the fever! Our raffle generated well over \$700.

Raffle winners were:

Judy Gavliniski, Roma Cynajko, Nan Weismantel, Suzette Humer, Myrt Bachman, Debbie Zvanut, Lynne Laughman, Elizabeth Ferrence, Linda Moore, Lora Elkins, Claire McElroy Grubb, Lori Hopkins, Alecia Ghilarducci, Myrt Bauchman, Colleen Skelton, Sue Reinhart, Judy Appleby and Tamara Przylepa

We still have a few Odyssey aprons available. If you are interested in purchasing an apron contact Billie Stanford at bstan4d@yahoo.com

As Chairman of door prizes/goodie bags for our Weaving Odyssey, I extend a BIG THANK YOU to our guild members who so generously donated. Every contribution was wonderful and aided greatly to the success of our event. We received many nice compliments on our door prizes and goodie bags. Thank you, thank you, thank you to the following members for your kind donations:

June Blake, Susan Snively, Jeff Shields, Suzette Humer, Dianne Pearce, Jean Fisher, Elaine Longenecker, Deb Roberson, Carol MacNeil, Judy Appleby, Colleen Skelton, Linda Clifton, Linda Moore.

I certainly hope I didn't forget anyone!

Suzette



A happy group of students proudly showing off their nearly completed baskets on Friday afternoon.



Anne Kelly and Dianne Pearce hard at work on their basket, A Tisket a Tasket a Basket in a Basket



Linda Clifton, Susan Snively and Dianne Pearce working on The Diamond Rimmed Twill Basket



Jeff Shields and Susan Snively working on the rolled border of the Spiral Illusions basket

THE REVIEWS ARE IN

Thank you and the members of your guild for an absolutely fantastic weekend. I don't know how you do it, but it gets better every year!!! I had a wonderful time and learned so much. I appreciate all of the time and effort put into your very successful event.

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*I have to comment on all the great teachers at the PA weave in! I was proud to be in such good company! All in all I have to give highest commendations to the instructors there. I also have to give highest marks to Deb and her committee, this was one of the best run functions I have ever been to. I really enjoyed it, and hope I can go again next year. Any dates yet?*

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Just wanted to say thank you for all your hard work to make the Weaving Odyssey happen as scheduled, in spite of unusual circumstances. I thoroughly enjoyed my third year - it is great to be a student and learn new things.

I appreciate your efforts. I know it involves many people who do much planning - your efforts are very worthwhile.

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*I thoroughly enjoyed the Odyssey. Know that I think it was a great success and that y'all had Isabelle running scared. I loved having ample space and good lighting even when the location had to change. By the way, that was the best save! You and your committee handled that very efficiently and I doubt there were any complaints. Kudos to everyone!*



**NEWSLETTER INFORMATION . . . . .**

*Guild meeting times and dates are listed in each newsletter. All members are encouraged to submit articles, weaving tips and cool weaving website addresses. Submissions for the next newsletter must be received by December 1.*

*Submit your articles, tips and website addresses to Carol at [Nana@MacNeil.ws](mailto:Nana@MacNeil.ws)*

*Articles may be submitted as text within your email or as an attachment in a MS Word format.*

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WE'RE ON THE WEB:

Check us out at:

<http://basketry.homestead.com>

MEETINGS.

Try to make all the meetings.

A group is only as strong as the sum of all of its parts.

Unless otherwise noted, Meetings are held at the East Shore Library, 4501 Ethel Street, Harrisburg.

The library is located at the rear of the Colonial Park Mall, near the intersection of I-83 and Rt. 22. Please park in the Mall parking lot at the rear of Boscov's. The meetings are in Room A on the lower level of the library.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL APPLICATION

Membership dues for 2004 are due on or before December 31, 2003.

Your check for \$15.00 (payable to CPBWG) and this form can be mailed to: Suzette Humer, 104 Milltown Road, Landisburg, PA 17040-9306

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