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Overmountain Weavers Guild
Newsletter & Minutes
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Minutes of July 18th, 2018 Meeting

Ann welcomed all, noting the great turnout. She acknowledged visitors with a special welcome.

Jean will accept and forward any donations anyone would like to make in honor of those who passed away recently: Kay, Tom and Elaine.

The June Minutes were accepted as written.

The Treasurer's report was given by Doug Lowman. During our previous fiscal year we exceeded our budget by \$1200 (mostly from the Diane Totten workshop.) The modified budget for this year proposes a modest deficit of \$280. The new budget was accepted.

In regard to Workshops, Marita is looking for your ideas on what you really want. If you know a National teacher, please let her know. She looks forward to help with input.

Cheryl is traveling, But wants all to know that the August Program will be a trip to Crossnore. More information on that is forthcoming.

Barbara noted that the Library has things missing. Ann suggested we might consider a one or two month checkout period.

Jean reported that 11 members continue to warp looms for the 11 students for our August classes.

Ann spoke of our responsibility to give tours of the Exchange Place on Saturday and Sunday afternoons in August. Ann will give tours the first 2 weekends and Lori will join her. Help is needed for the 3rd and 4th weekends. It is good to have 2 members present giving tours.

Our Renaissance Show will be hung in August and be open to the public in September. Help is needed to hang the show, set up a reception and to take down. We have shared our fiber art in this show every other year for 40 years! Many questions arise, such as - shall it be hung by structure? Will we have a Memorial Wall? Since we have planned a similar kind of show at ETSU in 2019, will this be our last at the Renaissance Center? The Show will run August 30 through September 27. The reception is planned for September 9th.

This year's OMWG Picnic will be held on Saturday, September 8 from 8:00 to 4:00 at Eastman Rec Area in Kingsport. We'll be using pavilion #28. Hope to see you there!

The Exchange Place Fall Festival is Saturday and Sunday, September 29 and 30, 2018.

The Junior Apprentice Program is scheduled for Saturday, October 20.

Christmas in the Country here at the Exchange Place is held on Saturday, December 1, 2018.

Ann was excited to announce that Paul and Amber Vachon (and their 2 small children) will be taking over as groundskeepers here at the Exchange Place.

Convergence will be held in Knoxville in July, 2020. More information can be found on the Handweavers' Guild of America (HGA) website.

Miss Babs is having a trunk show at "A Likely Yarn" in Abingdon, VA on August 24 & 25th.

The Craft Fair of the Southern Highlands in Asheville is July 20-22. It will be held again October 19-21 at the US Cellular Center.

The Southeastern Animal Fiber Fair, SAFF, is October 26-28 at the WNC. Agricultural Center, Fletcher, NC.

Show and Share followed.

Judie Dysart presented a lovely and inspiring program on “Beyond Scarves”. Thank you, Judie!

The next Meeting will be August 15 and will be a trip to Crossnore.

Executive Board Meeting

Walt, Doug, Marita, Gaila, Ann and Linda were present.

Doug passed around a year end financial summary.

We all agreed that we need to break even on workshops. We should cancel if enough people don't sign up. He then passed out a proposed budget for this new fiscal year. In the future we might suggest taking up donations for utility expenses here at Exchange Place when extra gatherings occur, such as weekly weavers and wacky weekends, esp. in winter. We made a few adjustments and accepted a budget with a shortfall of \$280. It will be proposed at the meeting to follow and voted upon.

Gaila and Walt will work on membership. We discussed ways to get a new membership list into the hands of our members, without circulating too much info on the internet and incurring high printing costs. That conversation is ongoing.

The Board decided that members could make donations in memory of our lost ones, but that the Guild will not. However, a card from the guild will be sent to the family.

Wednesday, August 15 trip to Crossnore

Our Wednesday, August 15 meeting, is a scheduled field trip to Crossnore Weaving Studio in Crossnore, NC. Please let Cheryl Hudnall know you are planning on venturing on the field trip. My cell is (423) 612-2257 or email me at phudnall2002@yahoo.com. Below are details of our day:

9:30 Meet at Exchange Place at 9:30 a.m. to start on our trip.
(Carpooling where possible)

10:00 Pick up at Elizabethton for those closer to that area – at 10:00 in the Food City parking lot just off of 19E. Please text me or let me know you are going to be there, because if we hear from no one to pick up, we will not be stopping here.

Continue drive on to Crossnore.

11:00 Arrive at Crossnore Weaving School <https://www.crossnore.org/weaving-room/>

11:00-1:00 Tour weaving facilities (and shop)

1:15 Lunch Reservations

There are several restaurants nearby that we could split up into groups of 6-8 and go enjoy a meal together before the ride home, however, there is one located in Linnville called the Tartan Restaurant which could accommodate a crowd, we just need to call ahead with reservations. So I need to know the number that will be planning on attending this day.

Return to weaving school afterwards if anyone wants to do additional shopping.

3:00 Head back toward Kingsport.

4:30 Arrive back in Kingsport.

This is what I had sort of planned for the day. So would you think it over and let me know if you plan to go, where you will be meeting me, etc. and where you might like to go for lunch, whether as a group or if we feel that splitting up and doing small groups might be best anyway.

Thanks so much! Looking forward to our field trip!

Cheryl Hudnall
(423) 612-2257

The Renaissance Show

Greetings to everyone! August is scheduled to be one of our busiest months, with weaving classes starting, our trip to Crossnore mid month, and then finishing up the month with the opening of the Renaissance show.

Our bi-annual Renaissance show is scheduled to open on Thursday, Aug. 30 at the gallery in the Renaissance Center in Kingsport. This show, which will be open for the month of September, is an opportunity to showcase some of the best work of our OMWG members. We look forward to displaying the artistic creations of our members in the variety of fiber mediums represented by our artists. We will have items that are woven, knitted, crocheted, caned, felted, etc. New members are encouraged to participate in the show.

The hanging committee will be putting up the the show on Tuesday, Aug. 28 and Wed. the 29th. You may bring your pieces to Roseland during weaving classes. You may also bring pieces to our trip to Crossnore. We will have labels for you to fill out and attach to each piece.

This year we will also have a memorial display in honor of our treasured Guild members that we have lost recently. We would like to display works by Ellen Turpening, Elaine Olinger, and Kay DeBuysere. If you have any examples of their work or photographs that we could use in the display, please let me know.

Finally, we could use a few mannequin forms for the display of jackets, scarves and shawls. Please let me know if you have one of these or know where we could borrow one.

With your help, I know this is going to be a great show! Thanks to all!

Deborah
(Chair of the hanging committee)

September's Program: Felting

A woman named Pat Pawlowicz that lives in Rogersville, TN, and has a business called "A Fistful of Felt" is coming and doing the program on felting, but I do not think we will be doing any actual felting (I could be mistaken). She also asked that those that do felt, to please bring a sampling of what they do, that she loves to see what others do too. She makes precious felted flowers unlike anything I have ever seen. ...Cheryl

President's Message:

Dear Weavers,

August is upon us... the "dog days" of summer. I have been told that the "dog days" are when all "smart dogs" curl up in the shade, under the porch, and sleep through the heat of the day. But not the OMWG! Hot days outside are perfect weaving days inside!

Weaving classes are in full gear with 11 students and as many teachers. Roseland is a busy place and lots of learning is underway.

Our bi-annual weaving show at the Renaissance center will go up at the end of August. Bring your best pieces to a weekend class session to drop off. We want all our members to be represented. And don't forget to join in for a trip to the mountains to visit the Crossnore school of weaving... where it is probably cooler!

I hope you also can spend a little time sitting in the shade on the porch, sipping a icy beverage, and dreaming of what your next weaving project might be. Because I know for a fact that all weavers are "smart dogs"!

Happy summer weaving everyone!

Ann Moore

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Respectfully submitted,
Linda Muraski, Secretary

Housekeeping

OMWG meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month from 10AM-12PM at the Exchange Place, 4812 Orebank Road, Kingsport, TN

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“The web of our life is of mingled yarn, good and ill together” William Shakespeare