

OMWG WEAVING GUILD Newsletter
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Overmountain Weavers Guild
Newsletter & Minutes
October 6, 2018

Vickie called the September 18 meeting to order and welcomed everyone present. New members, Terri Butler, Tara Cary and Jennifer Sampson were welcomed. She noted that it's great to be growing. If you're not getting the newsletter, see Linda about your email address.

The September minutes/newsletter was approved as written.

Regarding membership, see Walt if you would like a paper copy of the current membership list.

Treasurer's report included a detailed explanation of Doug's efforts to understand our responsibilities regarding the collection of sales tax and state guidelines. A detailed statement is attached. In short, since our *total* sales at our festivals in a given year DO NOT amount to \$4800, we do not have to collect sales tax. Thank you, Doug, for your hard work in resolving this issue.

Sales Tax Collection at OMWG Sales Events

OMWG offers its members a group sales opportunity for their woven items at each of 4 events through the year. Individual members contribute woven items to the group sales table and OMWG runs the cash register for the group. After the sale, OMWG's Treasurer sends each member who provided woven items a check for their total sales during the event minus 10% that goes to Exchange Place and 10% that goes to OMWG. Typical total sales at each event range from \$100 to maybe \$250. It would be a very unusual event if we sold anywhere near \$1000 in any one event. Therefore, it would be very unusual if the OMWG sales events had collective sales greater than \$4800 per year. TN Department of

Revenue states that sales tax (Sales and Use Tax) does not have to be collected unless total sales for the year exceed \$4800. Since we are not likely to surpass the \$4800 limit, OMWG does not have to collect sales tax during these 4 sales events each year. If by chance, we were to have more than \$4800 in group sales in any one year at these events, then we would need to contact the TN Department of Revenue (our current contact is Melody Monholland, direct phone line: 865-594-5873, in Knoxville) and request that our TNTAP Sales and Use Tax account #1000342700-SLC be opened for the event where we passed the \$4800 limit and for all future events for that year. For this reason, OMWG will stop collecting sales tax at the 4 group sales events unless we see that we will surpass the \$4800 limit in any one calendar year.

Ms. Monholland has reviewed this information and agrees with its content.

Doug Lowman
September 18, 2018

Marita circulated a questionnaire to assist her in planning future workshops. It seeks to determine our interests in fiber arts and any connections we might have with prospective teachers. She clarified that ANY of us could present a workshop and even get paid! She added that our Wacky Weekend will be held again this winter.

Cheryl threw out suggestions for our October program. Discussions on weaving dishtowels and an "oh damn Wednesday" in which we discuss weaving issues we might be having, were suggested.

There was no library report.

Ann discussed the upcoming Fall Festival September 29 & 30 here at the Exchange Place. She circulated sign up sheets for volunteers needed in the sales room, the museum and the girls' bedroom across the road. She's also hoping for help during set-up Friday afternoon.

The Renaissance Show will be taken down on Friday, September 28 from 10-12. You're welcome to pick up your things there, at the Exchange Place during the Festival, or at the next meeting.

Vickie spoke of how lovely the Renaissance Show was this year. A man from the Reece Museum at ETSU came and was impressed. In response he told us that we can have all three rooms during our upcoming show there in 2019. 67 of our antique drafts are woven and we hope to have them all completed in time for this ETSU exhibit. Vickie thanked Deborah, Doug and Rachael for their efforts in making this show fabulous.

Philanthropy on the part of the guild (a sister guild? support for the children at Crossnore?) was discussed and referred to the Board.

Cheryl very kindly agreed to judge the items submitted to the Renaissance Show. Winners in the weaving of scarves, table runners, rugs, purses and more were Phil, Deborah, Marita, Dottie, Ann, Rachael, Doug, Barbara, Linda, Jean, Margaret, Wayne, John, Sherry, Judie, Sharon and Jamie. Thank you, Cheryl and your Mom!

Walt addressed the members to let everyone know that some members have been cataloging Ellen's threads and yarns. Walt has decided to call the shop that's forming: ELLEN'S DREAMS. Walt indicated that the shop is open to guild members and funds collected will go into a scholarship fund for workshops and classes. So, give Walt a call! (Note: there's a picture of Ellen on the SAFF website.)

John mentioned looking into having guild Tshirts made again.

Show n Tell was followed by a wonderful program on Felting given by Pat Pawlowicz. The next meeting is Wednesday, October 17.

AT 10:00 AM

OCTOBER PROGRAM - THE SILK ROAD presented by Judie Dysart
The October meeting will begin at 11:00 AM

The call of the Silk Road embraces over two millennia of travels of conquest, commerce, and plain curiosity. Modern Uzbekistan still offers one the traditions of craft, unique heritage sites, and warm hospitality. Join me for a look at this wonderful place on the other side of the world.



The OMWG will host a Weaving and Spinning workshop for the Exchange Place Junior Apprentices on Saturday, Oct. 20 from 10-2:30. We have a team of great instructors, but we could use one more weaver and one more spinner if anyone else would like to help teach that day. If you would like to join in please contact Ann Moore (rhmoore@chartertn.net).

Loom for sale:

Pamela Eldred, Johnson City, has a Macomber Ad-A Harness 48" loom for sale. \$1500 with bench, threads and tools included.

423-722-3020

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN FOR THE 2019 FIBER FORUM
APRIL 4TH - 7TH.

Early registration for the Fiber Forum to be held at the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts has opened. Go to sefiberforum.org.

The Southeastern Animal Fiber Fair, SAFF <https://saffsite.org/>

A fabulous fiber event held in Fletcher, NC October 26-28, 2018

President's Message:

Hello Guild Members,

Fall has arrived, and we really know it when the air is crisp. The Fall Festival has come around again and as always the guild was wonderful in all that was asked of them and more. A big thank you to all who worked in the faire.

Please remember the Christmas sale will be coming up before you know it, so weave something for the sale. Hope to see all of you at the next meeting.

Vickie Almaroad

Previous Minutes may be found at www.omwg.net

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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Memberships to OMWG are \$20.00/yr regular member; \$18/yr senior or student; Make checks payable to Overmountain Weavers Guild and send to treasurer: Doug Lowman 1328 Barkley Road, Telford, TN 37690

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