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From the President Desk Virginia Glenn

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At the end of January, Ruth Greenspan and I attended an online retreat presented by Handweavers Guild of America. The focus was on guild development, some sessions were formal presentations, and some were small group discussions on various topics. Today I was thinking about one of the presenters who talked about how her guild managed to grow stronger, recruit new members and develop a stable budget. She said that they focused on the guild's mission and all the members knew exactly what their mission statement said. She said the members were more invested in the success of the guild because of this.

Of course, I had to look up our mission because, although I'm sure I've read it over the years, I certainly didn't have it memorized. And when I re-read it tonight in preparation for writing this article, I realized that perhaps we need to re-visit it to add some of the other textile arts which many of our members have brought to the guild. That can be a project for the future – a job for the incoming president and her board. Just as a reminder, here's our current mission statement-

Our Mission

The Guild is dedicated to the promotion of interest and skill in handweaving and spinning. To achieve these goals the Guild sponsors lectures, programs, workshops, exhibits and other activities designed to provide knowledge, support, and inspiration to all who are interested. Guild members take active part in demonstrations of weaving and spinning skills at schools, public meetings, craft fairs and civic events. The Guild welcomes members at all levels of skill from novice to professional.

This then led me to think about the richness of talents, skills, and techniques that our members possess and are always ready to share. One of our members, Julie Cattaneo, has volunteered to create a list of guild members willing to teach and share their skills.

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Our presenter this month, Anna Akridge, is a prime example. Anna applied for and won our guild scholarship last year and spent the year learning about rug tufting.

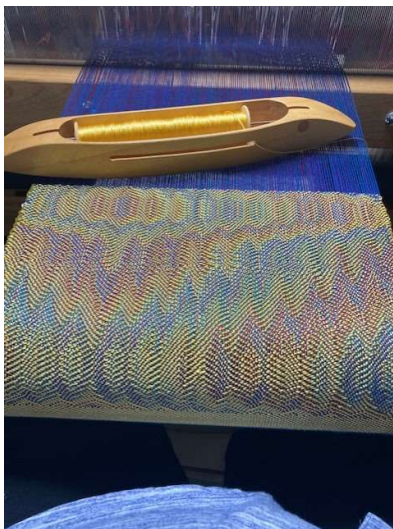
The agreement we have with all our scholarship winners is that they will give a guild presentation to share what they have learned. That way, not only the scholarship winners but the entire membership benefits from that resource.

Changing topics - In one of my previous letters I mentioned that I hadn't been able to find time to do much weaving – well I finally found time to weave. At this moment I've finished 3 and a half scarves and a bunch of samples. There still on the loom but I hope to have them finished in time for show and tell at the next meeting. Maybe that will help me to remember to ask for show and tell sharing instead of forgetting like last time. If you have anything for show and tell and plan to be attending via Zoom – send me some photos and I'll make a Power Point for sharing them. Actually, even if you'll be there in person – send me photos anyhow – they'll show up better for the Zoomers that way.

As a final thought, I learned a new term today – SABLE – Stash available beyond life expectancy. That's me for sure. I just have more ideas wandering around in my brain than I'll ever have time to weave. But I have to buy yarn "just in case" or it's too beautiful to pass up. Oh well – someday there will be a great sale from which other weavers can benefit.

Keep on creating and having fun.

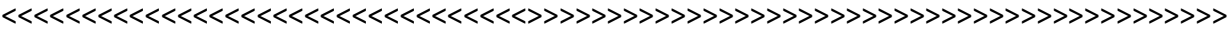
Virginia Glenn President



APRIL 2ND Guild Meeting
Will Be In Person And on ZOOM
Special Presentation by
Anna Akridge
Tuft Love: The History and Resurgence of Rug Tufting

With the 2021 guild scholarship, I purchased a tufting gun and frame. My presentation will cover the history of tufting in the United States, the recent resurgence in its popularity thanks to social media, and include some tips and techniques. For guild members attending in person, I plan to have the frame and gun set up for people to try out, if they wish!

Members attending the meeting in person will be required to wear masks.



2022-23
Election for Board Officers

The election for Board officers for the 2022-23 Guild year will be held electronically, using ElectionBuddy, which is the same platform as we used last year. The slate of nominees is below. An email has been sent with details about how to vote and a link for casting your vote. The voting deadline is April 1st at 2pm.

Slate of nominees for 2022-2023 election:

- President: Caroline Yeryomenko**
- Vice President Workshops: Devorah Green**
- Vice President Programs: Nichole Jeffcoat**
- Secretary: Mary Humme**
- Treasurer: Sue Carneal**

WAYS & MEANS

Christine Hunt

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Some of the items on the raffle table this month... Brown sheep singles yarn suitable for Navajo style weaving, tapestry yarns, embroidery floss packs for color blend sampling, weaving sword, batten, Harrisville angel wings, Elbe bobbin winder, spinning fiber, more treasures! Raffle tickets are 6 for \$5. We hope to see you! We continue to accept donations of equipment, fiber, etc. for future fundraising events. Please get in touch to arrange drop off at a meeting, our storage unit or pick up at your house. Larger items for sale will be advertised periodically to members by email.

For Rental

Loom- Baby Wolf 4H,6T - 10 and 12 dent reed

Spinning Wheels - Ashford Traditional st, Louet S-10 st

Drum Carder - Frick

Membership

Trish Boone and Elaine Rowles

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Welcome to our newest Guild members, Judith Lukas, Janet Bonnell, Kathy Vest, Cathy Coatney and Nichole Jeffcoat. There are now 88 Guild members.

Every year we begin dues renewal for the coming Guild year in April and continue in May before we break for the summer. You will soon receive an email with the Guild Dues renewal form. Please take a moment to renew your Guild membership for the coming year by completing the form and mailing it to me along with your payment. My address is on the form.

You may also download the membership form at <https://adwsg.org> and click on Library.

If it's more convenient to pay you dues by PayPal, please contact Caroline Wise adwsg.webmaster@gmail.com for details. There is a small fee for electronic payment and you will still need to complete the membership form and mail or email it to me.

For those of you who have been our visitors during the last few months for our Zoom meetings, you are invited to join the Guild!

Your dues help cover Guild operating expenses that continue year-round and your continued support is appreciated!

Please fee free to contact me with questions. THANK YOU

NEWS FROM THE GUILD LIBRARY

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If you have items checked out from the Guild library, you have received an email listing them. Please bring them back to the next Guild meeting or contact me about pick-up or delivery.

You can browse the Guild library catalog under the library tab on our website adwsg.org or directly at <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/adwsg>. The catalog is searchable by author, title, subject and keyword. We have books, DVDs and magazines. The magazines are not included in the catalog but are also available for checkout. We subscribe to "Handwoven", "Ply Magazine", and "Shuttle Spindle and Dyepot", and have back issues of "Spin Off", "Weaver's Craft", and "Weaver's Journal". All members are eligible to check out library items free for one month or longer if no one else has requested the item.

Below are some of the titles I will have available for sale at the April meeting. Let me know if you would like me to pull one or more for you to ensure that you get it. I ask \$5 per book minimum donation but will gladly accept more. Many of the books sell for over \$50 on Amazon or eBay. The money I make selling books is used to purchase new books for the library. Let me know if there is a title you want me to consider for purchase.

The Color Star by Johannes Itten

The Elements of Color by Johannes Itten

Color Inspirations by Darius AA. Monsef

The Dyer's Art: Ikat, Batik, Plangi by Jack Lenor Larsen

Soumak Workbook by Jean Wilson

Surface Interest: Textiles of Today by Harriet Tidball

Warp Fast! By Daryl Lancaster

Best of Weaver's Huck Lace by Madelyn van der Hoogt

Summer and Winter by Donna Sullivan

Byways in Handweaving: An Illustrated Guide to Rare Weaving Techniques by Mary Meigs Atwater

The Techniques of Rug Weaving by Peter Collingwood

Handwoven, Tailormade by Sharon Alderman

Folk Vests: 25 Knitting Patterns & Tales from Around the World by Cheryl Oberle

Knitted Embellishments: 350 Appliques, Borders, Cords, and More by Nicky Epstein

Op-Art Socks by Stephanie van der Linden

Reversible Knits by Iris Schreier

Folk Socks: History and Techniques of Handknitted Footwear by Nancy Bush

Socks by Chrissie Day

Country Weekend Socks: 25 Classic Patterns to Knit by Madeline Weston

Felted Friends: Create Your Own Soft, Fuzzy Friends by Kaitlyn Nichols

An Introduction to Natural Dyeing by Robert Thresh

Home Dyeing with Natural Dyes by Margaret Furry

Earth Dyes: Dyes for Grass Made from Natural Materials by Rita Pitka Blumenstein

Demonstrations
Jody Dozer
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Looking for Demonstrators for the Fair, Saturday April, 7th, from 9:30 to 4.

These are pictures from our Demonstration area at the **Folk and Heritage Festival Event**



MARCH 2022 GIFT EXCHANGE AT OUR MONTHLY MEETING !



Mentor List
Julie Cattaneo
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I would like to put together a list of guild members that would be available to mentor. It would be a list by craft/skill, so that we can match mentor/ mentees and let the creativity flow. I am in the process of putting together an email to gather information regarding the skills we have available as a group. This way, we will have an active list of members who are willing to share their knowledge.

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Next Meeting:

**April 2nd will be a hybrid meeting – in person at Northtown
Community Center and via Zoom**
Meeting starts at 10 am
Members attending the meeting in person will be required to
wear masks.

MOA Submission Deadline

The 15th of each month
September through May
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INTEREST GROUPS

EXPLORING FIBER ARTS GROUP

Previously known as Tapestry and Beyond. Meets after the monthly general ADWSG meeting. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy 2 hours, working on your favorite fiber art. Bring your lunch/beverage. Our goal is to learn something new, get help finishing an old project or just explore a new activity. It can be spinning, all types of weaving, quilting, crocheting, embroidery, hand sewing, quilting, macramé, basketry, etc....The sky is the limit. For more information, contact **Mary Conti** at adwsg.eg@gmail.com. I am looking forward to seeing all the projects you are working on! All are Welcome!

SPINNING/FIBER GROUP

Meets the third Wednesday of the month (all year long). FOR THE PRESENT TIME WE ARE MEETING ON ZOOM-please be sure you are on our email list so you get the email invite) If you have Show & Tell it is best to RSVP so we know how much time to allow. We love to chat, learn what events are happening online, see what everyone is working on, and exchange ideas and get help with questions or problems we might be having with our projects. Our Zoom starts at 10 am.

The group chair is **Paula Rudnick** - adwsg.fibergroup@gmail.com

WONDERFUL WEAVERS STUDY GROUP

Currently Meeting as a **ZOOM Group** - Meets the Third Sunday of each month, all year long. Currently we are meeting from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm as a Zoom Group. We discuss Hand Weaving structures, ideas, problems, and solutions and enjoy our show and tell. Come and join our group. The group chair is **Ann Ormiston** adwsg.weavinggroup@gmail.com

ADWSG WEBSITE

<http://www.adwsg.org>

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Join Us for Our Monthly Meetings:

10 am In Person and **ZOOM MEETING**

Northtown Community Center 2202 E.
Waltann Lane,

Phoenix, AZ

Doors Open at 9 am

Come Early and Mingle!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

March 5th, 2022 **ZOOM MEETING**

April 2, 2022

May 7, 2022

BRING YOUR OWN CUP

Thank you for bringing your reusable cups,
mugs, and utensils to the meetings.
Let us take care of Our Earth

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[Ann Lamon - LeClerc Floor Loom 45" weaving width](#)

LeClerc Floor Loom, 45" weaving width \$1500 (Ash Fork, AZ)

I have a really nice floor loom for sale. I have owned it for a couple years but have never had the time or space to use it, and now my husband has been diagnosed with cancer, so all bets are off! I purchased it from a lady in Chino Valley, who purchased it from her mentor, so it is low mileage. She said she used it to make some delicate scarves, but it has a heavy beater bar, so it would be a great loom for rugs. I bought it to make blankets and rugs, but alas!

The wood finish is beautiful and it operates smoothly and I have discovered no issues. It comes with lots of accessories and possibility.

Estimated age: Version with wooden jacks first appeared between 1966 and 1969 and was produced until 1999. About 25-30 years old. Beautiful condition, stored in weather-proof shed.

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LeClerc Floor Loom (Nilart jack loom) with castle

45" weaving width	12 harnesses (I have 8 harnesses and it has room to add 4 more)
14 treadles	Nice matching bench with storage
Four reeds: 8, 10, 12, 15 dent	Lease sticks
Raddle	Apron cloth
Flat steel heddles	Yarn rack accessory (no pic available)





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