

MOTHER OF ALL

Newsletter of the Arizona Desert Weavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.

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From the President Desk Virginia Glenn

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It's October and in South Lake Tahoe that means it's starting to get colder. We've already had one snow day. In our neighborhood it was just a light dusting but in some parts of town they got up to 4" – and several car crashes. People seem to forget over the summer how to drive in the snow. I've cut back or pulled out all the potted plants on the deck and was just getting ready to plant some bulbs for next year when the snow came.

And speaking of life in the mountains, some of you may have already read my Facebook post about our visit from one of the local bears. Because the town had been evacuated for the fire earlier this summer, many of the bears have developed some nasty habits and have become very bold and good at breaking into houses. He (or maybe she?) managed to push our front door open forcefully enough to rip off the door frame. He got into the freezer – ate some things and left it open. He ate (or gathered – more about that later) his way across the kitchen – then ripped one of the doors off the pantry closet. I guess he didn't know how the pull-out shelves worked so he just knocked them all down – off their tracks - spreading food all over the place. I'm just fantasizing about his itinerary around our house of course, but from looking at the mess he created, we know he visited the living room, knocked over the little stand with my Electric Eel spinning wheel, pulled things off the coffee table and grinding some of them into the rug. He knocked over the rack with my reeds and various sticks. Luckily there wasn't any food in my weaving area – so I don't think he went in there. But since the front door was open, at some point a bird got in and decided to get stuck behind my bookcases behind the loom. It took us all day to get it to leave.

About the food gathering – he apparently decided he wanted a picnic because there was a collection of bags, jars, empty boxes and wrappers strewn across the front lawn and down the side of the house. He must have made several trips to get it all out there. We had some bags with individually wrapped pieces of sugar free chocolate. He opened each bag and then very carefully opened each individual piece of chocolate. I've seen the size of bear paws – I have no idea how he could to that. Maybe they're mutating and growing opposable thumbs.

From the President Desk Virginia Glenn

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The amazing thing about this nocturnal visit is that we both slept through the entire thing! Our bedroom is upstairs and at the opposite end of the house from the kitchen. And we sleep with both the bedroom and closet doors closed. I sleep with earplugs and we both use cPap machines (very romantic) for sleep apnea — so that might explain why we didn't hear anything. But it still amazes me, considering all the noise he must have made.

Needless to say, I'm looking forward to returning to Arizona soon, where I have my big AVL loom warped and waiting for me. And where the weather is much warmer and the wildlife not nearly as intrusive. I'm hoping that by the beginning of the year we'll be able to offer at least hybrid guild meetings – some of us back at Northtown community center in person and some joining via Zoom. Cross your fingers that we can make that happen.

Also, don't forget to send me photos and descriptions of your show and tell items so that I can share them at the meeting on Sat. Nov. 6th. I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting.

Happy Autumn - Virginia

Virginia Glenn

President

NOVEMBER 6TH Guild Meeting Will Be Conducted on ZOOM

Special Presentation by Amy Guerrero

Amy lives in Phoenix and owns Sunshine Craft Company in the Melrose District of midtown off 7th Avenue. I visited her shop in June. The crafting space is warm and inviting with everyone working together around a large table. Amy offers DIY projects and some incredible workshops on crafting. I especially enjoy her work with macrame. Her classes in the past have included needle-felting, watercolor, broom-making, flower arranging, and cross stitch among many others. I'm planning to bring some handwoven fabrics and attend one of her indigo dye days. Amy's goal is to provide a space for local crafters and artists to learn together.

SECRETARY Karen Stromberg

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AZ Desert Weavers and Spinner's Guild

Board Meeting

April 4, 2021

Meeting called to order via Zoom at 8:30 am

Attending: Karen Stromberg, Virginia Glenn, Mary Conti, Beki Welsch, Sue Carneal, Mary Humme, Caroline Wise, Donna Eyring, Christine Hunt, Trish Boone, Lisa Takata, Jody Dozer, Paula Rudnick

Grant – per the by-laws only members attending the meeting can vote. A discussion of the three grant applications that were received took place. The grant is intended to be bestowed on a recipient for a specific project rather than a general topic. The recipient will provide a program to the membership. The four grant proposals were for 1) Jane Safford Textiles workshop, 2) Rug Tufting 3) Rigid Heddle and Beginning Weaving. The Rug tufting grant proposal was chosen. The recipient is Anna Akridge.

A brief discussion of whether to have a grant proposal committee or continue to have the Board decide on the recipient took place. No vote was taken.

March 3rd meeting notes were accepted as presented.

There was a discussion of when the Guild can resume in person meetings. Virginia Glenn will speak with Northtown regarding their meeting policy.

Treasurer's report will be emailed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 am.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Stromberg

Revision to April 4, 2021 board meeting Minutes made on October 10, 2021

A motion was made by Ruth Greenspan and seconded by Jody Dozer as follows. The minutes are to be revised to state that the bylaws are silent as to who can vote for a grant proposal and on the preference of the topic of the grant proposal.

Revision approved – 8 in favor, 2 abstentions and 1 no. Minutes approved 10 in favor 1 abstention.

Submitted by Karen Stromberg

WAYS & MEANS

Christine Hunt

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We continue to accept fiber and equipment donations for future fund-raising events. Please get in touch to arrange a drop off at the guild storage unit or a pickup at your house. Periodically, larger items are advertised for sale via guild email.

For Rental

Loom - Schacht Baby Wolf 4 harnesses, 10 and 12 dent reed

Spinning Wheels - Louet S-10

Ashford Traditional Drum Carder - Fricke/Strauch (rented until October)

Membership

Trish Boone and Elaine Rowles

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Thank you to all Guild members that have renewed their membership. Membership forms are available on the Guild website under the Library tab. Welcome to our new Guild member, Karen Miller Heroux.

If you have any questions about the guild or how to renew, please email me! adwsg.membership@gmail.com

Trish Boone, Membership Co-chair

WORKSHOPS

Ruth Greenspan

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By now you should all have received a questionnaire asking about your willingness to participate in in-person workshops and online workshops, as well as asking about your interest in some specific workshop topics and instructors. Please take the time to respond to the questionnaire by November 3, and we will discuss the results at the November meeting.

As always, if you have specific (or general) requests for workshops you would like for us to consider sponsoring, please let me know.

FEDERATION NEWS

Lauren Goldfish

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Federation Outreach Forum November 20, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom

The Arizona Federation of Weavers and Spinners Guilds will be holding an outreach forum on November 20 at 1:30 p.m. via Zoom. The purpose of the forum is to solicit input from member guilds regarding the role of the Federation and the kinds of activities the guilds would like to see sponsored by the Federation. In addition to the Federation representatives, anyone from a member guild is invited to participate. AZSWG members (not member-officers): if you would like to attend the meeting, please RSVP to lauren.goldfish@gmail.com that you will be attending.

Topics to be discussed are:

the traveling teacher program

grants

guild participation

newsletter

on-line forum marketplace

If you have a topic that you want to add - send it to maryhumme@gmail.com and we will add it to the agenda.

We are hoping to limit this forum to two hours - if we find the need to go longer we may schedule a second session. Zoom etiquette will apply: everyone will be muted, and will flag the moderator to speak - speakers limited to 2-3 minutes. This will allow us to function effectively and efficiently.

This is your opportunity to have input into how the Federation will operate in the next years, and we need your thoughts!!!

Demonstrations Jody Dozer

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If anyone is interested in participating in demonstrating please contact jody@dozerlane.com. I am compiling a list for future events, both indoors and outside. If you have a preference or concerns, please mention that in your email.

NEWS FROM THE GUILD LIBRARY

Beki Welsch

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The titles listed in last month's MOA are still available for checkout from my house. In addition, this month the Guild library has the following books for sale for \$5.00 each. I have other titles available for sale, too, but don't want to list them all. If there is a specific title you are looking for, contact me. If you are interested in checking out or buying books, contact me at adwsg.librarian@gmail.com

Beki Welsch, Guild Librarian

Ecclesiastical Crafts by Bucky King and Jude Martin

Contemporary Tapestry by Harriet Tidball

Reprints of Bette Hochberg's Textile Articles

Guatemala Revisited by Mary M Atwater

Designing and Drafting for Handweavers by Bertha Frey

Finishing Touches for the Handweaver by Virginia West

Weaver's Book: Fundamentals of Handweaving by Harriet Tidball

Designing on the Loom by Mary Kirby

Spinning Designer Yarns by Diane Varney

Samplers You Can Use a Handweaver's Guide to Creative Exploration by Penelope

Drooker

Handbook of Weaves: 1875 Illustrations by G. H. Oelsner

Cut My Cote by Dorothy Burnham

Contemporary Satins by Harriet Tidball

Contemporary Costume: Strictly Handwoven by Harriet Tidball

Summer and Winter and Other Two-Tie Unit Weaves by Harriet Tidball

Crackle Weave by Mary Snyder

Dressing the Loom by Harry Linder

Hints from Harry by Harry Linder

Handbook of Timesaving Tables For Weavers Spinners and Dyers by Bettie Roth and

Chris Schulz

PROGRAMS

Caroline Yeryomenko

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We have not yet decided on a presenter for March. Please email Caroline Yeryomenko or another Board member if you have a suggestion!

MEMORIES

BERNADINE "BERNIE" GOODRICH September 11, 2021

Hi Everyone,

Beki received the invitation below for the Celebration of life that Bernie's family will be holding. I reached out to Bernie's daughter to see if it was OK if I extended the invitation to the entire guild. She said that they welcome everyone who would like to celebrate their mother. It would be very helpful if you could RSVP by Nov. 14th so that they can arrange for the food and set up. I asked if it would be helpful if we carpooled and she said that would be very helpful because parking is limited. And if you can't make it there's a link on the invitation with which you can send her family a message.

Bernie meant a lot to many of us, let's give her a great send off. Virginia

Celebration of Life will be held Sunday, November 28 from 11am - 2pm at the Papago Golf Course (Evie's Pavillion) 5595 E. Karsten Way, Phoenix AZ 85008

If you plan to attend, please RSVP by November 14 via the link You're invited to "In Memory of Bernadine Goodrich." Tap here to RSVP - Paperless Post Flyer

Bernadine Goodrich was actively involved in the Arizona Desert Weavers and Spinners Guild for over thirty years. She served as guild President three times in 1974-75, 1982-83 and 1993-94 Here are some photos from our guild Archives.

Bernie at Fiber Demonstration events 1990's





MEMORIES

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BERNADINE "BERNIE" GOODRICH September 11, 2021

Bernie models handmade garments in fashion shows at the Arizona State Fair and other venues. 1980- 1995



Bernie the basket weaver



Sorry to be so late with something about Bernie. This was hard for me. Bernie and I were both from Ohio and had many other interests to share (weaving and spinning). GOLF following Arnie Palmer (an Ohio State graduate) of course.

MASTERS SWIMMING- family members as swimmers, coaches, LMSC participants, etc. Lots of meets to talk about there!

Then there was her computer designed loom, "Majesty". That gave her much pleasure and she shared much of her knowledge with those who were interested.

She shared so much of her understanding and knowledge of weaving with presentations, work groups, demonstrations and even by phone. When I forgot how to make the weavers knot, she just said that I probably had a good book to reference...

Sure enough, Allen Fannin's Handloom Weaving Technology...every time I do a knot, I'll think of her.

Iris Dozer

75th Anniversary Celebration Mary Humme

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Our 75th anniversary is coming up in 2023! We are planning fun things to celebrate this important milestone

One of the big events we are planning that we want to announce now is—

A show! It will be at a public space in the valley, with the 'theme' of Textures of the desert. You can interpret that in any way you choose, and more information will be coming but we wanted you to put on your thinking caps to design a piece! Stay tuned for more info!!!!



HAPPY THANKSGIVING



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Next Meeting:

Caroline Wise

November 6th will be Conducted on ZOOM

Meeting starts at 10 am

MOA Submission
Deadline
The 15th of each month
September through May
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Web Site

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 so new, get help finishing an old project or just a new finishing an old project or just a new finishing an old project or just a new finishing an old project or

BAND WEAVING GROUP

Band Weaving Study Group in Hibernation

Since the band weaving study group has been very small and really depended on being able to meet in person, I have decided to not pursue maintaining the study group this year. If anyone is interested in getting together online or needs help with backstrap weaving, or tablet weaving, you can contact me at caracolina@gmail.com and we can try to figure things out. The group chair is **Caroline Wise**

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 RSPV 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** - <u>adwsg.fibergroup@gmail.com</u>

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 Skype 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

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10 am ZOOM MEETING

Northtown Community Center 2202 E. Waltann Lane,

Phoenix, AZ

Doors Open at 9 am

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 6th, 2021 **ZOOM MEETING**

December 4, 2021 January 8, 2022 February 5, 2022 March 5, 2022 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

CLASSIFIEDS

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.

PacaRanchGirl@Gmail.com or 928-925-0139

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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