

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM BWGOK



The official newsletter of the Basket Weavers Guild of Oklahoma
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NEXT MEETING: Dec. 20th, 10AM, Bring a DISH!

BWGOK CHRISTMAS PARTY DEC. 20TH

IN THIS EDITION:

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Christmas Party

Officers Update

Weavers Weekend

CALENDAR - Check
the dates for
meetings

Information Pages for
Contacts, Guild
Meetings, Special
Events, Tips & Tricks

Meeting Minutes

**EAT, DRINK AND BE MERRY - BINGO,
MUSIC AND LOTS OF FUN.**



OFFICERS UPDATE



THE LAST WORD



Weavers Weekend was a blast. Our talented instructors showed up and held wonderful classes that were enjoyed by all who attended. If you missed it this year, you missed out. We always enjoy the Shawnee Expo and they did not disappoint this year. The group that catered the lunches were great. The food was good and it was fun catching up with old friends and making new ones. We have some talented people!

We have a new line up of baskets to make in 2026 during the guild meetings. The newsletter is sent out around the first week of the guild meeting month and we want you to watch for email bulletins with information about class sign ups and payments.

CHECK THE CALENDAR FOR DATES/TIMES of FUTURE GUILD MEETINGS.

All new classes, baskets projects at meetings must be paid in full by the posted deadlines. It is a lot of work to color and cut reed for these projects and our volunteers/teachers need the time and funds to cover costs ahead of time. We ask that you only request ONE kit per offering to weave at the meeting.

*Kindness is like snow,
it beautifies
everything it covers.*



**We celebrated our 25th Anniversary
this year at Weavers Weekend.
Marcia has a very talented baker
that creates these beautifully
decorated cakes for us and
she did a wonderful job.
It was yummy!**



December Woven Reindeer and Celtic Christmas Tree by Marcia Balleweg Each kit is \$5

**WOVEN REINDEER - APPROX. 4X5",
YOU WILL RECEIVE MATERIALS TO MAKE THREE REINDEER**

**CELTIC TREES - 8-9" X 4-6",
YOU WILL RECEIVE MATERIAL TO MAKE TWO TREES WITH YOUR CHOICE OF
RIBBONS.**



BWGOK CALENDAR

**2026 BASKETS
TO WEAVE
WILL BE FEATURED
ON THIS PAGE
COMING SOON!**



SPECIAL EVENTS AND NOTICES

Please check the calendar for events, special dates and any changes in the guild meetings for this year. Since we use the museum for our meetings, sometimes we come up with conflicts and have to change a date so be sure to check the calendar.

GUILD MEETINGS 2026

**NEW DATES
IN FEB**

**DECEMBER
20TH**

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25 OCT 11 BWGOK MEETING MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: 21 WEAVERS

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY JANET NEWMAN AT 12:28

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES: THEY WERE NOT IN THE NEWSLETTER...
SUE WROTE THEM, SUE APPROVED AND BECKY SECONDED**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2025 = \$4143.56

EXPENSES \$665.00

DEPOSITS \$525.00

BALANCE AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 = \$4022.96

OLD BUSINESS:

MEMBERSHIP: JANET NEWMAN

MAYBE ONE PERSON JOINED

**DECEMBER 20 CLASS: CELTIC CHRISTMAS TREES AND REINDEER.
KITS ARE \$5.00 EACH. MARCIA BALLEWEG IS TEACHER.**

**WEAVERS WEEKEND: SUE SCOTT & NANCY TRAIT-LIRA
83 ATTENDEES, INCLUDING 9 INSTRUCTORS
MOST CLASSES ARE FULL - SOME UP TO 13**

**PLEASE BRING SWAG BAG CONTRIBUTIONS, RAFFLE ITEMS AND
SNACKS TO SHARE BY THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23 TO
HEART OF OKLAHOMA EXPO CENTER IN SHAWNEE**

GUILD PROJECTS:

2026 PROJECTS:

FEBRUARY - UNFINISHED PROJECTS OR POSITIVE TOMORROW KITS

APRIL -

JUNE -

AUGUST - POSITIVE TOMORROW BASKETS

OCTOBER - RETURN POSITIVE TOMORROW BASKETS

DECEMBER - JANET WILL BE TEACHING

WORKSHOPS/DEMOS: DIFFERENT PEOPLE

WEAVER'S WEEKEND IS LAST DEMO FOR THIS YEAR

NEW BUSINESS:

TEXAS RETREAT REGISTRATION IS OPEN. JANUARY 22-25, 2026 IN DALLAS

NOTES: AFTER THE WEAVE IN AT THE COWBOY WE NEED TO HAVE HAND-OUTS TO GIVE PEOPLE ABOUT FOLLOWING CLASSES THAT HAPPEN SOON AFTER THE WEAVE-IN... JANET'S CLASSES WOULD BE A GOOD FIT, OR A BEGINNER CLASS SCHEDULED CLOSE TO THE WEAVE-IN DATE.

MARCIA SHARED ABOUT A JANUARY 24 CRAFT GUILD OPPORTUNITY FOR DEMONSTRATING AND INFORMATION ABOUT OUR GUILD AT THE RONALD J. NORICK DOWNTOWN LIBRARY.

RECOMMEND UP TO 4 PEOPLE TO DEMO BASKETS.

CAN DISPLAY WORK - PURELY AN INFORMATIVE TIME; MAYBE A GOOD TIME TO SIGN UP FOR BEGINNING CLASSES.

NANCY GAVE A "SHAMELESS PLUG" FOR SHENANDOAH CREATES IN VIRGINIA

NEED TO HAVE BACKUP PLAN FOR THOSE WHO SHOW UP WITHOUT PRE-ORDERING MONTHLY KITS FOR THE GUILD MEETINGS.

HAVE POSITIVE TOMORROW KITS READY? WHO PREPARES KITS?

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:50