

OVER AND UNDER ACROSS OKLAHOMA

BasketWeavers Guild of Oklahoma

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Dedicated to the preservation, promotion and education of the art of basketry.

December, 2006

President's Comments

Hope you had a Merry Christmas! Joan and I wish you and your family a very Happy New Year. May 2007 be the best year of your life.

Thomas Gilbraith

January Guild Meeting

The first meeting of the year will be January 13th at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum located at 1700 NE 63rd Street. Meeting time is 10:00 a.m.

With January comes resolutions. The project for this meeting will be an open sharing and discussion time centering around, "How to live with a person who lives and breaths arts and crafts, especially basket weaving." Jo Ann Miller will lead the discussion. Please bring ideas for:

- organizing patterns in binders.
- tool storage
- supply storage
- storing handles, bases, embellishments, etc.
- work areas
- handling several (5 or 6) projects at once
- weaving on the road
- passing along traditions

Bring your favorite basket or pattern for a specific purpose. Examples:

- Why this is a good basket to make while traveling.
- Why this basket is good to make with children.
- Why this basket is good to give as a gift.
- Why this basket is good for filling for a sick person. etc.

Please feel free to bring pictures of your work areas or other items listed above. This should be a lively time. For questions contact Jo Ann Miller at 918-853-8788 or e-mail at jam1948@aol.com.

A Big Happy Birthday to the following:

December

Mary Edmondson
Calvin Garnett
Orm Green
Joan Hatfield
Jo Ann Miller
Karen Scott

January

Georgia Hardt
Jo Miller
Debbie Shorter
Mike Tickle
Dianne Wilson



If your name is missed on birthdays, please let Marcia Balleweg or Janet Newman know as some names on the membership list do not have the birthday listed.

Happy Weavers Weekend

Much work has gone into planning the Happy Weavers Weekend in Siloam Springs, Arkansas on March 30th, 31st and April 1st. With 32 classes to choose from and 10 instructors, it's sure to be a fine weaving weekend. Registration deadline is January 1st. After that date, classes will be opened up to other guilds around the country. If there is a particular class you are wanting, it is best to get your registration in. Let's support our sister guild by attending this wonderful weekend. With a full weekend of weaving, friends and fun, it is sure to wash away your winter blues.

Minutes for November 11, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Tom Galbraith, president. Tom Galbraith welcomed all members and visitors to the meeting.

The minutes of September 9, 2006 were approved as printed in the October Newsletter.

Treasurer Report

Receipts

Dues	\$ 150.00
September Raffle	17.00
Weavers Weekend Reservations	852.00
Weavers Weekend Raffle	662.00
Weavers Weekend Auction	200.00

Expenses

Fee for Amendment of Bylaws Of our Guild	25.00
Paid to Teachers from Reservations	35.00
Quick Print	9.48
Dale Garnett Scholarship	75.00
Quick Print Newsletter	117.99
Central Christian Camp	<u>3586.80</u>

Balance November 11, 2006	\$3093.73
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Committee Reports

Janet Newman, Chairperson for the 2006 Weavers Weekend, announced that there were 62 weavers and instructors at the retreat. Next year the Weaver Weekend Retreat will be October 26, 27 and 28th, 2007 at the Central Christian Camp. The discussion revealed that these days will not conflict with the Wichita Retreat or other Central Christian Camp functions. Pat Horsey and Jewel Cowan will assist with the Newsletter and Weavers Weekend Retreat Catalog by folding, addressing and etc. for mailing.

Old Business

Linda Tickle announced that our 501©3 has been approved and is under management review with the IRS. Jo Miller was not present to discuss our web site. It was suggested by Mike Tickle that our web site be published in the newsletter. Pat Horsey will start working on putting the Library on the web site.

New Business

Election of Officers

Vice-President	JoAnn Miller
Secretary	Pat Horsey
Treasurer	Lee Rose (for 1 year)

Janet Newman will be the Weavers Weekend Retreat Chairperson again for 2007.

Mary Garnett suggested that next year the Guild have a Nomination Committee for election of new officers. President Galbraith agreed.

On September 22, 23 and 24th 2006, Karen Scott and Debra Smith won a Blue Ribbon for a craft booth at the International Festival in Lawton, Ok.

Joan Galbraith will be one of the Guild's representatives for TAG (The Artist Group) The Guild still needs another member to

Minutes Continues:

represent our organization at TAG. Membership for TAG is \$2.00 per member per year. These fees will be paid by the guild treasury.

Kathryn Kelly entered a woven gourd in the Indian Art Mart held by the Cherokee Casino in Tulsa, Oklahoma. There were 160 Indian artists entered. She won a cash prize as First Runner-up in the Contemporary division.

Susie Smith donated the basket for the raffle. Janell Hopkins won the basket. Janell will donate a basket for our January meeting.

Meeting was adjourned.

We Weave with Giants

We have so many exceptionally talented individuals in the Oklahoma Guild. One of our members recently won a very unexpected award. Kathryn Kelly participated in a show at the Cherokee Casino at Catoosa called Indian Market. It was the casino's first Indian Market and featured 160 Indian artists from all over the United States. Kathryn was honored with first runner-up in the Contemporary division. According to Bob, Kathryn's husband, it was a great show with some real quality art. A banquet for all the artists and family was held in the ballroom at the Cherokee Lodge. All the winners that won prizes had their work displayed around the ball room.

In 2003 Kathryn, was honored by the Cherokee Nation with the reward of National Living Treasure/Cherokee Master Craftsperson in the traditional art of Basketry. Kathryn is a member of the Cherokee Nation and speaks the Cherokee language.

Kathryn began basket weaving in 1986 after retiring from 30 years of teaching school. The Cherokee double wall is her favorite. She uses honeysuckle vines to weave the double wall basket. Her baskets have found homes all over the United States, and also in England, Scotland and Russia.

Kathryn, we are very proud of you! If you ever get a chance to take a class from Kathryn don't miss the opportunity. You will have a fabulous basket from a great instructor.



2007 Calendar for the BasketWeavers Guild of Oklahoma

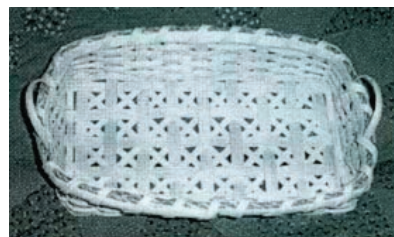
	Calendar Notes
January 13 Guild Meeting - Basket Exchange	January
February Newsletter	February
March 10 Guild Meeting - Beginner's Class March 30th, 31st, & April 1st Happy Weavers Retreat in Silom Springs, Arkansas	March
April Newsletter April 18th, 19th, & 20th - Demonstration at the Harn Homestead in OKC	April
May 3, 4 and 5, 2007 Silver Dollar City Retreat in Branson, MO May 12 Guild Meeting	May
June Newsletter	June
July 14 Guild Meeting Make Positive Tomorrows basket as group project	July
August Newsletter August 15 is deadline for entry applications to Oklahoma State Fair Return Positive Tomorrows Baskets Filled	August
September 8 Guild Meeting Bring filled baskets for Positive Tomorrows Nominating Committee for Officers September 8 - SeptemberFest September 13 – 23, 2007 Oklahoma State Fair September 27 – Oct. 7, 2007 Tulsa State Fair	September
October Newsletter October 26th, 27th, 28th Oklahoma Weavers Weekend Retreat	October
November 10 Guild Meeting Election of President and Treasurer	November
December Newsletter	December

Loaves and Letters

Compliments of The NorEsta Cane & Reed, web site: www.noresta.com

Materials:

3/8" flat reed, cut 9 pcs @ 15" - spokes
 3/8" flat reed, cut 5 pcs @ 20" - spokes
 3/8" flat reed, cut 1 pc @ 36" (rim row)
 1/4" flat reed (weavers)
 1/4" flat oval reed, 2 pieces @ 15" (handles)
 1/2" flat oval reed (rim)
 3/16" flat reed or your preference (lasher)



Mark centers on all cut spokes on the wrong side. Lay out the 20" spokes horizontally and weave one of the 15" spokes across the center, weaving under one/over one across the center. Weave the remainder of the 15" spokes with 4 on each side of the center spoke. Adjust base to measure 4-3/4" x 8-3/4". Even out the spokes to insure equal spacing and square up the base.

With 1/4" flat reed, weave a keeper row around the perimeter.

Upset the spokes and weave 5 start/stop rows with 1/4" flat reed to form the sides.

Weave a rim row with the 3/8" flat reed.

Tuck all outside spokes and cut off all inside spokes.

Form handles on the ends with the 1/4" flat oval reed by pushing the ends down under two weavers and pulling the tails into the basket. Twist the flat oval reed to form the handle shape so that the flat side is facing the same direction on both ends of the handle. Bend the ends up and tuck the ends back up under one row to tie in the handles. Cut off the excess length.

Rim with 1/2" flat oval reed, both inside and outside.

Add rim filler and lash with 3/16" flat reed or cane.

Finishing finish with a criss-cross pattern. Slide a piece of 1/4" flat reed in diagonally between the horizontal and vertical spokes at each place that they intersect, first one direction and then the opposite diagonal direction to form the crosses in the base. This also acts as filler for the base.

BWGOK Officers

President	Tom Galbraith
Vice President	Jo Ann Miller
Secretary	Pat Horsey
Treasurer	Lee Rose
Historian	Kathryn Kelley
Librarian	Jo Ann Miller
Newsletter	Janet Newman
Membership	Marcia Balleweg

Annual Basket Exchange

Our annual Post-Christmas Basket Exchange will be held at the January guild meeting. All baskets are placed on a table and numbered. There is a drawing by all who brought baskets. You take home the basket that corresponds to your number. Please sign your basket. That is part of the fun of receiving a basket made by another person. If you plan to participate, bring a basket you have made.

Upcoming Classes In The Area

Local Instructors are always looking for students.

Mary Sorrells passes along that the First Monday Weaver's Group in Tulsa meets from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Helmerich Library on the first Monday of each month. Anyone is welcome to join them at these weavings. When the first Monday is a holiday, the group meets on the second Monday. Contact Mary at (918) 251-6396.

Lee Rose adds that classes at the Lachenmeyer Art Center in Cushing are scheduled for January the 6th, 9th, and 27th. February classes are the 3rd and 15th. Anyone interested can call 918-225-4729 or email her at lvrose@sbcglobal.net.

Rena Vickery Classes:

Rena will be teaching at the MAC located at 2733 Marilyn Williams Drive in Edmond, OK. The MAC is located on Covell between Santa Fe and Kelly in Mitch Park. Call Anne Loughren at 405-216-7636 to register.

Wednesday, Jan 10 from 8:45-2:30 - Frosty the Snowman
Thursday, Jan 25 Coiled Gourd art made with pine needles and deer antler.

Thursday, Feb 8 from 8:45-3:00 - Valentine basket of hearts and flowers. Features a woven bottom and teaches the technique of making a woven handle. Curls are also featured.

Tuesday, Feb 27th 8:45-3 - Bushel Apple Basket
A solid wooden bottom and bushel basket handles are features of this basket.

A \$10 off coupon for one of these classes can be obtained from the MAC or from Rena for classes offered through February.

Correction:

In the October newsletter it was stated that the Weavin' In Winona retreat is to be in New Mexico. It is in fact in Minnesota. Information on this retreat can be found at www.weavinwinona.com.

Marcia Balleweg, of Oklahoma Basket Supply, has open weaving any day there is no class scheduled. The shop is open every Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Check the class schedule at www.oklahomabasketsupply.com or call (405) 356-2224 for more information.

Scheduled classes at Oklahoma Basket Supply:

Jan. 20 - Graceful Carrier taught by Lee Rose
Feb. 3 - Wine Basket taught by Lynne McElroy
Feb. 16 - Napkin Basket taught by Marcia Balleweg
Feb 17 - Color Play taught by Flo Hoppe
Feb 18 - Trycanto taught by Flo Hoppe

New Officers Elected

Guild members stepped up to the rim to fill elected positions. Your new officers are:

Vice-President - Jo Ann Miller
Secretary - Pat Horsey
Treasurer - Lee Rose

Thank you ladies for embracing your guild.
Now guild, let's support the officers.



Visit the guild web site.

www.okbasketweaversguild.com

BasketWeaver's Guild of Oklahoma Membership Application

Membership is renewed each calendar year in January. Dues are \$15 per year.

Name _____ Today's Date _____

Address _____

Home phone # _____ E-mail address _____

Birthday (month and day only) _____

New Member _____

Renewal _____

Interested in teaching at a guild meeting? _____

Interested in serving on a committee? _____

Bring your application to guild or mail along with your \$15.00 to:

Marcia Balleweg
Rt. 3, Box 460
Wellston, Oklahoma 74881
marcia@oklahomabasketsupply.com

Do you have a friend we can send guild information to?

Name _____

Address _____

Home phone # _____ E-mail address _____

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