

# OVER AND UNDER ACROSS OKLAHOMA

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#### **Basket Weavers Guild of Oklahoma**

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#### President's Column

## **Greetings BWGOK Members,**

We have interesting plans for our January BWGOK meeting. We're going to take a field trip! The **Winter Quilt Show** is in town that same weekend at the Cox Convention Center. Some of our members will be working our booth there, and the rest of us want to go. People who are actually working there will get in free, but the rest of us will have to pay the one-day entrance fee. There is a coupon in this newsletter for \$1 off. That will get you in for \$7 instead of \$8.

Marcia has heard about a coffin basket that will be on display. She would like to arrange for our group to go see it, and she hopes we will be able to take pictures.

So we have decided to make these things our January program. We will meet at 10:00AM on January 14, at our usual place. We will have a VERY short business meeting then go as a group to see the coffin basket. Then we will go as a group to the Quilt Show. They have a special rate for a group of 20, but we probably won't make that, so print out and bring your coupon. Parking probably won't be too bad at the Cox Convention Center (it wasn't hard last year).

You don't need to bring food for the meeting. We can get some on the way or at the Quilt Show.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting and then the field trip.

### **Onita, BWGOK President**

### **Schedule of Events**

January 14, 2012: Regular Guild meeting (see above and page 2).

**March 10, 2012:** Regular Guild meeting. Pat Horsey and Jo Ann Miller will host a Beginning Weavers Class.

**May 12, 2012:** Regular Guild meeting. UFOs, Wrapping Handles, and Finishing Rims.

<u>More events are listed on the back page of this newsletter</u>. Please share your meeting program ideas with any BWGOK officer!

#### **BWGOK Officers**

President Onita Lynch
Vice President Julie Gates
Co-Secretary Jo Ann Miller
& Becky Walker

Treasurer Pat Horsey

### **Volunteer Positions**

Librarian Marcia Balleweg
Historian Kathryn Kelly
Membership Linda Tickle
Newsletter Rena Vickery

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BWGOK meetings are held at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum located near I-44 and NE 63<sup>rd</sup> Street in Oklahoma City. The meetings are held the second Saturday of every odd month at 10:00AM.

Meetings generally start with the business meeting followed by a basket raffle, then lunch. Everyone brings a covered dish. After lunch we work on the scheduled project or whatever you are weaving. We are usually done by 2:00PM. Then cleanup!

## Basket Weavers Guild of Oklahoma Meeting Minutes, November 12, 2011

Submitted by Jo Ann Miller, Secretary

The BWGOK met Saturday, November 12, 2011 at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City, OK. President Onita Lynch called the meeting to order at 10:03AM. Minutes from the last meeting were approved as presented in the October newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report was prepared by Joan Galbraith as follows:

Primary Account		Retreat Account	
Balance as of 08-31-2011:	\$2,277.06	Balance as of 08-31-2011:	\$7,665.91
NL Printing & Postage:	(\$140.28)	Expense: Tables:	(\$382.40)
Deposits:	\$0.00	Expense: Refunds:	(\$366.50)
		Deposit: Marcia:	\$2,069.00
		Deposit: Vendor Payments:	\$105.00
		Deposit: PayPal Transfer:	\$2,013.09
Balance as of 10-31-2011:	\$2,136.78	Balance as of 10-31-2011:	\$11,104.10

Combined Account Balance: \$13,240.88

**Retreat Committee:** Marcia Balleweg reported 101 registrations had been received. Everyone considered the retreat to be a success! Congratulations to Linda Parmele (from Tulsa) for winning the Del Garnet Scholarship.

**For Next Year**: The mission is to keep registration as inexpensive as possible. The Retreat Committee will be working with the Shawnee Convention Bureau on hotel rates. They would help with advertising and would offer setup and clean-up assistance. Close-by RV hook-ups would also be available.

**Programs & Projects Committee:** Calendar planning was discussed. Following the January business meeting we are planning a trip to the Quilt Show. Bring your weaving project if you would like to stay to weave.

**Newsletter**: Consensus was that Rena & Curtis were doing a wonderful job. We are enjoying the color of the online version. Thank you very much.

**Nomination Committee:** Onita Lynch volunteered to be president. No volunteer was found for Treasurer.

**Membership**: Linda Tickle has updated the membership list. She has reminders for renewing membership by March 2012 to maintain current membership status.

**Election of Officers**: Onita Lynch was elected by acclamation for President. Pat Horsey volunteered and was accepted to be Treasurer.

**Pattern Library**: Marcia Balleweg brought the pattern library books to the retreat and the meeting. There are enough patterns for another book. Creating the book would include scanning the pictures for the web site, creating the table of contents, collating pages, and inserting patterns into the plastic sleeves.

**Historian:** Kathryn Kelley will be contacted to arrange for the history to be with the Guild documents. Hopefully, the history will be added to the web site within the next year.

**By-Laws Committee:** The Guild By-Laws were discussed. Jewell Cowan made the motion to approve the By-Laws as printed in the newsletter with a grammar change in Article IV Section 1 as follows:

Section 1: The annual dues will be \$15.00 due January 1, <del>2003 and of each year</del> thereafter unless amended. Dues are non-refundable.

Linda Tadpole seconded the motion that subsequently passed.

**Quilt Show:** January 11-14, 2012 at the Cox Convention Center, OKC. Set-up will be January 11th and the show January 12 – 14th (January 14th is our meeting day). The Quilt Show might be a field trip after the meeting, depending on weather and interest.

Volunteers are needed to man the booth from January 12th - 14th. We need at least one person (although two is more fun). We will offer basket weaving demonstrations along with having our baskets to sell. Contact Pat Horsey if you want to work and sell your baskets at the booth.

**Basket Raffle:** Mike Tickle's lidded Nantucket basket was won by Jewell Cowan. (BTW, the basket reminded me of Dale Garnett – his weaving and his duck fan!)

Also, a big "thank you" goes to Janet Newman for teaching the Christmas Bell class. These bells were a great lesson in shaping.

### THE GUILD NEEDS YOUR HELP!

The Guild needs your help. The Oklahoma City Winter Quilt Show at the Cox Convention Center January 12, 13, 14, 2012 has given us a free \$500 booth to demonstrate our art of basket weaving and a choice to sell your individual baskets.



We need volunteers to work the booth these three days. Janet Newman, Jo Ann Miller and Pat Horsey will set up the booth space with areas for individual to display their baskets for sell. We will also have a sign up for the Beginners Class in March. It is great fun to see all the quilts and other vendors. If you want to volunteer to attend the booth, please call/email Pat Horsey at phorsey@cox.net or 603.4723. She will have badges for you to enter.

# 2012 BWGOK Membership Renewal

Happy New Year Everyone!

A quick bookkeeping note -- BWGOK memberships need to be renewed by March 1, 2012 to remain current. Thanks much if you have already renewed! Otherwise <u>dues are \$15.00</u>, <u>payable to the Basket Weavers Guild of Oklahoma</u>. Also, if you have friends interested in learning the art of basket weaving, please share our information and invite them join us at one of our Guild meetings. Meeting information is posted in the bi-monthly newsletter, and our membership form will be attached to this newsletter for all recipients.

Feel free to contact me for more information or to check your membership status.

Thanks very much! Linda Tickle – Membership Chair (lindatickle83@yahoo.com)

### Discount Ticket for the OKC Winter Quilt Show



Print this out and bring it to our January BWGOK Guild meeting for \$1 off the OKC Winter Quilt Show admission price!

## **BWGOK Weavers Weekend Thank-Yous and Highlights**

Thanks everyone for making our Weavers Weekend another great one! You know we throw a great party...earth shaking entertainment in the evenings plus three days of weaving. For those I overheard saying they prefer a tornado to an earthquake, just wanted you to know that Hinton had a tornado yesterday, too.

I appreciate everyone who attended this year's weekend and all those who helped make it possible. Thank you, thank you. I'm looking forward to seeing you all next year!

Marcia Balleweg – Weavers Weekend Committee Chair







(left) Pat Horsey weaving a Wavy Double Wall basket; (right) Linda Tickle finishing a Side-by-Side basket.





(left) General sceen from the weaving room; (right) Janet Newman weaving a Wavy Double Wall basket.





(left) Rena Vickery weaving a Dachshund basket; (right) BWGOK ladies beginning a basket.





(left) Paulene Asbury teaching a Santa basket; (right) Mike Tickle working a Let's Get Creative bench.

## **BWGOK Brain Teaser: DO YOU RECALL:**

# Where was this Photo Taken and Who's Arms/Bracelets are These?

Sorry, no hints. White blocks are to blank out some autographed arms of the original photo.



Submit your guesses to Rena Vickery at rscmv1958@cox.net. We will provide the Key in the February 2012 Newsletter.

Also, if you have an idea for a photo quiz/brain teaser, send it to us!

### **UPDATE:** BWGOK Christmas Ornaments for G.I.s Initiative

I brought home 56 Christmas Basket Ornaments that were woven by guild members at our Weavers Weekend. Then I took 100 basket ornaments to *Hugs* to be sent to our U.S. soldiers in Afghanistan. I only brought 13 kits home, so some members took kits and were going to send them to Afganistan through their churches.

Each of the sent ornaments included a little card with: *To: An American Soldier, From: Basketweavers Guild of Oklahoma* along with the signature of the ornament weaver on the back.

I am very pleased that our BWGOK members participated in this endeavor – Thanks Much! Maybe we can have another little project like this next year at the retreat!

In God We Trust -- Doug and Shirley Hill

### **UPDATED BWGOK Members Currently Receiving THIS Newsletter by E-Mail**

BWGOK members may receive this newsletter by e-mail if desired. By doing so, you will receive this newsletter in color and save on time and postage! E-mail Rena Vickery (**rscmv1958@cox.net**) if you would like to be added to this list!

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# Available Basket Weaving Classes Around the State

Bethany: Janet Newman (e-mail: dnjn3227@sbcglobal.net; phone: 405-789-4540)

Janet teaches at *Uniquely Yours Arts and Crafts* in Bethany and at *Francis-Tuttle Career Tech*. Janet's upcoming classes are listed below. Please phone or e-mail for more information.

Feb. 9 and 16: 'Berry Basket', at Francis-Tuttle Career Tech.

Feb. 13, 20, and 27: Journaling classes at Francis-Tuttle Career Tech.

March: Three Mondays (dates TBD): 'Spiral Waste Basket', at Francis-Tuttle Career Tech.

Choctaw: Julie Gates (e-mail: gatesjulie@mcloudteleco.com; phone: 405-305-1313 or 405-391-5498)

Julie offers a basket class each week on Tuesday mornings at her home in Choctaw. Also, in January she will teach at *Eastern Oklahoma County Tech* on Monday evenings from 6:00PM to 9:00PM. These classes are free to beginning weavers.

Please phone or e-mail for more information about these or any other basket class. You may also check Julie's 'Stampin' Up' website: **juliegates.stampinup.net**. Julie's home is located 1-1/4 miles off of the Choctaw exit on I -40. As she says: "We always have a lot of fun and learn something new!!"

Duncan: Karen Scott (e-mail: klsweave@gmail.com; phone: 580-252-4711)

Karen's classes focus on a particular skill and are geared toward beginners but can be upped to higher skill levels. Karen has been weaving for 20 years, teaching for 19 years, and caning and repairing wicker for 18 years. Her classes are often held at the *First United Methodist Church* in Duncan.

Edmond: Rena Vickery (e-mail: rscmv1958@cox.net; phone: 405-285-6643)

Rena teaches classes covering a variety of basket types. She currently has no scheduled classes but often holds small group sessions at her home or elsewhere. Feel free to contact her if you are interested in one of her baskets or for one-off/odd-ball supplies (we have a garage full).

Hinton: Paulene Asbury (e-mail: habasketry@cox.net; phone: 405-722-1186)

Pauline teaches at the Buffalo Ranch in Hinton the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Pauline will be teaching a "Diamonds Around" basket on January 10th and 14th. This class is \$50, but a 10% discount is available through facebook.com/habasketry.

Also check the *Sandy Springs Farms LLC* web-site, **www.sandyspringsfarms.com**, for additional information. Generally on Saturdays a number of basket classes are available (beginning at 2:30PM; class enrollment \$35 – \$60). All tools, materials, coffee, tea, lemonade and a buffalo lunch are included in each class. Students will leave with a completed basket!

Wellston: Marcia Balleweg (e-mail: marcia@oklahomabasketsupply.com)

Marcia primarily teaches at *Oklahoma Basket Supply* in Wellston. Her website, www.oklahomabasketsupply.com, lists all her class offerings. When guest instructors are not at the shop, Marcia allows you to design your own Friday or Saturday class with several choices to choose from. Three upcoming classes are listed below. Check Marcia's web-site above or contact her for additional information or to order basket supplies.

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# Basket Weavers Guild of Oklahoma is on the web at www.okbasketweaversguild.com!

# **Upcoming Events**

### January 12 -14, 2012

Winter Quilt Show, Oklahoma City, OK. info@qscexpos.com or www.qscexpos.com

### January 19 - 22, 2011

Texas Basket Weavers Guild Convention. T-Bar-M Resort and Conference Center, 2549 State Hiway 46 West, New Braunfels, TX. Contact Brenda McKinnon for more information (weavemealone@aol.com).

## February 11 – 19, 2012

Carnival Freedom Cruise. See www.basketweavingcruise.com or basketcruiseinfo@me.com & travelers55g@aol.com for information.

### **February 2012 BWGOK Newsletter**

Send your newsletter items/information to Rena Vickery (rscmv1958@cox.net) by February 15.

### March 2012:

2012 BWGOK Membership Dues are Due!

## March 14-18, 2012:

NW Basket Weavers Guild Retreat. Contact Mary Auld for more information (maryauld@comcast.net).