

The Shuttle

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Connecting Through Fiber

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May 2021 Show and Tell

'Sludy group entries'

Send your photos to Terri Feldt by May for future WGK meetings! (tcfeldt@bloomingdalecom.net)

Keep sending the pictures thry the Summer. Imagine what a video we can enjoy with all that we might accomplish thru out time enjoying warm weather.

WGK, Inc. Meeting

May 10, 2021 7 PM On Zoom.

Social time 6:30 pm

We have the budget and slate of officers to discuss.

AUGUST Shuttle info due July 16, 2021

Weavers Guild of Kalamazoo, Inc. President Letter

May 5, 2021

Dear Weaver's Guild of Kalamazoo members

With vaccines continuing to be given and the Michigan Safe Start Plan in Phase 4, we will once again be on Zoom. As of yet, we're not ready to "Throw In The Towel". The 2020 Exchange by Gail Pilgrim (Ross) has been rescheduled for September with Show & Tell on Monday, the 13th. The towel exchange most likely will take place later in the month when Gail is able to travel back to Michigan. There are thoughts to have the exchange in person at Fieldstone Grill where some seating is possible though no reservations are taken until August 1st. Otherwise, maybe a place outside, weather permitting. By then, there's even time to give the towels a name.

Therefore, Show & Tell from the Study Groups' presentations are planned instead with follow up discussions afterwards for our Monday, May 10th meeting. Also, the 2021-2022 Treasurer's Budget will be up for discussion and vote for WGK,Inc. Officers.

Elections will not take place this upcoming meeting since a one month written notice prior to voting needs to be announced. The 2021-2022 Board Officer's to vote on in September will be as follows: Susan Rice will be nominated for President, Vice President position remains open, Shari Glaser will be nominated for Treasurer and Ann Niemi will be nominated for Secretary. Any member may step forward and run for the VP position or any other one for that matter.

Nancy Reile received 9 items to show for the MLH Virtual Show, "Moving On To New Horizons".

Through Bev Zalewski, we were made aware of the passing of Carol Nokes a couple of years ago. She was a weaver who attended a few of our Guild meetings and her husband, Mike has generously donated her extensive weaving collection to the Guild that is currently in a storage unit in Marshall. The Board approved paying the storage rental fee another month to obtain the keys and access. Terri and Bev along with 4 other members have been and continue to take on the task of a complete inventory and appropriate pricing of items to be sold as mentioned in Judith's Board Meeting notes. Eventually, a remembrance will be decided upon in Carol's name.

Dawn Edwards contacted us about another weaver, Joy Perricone who recently died in Arizona. Joy is fondly remembered as being a member of the 4Harness study group along with being active in the Guild. Her husband, David, will handle the sale through the Shuttle.

Above all, warmest thanks to all who persevered and stayed steadfast for the WGK. We managed to keep in touch through Terri's thoughtful sharing of her Zoom account along with her and her husband's IT skills.

Best regards,

Susan Rice WGK, Inc. President

2020-2021 Officers and **Committee Chairs**

President - Susan Rice Vice President – vacant Secretary – Judith Jones Treasurer – Terri Feldt Education – Karen VanderWeele

Program/Workshop Coordinator – Susan Rice

Scholarship Program – Anne Mehring

Shuttle Editor – Ann Niemi Webmaster—Jill Strobel

Yearbook Editor – Mindy Tai

Yearbook Fabric –

Service Bureau Coordinator – Cal & Karen

VanderWeele

Librarian – Kristi Chapman

Library Storage – Kristi Chapman

Membership – Terri Feldt

Mentor Program— available

Newcomers/Welcoming -

Photographer – Linda Innes

Historian/Archivist - Nancy Thornton

Hospitality Chair - Cyndee Mishler

Equipment Storage/Rental/ WAFA service

equipment – Sue Peltz

Arts Council Rep – Anne Mehring

MLH Rep - Nancy Reile

WAFA Chair –

WAFA Treasuer

WAFA Secretary

Hospitality 2020-2021.

We will follow the same pattern for Hopsitality next year 2021-2022 meetings of WGK, Inc..

Hopefully we can restart in person meetings in our next budget year!!! Miss you!

Thank you...Cyndee Mishler.

Hospitality Chair

Study Groups

For more information, contact the study group leader. Karen VanderWeele.

Four Harness – Nancy Krapf/Judith Jones– meets second Thursday at 9:30 am at members' homes.

Moonbeamers - Helen Lemmer - meets fourth Monday at 7 pm at members' homes.

Multi-Harness—Marta Williams – meets third Wednesday at 9:30 am at members' homes.

Swatch Exchange— Gail Ross For Guild Year 2020-2021 the Swatch Study Group has decided to take a "year off". Don't worry, we are not dead, just taking a holiday. Instead, we are looking at our guild-wide Towel Exchange as an opportunity to create a large and useful "swatch" (as it were) for guild-wide exchange at next May's meeting--a chance to study a new design, fiber, or color with a full-size "prize" at the end.

Continuous Strand Weaving—Lenore Snyder—meets the third Tuesday at the Marshall Public Library, 10:00 - Noon. Contact Lenore Snyder - lenore@lenorej.com for information.

Spinners on Wheels: We will be discussing our plan for the 2021-22 Yearbook insert and well as other **spinning related topics**.

SPIN 2 Weave This study group will be meeting at a yet to be determined time and place this summer. Our topic this year is hand woven lace. Terri Feldt

Membership is required to join a Study Group. . Study Groups offer a richer opportunity to learn and share our fiber interests. Please send in your 2021-2022 membership dues as soon as possible

*If you have study group news, please notify Ann Niemi Editor for publication of your activity in the Shuttle. Niemi@bloomingdalecom.net

Weaver's Guild of Kalamazoo, Inc. General Meeting April 12, 2021

WGK General Meeting Minutes Monday, April 12, 2021Time: 6:30pm Meeting via Zoom

Members in attendance 23

6:30pm – 7:00pm Show and Tell, and welcome to members. 7:00pm Susan Rice, President introduced our guest speaker.

"Integrating Beadweaving and Handwoven" by Jenny Schu.

Jenny Schu has been beading for over 20 years and weaving for 18 years picking various fiber techniques along the way. She obtained a Bachelors of Fine Arts with a concentration in Fiber Art and a Minor in Art History from the University of Michigan in 2004. Since then her beaded jewelry has been in numerous galleries and exhibits, current galleries are in Michigan (including the UP), Ohio and holidays at the Textile Center of Minneapolis. She has exhibited nationally with Handweavers Guild of America's Exhibits: she has been awarded grants and received numerous awards from Michigan League of Handweavers exhibits over the years. In 2013 Jenny accepted Best in Show and People's Choice Awards at MLH Conference on her piece "She Can't See the Forest through the Trees." Jenny gives programs and workshops through Fiber Guilds and teaches bead weaving in a variety of outlets.

Jenny took us on a fascinating journey through her unique and beautiful work.

Business Meeting: Susan Rice called the business meeting to order.

Membership: Terri Feldt introduced a new member, Kathleen Blake and Pat Timpanaro who was a guest from MA.

Secretary: Judith Jones requested the General Meeting Minutes, March 8, 2021 be approved. **Motion to Approve: Ann Niemi. Seconded: Nancy Thornton. Approval by membership: Unanimous by reaction**.

Treasurer: Terri Feldt, presented updates to our budget. Reflecting additional revenue from: Roving, \$10.00 Loom sale: \$1,000. Motion to approve: Karen VanderWeele. Seconded: Cyndee Mishler. Approval by membership: Unanimous by reaction.

The proposed budget for 2021/22 was presented for discussion. A vote to approve will be May 10,2021.

MLH: Nance Reile discussed availability in workshop and lecture openings. Please refer to MLH's website for a complete list of availability.

Education: Karen VanderWeele discussed options for the Study Group's to display their end of year projects.

A decision was made to have our May, Show and Tell, highlight the study group's work. The team coordinator/s will ask their members to submit pictures of their work to them; they will then forward the pictures with a short explanation of their group project to Terri Feldt, no later than May 5,2021; in time for our May 10,2021 General Meeting.

WAFA: All positions are available; President, Secretary and Treasurer. Please contact Jill Stroebel if you are interested in serving. Ideally the positions will be held for 2 years. Our affiliation with The KIA has certainly relieved much of the work done by previous WAFA committee's.

WGK: Board positions for President, VP and Secretary are open. Please contact Susan Rice if you are interested in serving.

Focus Group: Susan Rice is researching the feasibility of on-line sales during the Holiday Season. Susan would welcome any member's help. Susan is hoping to gain insight when she attends Jenny Schu's MLH lecture.

WGK, Inc. April 12, 2021 General Meeting minutes continued.....

Insights Magazine: KIA profiled Cory Zann in their latest magazine. A copy will be available in our library for any members to read, who are not members of KIA. Also available through The Kia website.

New Business:

Jenny Schu's workshop has been rescheduled for Friday, June 18,2021, 10 am-5pm via zoom. Further information will be sent to membership in the next couple of days.

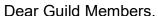
Dates to remember:

April 21,2021. Gretchen Hugget, KIA representative will lead a book discussion via zoom. "The Golden Thread." Preregistration is required.

April 29,2021. WGK Board Meeting, @ 11am via Zoom.

Meeting adjourned at 8:53pm, April 12, 2021. Motion: Karen VanderWeele. Seconded: Gail Pilgrim (Ross) Membership approval: Unanimous by reaction.

Respectfully Submitted, Judith Jones, WGK, Secretary, 2020/21.



I have had the honor of serving as the WGK Secretary for the last two years. The group of Board and Committee Chair members I have served with have been extraordinary in their willingness to give of their time, expertise and dedication and often "simply learning" how everything should function; for what appears to members as a smooth operation. "On the job training."

As a board member it truly makes you appreciate their dedication. We cannot as a guild function without members, stepping up to help.

The reason I feel compelled to write this letter is to ask every member who may feel reluctant to serve to take another look at open positions. Yes, some may feel it is daunting; I have previously been VP and Workshop Coordinator; was it a lot of work, yes, but so rewarding. I felt connected to members; I have made friends, I never would have had if I had not put myself in a very uncomfortable position of self doubt, " can I really do this," Little Thomas said, "yes you can." I was in the medical profession all my working life, a comfort level I had for over 40 years. I was successful and confident in what I chose to do. Asking to be nominated to a WGK Board position was certainly not comfortable, but I felt compelled to help with my newly acquired novice weaving skills. The positions I have held have enriched me; far more than my contributions to the guild.

The VP position has been vacant for 1 year; an important position that has and is being carried by the board. It is not a position you would have to carry alone; it is truly rewarding. I met and have stayed friends with some of our guest speakers who I interacted with; one I consider a mentor. I will miss serving as Secretary; getting to know the inner workings of the guild, and the contact with other members; life sometimes has a way of dictating the decisions we make. I do look forward to serving again.

Please take time to sit and reflect, and consider serving as VP or other open positions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith Jones Secretary, WGK, Inc. 2020/21

Membership News 2020-2021

It has been a good year to belong the WGK.. Our general meetings on Zoom have been a learning experience for everyone who has attended. For the first time, members who go to warmer climates have been able to be part of the winter meetings. Our presenters have educated and inspired us each month on screen of all sizes. The study groups are finding ways to exchange information and show their works in progress.

Whatever 2021-22 brings our way, the Weavers Guild of Kalamazoo is a group that has woven, spun, knit, crochet, or manipulated fibers to find its way around all of the challenges COVID has brought. We will be ready in 2021-22 to gather in person or meet on Zoom from wherever we take our screens.

Membership Forms are available in this "The Shuttle". Membership dues are \$40.00 for a year which starts of June 1st, 2021. There is also a form available on the website. Or you can print the membership on page 10.

Library News:

Exciting news: we've added an e-book to our website. "Avoiding and Correcting Weaving Errors," is now instantly available to you for your reference. I haven't looked through it yet myself, since I wanted to get it out to you asap, with the help of our Web Wizard Bev! I'm sure I'll be dipping into the 140 pages of real-world practical tips on everything weaving. I've been a fan of the author Marcy Petrini for many years for her informative articles in the HGA journal, "Spin, Shuttle, Dyepot." This looks like all her wisdom collected in one place. Just go to the Members section of the website, and click on E-books. We also just got in a brand new book on Krokbragd by Debbie Greenlaw. Building on her first book, "Krokbragd Patterns" is just that, with much inspiration on color, motifs, designing and combining elements, border, stripes.

The magazines keep coming, and I'm willing to share. This month's window on the world comes from TWIST magazine, an international organization that is all about tablet weaving. Inspiring photos, and articles, including an extensive treatment of finishing techniques. These techniques would be equally useful for inkle loom weavings as well. Also the breathtaking journal from Complex Weavers arrived with 48 pages of double-weave. Hats off to their president – our Cathy McCarthy! – for stretching my horizons and imagination. These new mags, and all back issues, and of course all our library books are available for you to borrow. For a full listing, go to the website, under Education, and click on the link. Then just contact me and we'll work something out to get materials to you, either in person or by mail.

-Kristi Chapman, Guild Librarian

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WGK Board Meeting April 29,2021 Time: 11:00am Format: Zoom

Members Present:

Susan Rice: President Terri Feldt: Treasurer Judith Jones: Secretary

Nancy Reile: MLH Representative

Ann Niemi: Shuttle Editor Karen VanderWeele: Education Kristi Chapman: Librarian Cyndee Mishler: Hospitality

Susan Peltz: Equipment Storage/ Rental.

Meeting called to order by Susan Rice @ 11:08am.

Susan Rice asked that the Board Meeting Minutes, from March 25,2021 be approved. Motion to approve with corrections: Karen VanderWeele Seconded: Ann Niemi. Approval: Unanimous by reaction.

Treasurer's Report: **Terri Feldt** presented an updated financial report. The report was accepted by member's present. Treasure's proposed budget for fiscal year 2021/22 was presented. **Motion to approve: Ann Niemi Seconded: Nancy Reile Approval: unanimous by reaction**.

The budget will be published in next month's Shuttle. Final approval by membership will be @ the WGK General Meeting on May 10,2021 via Zoom.

Terri Feldt reported on the Roving's, purchased by members. One 3lb, Roving, remains unsold; it is not optimal for selling due to its condition, it will most likely be offered to membership as a free item.

Terri reinforced the need to have the St. Petersburg Chain Bracelet Workshop dues and bead order on file no later than May 1,2021.

Terri reported on the status of completed membership forms for 2021/22.

Checks will not be cashed/deposited until June 1,2021; which is the start of our fiscal year.

It was decided that members would be encouraged to return their membership forms with dues by June 30,2021. The reason is twofold; allowing time for Mindy Tai, Yearbook Editor, to have a complete list of member names and information, before sending to the publisher, by mid summer, allowing for mail distribution in September. A reminder will be outlined in the May Shuttle.

WAFA: No members have expressed an interest in serving on the WAFA Board Terri and Ann Mehring will coordinate with a not for profit attorney; later this summer. The conversation and any documentation as to the direction and viability of WAFA will be published in the Shuttle before the September general meeting; when it will be open for discussion with membership.

MLH: Nancy Reile, reported on the status of MLH's Conference, "Moving On To New Horizon's". Nancy has received 9 items of work, submitted by 5 members for the virtual show.

Old Business: Susan Rice reported that a thank you note was sent to Jenny Shu, for her inspiring presentation to the guild on April 13, 2021.

A general thank you note will be posted in the Shuttle, thanking all members who have made purchases, benefitting the guild.

Karen VanderWeele, reported that 2 XL, long sleeved t-shirts and 3 L, short sleeved t-shirts are still available for purchase; commemorating the WGK's 50th Anniversary. The short sleeved t-shirt is sale priced @ \$15:00 each and the long sleeved for \$20:00.

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New Business:

Sadly, 2 WGK members have passed away; Carol Nokes and Joy Perricone. Carol Noakes Estate has generously donated her extensive weaving collection to the guild. The items are currently being held in a storage shed. Permission was given to extend the rental for the month of May. The rental fee is \$75:00. Bev Zalewski has done an outstanding job of compiling a list of magazines and books that the guild does not have from Carol's collection. Terri and Bev together with 4 other members will take on the task of a complete inventory and appropriate pricing, for items to be sold. This will be an extensive undertaking, and not one to be rushed.

Eventually, a remembrance will be decided upon in Carol's name. Several possibilities were suggested; the best received, was to sponsor a guest speaker in Carol's name.

Joy Perricone has several items in her Estate that the WGK will help sell for her husband.

2021/22 Board Officer's:

Susan Rice, will be nominated for President. Shari Glaser, will be nominated for Treasurer. Ann Niemi, will be nominated for Secretary. The VP position remains open for nomination.

Speaker's Suggestion's: Susan Rice is pursuing names that have been suggested to her. Jennifer Ackerman, "Little Loom Live," who lives in GR, and Natalie Drummond, Nataliewoven.com who specializes in distinct Double Weave compositions: were 2 names suggested.

Dates to Remember:

May 1,2021, deadline for the Jenny Shu, St Petersburg Bracelet workshop, for both sign up and bead order.

June18, 2021, via Zoom,@ 10am-5pm. Workshop date and time.

May 5,2021, Study Group submissions for Show and Tell, to Terri Feldt.

May 5,2021, Shuttle deadline.to Ann Niemi.

May 10,2021, WGK General Meeting, presentation of slate of officer's.

Respectfully Submitted,

Judith Jones,

WGK, Secretary, 2020/21.



Message from our Jreasurer: Jerri Feldt

Proposed 2021-22 Budget

This budget is based on the costs for having in person meetings at the Portage Senior Center at the previous rental rate. We are still operating with a limited cost budget as we research various ways to increase the income for our Guild. The 2021-22 costs will be covered by our dues and cash on hand. Unfortunately this means of funding is not a long term solution. (Next page)

2021-22 Membership and the workshop checks will not be deposited until June 1st. Please contact Terri Feldt with your questions until our September meeting.

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St. Petersburg Chain Bracelet Workshop

Hosted by Weavers Guild of Kalamazoo, Inc. Zoom workshop Friday, June 18, 2021 (10:00am-1:00pm, Break for Lunch, 2:00pm-5:00pm)

Jenny Schu has been beading for over 20 years and weaving for 15 years, developing various fiber techniques along the way. She earned a Bachelors of Fine Arts with a concentration in Fiber Art and a Minor in Art History from the University of Michigan in 2004. Since then her beaded jewelry has been in numerous galleries, has been exhibited nationally, has been awarded grants and received numerous awards from the Michigan League of Handweavers, and has been an Instructor of Visual Arts at Interlochen College of Creative Arts. In April, Jenny presented "Integrating Beadweaving and Handweaving".

Jenny uses the St. Petersburg Chain Stitch as the edging on her weavings, bracelets, necklaces and even portions of earnings. This workshop will focus on the basics of learning the St. Petersburg Chain Stitch. This workshop will include a kit containing: 6g of 11/0 seed beads, 3g of 8/0 seed beads, 8mm pearl to match student's color choices, enough thread for more than 1 bracelet (either white, neutral or black depending on student's color choice), and 2 size 10 beading needles.

For her work, Jenny uses 15/0 beads (smaller) for much of her work. The smaller beads require more time than this workshop will allow.

Supply List:

Whatever you bead on (mat, velvet, trays, etc.) Other suggestions to have

Ott lights Magnifiers Pen/Pencil Small notebook

Cost of the workshop:

WGK Members \$65.00
Non-WGK members \$105.00
Minimum of 10 students will be required to hold workshop with a maximum of 15 students.
Payment due by May 1, 2021 to reserve your place and select your kit.

Registration form is shown on the following page (this is a fillable form).

Mail registration form and check to :

Weavers Guild of Kalamazoo, Inc. P.O. Box 2795 Kalamazoo, MI 49003-2795

Contact: Terri Feldt at 269-668-3817 or tcfeldt@gmail.com.



St. Petersburg Chain Bracelet Workshop with Jenny Schu Seed Bead Options

Main Bead Color Size 11/0

- 1: Rainbow White
- 2: Pale Yellow
- 3: Lime Green
- 4: Red
- 5: Turquoise
- 6: Emerald Green
- 7: Dark Green
- 8: Lavender



Middle Accent Bead Color Size 8/0

- 1: Pink
- 2: Yellow
- 3: Lime Green
- 4: Light Blue
- 5: Copper
- 6: Iris
- 7: Black
- 8: Rainbow Grey



Throw in the Towel Exchange Project Sheet

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Weaver's Notes: include any tips, suggestions, or other thoughts you would like to share about weaving your towel; such as finishing techniques.

IMPORTANT!! Take a Photograph of your Finished Towel—that should be sent to Gail Ross along with the draft (see below)

Draft and Treadling: Please include a file showing the draft, tie-up, and treadling used for this towel. This can be a pdf, jpeg, or of your draft--whether hand-drawn or computer-drawn. You can scan the draft or take a picture of it (even with your phone.

If you are hand-drawing your draft, I can share a 4 or 8 shaft weaving drawdown on graph paper that I use, but there are many available online.

Please send this information to Gail Ross (figeac@att.net)



Joy Perricone 's weaving estate is up for sale by her husband Dave. We lost her in January while they were visiting in Arizona. He has asked us to advertise her 40' Norwood 4 shaft Loom and her Harrisville Design 22" 8 shaft loom for sale.

Norwood cherry 40" 4 shaft , sectional with pegs, bench, chains, extra inserted eye heddles and shaft hangars. 12 and 8 dent carbon reeds. Asking price \$1000 OBO

Harrisville Design 22" 8 shaft \$600 OBO Very sweet! Portable and foldable!

16/2 cotton in approximate 1-2 lb. cones 2 Medium Blue, light blue, 1 lavender, cream, 1 black, 1 hot pink, 1 soft pink, 1 goldenrod, 1 dark and 3 medium teal and 1 smaller forest green cone. \$8 per cone. OBO

Variety of Yarns rayons, 10/2 cottons, rug wools in small amounts.

To contact Dave, call 269-217-3936. All are pick up at the Perricone's home in Otsego. D.Perricone@sbcglobal.net









May 2021 Shuttle





Like in the PBS series, This Old House segment, "What is it?"...we're wondering what is the name of the attached photographed item (top & side view) with the WGK label on it?

Call Susan Rice or email her.....

Weaver's Guild of Kalamazoo, Inc. Nominations

President: Susan Rice

Vice president:

Treasurer: Sherri Glasser

Secretary: Ann Niemi

Nominations announcement was not made with the required 30 days notice to membership therefore, vote will take place in September, 2021 where we will finalize the nominations and the Budget.