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Join us for our

ANNUAL MEETING

at the

Portage Senior Center

7pm

Doors open at 6:30 pm

Election of the 2012-13 Officers

Presentation of Next Year's Programs/Workshops

Approval of the 2012-13 Budget

Study Group Show and Tell

Individual Show and Tell

Renewal of Membership

As always, if you have a fiber-related business, you are encouraged to set up a table of your wares.

Questions? Call Nancy Crampton 344-6799

2011-2012 Officers, Board Members, & Committee Chairs

President – Patricia Reed
Secretary – Cory Zann
Membership – Marta G. Williams
Program Committee Chair – Judith Jones
Shuttle Distribution – Marta Williams
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Newcomers – Mary Jane Kreidler
Librarian – Kristi Chapman
Historian / Archivist – Joanne Casey Smith
Hospitality Chair – Dawn Mergener
Arts Council Rep – Gretchen Huggett
Web Site – to be determined
WAFA Chair – Kristi Chapman
WAFA Treasurer – Martha Reeves

Vice President – Judith Jones
Treasurer – Nancy Krapf
Education – Gail Ross
Shuttle Editor – Marta Williams
Yearbook Editor – Nancy Clark
Mentors – Esther James
Service Bureau Coordinator – Ellen Colston
Photographer – Cyndee Mishler
Workshop Coordinator – Nancy Crampton
Equip't Rental (spinning and weaving) – Nancy Frost
MLH representative– Leslie Jo Hurwitz

WAFA Secretary – Roxanne Pett
Exemption Committee – Anne Mehring, Lestra Hazel, Nancy Thornton

Study Groups

Four Harness…….JoAnn Johnson (jjohnson111@email.itt-tech.edu)
Second Thursday, 9:30 AM, September through June. This years' study will center around lace weaves.

Moonbeamers……Nancy Krapf (nannok@sbcglobal.net)
Fourth Monday, 7:00 PM. The May meeting will be at Nancy Krapf's home.

Multi-harness…..….Nancy Clark (nancy@nancyanddave.com)
The May 23rd meeting will be held at the home of Liena Kaugars at 9:30 am for a Potluck 'Brunch'.

Spinners….....Carolyn Snyder and Terri Smith. (cesnyder4@gmail.com rwestsmith@comcast.net)
Meets third Fridays 10:00 –2:00 at the Parchment Community Library, 401 S Riverview Dr. Parchment, MI 49004. For additional information contact: Carolyn Snyder (cesnyder4@gmail.com) 269-649-4948, or Terri Smith (rwestsmith@comcast.net) 269-731-2032.

Swatch Exchange….. Gail Ross (figeac@att.net) Virtual meetings via email throughout the year.

Basket-weaving……..If interested, contact Jan Bowen (jkbowen9@gmail.com)

Fiber for Fashion……If interested, contact Patricia Reid (patriciareid2@msn.com)

Felting……...If interested, contact Dawn Edwards (dawn@feltsoright.com

Slate of Officers for the 2012-2013 Guild Year

The following slate of officers is being presented for a vote at our May 14 Annual Meeting.

President:	Martha Reeves	Vice President:	Juanita Manning-Walsh
Secretary:	Anne Mehring	Treasurer:	Nan Krapf

WAFA countdown

Only six months 'til the WAFA sale! Please join the fun and weave or spin or felt something for the sale. Our customers will be delighted by the variety. And be thinking especially of Christmas ornaments. Lots of Christmas ornaments. If you have questions or suggestions, stop by the WAFA display at the May meeting. We'll also have postcards that you can take with you to any events this summer.

Member Betty Dobbie Passed away on April 19th

An obituary for Betty Dobbie can be found at www.klaassenfuneralhome.com . There is also an online guestbook. The memorial service is on Wednesday, May 9th at First Presbyterian Church in Grand Haven at 1:00pm. John Dobbie (husband) said Betty had been comfortable. He also said that Betty ".. felt very welcome"…at the Guild"

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW AND TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE 'TWO-FOR-ONE' DUES SPECIAL

Two people can join the Guild for $30, provided one person **was** a member last year and one person **was not** a member last year

A membership form is enclosed for you convenience. Forms will also be available at the Annual Meeting.

EDUCATION REPORT

Well, here we are at the end of another guild year and it's time for our **Study Group Displays**. I hope every group will participate with "show and tell" –you all deserve recognition for your artistic endeavors!! So—get going on finishing up those projects for all of us to admire at our final May guild meeting.

Here is the "plan": each group should have an assigned member arrive early to set up your group's table display. There will also be a "guild-wide" table for items that are not part of a specific study group project. Finally, in my introductions of each study group I will call upon a spokesperson to talk about what that group has done this year. (Please let me know who this will be for each group. My e-mail is figeac@att.net)

I will also invite anyone who wishes to show off wearable fiber art to step forward for your well-deserved oohs and ahs.

Meanwhile, the **Swatch Study Group** will hold its annual exchange at 6pm in one of the free rooms at the Senior Center as we did last year. This seems to be the preferred manner of meeting although people can discuss future changes at this time if desired. I am still completing my swatches in case anyone else feels last minute pressure!

For those of you who cannot make the May meeting, I must inform you how bittersweet it will be for me. Many of you know my husband has accepted (and already begun) a 3 year contract at Northside Hospital in Youngstown, OH, with a faculty appointment with NEOMED and the ValleyCare Healthcare system (now there is a mouthful) so I will turn into a long distance member of WGK for awhile (but with regular visits for meetings or workshops or study group in conjunction with visiting my family). I deemed it in the best interest of the guild for me to step down as Education Chairman since I will not be present at every meeting and will be living some 300 miles away. I have truly loved serving the guild in this capacity for 6 years (whew!) and hope I have added value to the organization as an enthusiastic "idea" person who continues to find so much out there to learn in our fiber art. Don't worry, I will find ways to stay as active as possible given the upcoming geographical constraints. This guild is "one of a kind" and a very important part of my life!

Nancy Crampton, a very active member of our guild who also teaches weaving, has volunteered to take over the job as Education Chairman and I KNOW we all will be in great hands. I myself will be working toward the COE during my years "abroad" (although I must say Martha's footsteps are hard ones to fill and follow!) and of course participating in guild activities as distance permits. (Having made the roundtrip a couple times already, I will be the first to acknowledge that it is long, even with an E-Z pass to save a few minutes.)

So, on to the most important message: **Refreshments** for the May meeting will be supplied by the Guild to celebrate another fine year of fibering. See you there May 14th!

Gail Ross

Budget Proposal 2012-2013

Income/Expense	2011-12 budget	2012-13 budget proposal
INCOME		
Donations - WAFA/MLH	$2,000.00	$2,325.00
Equipment Rental	$200.00	$200.00
Library	$50.00	$50.00
Membership Dues	$3,800.00	$3,800.00
Workshop income	$2,750.00	$715.00
Memorials and Gifts	$150.00	$150.00
Misc.	$0.00	$0.00
Total income to date	**$8,950.00**	**$7,240.00**
EXPENSE		
Administration:		
Hospitality	$200.00	$300.00
Insurance	$581.00	$590.00
Miscellaneous	$1,250.00	$1,700.00
Professional Fees & Memberships	$237.00	$200.00
Supplies	$50.00	$200.00
Total Administration Expenses	**$2,318.00**	**$2,990.00**
Program:		
Program Expense	$2,575.00	$3,000.00
Program Rental	$600.00	$600.00
Workshop expenses	$2,750.00	$815.00
Total Program Expenses	**$5,925.00**	**$4,415.00**

Income/Expense	2011-12 budget	2012-13 budget proposal
Publications/Ongoing Activities:		
Library	$300.00	$350.00
Publicity	$100.00	$1,000.00
Rental Equipment	$359.00	$50.00
Service Bureau	$50.00	$50.00
Shuttle	$400.00	$500.00
Study Groups	$100.00	$100.00
Yearbook	$850.00	$950.00
Website	$625.00	$500.00
Total Pub/Ongoing Active Expenses	**$2,784.00**	**$3,500.00**
Awards/Scholarships/Special:		
Donations to Schools	$300.00	$300.00
Exhibits	$100.00	$100.00
KIA Award	$250.00	$250.00
Michigan Fiber Festival	$200.00	$200.00
MLH Award	$200.00	$200.00
Guild Scholarships	$0.00	$1,500.00
Total Awards/Schol./Spec. Expenses	**$1,050.00**	**$2,550.00**
Total Expense	**$12,077.00**	**$13,455.00**
Beginning cash balance	$23,763.24	$21,000.00
Beginning balance+incomeexp		**$14,785**

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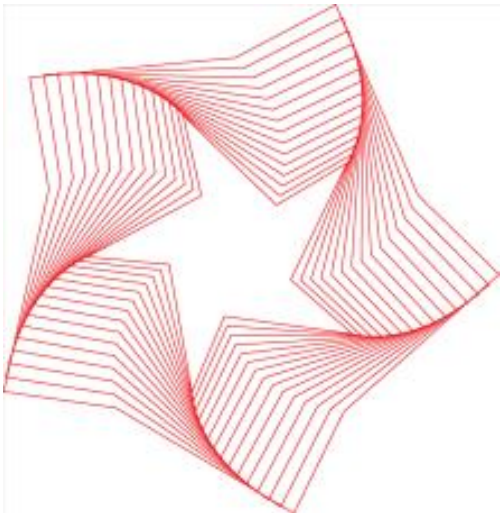

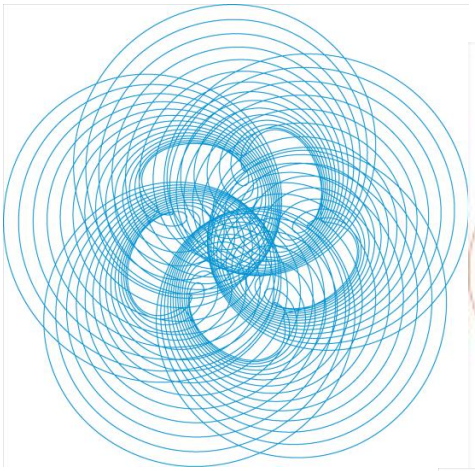

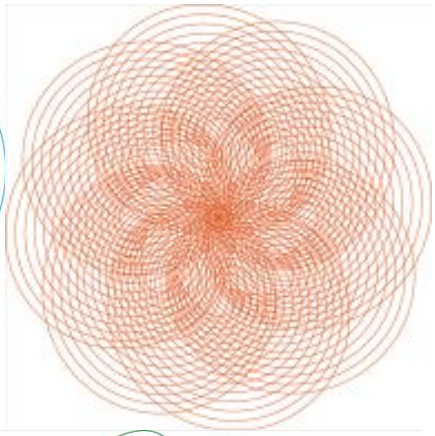

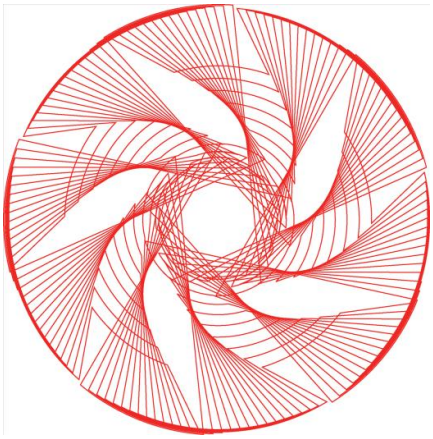

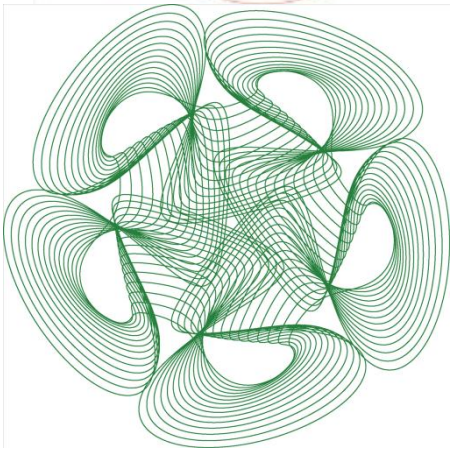

Summer 2012 Shuttle Deadline - Items due for the Summer *Shuttle*

May 30, 2012

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