

Weave to  
re-create  
the past



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the future

## The Roving January, 2021

### January Greetings, HWOTV!

Dear Guild Members,

First of all I'd like to send a big shout out to Monica for all the hard work she's put in arranging programs during this difficult time. The Zoom Christmas party was fun and imaginative.

I'm finally feeling like we might be seeing the light at the end of the tunnel here, if we can just hang on a little longer.

I am really ready to get back to meeting face-to-face so I can feed off the energy of you other Weavers.

I wish you all warm and happy holidays. See you next year!

Lindsay

Lindsay Dion,  
Co-President



January 9, 2021

**TIME: 10:00AM**

Watch your e-mail  
for a Zoom invite  
from Julie McIntosh

Please take a  
look at Monica's  
Notes for  
upcoming events!

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And now.....



**News from  
Our Vice-President and Program Chairman, Monica!**

## **January 2021**

### **January**

It's our play day. No, you do not have to go to a park and slide or swing, although that might be an idea for another time. Unearth your last spinning, weaving, felting, or knitting project from under the Christmas/Holiday decorations (start now if you need to find all the pieces) and join our Play Day on January 9th. Consider starting a pot of soup early on the 9<sup>th</sup>, sit back, play with your fiber fun, and chat with old friends for a few hours.

### **February**

Joan Ruane will present a ZOOM program on spinning hemp. Remember, Joan was a workshop teacher (spinning cotton) about 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  years ago in Exeter. She is an amazing and knowledgeable teacher.

Hemp was banned from cultivation in the US many years ago because of its relationship to cannabis. In 2014, hemp advocates pushed for a legislative bill to

allow research of this very strong and sustainable fiber. The reintroduction of the growing hemp in the US has opened many doors for spinners and weavers.

Do you want to know more about hemp? Click this link to this very informative 2015 PBS article: <https://www.pbs.org/newshour/nation/8-things-didnt-know-hemp>

## **March**

TBA

## **Looking to 2021**

Set your own fiber arts goals for 2021. Write them down, if that will help you keep your focus on the goal.

Looking ahead to December... Start your knitting/weaving/crocheting/sewing for a charity NOW. In 2020, our HWOTV guild members donated over 100 items to a variety of charities! Let's begin NOW. Thank you for your kindness in 2020!

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## **Two Inspirational Thoughts from our Secretary, DeeDee King:**

### **Dee Dee King's 2021 Challenge**

**Dear Fiber Enthusiasts;**

**It seems like between the pandemic and sheltering in place we have all been granted a hiatus from our normal routines. Why not make good use of this time we have been given and do some weaving "Research and Development"?**

**I want to challenge Guild members to try something new in fiber arts during the coming year, it's as simple as that.**

**Do you have a type of weaving you want to try that you have never tried before? Maybe a double weave, crackle, or overshot?**

**Not a loom weaver? How about trying a new rigid heddle technique or maybe a new basket weaving method.**

**It could even be experiments in color, texture, or dyeing. Are you wanting to try pick-up patterning on inkle weaving?**

**Not to forget our spinners and felters out there: How about a new fiber type?**

**The name of the game here is trying something new and make note of what you learned to share with the group. Maybe this could be our November meeting 2021. It would be sort of a gift of learning to everyone.**

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### **A New Year's Cleaning**

**It is that time of year to sort out the old and new and get ready for the New Year. Your fiber tools could stand a good cleaning and reconditioning if they are like mine.**

**Why not have your own "Roc Day" to give yourself a time to get ready for the year's production to come. Start with a through vacuuming of your work area, looms, and spinning wheels. Give your wooden tools a "spa treatment" with a good product. I use Howards Feed and Wax which makes a lovely glowing finish when you buff to finish.**

**How about replacing cords and drive bands that you have been limping along on for months? I always feel a sense of accomplishment and renewed purpose when I make sure my tools are in good working order and ready to go.**

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**A BIG PS:**

**Remember to send in your 2021 Dues for the coming year at the low rate:**

MEMBERSHIP FORM - Handweavers of the Valley Please complete the following  
HWOTV Membership Form & return with payment of dues: NAME

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DUES:

Current Members: \$10.00

Family Dues: \$15.00

New Members: \$25.00

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MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: HWOTV ----- Send to:

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**Kaweah Konnection:** Kaweah Konnection meetings are cancelled for the next few months. Stay tuned for any future news.

**Squeekie Wheels:** Squeekies remains cancelled for **January**. If there is any change in the shut-down orders, I will send out e-mails to Squeekie members immediately.

Please use part of your time at home to spin up some fabulous yarns to bring to our next meeting. Stay well and WASH YOUR HANDS! You are missed!

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**SEE YOU IN 2021!**