weave to re-create the past



Weave to create for the future

# The Roving January, 2022!

January, 2022 Greetings, HWOTV!

Dear Guild Members,

Happy New Year everybody, hope your holidays were Joyous! The clock is ticking down to Spring Fling. we have Less than three months to pull it off, and we will need Everybody's help to make it happen. Judy Trimble has agreed to give us a workshop on how to run the check out. I encourage as many members as possible to take advantage of this, even if you're not planning to work the show. Please let me know if you are interested.

Lindsay Dion
HWOTV Co-president



**MEETING INFO:** 

Date: January 8,

2022

**TIME: 10:00AM** 

Program:

Under our Wings Kick-off

#### And now.....



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

#### January, 2022

Have you ever had a friend or neighbor look over your shoulder or ask questions as you weave? Yes? Please feel free to invite your friend to join our guild as we begin 2022 with Under Our Wings. This theme allows Handweavers of the Valley to invite, support, and educate new weavers while challenging our experienced weavers.

Remember, because of COVID/gas prices our meetings will be hybrid if you prefer to stay at home. Zoom links will be sent out with the monthly paperwork.

The Exeter Veterans Memorial Building, in accordance with current (late December) mandates, requires all to wear a mask while indoors.

On January 8<sup>th</sup>, we will kick off Under Our Wings and introduce old yarns and new yarns so that any weaver, new or old, will have a better understanding of the materials used in weaving. Dee Dee King will present this program and share her 40+ years of experience with us.

In <u>February</u>, you will learn something new about PLAIN WEAVE, a common weaving structure, from Nikki Crain. Novice and experienced weavers will walk away with a better sense of plain weave.

Our <u>March</u> meeting has been set aside as the training for our Spring Fling of Handwovens. The committee will train people in a variety of tasks. These jobs are required to make a successful Spring event and continue to create a

comfortable experience each Fall with the annual Show and Sale. Mark your calendars for March  $19^{th}$ .

#### Heads Up

March 18<sup>th</sup> (set up) and 19<sup>th</sup> Spring Fling of Handwovens

March 26<sup>th</sup> South Valley Artists' Studio Tour

April 1-3 Best of the Valley Quilt Show

April 23-25 Basket and Gourds: Containers of our Culture

September 17-19 and 24th<sup>th</sup> Rosalie Neilson (zoom class) on Huck Lace

Hope's Challenge spin linen (Hope provided small bags of linen at November's meeting)

#### Just a Thought

Do you have a stash of yarn? You might want to read the children's book, Extra Yarn, by Mac Barnett (illustrated by Jon Klassen). Then, you might consider sharing this book and a bit of your stash with a grandchild or a friend. Think about it!



#### Message from DeeDee King:

Dee Dee King's 2022

#### **Annual Challenge**

It's back by popular demand. Everyone who participated in last year's challenge seemed to really enjoy the experience, and our "reveal" meeting in November was so inspiring and amazing. It is truly hard to choose what to try next, based on the projects presented in November and the descriptions provided by their creators. There was something for everyone, no matter your skill set. A

challenge well met. With all that being said, I am issuing a challenge for the year 2022.

For the new year I would love to see everyone think of ways to give back to our wonderful planet. Think:

- Recycle
- Reuse
- Repurpose
- Use it up!

Do you have a stash of yarns just sitting keeping a bin warm? Is there a shelf in your workspace that is full of almost-used-up cones of yarns? Have you wanted to try to make something out of "plarn", made (spun) from plastic bags? How about a nice wool sweater that no longer fits that could be felted into something useful or, unravel it to use the yarn again? The trick is to not buy anything new, but to use up what we have. Rag rugs are a perfect example of recycling worn out clothing. Another example for you: I bought some beautiful, very large grist, un-dyed merino wool yarn from Robin and Russ probably 20 years ago. I have two huge skeins of this yarn, and darn if I have been able to figure out a use for it. I am thinking now about the best way to make something wonderful with it to use it up!

I want you to read what this challenge is, and then think about it for awhile and find what idea "speaks" to you. Remember, we want to learn about your processes, thinking, and discoveries, successful or not. Let's all do something nice for Mother Earth. The results will be shared at our November meeting!

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<u>Kaweah Konnection</u>: Kaweah Konnection meetings are cancelled for the present. Stay tuned for any future news. If you have questions, e-mail Sharon Warren.

<u>Squeekie Wheels:</u> Squeekies remains cancelled for <u>January.</u> If there is any change in the Library 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. Just know that you are missed!

### **SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!**

