

Weave to  
re-create  
the past



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the future

# The Roving

December, 2023

**December, 2023** Greetings, HWOTV!

Dear Guild Members,

As we head into a New Year, I reflect upon how important the Fellowship of this group has been to me over the past almost 30 years. It doesn't seem that long ago that my weaving teacher Donna Smith "strongly suggested" that all us weaving students join the Guild. So I did, figuring I would see what it's all about.

You all have become such a big part of my life, teaching, mentoring and inspiring me to new weaving heights. Of all the crafting I have done in my life, weaving has been one of my most enduring passions.

In the beginning, selling my handwovens provided needed income. Now it gives me purpose and brings such satisfaction when people value our work so highly that they're willing to pay for it.

Here's to another great year!  
Lindsay Dion  
HWOTV Co-president



**Guild Meeting:**

**Date: December  
9, 2023**

**TIME: 10:00 –  
Noon**

**Program:**

**Christmas Party!**  
**See Monica's**  
**Notice**

And now.....



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

December, 2023

On December 9th we will say goodbye to a memorable (remember the rain/floods?) year, share laughs with friends, and have a ball of fun!

If you would like to participate in the gift exchange game (optional), bring one gift (wrapped/bagged, do not write your name on the gift) with a value of no more than \$20.

We will continue our tradition of the appetizer or dessert potluck. Bring what you can. The guild will provide drinks (non-alcoholic). Bring your famous appetizer or dessert to share.

In addition, our 1st Annual Member Boutique will open for business. Bring your interesting inventory. You will be your own banker and your friends will be the customers. Cross a few things off your Christmas/birthday/just because/Hannukah/ Kwanzaa lists by shopping during this opportunity. If you choose to sell at the boutique you might leave with an empty bin or car as a result of this happy event. WOO HOO!

Finally, as we have in the past, please bring your handmade donations for those in need. Knit a hat, a scarf, fingerless gloves, or other items. We collect these items and donate them to various charities around our communities. Remember, you do not have to go through the HWOTV to do this small act of kindness; if you have a favorite charity, feel free to make and donate on your own. The point is to do something for someone less fortunate or in need. Thank you!

We hope to see you there!

Kathleen Cone will start a fresh chapter in January, 2024. She will lead the program to begin our 2024 Study Groups. The survey results have been tabulated and we will organize the different areas of interest. Think back to the survey's extensive list of choices...think...think...think! You might have to make some difficult decisions!

In February, we will work on the Danish/Scandinavian Hearts for the Basket and Gourd Conference (it is in April). For the folks who have joined recently, our guild makes a little gift for the conference's goodie bag. Last time (2021) we made potholders for that event. One conference, the guild donated felted balls to embellish projects. Please plan on attending this guild meeting. Many hands make light work (and it is always fun to chat as we work).

Speaking of the Basket and Gourds; Containers of Our Culture Conference, Toni is looking for 10 or so volunteers to help at the conference which is held at the Elks Lodge on Main Street in Visalia. The conference is April 26-28, 2023. Some years, the organizers need volunteers to check-in participants, set up extra chairs, or sort and alphabetize lunches. It is a few hours of your

time and no task is too difficult. In return for this service, the conference gives HWOTV an outreach/seller's booth free of charge. Start thinking about this opportunity to get involved. We will begin to take sign-ups in January.

Have you been thinking about your ideas for March? The program is Mc Guyver meets Inspector Gadget. Guild members will share information about gadgets. Locate those gadgets- big or small, simple or high tech, cheap or expensive - that make your work with fiber easy and pleasant. By March, you should have one idea or a list of two or three devices you would like to share with the other members. Continue to keep your eyes and brain open!

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**Kaweah Konnection:** Kaweah Konnection meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at the Three Rivers Community Presbyterian Church, 10:00AM. Please contact Linda Hayden [saddleblankets@haydenranches.com](mailto:saddleblankets@haydenranches.com) for further info.

**Squeekie Wheels:** Squeekie's December Meeting will be December 15th! . Remember that we are meeting at the Exeter Library. From 10-12 AM. Be sure to bring your show and tell items so we can all see what you've been spinning, weaving, knitting, or crocheting! Any questions? [sophieab@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sophieab@sbcglobal.net)  
See you in **December!**

Exeter Public Library  
230 E. Chestnut Street,  
Exeter; 10am ~ 12:00 pm.

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**Nothing for sale this month; remember members can list your items here (free!). Contact Sophie: [sophieab@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sophieab@sbcglobal.net).**



**SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!**

