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the past



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## The Roving

March, 2024

**March, 2024** Greetings, HWOTV!



### **News from**

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

Thanks to the fast hands and open hearts of the Make-It Committee. We worked for two hours and accomplished a good portion of the cutting and weaving of the first 80 or so Woven Hearts for the Gourd and Basket Conference. During the last guild meeting, members of the guild finished weaving the other 80 or so hearts. Some of the members tied bows and tidied them. Thank you!



**Guild Meeting:**

**Date: March 9,  
2024**

**TIME: 10:00 –  
Noon**

**Program:**

**Mcgyver meets**

**Inspector**

**Gadget!**

A big thank you to Dee Dee for providing the idea and heading this task. The Scandinavian Woven Hearts will be a true gift of the heart from Handweavers of the Valley to the gourd and basket makers. Good job... and thank you!

On March 9th, we will have the much-anticipated McGyver Meets Inspector Gadget program. Find those (no more than 3 total) clever tools that help you with your weaving and spinning and other fiber arts tasks. Bring them if you wish and be ready to give a minute (or so) talk about how your tool is used. If your item is too big to carry, feel free to take pictures. We are excited to see what tools you have to share with the group!

Have you RSVP'd for the felted lily program by Judy Askins scheduled for April? For the \$5 materials fee and RSVP, you will get EVERYTHING you need to make two lilies. Please RSVP at the March meeting as a courtesy to Judy as she is buying/collecting items and making kits for participants. Judy will teach this program/mini workshop in April, and you will be able to make these in the future as embellishment for your work!

The May Acid Dye Hand-Off will be a bit different than in the past; this program will provide fun and add color to your stash! We will dye protein fibers (wool, silk, yak, rabbit). Start looking for materials and inspiration so **you** can join the Hand-Off!

## CLUB NIGHT

Club Night is March 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:30. The goal of this night is to attract younger people to a variety of different clubs in the community. HWOTV will be there to demonstrate and answer questions about Spinning and Weaving. Please feel free to join us, whether you spin, weave, knit, felt, and share your love of

fibers with the young 'uns. We will also use this opportunity to share our Kumihimno disks, small cardboard looms, paper weaving, and baskets with the participants of this meeting. It is in the big room at the Exeter Veteran's Memorial Building.

## **VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED**

Volunteers for Basket and Gourds; Containers of Our Culture Conference on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, and 28<sup>th</sup> are still needed. It is just around the corner! Toni and her crew are looking for a few more volunteers to help at the conference which is being held at the Elks Lodge on Main Street in Visalia. The organizers need volunteers to check-in participants, set up extra chairs, sort and alphabetize lunches, and offer helpful hands. It really is a few hours of your time, and there is no task too difficult. In return for this service, the conference offers HWOTV an outreach/seller's booth free of charge. We will continue to accept help! The Sign-Up sheet will be on the back table. Thanks in advance! If you are interested in **selling** in the guild booth, please let us know ASAP!



## **EXTRA! EXTRA!**

While the last EXTRA! EXTRA! went a bit long, the participants ended with a nice warp chain and they are ready to SLEY THE DRAGON (thread the loom).



Participants, please bring your warp. If you are threading on a rigid heddle loom, bring it along as well. As a side note, bring a sandwich and a drink, if you need nourishment during this event.

### **Your Weaving Legacy**

Do you want to organize your precious collection of fiber, books, samples, and equipment? Eventually, they will be passed forward to another fiber artist, friend, or family member and hopefully, not a landfill. In 1984, HGA published a small pamphlet called, *Your Weaving Legacy*. Ironically, the HGA is updating this pamphlet and digitizing it for a newer audience of fiber enthusiasts. With the permission of HGA, there is a PDF of the not-quite- ready version of the document. If you choose to organize your collection this Spring, please keep notes or comments on the usability of the PDF as Julia Blake, Assistant Editor of *Shuttle, Spindle, and Dyepot Magazine*, has generously requested feedback. (**NOTE:** the PDF file will be e-mailed separately from this newsletter; be sure to watch for it!)

### **SHOW AND SALE**

Show and Sale is October 26, 2024. If you would like to show your work (and inspire others) in the Inspirational Gallery, save the date. If you would like to sell

your handwoven goods and fibers, applications will open at the May meeting and close at the end of September's meeting.

If you were a seller last year or are planning to sell this year, please be sure to think about the proposed changes discussed at the last meeting.

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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 March Meeting will be March 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 **March!**

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

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Nothing this month; please let me know early if you have any items to offer for sale: [sophieab@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sophieab@sbcglobal.net).

**However.....(see below)**

**Linda Hayden is in search of a Yarn Tree and two looms.** She is looking for a Macomber loom or something similar for a rug weaver and any type of smaller floor loom for a beginner weaver.

If anyone is planning to sell their looms, please call Linda at 559-568-6895.

**SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!**

