

Weave to
re-create
the past



Weave to
create for
the future

The Roving

March, 2025

March, 2025 Greetings, HWOTV!

I was looking for something this month (funny I don't remember what it was, but that's not important), and I ended up looking through my entire stash and all the places that I could remember that I have put any of my fiber arts things. While going through my stash, I found several orphaned projects. They were projects that I had carefully given life to, collected what I needed to do them, and put them somewhere safe, awaiting the finishing of whatever current project I was doing. Sometime after giving birth to these infant projects, I forgot all about them. Maybe I just didn't remember, maybe I got excited about something else, or maybe I grew weary of that strand of fiber arts. Now, these poor orphaned projects are stashed away in cupboards, closets, and boxes all over my house.

Upon seeing each project, I exclaimed, "Oh, I forgot about that!" I have resolved to move some of the projects to a more prominent location and get started on them with as



Guild Meeting:

**Date: March 8,
2025**

TIME: 10:00

Program:

**Painting with
Wool**

Board Mtg-9:00

soon as I am done with what I'm currently doing. Some of them I still like, but I think I will save for later. I have realized I am never going to do some of the projects. Rather than leave those projects all alone in their dark storage spaces, I'm going to bring some of them to the next meeting and see if I can find someone to adopt them.

Here is my challenge to you: between now and the next meeting, go through some of the places you have things and see if you have any orphaned projects. If inspired, bring them out and work on them! If ambivalent, leave them where they are. If neither, bring them to the next meeting and we'll see if somebody else can be moved to adopt your orphaned projects. The trick is going to be getting rid of more orphaned projects than you adopt at the meeting!

Julie McIntosh, President

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**Board Meeting to Discuss Budget – 9:00AM**

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



Thanks to all who made soup for our February Friendship luncheon. We appreciate all who brought the desserts, bread, butter and smiles.

In February, we received our beautiful new name tags. Not all made new lanyards but those who did had a wonderful time! The rope makers went above and beyond all expectations as they cranked out many gorgeous rope lanyards. Thanks to all. Remember to bring your finished lanyard and attach it to your name tag on March 8th. We will continue to use the file box as our storage, so find it there at the next meeting and remember to drop it in at the end of the meeting.

On March 8th, Judy A will demonstrate and guide interested members to a felt painting program. Please email rooksworld@sbcglobal.net by March 1st if you did not sign up on February 8th and wish to participate. Judy, as always, is very organized; she will make basic kits for all and create a more detailed kit for those who did not attend the 2024 program, Painting With Wool. There is no cost to you for this program. Come join the fun- BUT PLEASE RSVP by March 1st!



During the APRIL program, we will be delving into Summer and Winter, a simple contemporary-looking alternative to plain weave. We will also dive into reading a draft and talk about those controversial floating selvedges!

Save the date for April 12th, the date of the Tulare County Jamboree at Mooney's Grove. We need members (who will skip the meeting) and man our outreach table at Mooney's Grove. This year, we will have 2 shifts 9:45-12:30 and 12:30-3:30. Bring you little loom, your spinning wheel, felting, gourd baskets, or even your latest UFO project. This is an event where we perform important outreach to children (and families). In the past we have offered Kumihimo disks and lessons- a big hit!!

A sign-up sheet for the Dharma Trading Company canvas bags will be available at the March meeting. If you remember, Dee Dee offered to organize and order canvas bags for our Ice Dye program in late summer. Each bag is about \$8.00 (to cover bag/tax/shipping). This is an optional offer; you do not have to purchase a bag to dye.

Show and Sale

Two proposals for a change in the Show and Sale rules were submitted by members of our guild. Please read these proposals carefully and thoughtfully. Discuss the positive and the negative with members of our community. **A vote to accept or reject the two proposals will take place on March 8th.** If you cannot make it to the meeting, please make sure you have contacted Monica or Julie by March 7th and we will make alternative arrangements for your vote.

#1:

The best part of our show and sale is the active hands-on participation of so many guild members. We all get to be goodwill ambassadors for our guild and all of the beautiful fiber arts we make. As time goes on, our bodies change, and it becomes more difficult to do the physical parts of spinning and weaving like we used to do. Looking forward, I would love for our guild to

actively find ways for EVERY guild member to continue participating in the show and sale. Would it be possible to rearrange the bits and pieces concept a bit, perhaps by having an area where individual guild members can sit and sell their one or two favorite items they have made? Have a place where they can visit with guests, talk about why they love fiber arts and actively provide advice and encouragement to wannabe fiber artists. Perhaps offer a 10 minute (maximum) RED Hot Topic talk by a member every half hour to share some fabulous information. Allow a little more latitude to allow their one or two items for sale to be something hand knit or crocheted with commercial yarn, if that is something they have invested many hours to make and they are trying to pare down an accumulated stash of yarn at home. Let's make a special and honored place at the table where our guild member, present and future, will always be welcome to join in the fun of show and sale.

#2:

For the 2025 Harvest of Handwovens Show and Sale (as an experiment), I propose that we allow hand-knit or crocheted items using commercial yarns and marked as such. To ensure quality, I propose a jury of 3, to be named, to review the items beginning in September and concluding on October 24th.

Remember, a vote (on paper) will take place at the March meeting. Contact Monica or Julie by March 7th, if you cannot make this meeting and would like your voice heard.



PLEASE MEET...

My name is Charlotte Pavelko and I became a guild member in 1999. My parents were very musical, and dad was a born famer. I majored in social anthropology in college and learned to spin and weave with a member, Bertha Huber (who passed away in 2010). Like Charlotte in Charlotte's Web, I really enjoy spinning over weaving. I became a librarian and am now retired. I do have an orange grove to look after in Orange Cove. I am the hospitality chair for the guild.

AND...

My name is Jacque Ireton. when I was very young. I remember my mother tatting, sewing making wedding dresses, crocheting, and much more. My sister and I would try our hand at some of these but mostly I remember embroidery and ripping out stitches. John and I were married in 1956. We had Anna in 1958 and Randy in 1960. When Randy started school, I went to work for Bellview School as the librarian. I worked there for 10 years and then went to work at the Library at Porterville College and moved around quite a bit. I retired after 20 years. The last job I had there was in the admissions and records office. While I was working there, they encouraged us to take classes.

One of the classes I took was weaving from Florence Offett.

I enjoy trying new things and like to know more about Inkle weaving, having tried it without much success. I would like to try it again.

If YOU did not write your bio at the last meeting write a short and sweet version. Members at the meeting followed this outline. Share what you are comfortable sharing with our group.

Write a small biography about you for the guild newsletter! Please include:

Your name

When you first fell in love with fiber arts

What fiber art are you involved in (currently)

Where you live

Optional : jobs, family (includes spouses, kids, g'kids, nieces, nephews,
and more)

FYI

Our Membership list is almost finalized. The list will be sent via email
to all members.

Peggy's Tortellini Soup

6 Cloves of crushed garlic

3 tbsp butter

6 Cans of 13 oz chicken broth

3 8 oz packages of either frozen or dry cheese tortellini

2 10oz boxes of frozen spinach//add frozen

4 16oz cans of chopped tomatoes//un-drained OR 1 big can from Costco

1/2 tspn basil

1/2 tspn of Italian seasoning

Sprinkle with Parmesan cheese

Melt the butter, add garlic and all ingredients **except** the tortellini. You can add
the rind of the Parmesan cheese in with this. Be sure to take out the rind before
serving.

Cook for 1/2 hour or longer over medium heat then add the tortellini.

Serve warm with sprinkled Parmesan or Mozzarella Cheese

Serves @ 6 people.

NOTICE: we have a need for someone to store items that are donated to the guild before we get a chance to use them in the Silent Auction or in the Weaver's Attic. We are talking about a space about the size of a medium size car between the things we already have now and the things that might be donated until we so Weavers Attic in October at the show and sale. Please contact Julie McIntosh if you can help.

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**Kaweah Konnection:** Kaweah Konnection- Meets second Wednesday of the month at the Community Presbyterian Church in Three Rivers. Please contact Linda Hayden - [saddleblankets@haydenranches.com](mailto:saddleblankets@haydenranches.com) for further info.

**Squeekie Wheels has resumed our regular schedule!** Plan to bring your wheels and spin up a storm on **March 21<sup>st</sup>** at 10:00 and then our second Squeekie get-together **March 28<sup>th</sup>** at 3:30. Also 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 on **March 21<sup>st</sup> & March 28<sup>th</sup>**!

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230 E. Chestnut Street,  
Exeter, CA

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No items for sale this month. ~~~~**HOWEVER**~~~~

We have a new Guild Member – Her name is Sabrina Robinson. She has two weaving looms that she is willing to **give** to anyone who can give them a good home!

One is a 45" Nilus LeClerc from the 70's. It is in good condition and comes with a bench, warping board, 2 reeds and other accessories.

The second is a Walling loom that seems to be complete.

If you are interested, contact Sabrina at: sabrinarobinson72@gmail.com

See all 5 pictures below:







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**SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!**



