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MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 2018

7:00 PM PAT HILTS will give a presentation based on her extensive research in Weaving 1800 to the present.

Oakwood Village, Westmoreland Room.

Directions:

Oakwood Village is located on Mineral Point Rd. in Madison. Turn south on Island and take the drive to the left. Go past the Resale Shop and park in the visitor parking. The Westmoreland Room is in the Heritage Oaks Building. There is limited parking in front of the Heritage Oaks building.

HOLIDAY PARTY NOTES

MADISON WEAVERS GUILD – DEC. 2017

Madison Weavers Guild held its Holiday Party on Dec. 11 in the Cabana Room. Nineteen members and spouses were present and enjoyed an evening of conversation appetizers and desserts. Members were encouraged to wear an item they had woven or made. Color gamps were brought to share with the upcoming two color gamp groups meeting later in Dec. and Jan.

No business was conducted.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Alanen

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SALES GROUP MEETING

The Madison Handweavers (sales group) organizes and sponsors the Art Fair on the Square (July) and two art fairs held at Olbrich Gardens (February and October) each year. There are many talents needed in order to sponsor these traditionally quality shows: advertising, social media, bookkeeping, artist liaison, jurying, setup, etc. You are encouraged to participate. If you would like to know more, contact Geke DeVries @geke.devries@sbcglobal.net or Nancy Garden nancyg22368@hotmail.com

A meeting of event participants and volunteers is planned for Monday, February 19 at 5:45, prior to the February weavers guild meeting. Please plan to attend.

MIDDLETON LIBRARY IS READY NOW!

Happy New Year to our MWG Guild Friends

Hope this is a Prosperous, Adventurous Year for all of us. Right off the bat we have our Middleton Library Display to put together, yea, this is always so well received. We've just got word the January folks didn't show so the display is ready anytime we are.

So please bring you item or items to the January meeting, this will give us the time we need to prepare the information tags to go with your items.

Your name: Artist / Adventurer

Item name : shawl, scarf, table runner

Fiber Content: alpaca, cotton, rayon, wool

Weave Structure: Plain, Shadow, basket, lace

With these four items we are able to make uniform info tags, for the display.

Thanks for your assistance. Look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Any questions, feel free to contact any one of us.

Angie Roberts

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Vickie Julka

vickiejulka@gmail.com

Douglas Wendt

Freiburger@aol.com

Greeting from Stoughton and Livsreise, the Norwegian Heritage Center:

You may or may not be aware of Livsreise, the Norwegian Heritage Center in Stoughton, Wisconsin, that opened almost three years ago. We have over 9000 square feet in which we tell the story of Norwegian immigration. That event largely took place between 1825 and 1910. In fact, by 1900, 25 percent of the population of Wisconsin was made up of Norwegian immigrants! We tell this story through both artifacts and modern electronic story books and displays that also inform our visitors about Norwegian culture and heritage. In addition to our large gallery, we have a small gallery which allows us to have a variety of different exhibits on loan to us from other entities.

On **January 27** we have a wonderful speaker and spinner, Andrea Myklebust, speaking at our Heritage Center about the process of turning flax into linen fabric. She is a shepherd, hand spinner and weaver. An interest in immigration-era Scandinavian textile tools, which are plentiful in the upper Midwest, led her to begin growing textile flax and learning the steps of raising, hand processing, spinning and weaving handmade linen. She is presently working under a USDA SARE grant to explore small-scale linen production in Wisconsin and Minnesota. Also please visit our website www.livsreise.org for more information or contact us directly by phone or email as listed below.

We hope to see you soon!

Kindest regards,

Marg Listug

Manager

Livsreise- Norwegian Heritage Center

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Woolery towel contest

Calling all towel weavers or weavers who would like to try your hand at winning a contest while at the same time building up good karma.

The Woolery is excited to announce our very first Woolery Weave-off
<https://woolery.com/> Click on the banner at the top for more information.

“We’re having a Weave-Off to celebrate how well our Bluegrass Mills 6/2 Cotton Yarn has been received. Weave a dish towel with Bluegrass Mills to compete for prizes in four separate categories. Here’s the thing though, you don’t get your towel back, because we’re donating them all to the local women’s shelter (Simon House, here in Frankfort Kentucky), because women in crisis need the special energy that handwoven textiles provide, too!

Grand Prize Winners in each category will get Spectrum Packs of our BGM 6/2 — that’s 20, one-pound cones of yarn in a whole array of colors!

Second and Third Place Winners in each category will get \$50 Woolery gift cards.”

Must use Bluegrass Mills 6/2 cotton yarn, but there is a sale in January.

The Woolery and Halcyon Yarn Guild Member Reward Programs

Shopping can benefit the Guild

Perhaps you have a new resolution for this year that you will not stock up on yarn, but if you find you need to restock some of your favorites, please consider using our website (www.madisonweaversguild.com) if you will order from the **Woolery or Halcyon Yarn**. Both of these sources return a percentage of your order to our guild. The links are on our resources page. If your item's cost compares favorably on either of these sites please follow the instructions with the logos on the resources page.

Woolery discounts and shipping: If you order \$100.01 or more select "Flat Rate" shipping option and your shipping is free (see their website for exceptions). Yarn discounts are \$150 or more and get 10% off or \$300 and get 15% off. If you order enough yarn to get the 10% discount with the free shipping, this is decent discount.

Halcyon sells many kinds of fiber; they have their own signature yarns, high quality heavy rug wools and UKI fiber in many colors. Discounts are available when you buy in quantity. This is place to shop if you are looking for a rich color palette and for yarns that are not available in other shops.

FEBRUARY SHOW AT OLBRICH GARDENS : Fine Art & Craft Sale at Olbrich Botanical Gardens on Feb 24, 25, 2018.

We just finished a very successful show at Olbrich Botanical Gardens with over 2200 people visiting the art fair and the gardens over the weekend of October 28 & 29, 2017.

Geke de Vries
Art Show coordinator

FACEBOOK Our Facebook page has been up for quite some time now but few people have participated. Please go to it, there is a link on our website, or search on Facebook, and find our page. Please like and share it, that is the way to reach many more people. Thanks. If there is anyone who would like to co-own the page and help with postings, please let me know. –Emily

Weave A Real Peace conference June 8-10, 2018 (WARP)

Are you making plans for next summer? "WARP is an international networking membership organization based in the United States. Starting in 1992, we offer a forum for those who strive to support long-standing textile traditions as a means for cultural preservation and economic development. We foster a global network of textile enthusiasts, artisans, academics, wholesalers, retailers, tour operators, designers, teachers, and other interested supporters. We truly are creating a connected textile community."

The meeting will be held at Luther College and Vesterheim Norwegian-American National Museum in Decorah, Iowa. Past meetings have included workshops, presentations, an international marketplace and auction fundraiser. Anyone interested in a field trip to see the Vesterheim Museum and a day of the meeting?

Website: <http://weavearealpeace.org>

COMING EVENTS

Keep Me Warm: Wisconsin Museum of Quilts and Fiber Art, Cedarburg, WI. Keep Me Warm December 5, 2017-July 13, 2018

N50 W5050 Portland Road

P.O. Box 562

Cedarburg, Wisconsin 53012

Tel: 262.546.0300

Email: info@wiqiltmuseum.com

The exhibit: In Death And Lace closes December 3, and is well worth the trip.

AREA WEAVING STORES

Fiberwood Studio. 2709 N 92nd, Milwaukee. 414-302-1849

Sievers. Birch Court, Washington Island. 920-847-2264

Mielke's Farm. 2550 Co. Rd 11, Rudolph. 715-344-4104

Bahr Creek Llamas and Fiber Shop. N 1021 Sauk Trail Rd, Cedar Grove. 920-668-6417

Studio S. Hwy A and 89, south of Whitewater. 608-883-2123

Susan's Fiber Shop. N250 Hwy A, Columbus. 888-603-4237

MADISON WEAVERS GUILD DISCOUNTS Halcyon Yarn and The Woolery

CLASSIFIEDS

We will always welcome submissions of articles, reviews of books, shows or exhibits, letters to the editor, classifieds, samples, artwork, etc. to include in future newsletters. If you would like to contribute, please send to Emily Nie, 2500 Bootmaker Dr., Beloit, WI 53511; 608-362-8062; ricordanza@charter.net. Note the deadline for submissions and ads is **the TENTH of the month**.

Volunteer opportunity

We have had a request from an adult support broker, Jonathan, who is an advocate for a young woman with Cerebral Palsy. He has a small table loom he will let his client use. He is looking for someone to donate their time or be "paid" through the Dane County Timebank to help with weaving. We have not received a lot of details on this; it could be the helper sets up the warp and then teaches the weaving. Please contact Kate Lieber (kslieber579@gmail.com) if interested and I can give you contact information.

Madison Weavers Guild ~ Show & Tell Projects 2016-7

Project:	Weaver:
space for photo (taken at meeting)	
Weave Structure:	
Source:	
Yarns – indicate fiber content and size (e.g., 10/2 cotton), and colors	
Warp:	
Weft:	
Equipment: ____ - harness loom ____ - dent reed	
Sett:	
Warp: ____ epi Sleying: _____ (number of threads per dent or pattern)	
Weft: ____ ppi	
Notes:	

MADISON WEAVERS GUILD

INVITATION TO JOIN 2017-8

The Madison Weavers Guild welcomes, as a member, any person interested in weaving and fiber arts.

Meetings and the monthly programs are the **third Monday of the month**, September through May. Members are sent a monthly newsletter that includes program announcements, reports on general guild activities, notices for interest groups, sales opportunities information, occasional swatches, listing of local yarn and weaving supply stores, and classifieds. Other advantages to members are the membership directory, eligibility for participation in sales, membership rate for workshops, social events, and perhaps most important -- the enthusiasm, support and sharing of fellow members.

Memberships are \$20.00 per year, \$15.00 for new members (first year), and \$5.00 for students. The membership year begins in September. Members enrolled by the October meeting will be included in the membership directory.

Please fill out this form and bring it and your check (**payable to Madison Weavers Guild**) to a meeting or mail them to: Kathy Derene 5702 Old Sauk Rd. Madison WI 53705

MADISON WEAVERS GUILD Membership Form for 2017-8

NAME:	PHONE:	Membership Category __ New \$ 15.00 __ Renew \$ 20.00 __ Student (w/ID) \$ 5.00
ADDRESS: (include Zip)		
E-MAIL: WEBSITE:		

What interests you about being a member of the guild?	
Ideas for future programs. What topics would you like to learn more about?	
Other guild activities you'd be willing to take part in: __ Holiday Party (help plan and organize) __ Members' show (help plan, organize, execute) __ Newsletter (write, find articles) __ Develop/update website __ Weave a swatch for the newsletter __ Serve on the board __ Demonstrate for local schools __ Give a mini workshop, program at a meeting __ Other (what?)	Areas of interest: __ functional items __ pattern drafting __ basketry __ ikat __ tapestry __ rugs __ sales __ spinning __ dyeing __ felting __ double weave __ field trips __ Other (what?)
Your looms:	
For new members, how did you find out about the guild?	