

WEAVERS GUILD OF BOSTON MONTHLY MEETING
NOVEMBER 13, 2013

58 attendees

Dean Ro Spinelli called the meeting to order at 12:35 pm.

Prior to the meeting Barbara Herbster spoke to everyone of Dorothy Burton who passed on most recently. Many of the newer members did not know her because Dorothy has not been to meetings for many years due to age and health. Wonderful bits of history and stories were told about Dorothy's passion for weaving, teaching and sharing ideas. As well, Norma Smayda added some memories. Dorothy wrote the Bronson's Lace monogram which many members treasure.

Judith Shangold, Annual exhibit and sale chair, reported on the success of the show. This year a greeter was at the door to take information which revealed that 25% of the shoppers came before or by word of mouth, 23% first timers, 18% via email and postcard, 11% saw the sandwich boards, 15 people saw the signs outside the building, 9 people picked up postcards from shops that were targeted this year as new sources for publicity, 8 people from event websites, 3 people from newspapers. The count was more than 300 people. There were 31 participating members, with 1555 items submitted. 544 items were sold, with a total sales (including books but not including tax) \$32,080.

Nancy Barry, co-chair Annual exhibit and sale, reported that 15 artists participated in the exhibit with 23 pieces displayed. The display looked beautiful and intrigued everyone. She thanked all who participated. Nancy, who becomes next year's chair, requested that a member step up to the plate and volunteer for the position of co-chair for next year's show.

Elizabeth Springett, Special workshops, said that Sue Butler will hold a workshop on Untying the Mystery of Tied-Unit weaves on March 13-15 2014. There are 5 spaces available for this workshop.

Carol McClennen, Membership Assistant reported that we have one new member.

Florence Feldman-Wood mentioned that there will be information on Bennett Looms in the next hand loom newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Mara Taylor, Recording Secretary