

WGB General Meeting
8 November 2017

Westboro Congregational Church
64 attendees

Dean Diane Chaisson called the meeting to order at 12:40. She announced that the sale was very successful. In the new location we had to figure out new ways of doing things. Deep thanks to the hard-working volunteers that made it possible. We have been invited back next year!

Door prizes. Diane drew names

Treasurer. Beth Guertin

TD Bank Balances: savings \$42,717.83; earned \$18.13 interest in October
checking \$14,475.03; still have 13 checks to write for WGB annual sale - had to order more checks

IBM stock \$14,943.82

Committee chairs need to submit budget figures for 2018-2019 year by January 31, 2018.

Sale. Elizabeth Springett.

Thanks to Diane for finding the new location. We have been invited back next year; the sale will be 24-27 October 2018.

The sale total is \$37,333 including taxes etc, about 20% more than last year. 771 items from 41 weavers were submitted, both numbers up from last year.

Nancy and Elizabeth will co-chair again next year; they would like a third person.

A questionnaire is being sent to workers. Please respond so we can improve.

Membership. We gained several new members at the sale and one today.

Nominations. We need an assistant sale chair, web review committee, associate dean

Ratings. Debbie Watson

Ratings are a self-directed study program. Details are on the web and in the handbook.

Bulletin. Eileen Crawford

The next Bulletin will come out Dec. 3. Articles welcome.

Challenge. Adele Harvey

The challenge this year is interpreting a profile draft, due in May. Please let Adele know well ahead if you want to participate.

Education.

Mary Mandarino is planning workshops for next year and would welcome suggestions for topics and teachers.

Carol McClennen is planning afternoon speakers for next year, and also would welcome suggestions.

Carol reported on the morning workshops. The Ought O's class had a stimulating exchange of drafts. The treadling variations class was mind-blowing. The inkle class covered pickup. The production weaving class provided good tips.

Show and Tell. Mara Taylor showed a large blanket; Linda Snook a baby blanket; Elizabeth Springett a horoscope scarf; Carol McLennen photos of the blanket for Plimouth Plantation in place; Barbara Faulsteel a knit-your-own-cat and a mohair shawl; Eileen Crawford a piece from a Inge Dam workshop incorporating a tablet band; Debbie Kaplan a scarf of 140/2 silk and a jacket .

Announcements

Ute Bargman has translated a book on tablet weaving.

Fuller Craft Museum has an exhibit of woodworking by women and weaving by men.

The meeting finished at 1:10.

Submitted by Dorothy Solbrig