

WGB General Meeting May 13, 2015  
Westboro Church  
53 Attendees

The May meeting is always very busy and this year was no exception!  
In the morning photographs were taken of the clothing which was going to be in the fashion show at the end of the day.  
Along the walls of the entire room were weavings of the yearly challenge- weavings of recipes which members were voting on, samples from the master weavers, class samples, bulletin samples, payment for membership with a free guild tote if payment was received at the meeting, and more.

At 10:30 the Associate Dean, Diane Chaisson spoke about the Master Weavers who were presenting their work which was postponed from the February meeting. These included: Laurie Autio and Ruth Buchman both of whom were in the master weavers program at Hill Institute, Norma Smayda and Hetty Friedman who both attended U. Mass. Dartmouth, and Barbara Herbster who followed the WGB program. Each member explained their process, their learning experiences and the various techniques they needed to weave in order to receive their masters. It was very interesting with lots of samples, notebooks and beautiful finished pieces.  
Deb Watson-Ratings Chair, spoke about the WGB program and that all should think about going thru the process and that the curriculum is in the year book. She can answer questions, and study groups can be formed to help each other thru the process.

4 door prizes were awarded to members present.

Adele Harvey spoke about the guild recipe challenge- 20 members participated. There was a tie for first place- the orzo salad and the cornbread pudding, and 3 second place winners- wheat berry salad, eggplant parmesan, and german pumpkin pie.

We all broke for the pot luck lunch.

At 12:45 the General Meeting began.  
Associate Dean, Diane Chaisson said there will be lots of great classes and workshops next year which will all be included in the annual yearbook coming to everyone who has paid their dues. ( also can be found in her annual report).

Dean Susan Targove spoke of the importance in groups and organizations of the volunteers who contribute their time . She presented gifts to outgoing officers and committee chairs. Positions last 2 years. She urges everyone to find an area where they can volunteer and help. Too often it is the same people doing the same position or filling another position due to no other volunteers.

All officers present gave their annual reports which can be found at the WGB members yahoo group sight.

Eileen Fitzgerald reminded everyone that the NEWS registration deadline is June 1st and that already their are about 300 participants.

The slate of candidates to fill the positions for 2015-2017 was read.  
A motion by Ginny Longley to accept the nominations was given.  
It was seconded by Mara Taylor and Dianne Chaisson.  
The membership approved all new candidates.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30

The Fashion Show followed.

A coat by Master Weaver, Ilene Elliston was donated to the guild. We have hopes that we can raffle it at the Annual show and sale.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mara Taylor  
Recording Secretary