

WGB General Meeting 13 November 2019

Westboro Congregational Church
52 attendees ; 12:50 PM – 1:30 PM

Carol McClennen called the meeting to order and presented reports from committee chairs.

Bulletin (Diane Chaisson)

The Bulletin deadline is right after the sale.

Nominating Committee (Susan Pippin)

Please speak to Susan Pippin or Eileen Crawford about openings. The openings as of May 2020 are:

Associate Dean

Annual Exhibit and Sale 2nd Assistant Chair

Education Assistant Chair

Nominating Committee Assistant Chair

Nominating Committee 2nd Assistant Chair

Public Relations Committee Annual Sales/Marketing Position

Library Chair (maybe open)

Outreach (Caroline Ronten)

Volunteers are needed for many upcoming events. Please get in touch with Caroline.

Treasurer's Report (Beth Guertin)

As of November 10, 2019 the TD Bank savings account has \$40,487.42. WGB earned \$16.13 in interest in October.

Checking account has \$7,633.11. Beth moved \$5,500.00 from the checking account to saving account in October to earn interest on the money.

The **Yarn and Equipment Sale** that was held on Saturday, September 28, 2019 was disappointing. There were very few shoppers due to lack of advertising and promotion. THANK YOU to Linda Snook, Carole Chapin, Lynne McKay, Diane Sinski, Mary Mandarino for all their help to set up in a record time of 2 hours! Thank you to Ruth Archer and Sara White who came to help on Saturday morning. Thank you to Nancy Flood, Mara Taylor, Lois Brown and Mary Mandarino who packed all the yarn back up in boxes to come to October meeting

The gross sales for the day were \$790.45; \$500.97 to WGB and \$289.48 returned to guild members.

The **Yarn Table Sale** at the October 2, 2019 Guild meeting

Thank you to Lois Brown, and Lynne McKay who loaded their cars with yarn and arrived at the church by 8:30 to help set up the sale at the guild meeting. Thank you to Ginny Hamilton and Pat Vinter who also arrived by 8:30 am to help set-up. Thank you to Julia Flanders for helping Beth to sell during the meeting. THANK YOU to ALL of you who helped pack up the left-overs (sorry I lost track of all the members who helped me); and to Julia Flanders and Lois Brown for taking boxes of yarn in their cars. I could have not done it without all your help.! THANK YOU to all. All members attending the meeting were encouraged to take home a cone of yarn (drawing prize for all)!

The **gross sales for the day** were \$613.13; \$409.13 to the guild; 204.00 to members who put things in the sale.

GRAND TOTAL for BOTH DAYS: \$1403.58; \$910.10 to WGB; \$493.48 to members.

Both these sales would not have happened without the volunteer help of members. THANK YOU!!!!

All the left-overs were donated to Gateway Crafts in Brookline and WCI in Waltham. Both, 501(3)(c) organizations that work with fiber/textiles and adults who have challenges.

The Yarn table sales help to keep the guild in the "black".

Membership (Susan Targove and Frann Bennett)

We have one new member from Kentucky.

Remember to pick up name tags and bulletin samples (if you opted in to receive bulletin samples). They are on tables at the meeting.

Advertisement (Martha Rossman)

We have three new advertisers:

Gowdey Reed Company

GIST Yarn and Fiber

Label Weavers

Ratings (Ruth Buchman)

We encourage you to participate in the Ratings program. It is a good way to structure your weaving learning.

Anyone planning to submit for a Rating this year must formally notify the Ratings Committee Chair in writing or by email by MARCH

1. Ratings articles must be delivered to the Chair by the date of the March meeting (March 11, 2020).

The WGB Yearbook incorrectly states in the calendar that Ratings notification and submission are in February. We will be switching to a February submission timeframe *but not until next year (2021)*.

Please be in touch with Ruth Buchman, Ratings Committee Chair, if you have any questions.

Library (Joanne Germaine)

Tom Knisley's video *Weaving with Novelty Yarns* is missing. Check your shelves.

Community news

Diane Chaisson announced that Refugee Artisans of Worcester has a new location, the Krikorian Gallery. The opening is January 18.

Annual Sale (Nancy Flood)

The sale is this weekend (Nov. 15-17, 2019). It will be a record-setting sale with 45 weavers participating and 2,000 items. The committee still needs volunteers to help with the sale.

100th Anniversary Committee (Julia Flanders)

The Call for Artists for the WGB 100th Anniversary show at the Fuller Craft Museum will be posted on the WGB website by the end of the week. Copies of the Call for Artists will be available at the next WGB meeting. Details will be published in the guild newsletter. The guild will have workshops to support and inspire.

Morning Workshops

The morning workshops were: Tablet Weaving (Mary Ann Sanborn), Bow Weaving (Carol Vales), Japanese Shifu and Kami-ito (Charlotte Hamlin), and Inkle Bands to Inkling (Dorothy Solbrig).

Show and Tell

Eileen presented a 60/2 silk moebius scarf that was inspired by Ruth Buchman and Barbara Herbster's work. Jodi presented a hand-dyed 8/2 cotton scarf in undulating twill.

The next meeting will be February 12, 2020.

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Gimbart