

**Heritage Basketry Guild Meeting Minutes**  
**2 May 2016**

**Call meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order by president, Linda S at 7:10 PM

**Welcome & Introduce Visitors**

Cheri M, a former member, visited the meeting.

**Approval of Minutes – Libby G. Secretary**

At the April Meeting the guild at large voted to no longer read the minutes. The procedure will change to the minutes being sent to members for review at least one week before the next month's meeting. Members will be expected to review the minutes to check for actions, omissions, mistakes, and errors. If no corrections are deemed necessary the minutes will be approved as disseminated at the meeting. Any actions (to-do items) will be added to the following month's agenda for follow-up.

**Officers' Reports:**

**President – Linda S.**

Linda reported that Royalwood will not have a guild day this year. They are seeking feedback on if guild day is something our guild would participate in, and if so, what time of year would be best. The general consensus was that some would attend if they could and that spring was better than fall. Linda will provide the feedback to Royalwood.

**Vice President – Sue M.**

Sue reported the following on refreshments:

July – Linda has volunteered. Two more volunteers are needed

August – Pat S needs two volunteers to help her

October – Libby G and Judy M need another volunteer

**Treasurer – Cindy H.**

May 15, 2016 is the IRS deadline. Cindy will file the report.

**Membership – Cookie J.**

Jennifer R. has been added to the roster.

**Teacher Liaison – Dottie D.**

Dottie D. showed the basket that Ginger L. is teaching in June, and the basket Darlene C. is teaching in August. Ginger needs to know by 20 May if you want to make her basket.

Linda S. has volunteered to teach a weave in the park in June. She is to give Dottie the dates she is available so Dottie can reserve a shelter. More information coming soon.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

**Fall Weave – Sandy S.**

**Registration:** Sandy S. reported that 57 have registered. Sixty is the number needed to break even for the cost of the venue. At least two guild members said they intended to register. It was asked if those only wanting to weave one day could pay a partial registration fee. It is not an option this year. Non-weaving visitors are allowed to come to the event for a fee of \$5.

**Massage:** Sandy is checking into having a massage therapist at the retreat. She will check with someone she knows. Libby said she would ask a friend who teaches massage. There were a couple other people who said they would check, too.

**Silent Auction:** It was suggested that we have a few themed baskets for the silent auction. Suggestions were an "OSU" basket, which will have OSU items, and a "State of Ohio" basket, which will have products from the state of Ohio. Libby volunteered to put the OSU basket together.

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together a gardening themed basket. Other basket themes suggested were Christmas, Movie Night, & a gift card basket.

**Tree to raffle:** There will be another tree with ornaments to be raffled. Jennie D said she may have a tree to donate, and Mary R. may have one, too.

**Quilt to raffle:** Darlene C. showed a picture of the quilt to be raffled at the Fall Weave. She gave out instructions and fabric to volunteers. It was decided that an old fashioned quilting bee could get the quilt done more quickly. Libby G will reserve a room in her church on a Saturday in June. All are welcome, no experience necessary.

**Guild basket to raffle:** Bridget B. started the basket and passed it to Ginger for weaving. Other guild members will have an opportunity to weave on the basket before the Fall Weave.

### **Special Committee Reports:**

**By-laws committee** – due to unforeseen personal issues, Libby was unable to draft the by-laws. The team will strive to have a draft to the board in late May, early June.

**Old Business:** None to report.

**New Business:** Sandy S. asked about making it a policy that the proceeds from the Fall Weave Silent Auction be set aside to put toward the venue rental in order to bring down the registration fee. It was brought up that the reason the weaves were started was to raise funds to maintain the guild. Currently, the dues do not cover all annual expenses. A suggestion was to determine an amount to set aside to keep in the operating budget and apply silent auction money only when it is not required for annual expenses. The budget would include things like whether or not the guild would have gifts at the annual party in December. After much discussion it was decided that the idea would be discussed again in October when Cindy H. gives her annual financial report. Cindy said that in addition to the annual report she could report on spending patterns for the past several years.

**Black Bag Baskets (B<sup>3</sup>)** – Linda asked if the guild was interested in doing “Black Bag Baskets.” Everyone starts a basket and they get passed around for others to weave on. The basket eventually gets back to the one who started it. The guild thought it would be fun. More planning will need to be done to get it started.

**Upcoming weave opportunities** – None reported

**Vending opportunities** – None reported.

Ginger L distributed flyers from Inter Mares Trading Co, Inc, a basket materials supplier in New York. Contact Jeff to check out his good prices on reed and other weaving supplies. <http://www.canefish.com/>

### **Member News:**

Jennie D. reported on the *Springtime in Vandalia* event in which she participated. She thought it was worth a trip next year.

Linda S. said that a guild member, Shirley, has not been well.

### **Show & Tell:**

Ginger L. showed the first willow basket she’s ever woven! Bonnie Gale taught the round basket made of peeled and dyed willow at Stateline. It was quite pretty and Ginger is willing to give willow another go!

Cindy H. showed the traditional sweet grass basket she made with Barbara McCormick, and the Luna Moth design cathead basket she wove with Lora Lee Zanger basket, both were beautiful.

Libby G. showed the bottle that was woven on using the Haida twining technique. The materials used were Alaskan Yellow and Western Red Cedar bark. Cookie also wove the bottle. Libby also shared the Shaker Puzzle Cathead basket she made with Kathy Taylor.

**Congratulations:**

Thanks to our own member and Stateline Weaving Retreat coordinator, Pam F. for another great event. Our guild was well represented at the Stateline Weaving Retreat this year. Twenty of our thirty members were there!! The next Stateline Weaving Retreat will be held on 6-8 April 2017. Registration opens in October 2016.

**Adjourn:** Ginger L. moved and Pat S. seconded closing the meeting at 8:10PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Libby G.  
Secretary

**May Basket**

**Cookie J taught a small twined basket with a drilled base and a Gretchen border.**



**Stateline Weaving Retreat Photos – April 2016**

I'm sorry if I didn't get your picture at Stateline, or if I couldn't figure out what basket you were working on. If you were there you know how hard it was to find everyone!



Pat S. starting her basket



Sandy S. just visiting



Cindy's getting instruction from Lora Lee Zanger



Bernie J. taking a moment between baskets



Where are our guild members? I think I see five total (although it's only the arms of one, top of the heads of two) Renee M., Bernie J., Julie O., Jennie D., and Beth S. Catch any I didn't see?



Julie O., checking with teacher, Kay Swastrom. Looking good Jul



A happy Ginger. Loving her willow basket.



Beth S., another happy weaver.



Darlene C. working on a Lora Lee Zanger pattern  
Thinking that's Billie F. walking by on the right.



Libby G. doing "Wald's Smalls"  
Cookie J. in yellow in the background.



Julie O. almost done!  
Oh wait, that's the Cherokee Wheel basket  
by Barbara Sadler, you have a bit to go.



Renee M., such focus!  
I can see why with that braided rim on the  
Spirit of the Rim basket by Kay Swanstrom.



Beth S. and Dottie D. chatting with Cookie J. while she weaves.



Bridget B. with her Billie Owen basket



Pat S. and Billie F. joking with their teacher, Annetta Kraayeveld.



Elaine P., with sweetgrass teacher, Barbara McCormick



Pam F., guild member and Stateline Weaving Retreat Coordinator



Sue M., working on a Lora Lee Zanger mat



Mary R. working on a Nancy Jones basket.



Bonnie K., our absentee member



It seems as if Billie F. is saying "ya know Jennie D." Do you see Renee M. in the background?