

## WESTERN RESERVE RUG HOOKERS

Meets first Thursday of  
each month from  
September to June

Family Life Center  
16349 Chillicothe Rd.  
Chagrin Falls, Ohio

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Bring a lunch, coffee and  
tea provided

More info at:  
[westernreserverughookers.com](http://westernreserverughookers.com)



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Chapter 119 of the Association of Traditional Hooking Artists



## February 2020

### 2019 - 2020 Officers

President – Shirley Hairston  
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Website - Shirley Hairston

Hook-In - Kelly Kanyok  
Doreen Butler

Store: Diane Green

### *FROM SHIRLEY'S FRAME...*

Just a quick message as I have a lot to share from others; In our January meeting we discussed and agreed to a process of handling other's estates and downsizing distributions. If the persons wish to give us a flyer with items for sale, we will pass that on to our membership via email. Today we do not have the wherewithal to set up sales for each request. We are a non-profit organization and will accept donations. If needed, we can issue a receipt to the donor. If you have any questions about this, please let me know. We did not vote; it was an agreement of the group at this time. In the future we may change our mind.

February's meeting is a hands on to help our two major events that are occurring back to back in May! The Farm Park show (with the Alphabet pieces) and our hook in with the Mats to give away as door prizes Kelly and Tena's teams will be there to show where and how you can help. We will also have the oriental rug to work on. I really want to encourage those primitive hookers to try it out. There is a specific style to hooking an oriental pattern no matter the size of the noodle.

Every few years we need to be reminded of an Artist's right to the ownership of their intellectual property. This for us means patterns. I have copied Kris Miller's blog post (with her permission) regarding this. She has a series in March 2017 regarding copyright. Please check out her blogs for a lot of information on this subject. I always admire my artist friends, and realize they have to pay rent too. Keep on Hooking, Shirley (copyright article continued on page 3)



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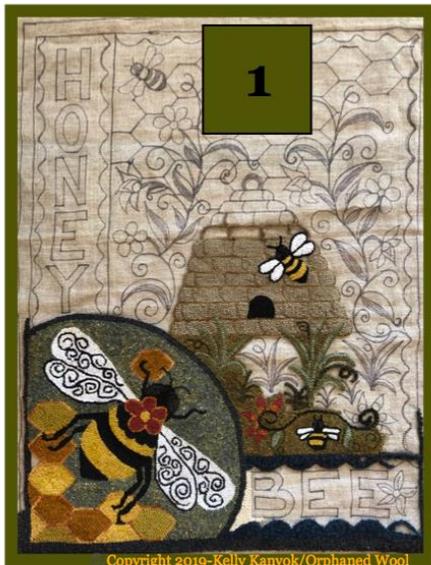
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## Western Reserve Rug Hookers Annual Hook-In Raffle Items

🐝 “Hook-In-Bee” 🐝

### Raffle Tickets

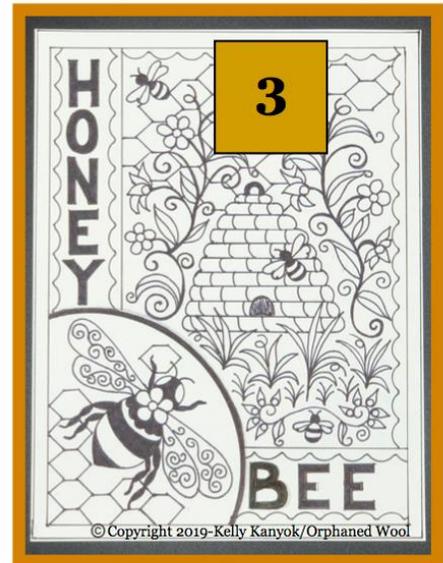
1 ticket for \$2.00 or 6 tickets for \$10.00



**#1-** Honey Bee Rug.  
Finished Hooked Rug.  
Size: ( 32 x 42)



**#2-** Ottlite floor lamp.  
Valued at \$250.00



**#3-** Honey Bee  
Pattern on linen  
with Color Guide.  
Size: (32 x 42)

### Raffle Tickets

1 Ticket for \$2.00  
or  
6 Tickets for \$10.00



**Tickets available at WRRH guild meetings or can be purchased by Mail.** Please mail payment (**Payable to WRRH**) for the ticket amount you wish to purchase. Please include a note with your name and phone number and raffle choice selections to the address below. Doreen will fill out the number of tickets you purchased with all the necessary information, then place the tickets in the proper raffle selection containers.

**Doreen Butler:**  
75 Gra Gull Drive  
Avon Lake, Ohio 44012  
Questions: 216 570-9261





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### Storekeepers:

Linda Waitrovich  
Leslie Knoblauch

### Hostesses:

Norma Preneta  
Deb Tomsheck  
Norene McEowen  
Gail May

**THANK YOU!**

### STOREKEEPERS NEEDED!

There will be a sign-up sheet at the next meeting or email Diane Green at [green\\_985@msn.com](mailto:green_985@msn.com)  
Thanks, Diane



Western Reserve Rug Hookers  
is Chapter 119 of ATHA  
(Association of Traditional  
Hooking Artists)

ATHA stands for the combined talents, creative energy and resources of over 4,000 fiber artists across the globe; and exists to help people express themselves through fiber art.

Go to [atharugs.com](http://atharugs.com) for more information on our national organization!

From Kris Miller's Blog March 20,2017  
<https://spruceridgestudios.blogspot.com/>

"There is nothing so fraught with controversy than to have a discussion with a rug hooker about copyright laws. Let me say first that I'm not a lawyer, I don't have a law degree, and I am not an expert about copyright laws. I have, however, had several discussions with attorneys about copyright law and I have done enough research to feel fairly comfortable when talking about it. A great resource that I often refer to is the Copyright Office website at [www.copyright.gov](http://www.copyright.gov). Please use it as a reference if there is any doubt. Another great book to read is *Copyright Plain & Simple* by Cheryl Besenjak.

So, there you have it...my disclaimer before I discuss copyright vs. rug hooking etiquette!

Copyright is the legal protection of one's intellectual rights and it protects original works including music, writing, artistic works (including pictorial and sculptural works), movies, photography, and even computer software. Here is a link to general copyright information (really great information for inquiring minds):<https://www.copyright.gov/help/faq/faq-general.html>

Basically, there are two important facts for rug hookers to remember:

1. Copyright laws cover the life of the creator + 70 years.
2. Anything published before 1923 is in the public domain (no copyright)

So...you are wondering how this applies to rug camp etiquette? Well, it works like this:

You cannot hook Sponge Bob Square Pants at camp or anywhere else, even for personal use (yes, this is true. Sponge Bob belongs to Nickelodeon. I really did have to investigate this). You also can't copy/hook The Simpsons, or Winnie The Pooh, or anything else that is licensed by a corporation (unless you get permission). This includes sport team logos because they have strict licensing rules. You can't create designs by copying images/photos you find on the internet or Pinterest or Facebook or Ebay or Etsy without finding out if they belong to someone. In other words, most pictures and images you find on the internet are copyrighted and to use them would be an infringement when you use them without permission.

I realize I am not the police when it comes to this, but I can tell you that you cannot hook these things in my classroom. Nor can you hook any design in my class that appears to be a copyright infringement. And I hope you don't do it in any other teacher's class either.

There are lots of really, really wonderful rug hooking patterns out there by many talented designers. I like when my students pick one of the patterns from my website because I am familiar with them. But I never, ever limit what a student can hook in my class to

copyright continued...

just my patterns, because of all the other wonderful choices (I always welcome any primitive/wide cut pattern in my class). If you have an eye on a design that you've seen on the internet, or in a book, on a note card, etc, please don't make the assumption that you can copy it for rug hooking! Do your best to find out who owns the design and ask for permission. It's not out of the question. I've heard of many artists who will allow you to do this for personal use. Ask. I love the adage "the answer is always no unless you ask!" If you get permission, make sure it's in writing so you have proof that you can legally use the design. But what if they say no? Or what if you don't get an answer? Just move on. Think of all the other terrific design possibilities and find something else to hook. It's the right thing to do.

One other thing....just because you purchase/own the artwork, whether it be a painting, note card, etc, it does not give you the right to copy it. The creator still owns the intellectual rights/copyright.

Remember: lifetime of the artist plus 70 years.

Can you copy an old postcard, poster, or greeting card? Yes, as long as the design is pre-1923.

Can you copy an antique or vintage rug design? Yes, as long as the design is pre-1923.

Many pattern designers do offer patterns from antique rug designs but beware! If they have added a few extra elements (maybe a different border) or put their own spin on the design by adding a few extra doodles, they have essentially created a copyrightable design, and of course you can't copy that! I often take my own pictures of antique rugs when I'm traveling somewhere or visiting an antique store. When you do that, you are using your own photo and adapting the design just as you have seen it.

Complicated? Confusing? You bet! Will people jump all over me for this? Probably. Is this important to our rug hooking community? Yes, it is. Let's all do the (copy)right thing!"

## Buzzzzzz”

May 16, 2020 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**Registration is open to the public  
Registration form at the bottom of  
this newsletter**



2020 Hook In Raffle Rug Progress  
“HoneyBee” Pattern  
Kelly Kanyok, designer



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May 9 & 10, 2020

at

Farm Park

8800 Euclid Chardon

Rd (Rt. 6)

Kirtland, OH 44094

Lakemetroparks.com



## Lake Farm Park Art Exhibit Information

BRING TO THE February 6<sup>th</sup> MEETING

Donations of:

12" or 14" hoops

Hooks for 4, 5, &/or 6 cut wool

ALL colors of wool are welcome  
– although some bright colors  
for the tulip would be helpful.

Thanks! Tena

*See the picture at the left for suggestions  
and sizes of wool needed*

For more  
information on the  
exhibit contact:

Mary Horvath,  
Tena Rosner or  
Roberta Square



THANKS to everyone who drew the patterns for the Rug Show kits at the January Guild meeting. They look great, and the patterns are now done!

THANKS, too, to everyone who has donated wool, hooks, and hoops. You have been so generous and thoughtful about your contributions! We'll continue to take

contributions of all three at the February Guild meeting for anyone who hasn't yet had a chance to check through their stash.

We're on our way toward making the 50 kits we'll need for the classes. At the February Guild meeting, we'll be cutting the wool. If you bring your cutter and everyone does a little, we can finish it up very quickly and no one is away from their own hooking very long.

**REMINDER: BRING YOUR CUTTER WITH #4, #5, AND/OR #6 CUTTER HEADS TO THE FEBRUARY GUILD MEETING.**

## "Alphabet Challenge"

Mats will be displayed at the art exhibit at Lake Farm Park!

*Didn't get a letter but would like to participate? See Shirley Hairston*



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**Class is Full!**



**Donna Hrkman Designs**

Donnahrkmandesigns.com

**“Open Class”**

*“I like an open class so anyone can decide to do whatever she wants, and of course I can draw custom patterns and dye wool for projects.” Donna Hrkman*

**Federated Family Life Center**

**16349 Chillicothe Rd**

**Chagrin Falls, Ohio**

**March 26, 27, 28, 2020- 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**Teacher Fee \$120 due at time of sign-up**

**Make check payable to Donna Hrkman**

***Money received after Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> puts you on a wait list***

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**February** will be helping with both the Farm Park project and the Hook In projects that are underway. Both of these require many hands.

In **March**, Dave Lewis will present to us again. I am not sure what the topic will be, but his interests are many. For those who missed his last presentation missed a lot!

Our member “garage” sale is the **April** meeting. Sign up for tables will be at the March meeting. Bring those treasures you are certain others would value!

**May** we will vote on the slate of officers that is presented by the nominating committee at the April meeting





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## ABOUT THE WESTERN RESERVE RUG HOOKERS (WRRH)

THE WESTERN RESERVE RUG HOOKERS (WRRH), ATHA Chapter 119, meet the first Thursday of each month from September to June at the Family Life Center located at 16349 Chillicothe Road in Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

The meetings begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at 2:00 p.m. Bring a lunch, coffee and tea is provided.

WRRH is affiliated with the national rug hooking organization, Association of Traditional Hooking Artists (ATHA). You may find more information regarding ATHA at atharugs.com. To enjoy benefits provided by ATHA, all members of WRRH must also belong to the national organization.

It is our desire to promote interest in the art of rug hooking and encourage creativity, craftsmanship and self-expression. We meet monthly to visit with friends, hook together, and enjoy educational programs. We welcome new attendees and hope that you will choose to join our creative and talented group.

### RENEWAL

|                  | Chapter Dues | ATHA DUES | Total |
|------------------|--------------|-----------|-------|
| Chapter Only     | \$15         | \$0       | \$15  |
| Chapter and ATHA | \$15         | \$32      | \$47  |

### New Member

|                   | Chapter Dues | ATHA DUES | Total |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------|-------|
| June-Sept*        | \$15         | \$32      | \$47  |
| Oct, Nov, Dec     | \$15         | \$24      | \$39  |
| Jan, Feb          | \$15         | \$16      | \$31  |
| March, April, May | \$15         | \$8       | \$23  |

\*June-Sept will be considered dues for the following year (July 1-June30)

Chapter Members MUST be members of ATHA. ATHA membership may be applied across chapters.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

A big shout out to our Nominating Committee for giving their time to secure nominations for our 2020-2022 slate of officers. The slate of officers will be presented at the April meeting and we will vote at the May meeting.

**Diane Green      Deb Kraus**  
**Robin McNaught**

 Western Reserve Rug Hookers ATHA Chapter #119 

Invites you to join us at our Annual Hook-In

It's a.....

 "Hook-In-Bee"

"It's all the Buzzzzzz.....

**Saturday May 16, 2020**

**10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Doors Open at 9:30 am

**The Federated Church Family Life Center**

16349 Chillicothe Road

Chagrin Falls, Ohio 44023

**\$32.00 per Person- Includes:**  
Delicious Lunch, Beverages & Snacks

**Things to Enjoy...**

Incredible "Chance Raffle" Baskets & The Honey Bee Hooked Rug "Raffle"

and Exciting New Featured "Raffle" Items.... you'll  buzzing about!

Chance to win "drawing" Mats & Centerpieces along with a Thank You Gift to all our Guests!

You'll Bee  glad your left your Beehive to join us!! 

**Visit our Awesome Vendors:**

- |                      |                           |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| *Wool-n-Gardner      | *Because of Ewe           |
| *Heavens to Betsy    | *Woolen Folk Art          |
| *Breezy Ridge        | *Crows on the Ledge       |
| *Lambs End           | *The Crazy Wool Lady      |
| *Folk Art Primitives | *Traveling Woodbury Wools |

Please fill out and send or mail in the attached form with all your information!

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 30, 2020**

Your Meal Selection Reminder choice #  \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Registration Questions- contact Shirley at: [swh9421@gmail.com](mailto:swh9421@gmail.com)

Keep the Form Above and return the Form below with your check  
Registration Deadline is April 30, 2020

Mail this form and payment to:

\$32.00 Payable to WRRH

To: Shirley Hairston

12190 Country Oaks Trail

Chardon, Ohio 44024

Meal Choices:

All choices include a pickle and chips

1. Orange Walnut Chicken Salad Croissant with fruit salad.
2. Baked Ham Wrap (bacon, Swiss cheese, lettuce on a honey wheat shell) with honey mustard dip on the side & pasta salad.
3. Vegetarian Wrap with Cafe' Humus on the side & fruit salad.
4. Cafe' Salad with Sweet Cafe' Vinaigrette.
5. Gluten free- Turkey/Cheese sandwich (gluten free wheat bread) with herb mayo dip on the side & fruit salad.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City State/ Zip

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

MEAL CHOICE: Circle One- 1 2 3 4 5

Please indicate if you need Special or Handicap Seating arrangements Y / N

Note: Please write down your meal choice number and lunch description on your Hookin information sheet to keep for your reference. Thank You!

Committee use only: Date Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Check No.# \_\_\_\_\_ Meal # \_\_\_\_\_ SS \_\_\_\_\_