

September 2018

From the Board

(Shirley Hairston, President, Celia Esala, VP, Win Grossman, Secretary, Sibyl Osicka, Treasurer) (Pat Keith, membership chair is included as an ex-officio member)

We met on August 21st to plan our exciting year ahead. Many announcements will be made at the September meeting that I won't spoil in this newsletter!

The Board met and agreed to two items that have been brought to our attention:

Guild "Store"

The guild purchases the linen, monks cloth and rug warp for the convenience and benefit of our members. We ask that members purchase the background solely for personal use. WRRH does not have a vendor's license nor make a profit on the sales. Because of this we will limit the amount a member may purchase to 3 yards per meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Shirley.

Current prices: Monks Cloth and Rug Warp \$15, Primitive Linen \$22, Bleached Linen \$25.

Sale of supplies and products at meetings:

There have been several questions regarding the sale of Rug Hooking supplies and products at our general meetings. It is the practice of the guild to not allow vendor sales at the general meetings except for the meetings identified for a sale. This year it is June 2019. The objective is to treat all our vendor-members fairly.

The Chapter will gladly list any member's vendor information on our website and in our newsletter. Vendors can put a supply of cards or information on the member (nametag) table.

We do allow individuals to list items on our website or newsletter such as a used cutter or frame. Please send the information to 119WRRH@gmail.com to have this listed.

On special occasions there will be the sale of items from a retiring hooker or estate. These are arranged directly with the Board, and a per cent of the proceeds are donated to the chapter.

Always, a pile of free or giveaway rug hooking items are welcome at the meeting.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss please contact Shirley.

From Shirley's frame:

Hopefully we will soon have a nice looking newsletter with pictures and fancier fonts, but for now we are using email and MS Word. I wanted this to be delivered one week prior to our meeting. The chapter has an exciting list of teachers committed for the next two years as well as some fun meetings.

Our Hook-In Chairs, Linda Gustafson and Mary Horvath, report an active committee and will make some fun announcements at our September meeting. In the future we will include an update in the newsletter. The Committee is always looking for volunteers!

We are continuing our tradition of the annual scholarship based on participation. Each meeting you attend, and each time you volunteer at the meetings for Hostessing or the store you are entitled to add your name to the hat box. Doreen Butler is the \$235 scholarship for the 2017-18 year. The hatbox is located with the name tags.

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Thank You:

Diane Green, Linda Gustafson and the 2018 hook-in committee for moving our supplies from our prior home to our new home.

Deb Tomscheck and Karen Whitman for transporting our challenge pieces to and from Sauder this year. Your pieces are ready to pick up at the meeting.

Deb, Peggy, Rita and Linda for a great job they did the past two years for the chapter and the easy transition to continue on!

Thanks for listening!!! Shirley

From the Vice President Celia Esala

Fellow hookers of our Western Reserve Rug Hookers ATHA Chapter 119,

Thank you for your confidence in me to select our teachers for the 2018-2020 term. With your help and suggestions I have set up a slate of teachers for the next two years. My goal is to have teachers you have suggested and classes to encourage our creativity!

Unless the teacher can't be here for our Chapter meeting, these classes will run two full days with the teacher sharing a 45-minute presentation at the Thursday meeting. This will allow all members to meet the teacher and, if the teacher chooses to bring wools, etc., purchase items from them.

A special thanks to Linda Gustafson for arranging for Kris Miller of Spruce Ridge Rugs to be our first teacher on October 30-31st; Kris' class will be a great kick off to our next two years. Kris Miller is a self-taught rug hooker who has been hooking and designing rugs since 1998. Textures and wide-cut wool in the primitive style are her specialty and she has taught workshops and classes throughout the United States and England. She was chosen as an artist for the 2012, 2013, and 2015 Early American Life Directory of Traditional American Crafts. Most recently, she has authored the quintessential rug-hooking book, *Introduction To Rug Hooking*. Kris lives on a small fiber farm with her husband and an assortment of pampered animals including angora goats, sheep, alpacas, two dogs, and a cat. You can find out more at spruceridgestudios.com.

This class is full with a waiting list, but Kris will be here for our Nov. 1st Chapter meeting with a presentation on paisleys.

The classes do fill up quickly, so sign up with your class payment to save your place. I'm sharing the list of teachers through March 2020 so that if you have a teacher you want to take it will give you enough time to make your plans. I'll share something about each teacher before the class, but I have included their websites so you can research them on your own as well.

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| Oct. 2018 | Kris Miller, open class - FULL |
| March 2019 | Linda Powell, a study in detail, lcpowell.com |
| Oct. 2019 | Anne Bond, visionsofewe.com |
| March 2020 | Donna Hrkman, donnahrkmandesigns.com |
| Oct. 2020 | TBA |

Wooly hugs, Celia

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Volunteers:

Hostesses: Denise Wade, Anne Spano, Pat Keith and Cindy Hartman

Store: Cathy Koschki, Linda Gustafson

More volunteers are needed for our future meetings. Please see Clare Scarborough for Hostessing and Diane Green or Cindy Hartman for the store.

*** Our new location does not require set up or take down.

Announcements

Tena Rosen piece named a finalist in the 28th Celebrations!!!!

The piece will be at the September meeting to view in case you missed it at Sauder! Congrats Tena, way to represent!

2019 ATHA Biennial fundraisers. Two offers are available. The first is a high-quality burlap tote which can be hooked as a challenge piece. The second is a wonderful dye book. Each contributor to the book has included two (2) of his or her dye formulas! Both of these items will be a must-have for ATHA members. You can find information on the Biennial on ATHA's website

<https://www.atharugs.com/2019-atha-biennial-denver-colorado>

Used Frasier cutter for sale: \$300. Please contact Gail Soltar for information (gsoltar@oh.rr.com)

Next meeting is OCTOBER 4, 2018