

HOOKER HAPPENINGS

Crooked River Rug Hookers

June 2022



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## Vice-President's Musing

I loved the Garage Sale. It is a great way for a fairly new, newbie to pick up items I did not know I needed. If I can get my list together I just received what I need for the Hooking Class I am taking with Mary Berry at Convergence in July. I missed her Zoom talk [today](#). The Handweavers Guild of America records their interviews on their Facebook site. It should be there for a bit if any of you want to see it. I personally do not subscribe to Facebook. The site says you can log

in, [www.WeaveSpinDye.org](http://www.WeaveSpinDye.org) is the Handweavers website. I am just starting to learn names, I only know Mary Berry on The Great British Bake off.

I also gave away all the raffle prizes at the last meeting so if you have extra please bring it for give away. We also could use a program for June. (In all the craziness this weekend I cannot remember if we set one up). If we did not, as a back up maybe we can go around the room and everyone share a tip, then we all learn something.

Cheers  
Nancy

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Hook in news . . .

The hook in will be here before we know it. We have collected 21 mats that will be used as door prizes. Our goal is 50 so please consider hooking (or stitching or punching) one or two for tables. Also, 13 of the sunflowers have already been turned in. THANK YOU!

Registration for the hook in has begun and we currently have 67 hookers registered. Spread the word! Please note . . . special requests to your lunch request cannot be honored. The lunches come prepared and we regret special requests are not possible.

RAFFLE BASKETS are desperately needed. The committee has only received 2 so far. This is a major source of our hook in income. Please consider donating one. The baskets need not be hooking related. Let your imagination run wild. Do you have a frame you no longer need and it is just taking up space in your closet? DONATE IT! Someone would love to win it. How about wool you know you will never hook with? Hooking related books? Any and all baskets are most welcome.

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## Calendar of Events

June 5 - HEARTS and HARMONY, at Brunswick Historical Farm, 4613 Laurel Road, Brunswick, Oh 44212, time is 12 - 5.

This is a special day of remembrance, to remember those we have lost. There will be crafts, music, councilors and a reading of names, along with many other activities. Please let Nancy Page know if you plan to attend.

August 15-20 - Rug week at Sauder Village, Archbold

**September 17 - Hooktoberfest**

October 15 - Ft. Laurens hook in

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BRUNSWICK FARMERS MARKET

If you like being out in public showing your craft or if you want practice spinning in public, Nancy Page will have a tent at the Brunswick Farmers Market on Laurel Road, at the Brunswick Historical Farm, 4613 Laurel Road, Brunswick, Ohio 44212. It is quiet and calm and a great way to get used to doing the craft in public. The market is almost every **Sunday**, but there are a few dates when Nancy will be off elsewhere. There are occasional weather problems that cancel the market days. This is an opportunity to promote the craft and guilds. If interested, please contact Nancy Page and let her know you are coming. The market starts **June 12**, from 10:00 to 1:00. It finishes the weekend of **October 1 & 2** with the Pumpkin Festival, when the market is open until 5:00 p.m.

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**Our 2022 meeting dates at Westlake Porter Library**

June 22

July 27

August 24

September 28

October 26

November 16 (Note this is the third Wednesday because of Thanksgiving)

Snacks/treats are most welcome at our meetings. If you would like to bring something, please email Nancy Weitendorf at [n.weitendorf0709@gmail.com](mailto:n.weitendorf0709@gmail.com).

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Our current officers ~

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Secretary Nancy Weitendorf - n.weitendorf0709@gmail.com

Treasurer Kim Hirt - becauseofEWE@gmail.com

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## The minutes from our May meeting ... thank you Nancy Weitendorf!

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 by Vice President Nancy Page.

April minutes were approved, so moved by Nita Baker and seconded by Linda Waitrovich.

### **Budget**

In the absence of Treasurer Kim Hirt, Heidi Kramer reported that the budget currently stands at 11,951.40.

### **Sunshine committee**

Nothing to report. Please email requests for cards to Patty Cassidy ([C3pzat@aol.com](mailto:C3pzat@aol.com)).

### **Hook-in Committee**

The volunteer book was passed around. 56 people have registered so far for the hook-in. Nancy Weitendorf is collecting mats and sunflowers.

### **Membership**

Heidi Kramer reported that Membership is up to 56. She will be sending out a new roster by the end of this week. Renewals will be coming up in July, and we will start accepting money in June. Everyone must renew by August.

### **Old Business**

The Western Reserve drawing for raffle prizes will be on [June 2<sup>nd</sup>](#).

Please sign up for a slot to bring snacks for the rest of the year. The sheet is on the snack table.

Covid is spiking again. Anyone who wishes to wear a mask is encouraged to do so.

### **New Business**

Heidi reported that the guild's taxes have been filed for 2020. The annual charitable registration is done. There have continued to be banking issues with Huntington Bank, with difficulties as to who can represent the guild to the bank (signatures, addresses). The guild is looking into switching to another bank.

Heidi reported that owing to the lack of meetings during Covid, the guild's intended purpose is off track. The Board and committees need to meet and plan how to move forward in the future.

The guild has not yet filed their report to ATHA. It was due in March.

We had four visitors at this month's meeting:

Barb Trimble

Belinda Zabrecky

Jeanne Williams

Linda Robinson (she is our newest member!)

Our next meeting is [June 22<sup>nd</sup>](#). The meeting was closed at 10:38 by Nancy Page.

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CONNIE'S RUG HOOKING TIPS

When starting a project - check your border lines for parallel and squareness. Remember to put your pattern on your frame squarely and start hooking in the center.

Hook inside the pattern lines - especially small motifs and flowers..

Cutting wool - Tear large pieces of wool approx. 4-6" wide before cutting. This helps keep your strips cut on "grain" and they won't shred. Strips not cut straight will not hold up.

How high to hook? Rule of thumb is to hook as high as the strip is wide.

DON'T have cross overs on the back of any rug. These wear first when walked on.

Wool on the underside of your rug should lay flat against the backing of your rug.

NEVER have tails on the back side of a rug.

When hooking a rug with more than one size cut, make sure that your loops are all the same height. (This usually tends to be the largest cut.)

Frame rash - use a small hand towel on the edge of your work or a sock top on your wrist.

Holidays - unhooked areas in a rug

Areas in a rug that should have been hooked but weren't. These seem to be found mostly when hooking on projects that require a lot of wandering, tight curving loops, often referred to as "higgly piggly" or hooking "c's and s's".

After hooking a while on a piece, I look at the back side to check for loose threads or hanging strips. This is where I find my "holidays", because they aren't easy to spot from the top. So I put a **toothpick** half way through my hooking and put it back on my frame. That way I know just where to find where I need to fill in.

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Belated birthday greetings to:

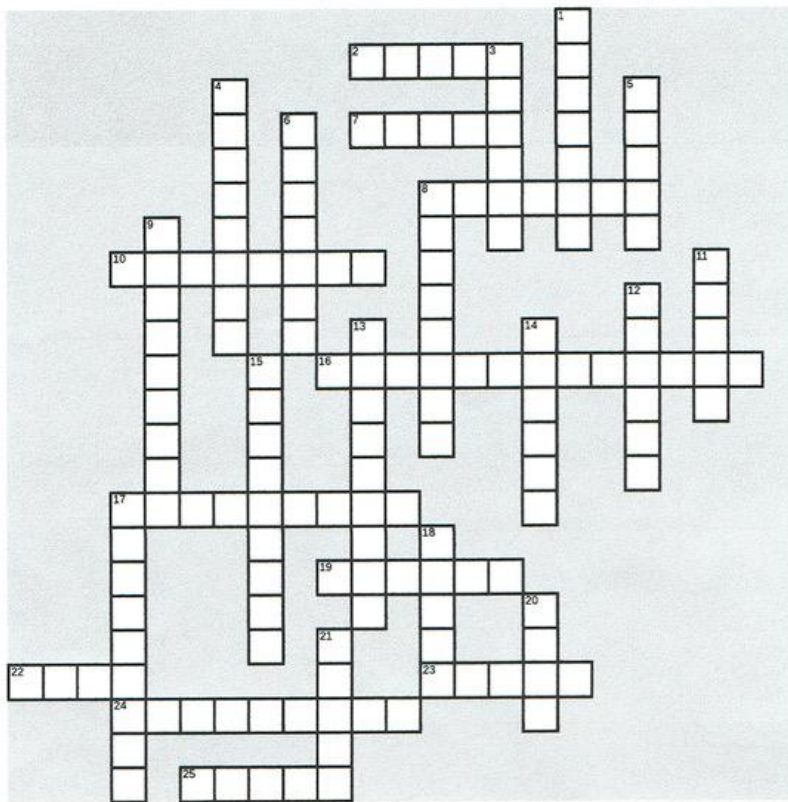
Doreen Butler - April 3

Heidi Kramer - April 25

And a very happy birthday on June 15 to Kaye Swor

Just for fun - contributed by Linda Waitrovich . . . please see next page 😊

## Hooking and Dyeing



Puzzle by Tricia Miller and Barb Ackemann - using online Crossword Hobbyist.com.

We hope you'll enjoy the challenge!

### Across

2. A small detached piece
7. To give up some color
8. Narrow border at edges of woven cloth.
10. A related use of wool that uses three long strips. Sometimes combined with hooking!
16. Color scheme with values and chromas of one hue
17. Angular or circular pattern
19. Intensity of a color
22. Dye leveling agent
23. Loosely coiled length of fiber
24. Forming a mental image of something
25. A pattern of stripes that cross each other

### Down

1. Acid used to set dyes
3. Unspecified flower

4. A finishing technique
5. Cloth made of flax
6. Process to prepare wool for dyeing
8. Cutting instrument with two blades
9. Design without details, often in wider cuts
11. A single or repeated design
12. Set of wool pieces of different values
13. Legal right to reproduce published work
14. Wide flaps pushed rom the back with a stick
15. Style of hooking where hooking is mounded up
17. Effect of dip dyeing
18. Wool consumers
20. Type of dye
21. Group with a common interest