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It has been a whirlwind start of a new ANWG Officer term. The ANWG team stepped up in the midst of change and cancellation, continued the momentum, and brought about the 2020-2022 ANWG Board. I wish to thank Linda Gettmann and all the Board members for making this happen. Let's

President's Message

keep moving forward. The following is a short recap of the past couple of months: • The ANWG Challenge Grants were received, reviewed by the Grant Committee, and award

letters forwarded on to the selected guilds. I am really looking forward to seeing the use of the

- grants, and the reports as guilds are able to safely schedule, and proceed with their classes, events, and projects. • The Annual ANWG 2020 Membership meeting set for June 6th at Willamette University was cancelled as a travel event. In lieu of waiting to meet at the 2021 ANWG Conference, the Annual Membership representatives conducted business through Survey Monkey online. A
- warm thanks to all involved in setting up the Survey, and seeing it through. The ANWG Board – Current and incoming met via Zoom, bringing members from Canada, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, and Washington together to handle the officer's rotation in, over, and Check out the present line up at https://northwestweavers.org/about/board/.
- out. We worked out the steps for a smooth transition of board members during the meeting. I am confident that everyone is staying busy and connected among all of the cancellations of events. Many of the events are offering virtual shopping to support the vendors who would have been at the conferences and festivals. Please consider showing your support with these groups of vendors, and

of course your local shops. We continue to weather the Covid-19 storm, and figure out connectivity together. I hope that your guilds are reaching the members in your communities virtually, continue to show and share projects, business, and news, as we stay in and social distance.

website: https://northwestweavers.org/about/board/apply-for-a-board-position/. The 2021 Conference Committee continues to plan an amazing event. Please check out the

The ANWG Board continues its search for a Webmaster. Job description and application are on the

Conference Blog https://anwgconference2021.com/blog/. New information is added to the website monthly.

Woven together,

Deborah Staehle

ANWG News

2020 ANWG Challenge Grant Winners

Congratulations to these six guilds for winning a \$600 challenge grant from ANWG: Rogue Valley, OR

 Skagit Valley, WA • Denman Island, BC • Threadbenders, OR

- Salem, OR Ponderosa, BC
- We look forward to reading about your events after the fact!

Outgoing Communications Chair/Newsletter Editor IIa McCallum gave outgoing President/current 2nd Vice President Linda Gettmann a beautiful double weave pick up runner, which she wove in

treasure this gift always, offering her thanks to Ila.

2021 ANWG Conference colors! Linda was thrilled to receive it, stating that the best part about

ANWG board service is all the wonderful people you meet and become friends with. Linda will

A Parting Gift

After practicing Jennifer's patterns from the books, the next step was to design a weaving using the

2021 ANWG Conference palette and a simple design. The ANWG logo has a beautiful font so the

four letters became the focus of the runner. Charting the design thread by thread was achieved by

printing the letters very large and then again enlarging them to the preferred size using my printer. I

copied the letters onto eight squares to the inch graph paper which worked well with the sett (32 epi

which is 16 epi per layer using 5/2 mercerized cotton). Each square represented two warps and two

wefts on my pickup chart. Following Jennifer's instructions, I carefully counted, picked up and wove;

working a little bit each day. A high degree of concentration is required to get each weft thread in the

The weaving was slow but extremely satisfying. As I started weaving, Linda was in my thoughts. She

wanted to do something special for her—it was right in front of me. Having a special reason for the

Hi Again



asked me to be the Communications Chair for ANWG and to assist with the 2021 ANWG Conference as Events/Activities Chair as well as Secretary. We have become good friends while attending to our ANWG duties. She was coming off the ANWG board as President in 2020 and I

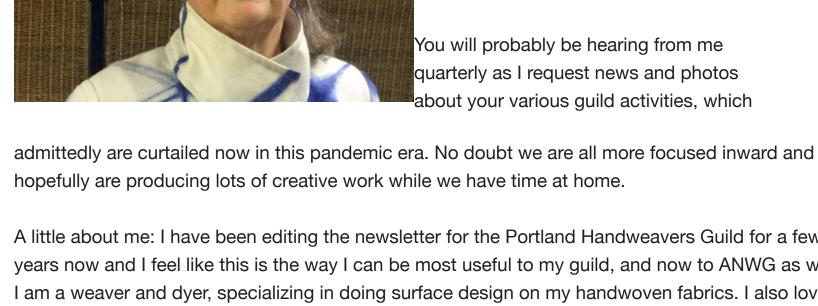
What a beautiful gift for Linda, and thanks to Ila for sharing the story!

weaving made each pass of the weft a joy."

correct position and working for long periods of time created a lot of reweaving.

I am Sylvia Emard, your new Communications Chair/Newsletter Editor, successor to Ila McCallum, who is now focusing on the 2021 ANWG Conference Events and Activities. I would like to thank

lla as well as Linda Gettmann for all their help in getting me started in this new role.



A little about me: I have been editing the newsletter for the Portland Handweavers Guild for a few years now and I feel like this is the way I can be most useful to my guild, and now to ANWG as well. I am a weaver and dyer, specializing in doing surface design on my handwoven fabrics. I also love sewing, garment design and reading about prehistoric fiber crafts. I look forward to working with all

You will probably be hearing from me

quarterly as I request news and photos

about your various guild activities, which

ANWG Website Member Gallery Needs Your Photos Acting Webmaster Isabelle Fusey has updated the ANWG website member gallery with photos of items that were to be brought to the canceled Annual Membership Meeting. Please email <u>Isabelle</u> a

photo of a show and share item from your membership. Click here to view the current gallery.

know can help out, or would like more information, please contact

and board meetings are on Zoom.

distancing, cleaning, and hand washing.

of you to produce and distribute the ANWG newsletter over the next couple of years.

Open ANWG Board Position: Webmaster Speaking of the Webmaster, ANWG is still seeking to fill this board position. If you or someone you

News From Member Guilds

Salem Fiberarts Guild

Salem Fiberarts Guild, like many guilds during these trying times, is not holding monthly meetings

webmaster@northwestweavers.org, or click here to read the job description and apply online.

The guild meets at the Willamette Heritage Center (WHC) in Salem, Oregon, on the 4th floor of the Mill Building in the Textile Learning Center. The guild and WHC have an agreement whereby a limited number of weavers can still weave on the 4th floor, which is now closed off to the public, on a reservation basis. All health guidelines are being observed, including the wearing of masks, social

Janet Rafolovich, pictured below, finished a scarf recently and proudly shows off her work.



lla McCallum

O'Connor, dug in and got it done!

are being made to offer on-line programs and even workshops as long as we can't meet in person. Our new board is in place and working to figure all this out, including what we will do with regard to our regular Fall Sale scheduled for late October. During this time of isolation, our new Social Media chair has been working hard to create community

and inspiration online. She posts a weekly "Hot off the Loom" post to social media for Weaving

programs will likely continue to be virtual through the rest of 2020, but after that - who knows? Plans

Seattle Weavers' Guild

As for all of us, 2020 has been a strange year for SWG. Due to the pandemic, our meeting venue, St.

much of the time, anyway. Like many organizations, we have been using the internet more and more,

to do guild business such as officer elections, to hold board and study group meetings, to share our

A major milestone for us was the finalization of 501c3 status, making donations to SWG tax free. We

have been a 501c4 all these years but finally our Treasurer, Arni Litt, and our President, Eileen

What the next fiscal year holds is, of course, still up in the air. We know that our meetings and

weaving. Through emails, our website, using Zoom, we have kept our contacts and our business

going although, of course, it's not the same as being in the same place together.

Mark's Cathedral in Seattle, has been closed. Of course we were under stay-at-home orders for

Wednesday. We have started a Ravelry group where people can share ideas, information and tips & tricks. You can find the Seattle Weavers Guild on the following platforms: Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SeattleWeaversGuild/ Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/seattleweaversguild/ Twitter: https://twitter.com/SeattleWeavers Ravelry: https://www.ravelry.com/groups/seattle-weavers-guild We SWG and ANWG folks are lucky that we have a love of fiber arts to keep us busy and productive

Like most other guilds PHG is working to adjust to the new meeting and distancing requirements created by the coronavirus pandemic. We held our last in-person meetings in March with a presentation from Daryl Lancaster, and she then led our last workshops of the year. Our remaining spring and upcoming fall workshop were cancelled, and we're anxious about how things will look

next spring. In the meantime, we're Zooming into the new norm with online meetings. So far our

busy, and to have a normal, albeit distanced, presentation from Deborah Jarchow for our May

April, May and June meetings have all been online, and though attendance is down a bit those who

do attend have really appreciated the chance to reconnect, to share what we're working on to keep

Portland Handweavers Guild

Our year end general meeting in June saw the election of new officers, and members shared what they've been working on. So many people are making use of the extra time at home to work on projects that have been waiting in the wings, or tackling larger projects that may have seemed daunting at first. Looking ahead, we're hoping to make the best of things by focusing on programs where presenters can use slide presentations to illustrate their talks, and we'll be recording our programs for viewing later by folks who can't make it to the meetings. In the meantime we continue

meeting. (We really missed being able to handle her chenille cloth.)

to share what we're working on, and taking inspiration from others.

during these strange times. Good health to everyone!

Sue Willingham

Dan Steves

event is still being held.

July 31-August 2, 2020

newsletter@northwestweavers.org.

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associations.

Eureka, MT

Amy Belgan Tapestry: Drag Queens Round 2

Fiber Events

Due to the COVID-19 situation, event scheduling is fluid. Please check the links to be certain the

Copper K Fiber Festival July 18-19, 2020 Whitehall, MT To learn more about the festival and to sign up for classes, visit the Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/groups/1405060639801056/ or website https://www.ranchingtraditionfiber.com/copper-k-fiber-fest

Eureka Fiber Fest

Red Alder Fiber Arts Retreat February 11-14, 2021 **Tacoma, Washington** redalderfiberarts.com

https://www.facebook.com/fiberfesteureka/_or http://www.eurekafiberfest.org/

ANWG Newsletter Deadlines and Formats

The deadline for news articles for the ANWG newsletter "Northwest News" is the 10th of the

Articles should be no longer than two pages typewritten and contain a maximum of three photos.

Newsy, short articles with photos about guild happenings are of greatest interest. All photos sent

month of issuance: January, April, July, and October. Articles may be sent at any time to

To learn more about the festival and to sign up for classes, see

may be used in the ANWG newsletter "Northwest News" and/or on the ANWG website. Before sending photos obtain permission of those people pictured to have their photo in the ANWG newsletter and/or website. If you have any questions, contact Sylvia Emard, Communications Chair and Newsletter Editor, at newsletter@northwestweavers.org.

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