

Weave to
re-create
the past



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create for
the future

The Roving

April, 2025

April, 2025 Greetings, HWOTV!

Lately, and at last, I have had the opportunity to regularly weave on my floor loom at home. Health issues and outside commitments have conspired to make it difficult to find time to do this for the last couple of years. This is my "most favoritest" fiber arts thing to do, and I have been thoroughly enjoying it. However, I had an absolutely lovely and productive time at the last small loom workgroup. As much as I enjoy my floor loom, it does not lend itself to social activities. There is definitely something to be said about the satisfaction to be gained from practicing our craft among colleagues and friends. If you are not part of one of our small groups, I encourage you to join one. If, for example, there is not currently a felters' group, just take your projects to another group, and I am sure you would still be welcome. Even better, take the initiative and organize a group for your specialty if it doesn't exist. There could even be a few groups



Guild Meeting:
**Due to
scheduling
conflicts at the
Memorial
Building,
THERE WILL BE
NO GUILD
MEETING THIS
MONTH! (SEE
BELOW)**

organized, not by craft, but by location for those of us who live in some of our more distant areas. I highly recommend it.

Due to a conflict at the veterans building facility, the **April meeting is canceled**. However, since we are free now on April 12, you are welcome to join us at the Mooney Grove Park outside of the museum. We will be there from 9:45 to 3:30. You can come for some or all of that time. Bring your spinning or small looms/projects.

Julie McIntosh, President

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**And NOW.....News from
Our Vice-President and Program Chairman, Monica!**



Thanks so much to Judy A for the wonderful program on 2- D felting. Everyone had a great time at the program, which was marked with conversation and laughter and very beautiful projects. Judy is recovering from back surgery and was generously assisted by Cathy Proctor, another very talented felter (the one who makes dragonflies).

**If you participated in the program, please remember to bring your piece for
SHOW and TELL!**

PROGRAMS

******Due to circumstances beyond our control the
April 12th meeting has been cancelled.******

**Our scheduled program on Summer and Winter will be presented in
June. So, on June 14th, we will study a few beginning weaving
concepts and Summer and Winter weave structure. This program will
inspire you to take a dive into a special project or experiment with
this 2-tie weave.**

On May 10th Laurie will begin the road to Tour de Fleece with information for new members as well as folks who have not participated in a while. In addition to a plethora of handy resources and general information, members will be able to clean and tune-up your equipment. The guild will provide rags, Murphy's Oil Soap, wax, buckets, and an assortment of other handy items. You may bring your own supplies if you wish. You will want to be prepared for THIS Tour de Fleece!

**In June, we will present the Summer and Winter weaving structure, along with
floating selvages, and how to read a draft. Then, you will be sent off with a
Summer project.**

**The calendar has been updated. Please refer to the website (hwotv.org) for the
new calendar!**

The **sign-up sheet for the Dharma Trading Company canvas bags** will be available again at the May meeting (just in case you were not able to attend the March meeting). If you remember, Dee Dee offered to organize and order canvas bags for our Ice Dye program in September. Each bag is about \$8.00 (to

cover bag/tax/shipping). This is an optional offer; you do not have to purchase a bag to dye.

TULARE COUNTY JAMBOREE

The silver lining to the cancellation of the April meeting is that we have time to attend and perform outreach at the Tulare County Jamboree. I have notified Amy at Mooney's Grove, we will be able to demonstrate (spin, weave, other) on April 12, 2025 from 10-3. It is a time for members to gather and show the community how we make yarn, or how many pieces of yarn become fabric. It is an opportunity for our guild to publicize our talents. If you can attend this event, please contact Julie or Monica.

SHOW and SALE

The guild voted on the two proposals at the March meeting. Both proposals were passed. Thank you for your input and your votes.

Just a reminder... if you are planning on selling at Show and Sale, your dues must be paid by April 30th.

Please save the date... October 24th (set up) and October 25th (Show and Sale).

We would love to have all members participate in some way, whether it is SHOW or SALE or BOTH!

MEMBERSHIP

Our Membership list has been sent out. The list was sent via email to all members. PLEASE look at YOUR information and verify it. No mistake is too small for Sophie to correct!

SAMPLE:

Joe Blow	550-730-7787	12345 Rd. 123	Visalia, CA	93277	jblow@ad.com
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My number is 559-730-7787. My email is actually: jblow@aol.com

Thank you for taking the time to look at your information and notifying Sophie. As we correct the information, we can contact our members efficiently and easily.

BIOGRAPHIES

If you have not written your biography, please write a short and sweet version. Members at the February meeting followed this outline. Share what you are comfortable sharing with our group.

Write a small biography about you for the guild newsletter! Please include:

Your name

When you first fell in love with fiber arts

What fiber art are you involved in (currently)

Where you live

Optional: jobs, family (includes spouses, kids, g'kids, nieces, nephews, and more)

PLEASE MEET...

My name is Emma Adest and I live most of the time in Springville, with some time spent on the East Coast, in Maine, as well. I learned to knit around middle school, and did a little bit along with needle felting, but didn't start regularly until about 5 years ago. I started learning to spin in July 2024, and am now spinning, knitting, and a little yarn and fiber dyeing. My family owns a ranch, and I grew up spending a lot of time outside, so I look for ways to incorporate inspiration and materials from these surroundings into my crafts.

AND...

My name is Hope Overholt. In my first college endeavor at Porterville Community College, I began to learn to knit. I was 19, I think. Life got in the way until I was about 40. We stopped at the State Fair in Sacramento and only had the afternoon, so we selected the 4-H Pavillion to visit. There were a number of young people demonstrating wool carding. Strange as it may seem, that really caught my attention. Later at the Tulare County Fair, there was a booth in the Women's Pavillion. A woman was carding and spinning on a wheel. This really stirred an interest and determination to learn to spin. It wasn't until 1992 though before I finally contacted the guild and began to learn about fiber arts. My husband bought my first wheel. The rest is history!

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Last month, we shared Peggy's recipe for delicious Tortellini Soup. This month, here is Nikki's scrumptious recipe.

### MEXICAN CHICKEN CORN CHOWDER

1 ½ lb chicken breasts, cut in bite-size pieces, brown in 3 Tab butter

½ cup chopped onion

1 or 2 cloves garlic, minced

2 chicken bouillon cubes dissolved in 1 cup hot water

½ to 1 tsp ground cumin

2 cups ½ and ½ cream

2 cups (8 oz) shredded Monterey Jack cheese

1 can cream style corn

4 oz. Can chopped green chilies

In Dutch oven, brown chicken, onion and garlic in butter. Add the dissolved cubes and cumin; bring to boil. Reduce heat, cover, and simmer for 5 minutes. Add cream, corn, cheese, chilies and ¼ to 1 tsp. hot pepper sauce. Cook and stir over low heat until cheese is melted. (Stir in one chopped tomato if desired.)

Serves 6

From Barbara Milbradt by way of Jacque Randolph then to Nikki Crain

*Note: I use fat free ½ & ½ and it tastes just as good with much less fat. When it says it serves 6, that's if you are having something else with it. But as a meal in itself with maybe crackers and some fruit, it's more like 4 servings. It's really fast and Rich loves it. Hope you do too. –Nik*

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Kaweah Konnection: Kaweah Konnection- Meets second Wednesday of the month at the Community Presbyterian Church in Three Rivers. Please contact Linda Hayden - saddleblankets@haydenranches.com for further info.

Squeekie Wheels has resumed our regular schedule! Plan to bring your wheels and spin up a storm on **April 18th** at 10:00 and then our second Squeekie get-together **April 25th** at 3:30. Also be sure to bring your show and tell items so we can all see what you've been spinning, weaving, knitting, or crocheting! Any questions? sophieab@sbcglobal.net
See you on **April 18th & the 25th!**

Exeter Public Library
230 E. Chestnut Street,
Exeter, CA



No items for sale this month.

SEE YOU NEXT MONTH!



