



WESTFIELD WEAVERS

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Co-Presidents: Devorah & Karen A.
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Treasurer, MAFA Rep & Web Site: Steve
Secretary: Phyllis
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Historian: Jean
Bead Group: Ellen & Judith M.
Mixed Media: Anne & Chrys

2008-2009 Program Dates:

Mon 09/22/08 – Pot Luck Dinner
Mon 10/20/08 – Daryl Lancaster – Color/Inspiration
Sat 10/25/08 – Guild Fundraiser – Greeting Cards
Mon 11/17/08 – Jappie King-Black – Coiling/Crochet
Fri & Sat - 11/21&22 – Sale at Cathie's
Mon 12/15/08 – Cookies & Ornament Exchange
REV Mon 01/19/09 – CANCELLED DUE TO SNOW
REV Mon 02/16/09 – Ellen - Recycled Books & Collage
Mon 03/16/09 – Carol Westfall – Critical View of Art
REV Mon 04/20/09 – Fiber Pot Luck
Mon 05/18/09 – Jean & Cathie – 2008 Convergence
REV Sat 06/06 OR 13 – Kerr Grabowski - Deconstructed
Screen Prt & Recycled Materials Guild Challenge Due

Web Site:

<http://www.westfieldweavers.org/>

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, March 16, 2009 at 7:30PM

Program: Carol Westfall

A Critical Look At Artwork

Host: Judi S.

Co-host: Maxine

PLEASE RSVP to the host:

Judi S. 908-233-1126 artlastkey@webtv.net

Minutes From February 16, 2009 Meeting at Devorah's House

Meeting called to order at 7:50pm and ended at 10pm.

Editor's Note: A BIG THANK YOU to Arleen for taking notes for me at this meeting and to Karen for co-hosting for me and to Steve for taking pictures. THANKS SO MUCH!!

Present: Karen, Devorah, Steve, Ellen, Anne, Cathie, Arleen, Lisa, Marie

Old Business: None

New Business:

- Treasurer's Report: We have a balance of \$2,359.49.
- Andi Trasborg is a prospective new guild member. She has attended two meetings and at her next meeting (her 3rd) she will bring samples of three different weaving techniques.

- Please RSVP to meetings –
 - Active guild members are expected to attend each meeting or to call the host if planning to be absent.
 - Associate members are not expected to attend each meeting, but should RSVP to the host if they do plan on attending a meeting.
 - Please remember to RSVP to the host, it really helps in their planning the refreshments and layout of the room.
 - Also, if you'd like to bring a guest to a meeting, please contact the host ahead of time and confirm that it's okay.

- Materials fees and guild dues discussion –
 - A discussion took place as to whether the Guild should cover materials fees for programs or whether members should continue to cover them. If the Guild does cover the materials fees for programs, the annual dues may need to be raised (for example, from \$20 to \$30). There is a concern about the Guild being able to finance presenter fees. This will be discussed further in the future.

- A suggestion was made to have presenters sign a contract re: the programs they'll give to the guild.

- Remaining 2008-2009 Programs – Changes have been made to the April and June meetings in order to best accommodate Kerr Grabowski's workshop on Deconstructed Screen Printing. Here is the schedule as it now stands:
 - March meeting – as originally planned
 - Monday, March 16, 2009
 - Program: Carol Westfall – A Critical Look at Artwork
 - Host: Judi S.
 - Co-host: Maxine

 - April meeting – date and program changes AND WE STILL NEED A LOCATION!
 - Moved to MONDAY, April 20, 2009
 - Program: “Fiber Pot Luck” – WW Guild Members bring samples of favorite fiber techniques and handouts.
 - **Host: WE NEED A HOST/LOCATION FOR THIS MEETING!! IF YOU CAN HOST THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT KAREN kandrus@verizon.net AND DEVORAH devorah.wolf@verizon.net**
 - Co-host: Phyllis

 - May meeting – as originally planned
 - Monday, May 18, 2009
 - Program: Jean West & Catherine Marchant – 2008 Convergence and Workshops
 - Host: Arleen
 - Co-host: Marie

 - June meeting – date and program changes
 - Moved to a SATURDAY in June – TBD – May be June 6th or 13th – Starting at 10am
 - Program: Kerr Grabowski – Workshop on Deconstructed Screen Printing (& Recycled Materials Guild Challenge Due)
 - Host: Maxine – Note: Location Subject To Change due to the nature of the program
 - Co-host: All guild members – bring your own lunch and something to share

- Program Ideas for 2009-2010 – Marie would like to have suggestions for next year’s programs. She can be reached at mariemorello@gmail.com
- The MAFA Reps spring meeting will be held the weekend of the Maryland Sheep & Wool Festival, May 2nd & 3rd. If you can attend and represent our Guild, please contact Steve for more information on exactly when and where the meeting will be held.
- Our next meeting is Monday, March 16th at Judi Shanosky’s house. Maxine is the cohost. (Please remember to RSVP to Judi.) Carol Westfall will lead a program entitled: What, Where, and Why? A Critical Look at Artwork. What is the artist trying to say? Was it said well? Was it worth saying?
 - Carol Westfall’s web site is www.carolwestfall.com and has examples of her artwork.
 - Her Artist's Statement (from her web site): “I have been exploring the cultural roots and contemporary imagery of the fiber art movement that evolved from the study of some aspects of textile traditions. These traditions, which encompass an extraordinary variety of materials, processes and most importantly visual messages, are integrated with my interests in feminist concerns, current issues in the arts and an abiding love for ethnic and tribal textiles. An artist is concerned mainly with the visual message, that culminating image - the medium is usually irrelevant.”

Show & Tell:

Lisa – Lisa brought her new son, Jedidiah Grant Ellis. He was born on January 16, 2009. Congratulations and Best Wishes to the Ellis family and a Big Welcome to Jedidiah!

Recycled Books & Collage Program by Ellen Hess

A fabulous transformation of books – from cardboard with a spine to elegant personal journals. The program was enjoyed by all. Ellen prepared an extensive array of tools and materials and members came with personal choices for their covers. Photos courtesy of Steve.

