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CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

JANUARY 2012
January 7, 2012 9:00am-4:00pm

FEBRUARY 2012 - no meeting

MARCH 2012
March 10, 2012 9:00am-4:00pm

APRIL 2012 – Retreat
(more information to follow)

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**CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA BASKET
WEAVERS' GUILD MEMBERSHIP:**
To join, please send \$20 for 2012 dues
along with this completed form to:
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Spring Grove, PA 17362

Name: _____
Address: _____

Phone: _____
Email: _____

To keep membership current, please pay
before the end of January, 2012. Membership dues
help to pay for guild activities and expenses as
approved by the board including meeting space.
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If you do not have access to email or cannot receive
newsletters electronically, please check here to
have newsletters mailed to you. _____

JANUARY 2012 GUILD EVENT

What: Party, swap and weave!
When: Saturday, January 7, 2012; 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Where: Gravel Hill U.M. Church, Palmyra, PA

Join us on the first Saturday of 2012 for our annual Guild party, swap and weave. Please bring a basket (wrapped) to exchange at the Basket Swap! Lunch will be provided by the guild (sandwich/wrap choices, sides, dessert, drinks).

Bob Broome will be teaching his Ribbon basket. Materials are listed below. **Please contact Bob Broome before December 24 if you will attend (rcbroome@verizon.net or 717-392-4560);** we will need to order a base for each person who will be weaving. The guild will pay for the bases for all current members (you can pay your 2012 dues ahead of time or at the party).

MATERIALS TO BRING:

½" flat, spokes (dyed): 20 at 14" [Bob dyed his 'walnut'; or even use smoked]

½" flat, weavers (natural): at least 26 feet

#3 round reed, smoked (3x 24 feet (top weave); 3x6 feet (bottom))

3/8" flat, false rim

½" flat oval, rim: at least 4 feet

¼" or 11/64" flat, lashing

#3 seagrass, rim filler (2 feet)

2 spools grosgrain ribbon (5/8") in your favorite color

1 5" slotted base (see above to pre-order)



MARCH 2012 GUILD EVENT

- What:** Wool drying basket (Jean Foutz, instructor)
When: Saturday, March 10, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Where: Gravel Hill U.M. Church, Palmyra, PA

Jean Foutz will be teaching this Wool Drying Basket, pattern by Sharon McElroy. This basket is 12" x 14" and 11" tall. Jean will provide the pattern, 4 dark stained feet, 5/8" half round for the rims and #8 round for \$12. Just the pattern will be \$4. **CONTACT JEAN at jlfoutz@verizon.net or phone 717- 838-6563 BEFORE MARCH 1.** You'll still need to bring the other reed needed:

- 5/8" flat for spokes – lots
- 5/8" Flat Oval for reinforcement of bottom – 2 pieces under 14" each should do
- #4 round – lots
- 1/2" flat – 9 rows of weaving
- 1/4" FO – 14 rows of under 40 " (can get rid of shorties) and 2 pieces - very long for the lashers
- 1/4" flat or FO for **color** – once around and x's

Or here is the whole materials list if you want to bring it all:

- 1/4" flat or flat oval in natural and dyed
- 1/2" flat for weavers
- 5/8" flat for spokes (cut 9 - 42" spokes; 11 - 39" spokes)
- #4 round reed
- 2 pieces of 5/8" half round at least 65" long
- Small amount of #8 round reed
- 5/8" flat oval (supports for bottom of basket)
- 4 large basket feet, 12" long.



DIRECTIONS TO GRAVEL HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 131 GRAVEL HILL ROAD, PALMYRA, PA 17078

FROM INTERSTATE 81: Exit 80 (Grantville), take 743 South to Route 22 (about 1 mile). Turn left (east) onto Route 22, proceed for approximately 1 mile to Gravel Hill Road (green sign that reads: Palmyra 6 miles), turn right (south) onto Gravel Hill Road. Follow for 4.5 miles to white church on right - Gravel Hill United Methodist Church.

FROM Route 422: Go to the "square" in Palmyra, turn north onto North Railroad Street, continue approximately 1.5 miles to white church on left.

2011 A WEAVING ODYSSEY

September's Odyssey was a resounding success, according to feedback from attendees! We wove beautiful baskets including marvelous miniatures, terrific twills, amazing ash and stunning Nantuckets. And, amazingly, our weekend avoided earthquakes, hurricanes, and the flooding that occurred in the weeks surrounding it!

Plans are under way for the 2012 Odyssey. And it looks like we'll be at a new venue! More information to come in the next newsletter!

OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER – Basket Cradles

Many beautiful cradles were woven thanks to Jean Fisher's expertise and patience! Here is a picture of mine 'in progress' and the final cradle basket. A fun challenge, at least for me! Thank you Jean!

