



## **Pioneer Valley Weavers**

[www.pioneervalleyweavers.org](http://www.pioneervalleyweavers.org)

**December 13, 2022**

We are a guild of weavers united by our common fascination with the interlacement of fibers. Some of us are just beginning to enjoy weaving, others are fairly proficient and a few are professional weavers. Several of us are at the loom every day while others struggle to find small bits of time in which to weave. We weave on large looms in separate rooms devoted just to weaving and small looms on the kitchen table. We gather to encourage and learn from each other. PVW is the sum total of our actions, reflected as our reputation. Join us!

Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday from September through June  
at **WEBS**, 75 Service Center Road, Northampton, MA, in Classroom 3

(As our meetings are in the evening, when WEBS is closed, access to the meeting is through a back door. When facing WEBS, drive between the building and stockade fence at the left of the building. Take a right around the building to park and access Classroom 3 through the small door to the left of the large garage door. If not open, knock! The area is well-lighted.)

Social time begins at 6:00 pm, followed by a business meeting at 6:30 pm  
The evening's program will start at 7:00 pm.

[Pioneer Valley Weavers wish to express their gratitude  
to \*\*WEBS\*\*  
for their long term and generous support of our Guild and our programs.](#)

### **December's Presentation:**

Join **Barbara Elkins** and **Mary Jones** as we take a tour of the weaving yarns of **WEBS**. We will learn what makes a good warp and weft while we revisit old favorites and are introduced to some surprising choices. This will be a great opportunity for new inspiration for the coming year.

There will also be a **Potluck Social**, see details on the next page.

## **December Potluck Social**

Hello Weavers,

WEBS is allowing food at our meetings just in time for our holiday pot luck. We will be having a program but, we can squeeze in some food. No Yankee Swap this year.

**The meeting will begin at 6:00 note change!**

If your last name begins with:

A-F please bring something savory.

G-Z please bring something sweet.

It would be very helpful if you can list ingredients or the food label as several members have allergies.

In the past we have all brought our own plates and utensils, we will have some available if you forget.

Any questions contact Cindy Romaniak at [mathmaniak@comcast.net](mailto:mathmaniak@comcast.net) or 413-433-9773.

Coffee and tea will be served. Looking forward to all the goodies!

*Cindy Romaniak*

*Hospitality*

## **Chair's Corner**

Hello Weavers,

On the last Friday of each month, Barbara Elkins hosts a weaver's Discussion Group.

We all gather to discuss all aspects of weaving. Much of the discussion is centered around weaving projects members have brought in, but it can be questions or problems with warps and/or projects. Successes and how you got there.

I recently brought in an overshot study I had done for everyone's thoughts. The comments were invaluable, ideas I hadn't thought about. A member who dyes her yarn illustrated how one color played off another and what made that particular combination work for her. Another member brought in a wonderful piece woven by a local weaver. Design, structure, yarn are all considered.

There are often 10-15 of us so the discussion is lively and full of information. Please join us on the last Friday of the month at WEBS in Classroom 2 at 2pm and bring a project, a question, an idea, or yourself. You can't beat group think!

*Nina*

# Pioneer Valley Weavers Guild

## *Agenda*

December 13, 2022

November Minutes

Treasurer's Report

NEWS Report

Library Report

Marketplace Report

Membership Report

- Welcome Donna McGill

Discussion Group

New Business

Door Prize

Show and Share

Program - Weaving Yarns of WEBS, Barbara Elkins & Mary Jones

*Have your  
Newsletter Agenda handy  
for the  
Business portion  
of the meeting  
So you can  
follow along.*



*"Are. You. Ready. To. Weeeave?"*

**Pioneer Valley Weavers**  
**Minutes for 11/8/2022**

The November meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM, by Nina Laurie, Chair. Nina welcomed the 11 members in attendance.

**Minutes** of the October meeting were approved as published.

Deb Adamczyk reported on **Treasury** activity, we are currently at \$5,248.83

Deb Adamczyk gave a **NEWS** update. Committee visited Worcester campus to make sure everything will be good. Deb sent the NEWS newsletter that includes some of the program information.

Carol Birtwistle reported on the **Library** that there's nothing new to report, but new books coming soon.

Lynn Field shared that there will be a **Discussion Group** meeting November 18 at 2pm in Classroom 3.

There are several new items in the **Marketplace**.

There will be a survey going out from Cindy Romaniak for the **Program** committee to help focus on future programming ideas.

Cindy Romaniak got the ok that we can now offer refreshments during our meeting. If you bring something, please list what the ingredients are.

Nina Laurie adjourned the meeting at 6:42.

Show & Share

Our program was on "Setts in All Their Glory and The Yarn Balance Lecture" with Susan Conover.

*Sarah Cooper*  
*Recording Secretary*

Nancy Evans,



## PIONEER VALLEY WEAVERS

Program Year 2022 - 2023

### TREASURER'S REPORT

October 11, 2022 - November 7, 2022

Nancy Evans, Treasurer

#### Florence Savings Bank ~ Checking Account

Balance on July 1, 2022		\$4,427.38	\$4,427.38	
Balance on October 11, 2022	\$5,041.03			
Income		YTD	BUDGET	
Dues	\$60.00	\$1,020.00	\$900.00	
Marketplace	\$355.00	\$370.00	\$200.00	
N.E.W.S. Entry Fees			\$50.00	
Workshop Fees				
Loom Rental Fees				
Donations		\$360.00	\$100.00	
<b>TOTAL INCOME RECEIVED</b>	<b>\$415.00</b>	<b>\$1,750.00</b>	<b>\$1,250.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Expenses				IN-KIND
Auditor			\$175.00	
Bank Charge		\$28.30	\$30.00	
Community Outreach		\$62.59	\$50.00	
Corresponding Secretary				
Marketplace				
Historian				
Hospitality				
Library		\$33.96	\$50.00	
Big E Award			\$50.00	
N.E.W.S. Dues			\$20.00	
N.E.W.S. Entry Fees			\$50.00	
Newsletter				
Program	\$207.50	\$414.00	\$1,610.00	
Workshop		\$390.00		
Sunshine Fund				
Website			\$170.00	
Membership				
Door Prizes				
Loom Rental Expenses				
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$207.50</b>	<b>\$928.85</b>	<b>\$2,205.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>INCOME LESS EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$207.50</b>	<b>\$821.15</b>	<b>-\$955.00</b>	
<b>Balance November 7, 2022</b>	<b>\$5,248.53</b>	<b>\$5,248.53</b>	<b>\$3,472.38</b>	

#### Checking Account ~ Loom Rental Program

Balance on October 11, 2022	\$307.00
Income	\$0.00
Expenses	\$0.00
<b>Balance on November 7, 2022</b>	<b>\$307.00</b>

PVW is always willing to accept cash donations.  
Please send donation checks to our Treasurer, Nancy Evans, 233 Forest Park Avenue. Springfield, MA 01108. Thank you!

## **Membership**

Membership in PVW renews annually. The guild year runs from July 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup>. Dues are \$30., which includes monthly programs from September through June, access to PVW's vast Library, discounted workshop fees, access to our loaner looms, and our Newsletter. Other benefits are occasional notices of outside workshops, looms and equipment for sale, exhibits from other guilds, reduced entry fees for NEWS exhibits and inclusion on the NEWS Guild Table Display. Our Membership Chair is *Peggy Wolff*. You can mail Peggy your check for \$30. made to Pioneer Valley Weavers at 126 Cave Hill Road, Leverett, MA 01054

***PVW Welcomes*** Donna McGill who has recently joined. Members, please introduce yourself to Donna and help her learn the benefits of the guild.

## **Discussion Group**

Just in case you were wondering, Discussion Group is on break for December. Neither possible date works without bumping into the holidays. Our next meeting will be on the 20<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 at WEBS.

Let's keep up the great attendance and participation that we've had this fall. It's been terrific.

Barbara Elkins, eevaweaver@gmail.com

## **Library**

The PVW library is open during WEBS' store hours. The keys to the cabinets are located on the side of the white bookcase, which is to your left as you enter the Weaving Office.

Library holdings may be borrowed for four weeks at a time. Please return items on time so they are available to other guild members.

The return box is in cabinet #1. The sign out/sign in notebook is placed on top of the return box.

### DECEMBER 2022 SCHEDULE FOR CLASSROOM #3

The following is a list of days and dates when the library is inaccessible because of classes.

Friday December 9: 1pm – 5:00 pm  
Saturday, December 10: all day  
Tuesday, December 13: 2 pm – 5:00 pm

### **Marketplace**

Marketplace will return in December. There are a few new items for your purchasing pleasure.

### **New England Weavers Seminar (NEWS)**

Worcester State University  
July 20 – 23, 2023  
<https://www.newenglandweavers.org>

The NEWSletter was posted to the NEWS website in early November; use the above website to access. Refer to the NEWSletter and website for the most recent updates on exhibits and the NEWS Program.

### **PVW WEBSITE**

Our web site, <http://www.pioneervalleyweavers.org/> is open to the public except for the Members Only menu selection. As requested by our group, access will continue to be protected by User Id and Password. We are always happy to add pictures. Please send contributions to Jackie Proko at [dancndog@cox.net](mailto:dancndog@cox.net).

User Name and Password are case sensitive:

User Name: **PVWGuild**

Password: **W3ave!2019**

### **SHOW AND SHARE**

At every meeting there's a table to display your latest creations. Don't be shy! Share what you've been working on, a new weaving book you bought, trial and error, etc. Members have the option to talk about their item, with the membership, between the business meeting and the Program.

### **SIGN-IN BOOK AND NAME TAGS**

Please take the time to sign-in yourself and any guests! We encourage all members to wear nametags every month for the benefit of newer members.

## **NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE SUBMISSIONS**

Please feel free to share your tips and newly learned tricks, pictures from a related trip, your recent creation, a book review, etc. with the membership through the following resources:

Please email newsletter submissions to

Debbie Adamczyk at

[djadamczyk@comcast.net](mailto:djadamczyk@comcast.net)

Please email website submissions to Jackie

Proko at [dancndog@gmail.com](mailto:dancndog@gmail.com)

## **PVW CLASSIFIEDS**

Do you have weaving books or equipment for sale? Send your advertisement, with or without pictures to Debbie Adamczyk ([djadamczyk@comcast.net](mailto:djadamczyk@comcast.net)). Debbie will distribute your ad to the membership. (Personal sales only, please.)

## **OTHER GUILD-RELATED GROUPS**

Pioneer Valley Facebook Page

Pioneer Valley Facebook Group

Pioneer Valley Facebook Discussion Group

**Wishing all of you Happy Holidays  
And  
Plentiful Weaving in the New Year!!**

