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# NEWS 2009 Congratulations and Thanks

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*Members of the Weavers Guild of Boston were very active at NEWS (New England Weavers Seminar) 2009! They served in many NEWS positions, from President (Past-Dean Marjie Thompson) and First Vice President/Program (Kathi Spangler) to committee members and representatives for Boston and many other guilds, teachers, and volunteers. It is interesting to note that our members include NEWS representatives for many of the New England Guilds.*

*Our members also entered the gallery show (22 members), fashion show (13 members), faculty show (4 members), and the various guild shows in great numbers. Five members entered NEWS exhibits for the first time. Seventeen members participated in the WGB guild show "New Weaves from Old: Updating WGB Samples from the 1960's-1970's" run by Marjie Thompson. Many (14) won prizes but ALL contributed beautiful, inspirational work and are to be commended.*

*NEWS honors the weavers who have proved the excellence of their technical and design abilities over time with the label "Weaver of Distinction." Three special members joined the select few who are NEWS "Weavers of Distinction": Marjie Thompson (Fashion), Betsy Wing (Gallery), and Carol Wooten (Fashion). This is a second award for Marjie, who became a Weaver of Distinction in 2003 for her Gallery work. Other members awarded Weaver of Distinction in the past include Edith House (Gallery, 1997), Diana Frost (Gallery, 2001), Sarah Fortin (Gallery and Fashion, 2005), Norma Smayda (Gallery, 2007) and former member Patricia Palson (Fashion, 1999).*

*The WGB wishes to extend our deepest congratulations to our new Weavers of Distinction, all the prize winners, everyone who entered any show, and particularly to the weavers who volunteered so much time to make it all possible!*

*We know the list below is only a partial list of WGB members who entered exhibits, won prizes, and held NEWS 2009 positions or volunteered at NEWS. Please let us know who we have missed.*

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Laurie Autio, "Canvas and Shaded Plaited Twill" table runner, "Wings" table runner, "Swooping Bird" table runner (all in faculty show), Class Instructor (Lace Workshop, Topographic Weaving), Gallery Show Juror, WGB Rep., NEWS Gallery Show Intake & Jurying Comm.

Carol Birtwistle, Class Instructor (Beginners' Workshop)  
Ruth Buchman, "Being and Nothingness" scarf, "Open Heart (After Rossbach)" wall hanging

Deborah Cary, "Blue Magic" wall hanging

Diane Chaisson, NEWS Volunteer

Peggy Church, Special Award from Pro Chemical for Best Use of Hand-Dyed Fibers for "Nature's Glory" scarf

Virginia Coolidge, "Pretty in Pink" table runner, "Blue/Green/Orange" table runner, "Glitter" stole, Second place in Blouses and Special Award from Complex Weavers for Outstanding Weaving Beyond Plain Weave for "Steep Twill Top"; NEWS Volunteer

Phyllis Detwiler, NEWS Volunteer

Jane Dumais, "Checkmate" scarf, NEWS Treasurer

Pam Engberg, WG Springfield Rep., NEWS Accessibility Comm., Info & Daily Registration Comm., Registration Packet & Nametags Comm.

Mary Elva Erf, NEWS Volunteer

Barbara Faulstich, "Moonlit Gauze Squares" shawl

Lynn Ferrillo, "Rosewater" jacket, Special Award from HG of CT: Jo Parsons Memorial Award for Surface Design for "Garden Memories" jacket; NEWS Volunteer

Eileen Fitzgerald, Nashoba Valley WG Rep., NEWS Volunteers Chair

Pat Flaherty, WGB Guild Show sample; NEWS Volunteer

Jayne Flanagan, "Bright Morning" table runner (faculty show), Class Instructor (Card Weaving), NEWS Fashion Show Intake & Jurying Comm., Runway Fashion Show, Informal Fashion Show

Sarah Fortin, "Sweetgrass" yardage, "Through the Garden Gate" yardage, "Pineapple Time" basket, "Desert Dusk" jacket and scarf, "Ruby" coat and scarf, Special Award from Harrisville Designs for Best Use of Wool and Color for "Desert Dawn" coat and scarf

Diana Frost, WGB Guild Show sample and scarf; "3-3 Huck Lace" stole, Special Award from Cranberry Country Weavers: Florrie B. Smith Memorial Award for Best Use of Color for "Optical Purple" scarf, NEWS Scholarship Comm. ; Complex Weavers Rep.

Susan Gilday, NEWS Volunteer

Eileen Goldman, WGB Guild Show sample and two towels; NEWS Volunteer

Lois Hardy, "Father Christmas" doll

Adele Harvey, WGB Guild Show sample; Special Award from Nashoba Valley WG for Best Interpretation of "Green is the New Black" for "Black and White and Read All Over" table runner, Special Award from NHWG: Ernesta Lacey Memorial Award for the Use of Non-Traditional Material for "A Vogue Paris Original" paper vest, Lexington WG Rep.

Barbara Herbster, WGB Guild Show sample and vest; "Bustling in Blue" sweater jacket, NEWS Popular Choice Award and Special Award from WEBS for Best Use of Soy, Silk or Bamboo for "Two Sides to the Story" blouse; NEWS Volunteer

Maureen Hoffman, Fashion Show Intake & Jurying Comm., Runway Fashion Show, NEWS Volunteer

Edith House, "Riverscape" tapestry  
Arlene Ilgenfritz, WGB Guild Show sample and scarf;  
"ACHE/AAAH, OUCH/OOOH, WARM/COLD" trio  
of back pillows  
Sue Jones, WGB Guild Show sample and water bottle  
holder; "Two-fer" tote bag, "Water Bottle Bag",  
"Running Footprints" table runner; NEWS Volunteer  
Deborah Kaplan, Special Award from HGA for  
Outstanding Creativity for "Fulled Double Weave  
Plaid Scarf"  
Gulli Kula, Second place in Wall Hangings for "Sunset  
Through a Window" wall hanging  
Linda Lacasse, NEWS Volunteer  
Linda Lincoln, WGB Guild Show sample and pillow;  
Fashion Show Intake & Jurying Comm., Runway  
Fashion Show, NEWS Volunteer  
Ginny Longley, Lexington WG Rep., NEWS Resource  
Guide  
Mary Mandarino, WGB Guild Show sample and two  
scarves, NEWS Volunteer  
Patricia Meyer, NEWS Volunteer  
Patricia Morton, NEWS Continuous Swaps, Gallery Show  
Intake & Jurying Comm., NEWS Volunteer  
Stephanie Oddleifson, NEWS Volunteer  
Nancy Perry, "Wrap Skirt"  
Barbara Provest, WGB Guild Show tote bag  
Susan Rockwell, VT WG Rep., NEWS Runway Fashion  
Show, Static Fashion Show Hanging & Takedown  
Rachel Rosenblum, Lexington WG Rep.  
Martha Lee St. Amand, WGB Guild Show sample  
Katie Schelleng, "Shibori" kimono and belt, "Look Out  
for Me" (both in faculty show), Class Instructor  
(Bertha Gray Hayes)  
Norma Smayda, "The Steinkjer Priest's Wall Hanging",  
"Anatolia" kelim (both in faculty show), "Iris" scarf,  
Class Instructor (Bertha Gray Hayes, 3 Shafts)  
Linda Snook, NEWS Graphics Comm.  
Dorothy Solbrig, Nashoba Valley WG Rep., NEWS  
Volunteers, NEWS Volunteer  
Kathi Spangler, Second place in Miscellaneous and  
Special Award from Weavers of Western MA:  
Vibeke Holm Memorial Award for Creativity in All  
White or Natural for "Alleluia" cross drape, NEWS  
1st VP/Program  
Claudia Spaulding, NEWS Housing Registration  
Rosemonde Spinelli, "Winter White Summer Shawl",  
Cranberry Country Weavers Rep., NEWS Traveling  
Library, Faculty Exhibit, Nominating Comm.  
Rita Steinbach, WGB Guild Show sample  
Paula Taggart, "Maple Leaves" transparency

Susan Targove, WGB Guild Show sample and yardage;  
First place in Table Runners and Special Award from  
HG of CT for Historical Inspiration or Reproduction  
for "Red Flowers", First place in Shawls & Stoles and  
Special Award from Halcyon Yarns for First Time  
Entrant for "Silk Squares" shawl; WGB Rep., NEWS  
Recording Secretary, Assistant Seminar Registrar,  
Gallery Show Intake & Jurying Comm., NEWS  
Volunteer  
Jean Theurkauf, NEWS Web Initiator  
Hope Thomas, "Deflected Double Weave" scarf  
Marjie Thompson, WGB Guild Show sample, tote bag and  
scarf; "Twill Soon Be the Season" towel, "Half-  
Double" towel, Special Award: Thora Stanwood  
Award for Traditional Weaving for "Dumb Flowers"  
scarf, First place in Casual for "Three Bags Full"  
bags, Second place in Jackets & Coats for "Mother of  
the Bride" jacket, Special Award from ATHM for  
Best Adaptation of Historical Weaving for  
"Inspiration" scarf, Awarded Weaver of Distinction  
in Fashion Show; NEWS President, WGB Guild  
Show chair, NEWS Volunteer  
Mary Underwood, NEWS Volunteer  
Diana Vaughn, WGB Guild Show sample and scarf;  
NEWS Volunteer  
Ruth Ward, "Aurora" table runner, NH WG Rep.  
Pat Warner, NEWS Volunteer  
Deborah Watson, "Untitled" rug, First place in Rugs and  
Special Award from Complex Weavers for  
Outstanding Weaving Beyond the Plain Weave for  
"Turn, Turn, Turn" rug, Second place in Rugs for  
"Flowers" rug  
Ellen Willson, WGB Guild Show sample and covered  
book, NEWS Volunteer  
Betsy Wing, "Power of Light" tapestry, First place in  
Tapestry and Special Award from Harrisville Designs  
for Best Use of Wool and Color for "Imaginary  
Landscape II" tapestry; Special Award: Helen Klekot  
First place for Art Form (Wall Hanging or Tapestry)  
for "Vision V" tapestry, Awarded Weaver of  
Distinction in Gallery Show  
Carol Wooten, WGB Guild Show sample and scarf;  
"Bronson in Bambu" triangular shawl, "Untitled" vest,  
Second place in Scarves, 8S or More for "A+B+C"  
scarf, First place in Wall Hangings for "Downtown",  
First place in Vests and Special Award from Pro  
Chemical for Best Use of Hand Dyed Fibers for  
"Tropical Awakening" vest; First place in Jackets &  
Coats and Best of Show for "Dressed up for the  
Evening" jacket, Awarded Weaver of Distinction in  
Fashion Show, Cranberry Country Weavers Rep.,  
NEWS Faculty Exhibit, Nominating Comm.