

Threadbenders
WeGO Guild Report
October 2025

Threadbenders of Baker and Union Counties have been busy this summer. In June, some of our members volunteered at a table during the Oregon Trail Days Festival in Baker City. (Oregon Trail Days is coordinated by the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center and assisted by Crossroads Community Arts Center). We had a constant flow of visitors who seemed very interested in the displays and demonstrations that included weaving, flax to linen, and a paper weaving activity for children.

The following week, 11 of our 25 members attended the ANWG Conference in Yakima, Washington. Attendees truly enjoyed themselves, and also added to their knowledge base by going to workshops and seminars. One of our members, Cynthia Newman, received two awards for her *Connecting* shawl: Best Weaving Webs theme, and 2nd in Best Use of Conference Colors.

In August, 16 of our members participated in “Warp Painting for Artisan Scarves” led by Liz Moncrief. Liz showed us several samples of her work, then demonstrated different ways to apply dye. It was a fun workshop, and we made beautiful and colorful warps that we later shared with members in our September meeting.

We are now looking forward to a Krokbragd workshop with Patty Huffer in November, and we are preparing for another fiber sale in December at the Art Centers in Baker City and La Grande.

Respectfully Submitted,

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