## **REMEMBERING ANDI TRASBORG**

Andrea Carolina Trasborg Jul 5, 1947 - Dec 18, 2017



In December, the fiber community lost a friend and very talented artist, Andi Trasborg. She was a weaver, lacemaker, knitter, spinner, and natural dyer. She shared a love of Jeeps with her son, Pete Trasborg, who predeceased her in 2015. She worked in the Regional President's office for a major bank.

Among other organizations, she was a member of Jockey Hollow Weavers (JHW), Westfield Weavers and the Lost Art Lacers. Andi was JHW's 2<sup>nd</sup> President and she served as guild Treasurer for many years. She gave demonstrations of weaving, spinning and lacemaking at historical sites in NJ, including the Miller-Cory House in Westfield and the Dr. William Robinson Plantation & Museum in Clark.

As expert as she was, Andi enjoyed learning new techniques. She attended many weaving workshops with her guilds, traveled to weaving conferences for classes, and studied Swedish weaving techniques (damask and opphämta, etc.) at The Vavstuga in Shelburne, MA for several years. Andi gave presentations to area weaving guilds on these Swedish weaves as well as her weaving loom "conversion" technique that provides the weaver with "additional harnesses".

The following photos show some of her work, travels, guild activities, demonstrations and friends. We will miss her.

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Here are some examples of her wonderful weaving from one of her weeks of study at the Vavstuga.



Red and white opphämta piece that she designed on the draw loom which was woven on the white side





Figural piece woven sideways; Damask piece





Smålandsväv on 6 harnesses and blue and red twill on a shaft draw loom



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Vest she made (2002); Andi & Dot P. at the JHW Show & Sale (2008)





Bobbin lace bonnet



Demonstrating spinning



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Westfield Weavers Guild activities





Spinning at a booth with Caroline; Caroline & Andi at Convergence in 2008





The Weaving History Conference at the Thousand Islands Arts Center in 2014 with Sally & Mary





Traveling in Norway with Mary Roth-Davies



We'll miss you, Andi!