

Illinois Prairie Weavers

Yearbook Chair Responsibilities

In General

The Guild provides an annual printed directory resource known as the Yearbook to its members each year. The Yearbook Committee Chair is appointed by the guild's President. Production of the yearbook takes place in July and August. There is no term limit.

As a Committee Chair of the Guild, the Yearbook Chair is responsible for doing this job on behalf of the entire Guild and is also a member of the Board (see job description). As a Committee Chairperson, you are expected to attend and actively participate in those meetings.

The Yearbook Chair may seek volunteers to serve as a committee if this would help with yearbook responsibilities.

Specific Duties

Take possession of Yearbook records and flash drive from the prior Yearbook Chair as soon as possible after you begin to serve. Organize them for yourself and make sure you have any supplies or checklists you need.

Attend the June/July organizational meeting with the entire Board to plan the coming year. Meet with the outgoing Yearbook Chair to learn specifics about doing the job or train your successor if that is the case.

Attend monthly Guild and Board meetings, reporting as Yearbook Chair and obtaining any input or assistance you need for yearbook production or other matters.

Collect changed or new Yearbook information monthly from such others as the Membership Chair (new members, changed information) and keep records up-to-date to avoid a summer crunch at publication time.

Collect the yearbook raw data by July. What is printed in the Yearbook has changed over the years, especially since more information has been added to the Website. Currently it includes:

- Cover photo (changes annually, desirably)
- Textile resource information inside front or back cover (Check for updates)
- General Information Summary (get this from the Document Chair)
- Officers and Board (get this from the Nominating Committee)
- Study Group Reps (get this from the Study Groups)
- Programs for the coming year (get this from the 2VP)
- Hostesses for the coming year (Hospitality Chair)
- Members Directory (get this from the Membership Chair)
- Location/Parking information for back cover (get this from the 1VP)

Design, proofread and edit the Yearbook. Check dates and years on cover and inside. Consider having someone help you proof.

Save the master Yearbook to the Yearbook flash drive.

Take or email the Yearbook to the printer in early August. (We have been using the same printer for several years, who knows us and gives us a good price.) Proof the first copy and authorize the printing. We usually print about enough copies for all members, an extra for the Secretary for the archives, and extras for new members that may join during the year.

Get the Yearbooks to the Membership Chair before the October guild meeting.

Submit any expenses to the Treasurer for reimbursement.

Submit estimated costs of next year's Yearbook to the Treasurer by March to be included in next year's budget.

Make a report in May of highlights of the year to be included in the President's written annual report.

Make a detailed checklist, and update it regularly, for producing the Yearbook. Use it to supplement this job description and to train your successor.

Review this job description (and any checklists) for any updates you can recommend (to the Documents Chair) to improve or clarify for future volunteers recruited.

Keep good records and train your successor.

Estimated Time Commitment

- ~ 1-2 hours monthly, collecting data and updating records
- ~ 8 hours in July and August, producing the yearbook
- ~ 2 hours annually, for checklist, job description, communication, etc.
- ~ Plus time at Guild and Board meetings

(April 2023 – Sue Z.)