

Millie Dover has planted the seed for the love the fiber arts with thousands of Helena students through her work with school districts' daycare program. Each summer 300+ children tie dye shirts. Throughout the year they weave "sit upons", tapestries, potholders etc. She also regularly presents guild programs and demonstrates in the community. Millie has also judged fiber art fair exhibits. Guild member, Anne Engels say "Millie's has an unending enthusiasm for weaving. She's done everything probably a million times, but she is always wanting to do it again maybe with a different twist. Her enthusiasm just oozes out of her. Her explanations of weaving structure are always easy to understand"

Millie has been president of the Helena guild many times, served as Executive Secretary, and conference chair of MAWS and is a past president of ANWG. Not only is Millie active herself, but she also encouraged other MAWS members such as Coby Johnson (another Living Treasure) to get active on the ANWG board.

A very productive weaver and dyer, Millie weaves towels, vests, table runners, placemats, pillow, rugs, teddy bears, mittens and booties and many other items for friends, family and craft sales. She has woven lovely church vestments, altar cloths and wall hangings for local churches as well as parishes around the country. At the 1996 MAWS conference, Millie displayed some of her liturgical weaving. Adding to her long list of guild programs, Millie will present a program on measured and graduated dyeing for the Helena Weavers and Spinners in October. At MAWS on the Mountain, her friends surprised Millie by bringing along some of her weaving to display after she won the Living Treasure award.