

**CHIMNEYVILLE WEAVERS & SPINNERS GUILD**  
**Post Office Box 16888**  
**Jackson, MS 39236-6888**

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| <b>President: Lu Harding</b>             | <b>Secretary: Anne Hodges</b>      |
| <b>Vice President: Holly Redford</b>     | <b>Treasurer: Barbara Mitchell</b> |
| <b>Historian/Librarian: Judith Noble</b> | <b>Ex Officio: Marcy Petrini</b>   |

**August, 2000**

The board met at Lu's house on August 24, 2000 to discuss and plan our new year. Judith Noble was absent, awaiting the births of twin grandsons.

**BOARD MINUTES FOR AUGUST 24, 2000**

**Business :**

All of the treasurers concerns have been transferred to Barbara Mitchell.

The Guild has had a successful audit completed by Jane Burrow.

The board has decided that a move to Allison's Wells is not feasible since a \$70.00 a month rent would be required. We pay no rent at all for our present location.

The board discussed whether or not to continue the tuition reimbursement for the year 2001. There is concern about continuing it since there will be no income as there was last year. The question will be reviewed at a later date.

Barbara will purchase for the Guild a CD to insure that we have funds to sponsor ROC DAY when it is our turn in 2002.

The board voted to offer the Guild's name to a booth at the UMC Christmas Fair. Those wishing to participate will share the cost of the booth. (\$25.00) The Fair is a chance for any member to sale her products.

Lu will make committee assignments. (See attachments)

It was decided that the Guild will hold its traditional events: Pioneer Day, Sheep to Shawl, Loom Crawl, a summer event and occasional Spin-ins.

Holly has been truly inspired for this year's programs. I hope that the people concerned have been notified before these minutes arrive at their houses. It was decided by the board that a series of "mini" workshops shall be held after the regular Guild meetings in November, January, March and May. Marcy Petrini has graciously offered to teach January's workshop on the Theo Moorman technique. Other suggestions include reading knitting instructions by Jane Dollar, a beading class by Village Beads and Pin Weaving by Holly and Rosina. Additional information shall be offered at the September meeting.

Holly already has plans for the programs for this year's meetings.

**NEW PROGRAM NEW PROGRAM NEW PROGRAM NEW PROGRAM**

In the past there have been numerous requests for study groups within the guild. After much discussion Marcy described a plan that might be of interest to members. Of course, more will be discussed at the September meeting. In Marcy's words:

There have been some requests for a study groups, and also some folks need a way to jump-start their weaving or other fiber work. So, at the Board meeting we discussed this idea, which is not set in stone, but a beginning.

If you would like to participate, think about what you would like to study, or work on this coming year. Bring the idea to the September meeting. Study group participants would be divided according to interests in some of the following possible ways: a participant with a mentor to help with a project; two or more participants helping each other with a particular topic; a sole participant to be helped by the group. Each subgroup or pair will work on their own, but the group will come together periodically ( the frequency to be decided by the group), and at the end to show off their results. We do need a way to be accountable to each other, that's the purpose of the group.

At the September meeting, we will have a short discussion of all the folks who would like to participate. If you would like to participate but cannot be at the September meeting, you can send me, e-mail me or phone me your topic **BEFORE** the meeting. If there is enough interest in this, I envision us doing something along these lines:

September: gather topics and perhaps ideas for mentors, resources, etc. for participating.  
October: each group or individual brings to the group a plan; goals, time lines, and a way To be accountable (If I don't get my first piece off my 40 shaft loom, I will be responsible for Barbara's lawn to be mowed -now, considering that I probably don't know how to turn a lawn mower on, that's a real incentive).

During the year: find a way for people to help with each other's progress; e-mail? Meet after a guild meeting? At another time? Write info in the newsletter? (Details to be worked out by the group).

End of the year: each participant brings the piece for show and tell, perhaps places it in our summer show. Or takes the consequence based on the incentive agreement.

ROC DAY: Roc Day 2001 will be held by Dyed-in-the Wool Spinners in Pascagoula on January 6<sup>th</sup>. See info sheet about registration. The schedule for the next five years is: CWSG 2002

NOWG 2003

Baton Rouge 2004

Lafayette 2005

Lake Charles 2006

Holly will host the spinning workshop with Celia Quinn at her home in Clinton and Marcie has offered Celia lodgings for her time in Jackson.

Marcy has also offered to supply refreshments for the September meeting.

Holly reports that the Madison County Chamber of Commerce has asked the Guild to participate in an event November 11-12 in Ridgeland. Martha Garrett is coordinating the program and is asking that we demonstrate carding and spinning. Charlotte Smith is the contact at 853-7501. Maybe the weather will be cooler by November.

SHOWS November -Northwest Community College

Summer 2001: Gravity Coffee shop and Gallery

Southeast Fiber Forum will be held in Black Mountain, NC during the weekend of April 20, 2001.

Marva will supply info on the November Extravaganza at the Trade Mart.

**FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE FOR SALE**

Patricia Smith in West Point has a maple 54" 4-shaft jack Tools of the Trade loom for sale. It is about 20 years old and has had only 6 projects done on it. Folds to about 20' for storing. Included are an 8-dent reed, bench with storage, and a Schacht 20" warping board. Initially asked \$1200.00, but willing to negotiate.

NEW ADDRESSES NEW ADDRESSES NEW ADDRESSES NEW ADDRESSES NEW ADDRESSES

We have to say goodbye to two members of the Guild:

Clyde Watkins  
827 Louisa Street  
New Orleans, LA 70117

Joan Cotter  
501 West Main Street  
Barnesville, Ohio 43713

Please note the Guild's new address: Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild  
P.O. Box 16888  
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Enclosed are three attachments: Letter from the Prez, ROC DAY info., and committee assignments.

Our fist meeting for the year will be Saturday, September 16 at 10:00. See you then!!

Letter from the Prez, September 4, 2000

Dear CWSG Friends,

What fun it is to be looking forward to meeting in about two weeks! How fast the summer has flown! How hot it has been! How I look forward to getting with all of y'all and focusing on our love of fiber! Maybe it will soon be cool enough to touch wool again!

While you have hopefully been snuggled up to the air conditioner and your spinning wheel and loom, your CWSG Board has braved the heat for some very productive planning meetings. We will be reporting to you further but some basics:

1. Our audit of our books was completed with no problems noted. Thank you to Rosina for a fine and detailed job as Treasurer. And thank you to Jane Burrows II who conducted our audit. The books have been transferred to new Treasurer, Barbara Mitchell. She will proceed with purchase of a CD which will hopefully grow. Some monies will be retained in our more flexible account to be used as seed money for Roc Day 2002.
2. We will not recommend moving our physical base to Canton due to the cost.
3. We will be handling education a little differently this year, hopefully providing more variety in workshops and at a very affordable price.
4. We want every member to be involved, and I have appointed each and every member (from last year's list) to a committee. If you are totally unable to participate as a member and/or on a committee (and we understand, as we have all had jobs and children and other things that keep us away), why don't you consider a Friend status for the time being? We assure you that we will welcome you back when you have more time and can participate actively.
5. We are asking each committee to be productive and to report at year's end.
6. Our by-laws committee is working and will be bringing some recommendations forward. Things just naturally evolve in any organization, and an update is necessary from time to time.
7. There are some new books in the Library plus more organization. Thanks to Marva Goodman, outgoing Historian/Librarian, and Judith Noble, incoming Historian/Librarian.
8. We are responsible for Roc Day 2002 and will need to present our invitation in 2001, so we are going to have to start planning. We will make every effort to make this fun by everyone's pitching in so no large burden falls on any one person.
9. For those of you who are professionals and already marketing your wares, and also for those who want to get into marketing some day, we have an opportunity upcoming at the UMC Christmas Fare to be held December 8th. It will be a low risk way to try selling if you have not done so before.

Our Show and Reception at Gravity Coffee House in Clinton was a ton of fun. The Show Chairman Sharon Williams and Education Chairman Holly Redford did a great collaborative effort to bring all this together. And many thanks to those of you who cooked for the reception. It was a fun occasion, and one we plan to repeat as our Main Summer Event 2001.

The Basket Workshop was so much fun. We had six students and Marva as our instructor. We made three baskets--well, most people did. (O.K., I was slow.) We watched and listened to Marva, looked at her wonderful collection of basket books, asked lots of questions, experienced

successes and failures, tried different things, soaked our reed, got more creative and braver as we went, made a huge mess, learned from each other, talked, ate--and eventually cleaned up, packed up, and went home very tired but happy. What a great three days of fellowship and FUN. Thanks to Marva for putting up with us as we all needed her at once, of course.... And thanks to Holly, Education Chair, for arranging this super time for us. We now know what an awl is.

Farewells to: Carolyn Kossar, Joan Cotter, and Clyde Watkins, who have all relocated. We will miss them. These moves also remind us that we will need to work with our Membership Chairman to insure our continued stability and also to grow as a group.

To share regarding something that is a problem for many of us: TIME. I have been trying something different to address those "piles" that overwhelm me. Even weaving can start to look like a "pile" when you want to do it and can't ever get to it. After facing the fact that the only things I had been getting done in my life were the things that I HAD to do (no FUN), I am trying the Swiss Cheese method of time management. That is where you punch small holes in each thing you want to accomplish. It is akin to Marcy's fifteen minutes of weaving a day method. Except I am trying to apply it to a number of things: housekeeping (ugh!), exercise, family archives, Bible study, family bookkeeping, maintaining relationships with old friends--as well as to fiber. The results look pretty good. I have finished a scarf for my sister, knitted more than half a blanket for a soon-to-be-newborn (I have until October), and started an overshot sampler (remember the Barbara Miller workshop that was offered at SFF? Yes, THAT overshot sampler--had to change to another loom, rethread, etc.). The list of accomplishments in other areas is looking better also. So, I recommend trying this. I also recommend Steven Covey's First Things First tape or book. It really inspires you to get a handle on this wonderful but elusive gift of time--and helps you face the fact that only YOU can manage YOUR time, determine your priorities, etc.

So, go rev up your loom or click those needles or push that treadle on the wheel. We will be expecting lots of Show and Tells. Looking forward to your inspiration at the September 16 meeting. Don't forget to bring your check book and sign up officially for this new year. And bring your ideas and input and suggestions and plan to be active in YOUR Guild.

Have fun meanwhile,

Lu, the Prez for nine more months unless impeached....

CWSG COMMITTEES FOR 2000 - 2001

Library: Judith Noble, Chair; Betsy Caldwell

Spinning/Weaving Week: Sharon Williams, Chair, Nell Elam, Bobby Hall

Community Service: Patti Demers, Chair; Ann Hayne

Loom Crawl: Marcy, Chair; Jane Burrows I (We will need many cooks.)

White Elephant: Jane Dollar, Chair; Norma Cox

Christmas Tree Aquisition/Decorating, Chimneyville Festival: Debbie Levine, Chair; Hazel Howell, (We have decorations, but several hands will be needed to decorate and undecorate.)

By-Laws Review/Revision: Marva Goodman, Chair; Debbie Stringer, Elizabeth Lewis

Newsletter: Anne Hodges, Chair; Yvette DeLeeuw

Exhibits/Shows: Margaret Pittman and Sharon Williams, Co Chairs; Linda Gayle Smith

Scrapbook: Judith Noble, Chair

Liason with MS Craftsmen's Guild: Margaret Pittman

Liason with other MS Guilds: Sharon Williams

Liason with HGA: Marva Goodman (who is MS HGA rep)

Education: Holly Redford, Chair; Nancy Olson

Publicity: Rosina Echols, Chair; Jill Hammes

Membership: Kathy Cohron, Chair; Linda Cambre

Ways and Means: Barbara Mitchell, Chair; Jane Burrows II

Pioneer Day: Nancy Landrum, Chair

Sheep to Shawl: Carolyn Campbell, Chair

Field Trip/Chicago: Debbie Stringer, Chair; Elizabeth Lewis

Retreat, Spring '01: Sandi Tucker, Chair

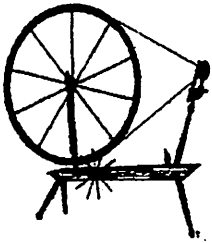
Hospitality (includes monthly refreshment arrangements, finding place for Spin In's): Carolyn Nichols

Roc Day '02 (present @ '01)

Melba Nipper, Chair

Kathy Smith

# ROC DAY 2001



*The Dyed-in-the-Wool Weavers and Spinners invite you to celebrate Roc Day 2001 with us in Pass Christian, Mississippi, at the Pass Christian Yacht Club from 9:00 to 4:00 on January 6, 2001. There'll be vendors, goodies, door prizes, an informal fashion show, and a delicious lunch.*

*Bring your wheel, show and tell – wearables, handspun, anything of fiber interest – and enjoy a fun filled day with other fiber artists. What better way to treat yourself to a "fiber fix" after the frenzy of the holidays?*

*There is much to enjoy on our beautiful Gulf Coast. Area information on attractions, events, motels, etc., is available through the Tourism Commission. Just call 800-237-9493.*

*The Yacht Club is easy to find:*

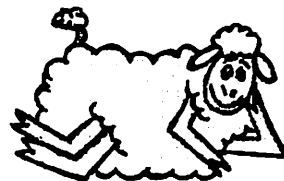
*From the EAST on I-10, take the Hwy 49 exit south to Hwy 90 and proceed west to Pass Christian. The traffic light is at the Harbor, turn left to the Yacht Club.*

*Coming from the WEST on I-10, exit on 603 to Hwy 90 proceed East to Pass Christian. At the traffic light at the harbor turn right and proceed to the Yacht Club.*

*Coming from the NORTH to I-10, take either the 603 exit or Hwy 49 and follow the above instructions.*

*Since this delightful venue has limited space, registration must be first come, first served, and each guest and any other members of their party must be registered. Registration deadline is November 1, 2000, nonrefundable after that date.*

*We look forward to seeing you. Don't delay!*





# Registration

**Name:**

**Additional guests in your party:**

**Address:**

**Phone:**

**Email:**

**Guild Affiliation (if any):**

**Special Needs (if any):**

**Please return this form, along with your check or money order to:**

**Dyed-in-the-Wool Weavers and Spinners**

**Sandy Bell**

**11047 Oakcrest Drive**

**D'Iberville, MS 39532**

**Registration - \$22.00 each**

**Make checks payable to Dyed-in-the-Wool Weavers and Spinners.**

**For additional information, call Jenny Lu Ames, (228) 467-5565,**

**or email Margaret Harris, [passweaver@aol.com](mailto:passweaver@aol.com).**

Members of our guild have contributed fabrics and drafts for an undated calendar project we've labeled a "Dateminder." We think they'll be great to record special dates we want to remember. The fabrics attached to each month provide added interest.

We printed extra copies and want to offer you the opportunity to purchase one when you register for Roc Day 2001.

Cost is \$18.00 preregistration price.

Size is 8 1/2 x 11.

We're excited about the project, and the members' examples that have already been turned in are wonderful. We think you'll enjoy owning this calendar as much as we have enjoyed putting it together.

To purchase a dateminder as you register, fill out the form below and return it with the \$18.00 fee along with your registration fees and information.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

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PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

QUANTITY WANTED: \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

