

*The Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild Newsletter*  
*April 2006*

**Happy Easter and Sheep to Shawl Day!**

*Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild* meets the **third Saturday of each month, September-May, at 10 AM at the Ag Museum's Fitzgerald Building.**

*Happy Birthday to all the following (& any "Birthday Babies" that I've missed):*

**April:** *Rosina Echols, Marie Nutt, Karin Roberson, Kathy Smith.*

• **Guild Calendar:**

All Guild meetings \*\*\***Bring a sack lunch, drinks and other refreshments you might like during the day.**

**Sept.. 17** Guild meeting. Program: **Weaving with Found Object** with Margaret Pittman. **Oct. 15** Guild Meeting. Program: **Demo** on the porch in honor of National Weaving week.

**Nov. 19 -** Guild meeting at the Ag Museum: Program: **Design and Cloth, Part 1** with Marcy Petrini, followed by an afternoon workshop for those who signed up.

**Dec. 2-4** Craftsmens' Guild Show (Chimneyville)

**Dec. 10** Loom Crawl

**Jan. 7** **ROC DAY – 2006** (Saturday)

**Jan. 21** Guild meeting. Program: **Making Garlic Baskets** with Marva Goodman

Feb. 18 Guild meeting. Program: **Design and Cloth, Part 2** with Marcy Petrini

Mar. 18 Guild meeting. Program: **Fiber necklaces** with Sharon Williams.

**\*\*Apr. 15** Guild meeting. Program: **Sheep to Shawl.** Donna Germany and Margaret Pittman.

(Vote on new officers presented by Nominating committee.)

May 20 Guild meeting. New officers inducted. Program: **Weaving a Pin** with Margaret Pittman.

July ?- Summer meeting/get-together.

**\*\* What to bring to on April 15 for Sheep to Shawl:**

Various colors & textures of yarn for your spinning, weaving, or knitting for our porch demo    Your articles for sale

**Folks signed up for the following:** Margaret: Loom; Sandra and Synnove: knitting; Donna: loom carders, spinning wheels; Hazel: to be decided, Sarah: spinning wheel, carders; Rissa and Karin: spinning wheel; Teri: inkle loom; Nancy: spin or tape loom; Debbie: spinning ....

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**Minutes:**

Carolyn Nichols, called the meeting to order. Minutes were approved.

**Treasurer's Report:** submitted by Sandra Mayo

Regular account: 2,965.41.	\$518.02 for resource (books, etc.)	Total=
\$3,483.43		

Payments made for: Signs for special events and demo days, as well as for new books.

**Old Business:**

No reports.

**New business:**

Carolyn N. reported that the Board recommended that dues be payable by May 31st, so that the Membership Booklet can be ready for the September meeting. A motion was made and passed that the membership would receive an e-mail ballot and results will be announced at the April meeting.

Nancy Landrum announced that anyone interested in the Weaving Study Group should meet after the meeting to discuss formalizing plans.

**Reports:**

- Margaret Pittman made an announcement regarding the upcoming programs: March - Fiber Necklace; April - Sheep to Shawl; May - Weaving a Pin.

- Sharon Williams reported on the success of the show at NW and thanked those who participated. There was a wide variety of work both from MS and the Memphis area. An article in the newspaper generated much interest and lots of people called. Patti Holmberg had a piece still on the triangular loom in the NW show.

Marva Goodman has a tape of Weaving on a Triangle Loom and has used it in the Art Class she was teaching. Joan Henderson also use a triangular loom in her teaching. Sharon reminded us of the opening of a Special show at the Gallery in Corinth on Thursday, April 13. Also, keep in mind that lots of work will be needed for the Guided Inspiration IV in 2007.

Marva mentioned that her granddaughter came to the NW show and played her guitar. She donated an easel, gratefully accepted by CWSG. Thank you Marva.

**Announcements/Reminders:**

- Margaret Pittman reminded folks to respond to the survey. The responses will assist us in planning programs and in making changes as necessary for the betterment of the

CWSG.

- Marva reminded everyone about HGA and passed out extra copies of *Shuttle, Spin and Dye Pot*, and gave another gentle reminder to join HGA.
- Kathy Cohron complimented the work that was being done in the Weaving Studio.
- Sandi Tucker notified the Board that the new signs indicating CWSG special activities: Demos, Sheep to Shawl, etc., and that the new fans for our porch should be in place for Saturday, the 15th. Thanks Sandi!

- **White Elephant** Not this month ... odd months only. Bring your stuff for May meeting...

The meeting was adjourned for the program. presented by Sharon Williams, and Show and Tell.

Respectfully submitted, Synnove Heggoy

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Program: **Fiber necklaces** with Sharon Williams was a great success. As always, it is so interesting to see the creative process in action. Even with the same materials, folks created some very different and exciting necklaces.

### **Show and Tell:**

- Nancy Landrum brought a double weave piece with a stainless steel warp, woven with bamboo, and another piece she wove off with stainless steel.
- Debbie Stringer showed us a garden bag she bought at Wal Mart that really works well as a tool bag to carry craft supplies.

### **• News from or about our members:**

- Marva announced that *Chris Dahlman* had a corneal transplant, and that *Kathy Smith* was having more surgery.

We wish them speedy recoveries.

- *Sandra Mayo* just returned from a trip to Guatemala where she visited her daughter, Jane. She promised to share information about her trip and especially looking at all kinds of fiber arts, etc. Hopefully she will bring some items for all to view. Sandra wrote, "So much fun to see how each culture arranges colors, fibers, sizes, etc."
- *Sandi Tucker* notified the Board that the new signs indicating CWSG special activities: Demos, Sheep to Shawl, etc. were ready, and that the new fans for our porch should be in place for Saturday, the 15th. Thanks Sandi!
- *Carolyn Campbell, Synnove Heggoy and Beverly Milner* took a road trip to Natchez Needlearts Shop. A beautiful day for a trip and a fun (if a tad expensive!) experience, as well as a good visit with Donna Germany (thanks Donna!).

• **Interesting tidbit:**

From the April 10, 2006 US News & World Report issue: **A VIEW TO A KILT** The Scottish Declaration of Independence was signed in 1320 – and much later used as a model for the American one. So it is only right that Scottish-Americans are honored with National Tartan Day. In New York City, kelt wearers will parade down the avenue of the americas on April 8. And Mississippi has honored its Scots by adopting official state tartan.

(Hazel, Sandra??Anyone else? What does our state tartan look like?)

• **Other dates of interest, Exhibits, Special Events, etc.:**

From Sharon Williams' list last month:

April 22	– Crosstie Festival
May 13	– Mayfair (North MS Fiber Guild demo booth) Senatobia, MS
Aug 12,13	– Demo at Crafts Center
Sept 8,9	– Germantown Festival
Oct 1	– Craftsmen's Guild Opening NWCC Senatobia, MS
Oct 5, 6, 7, 8	– Pink Palace Crafts Fair, Memphis, TN
Dec 2, 3	– Chimneyville, Jackson, MS

• **HGA Convergence - June 25 - July 1, 2006**

Grand Rapids, MI

Remember, there is also a lot of interesting information in the other guild newsletters. Do take advantage of reading them!

Check out the Spinners and Weavers of Imperial Calcasieu (SWIC) April newsletter to see how creative folks are ... someone built a yarn winder out of Leggos! (pictures and website given)

This is your newsletter and depends on you for news, etc. ... Also, please share any info. you have about weaving/fiber books you have or are reading.

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