

# Newsletter



## November 2008

### ALL GUILD MEETINGS:

Guild Meetings are held on the third Saturday of every month (September through May) at 10:00 at the Mississippi Crafts Center Library

CWSG Board Meeting will start at 9:00 during the regular Guild schedule unless otherwise notified by President.

Bring a snack lunch, drink, and other refreshments you might like during the day, and plan to spend the afternoon as well so that you may participate in the program.

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### Dear Guild Members,

Another beautiful month in Mississippi, with colors to "dye" for, to weave, to knit, to play with any way fiber can be used.

Wasn't our meeting in October so much fun? That is what this is all about, fun and learning. I personally may never be a spinner like some in our guild, but at least I have learned some new terms, new words, new methods of doing things, new feeling for fiber. Thanks ladies for a great program and thanks to our VP for lining these up.

Now on to November and the 'LOOM DOCTOR'. The famous Terry Dwyer will be our program in November so take pictures of those looms you simply can not bring to the meeting, make notes of your problems, bring the spinning wheels with problems, so that all can learn how and why these machines work or don't work as they should.

You are also going to be wearing something you have woven, knit, or spun to the meeting so that everyone will be part of show and tell. This is also a White Elephant meeting, so check out the closet for extras that you simply must move on. After all your Trash is someone else's Find.

See you on Saturday November 15th.

**Sandra Mayo, President.**

### Minutes of October 28, 2008 meeting

The minutes of the September 20, 2008 meeting were approved.

The cabinets in the library have been opened. Librarian Beverly Milner has started organizing the books according to a list that was provided to her. However, several books are not on the list. Marcy Petrini has an older list on an Excel spread sheet and will give that list to Beverly. Once updated, the list of books will be provided to each Guild member. It was agreed that the locks on the old cabinets would be replaced. Beverly will see to that. The Librarian, President, and Secretary have keys to the cabinets. A spare key will be hung on the back of the cabinets.

The 2008-2009 directory will be sent to all members as an Excel file and a Word file. Then they can print it in any fashion they wish. A hardcopy of the Directory will be printed for the files.

Marcy reported that the Website is up and running. You can access it at [www.cvillewsg.com](http://www.cvillewsg.com). She has asked for pictures to be posted, especially Sheep-to-Shawl and Roc Day. It will have a link to the New Orleans site for Roc day 2009. Look at the site and see if you like how it looks. If you want your website as a link let Marcy know. Thanks to Debbie Stringer for proofing and for developing the membership form. Thanks Terry for being Webmaster!!!!!!

It was suggested that the Guild purchase the set of four Monographs by Daryl Lancaster that Marva shared with us at the September meeting. Beverly will look into the price and will bring the information to the next guild meeting. Sandra Mayo suggested that we plan a program focusing on weaving to wearables. The Guild generally concurred that it was a good idea, but we would need plenty of advance notice so that we would have time to weave something that would become a "wearable."

Lu Harding donated two books that someone gave to her, **The Joy of Handweaving** and **Step-By-Step Weaving**.

**Action Item:** Marva Goodman recommended that the Guild purchase **Start Spinning: Everything You Need to Know to Make Great Yarn** by Maggie Casey. Lu Harding moved to purchase the book and Debbie Stringer seconded it. The motion passed.

*Small Expressions* is an annual international, juried exhibit featuring high quality, contemporary small-scale works. *Small Expressions* is sponsored by the Handweavers Guild of America, Inc. to showcase fiber art of a small scale not to exceed 15 inches (38 cm) in any direction. It will be held at the Mississippi Crafts Center beginning February 24. Marcy asked that we check with other fiber guilds in the area to see if they would like to be a sponsor. They would be in the Gallery guide and will be allowed to have literature out.

In Hazel Howell's absence, Liz Turner reported on preparations for Sheep-to-Shawl. The plan is to set up six stations (shearing; washing and drying; dyeing; carding; spinning; and weaving, knitting, etc.). Each station would have a

## **ITEMS OF INTEREST:**

**JOIN HGA (*The Handweavers Guild of America*)** <http://www.weavespindye.org>

Members receive four issues per year of HGA's *Shuttle, Spindle & Dyepot* magazine with articles on design, history, wearable art, exhibits, books, techniques, artist profiles and reports from museums, guilds, and members.

### **INTERWEAVE PRESS**

Grants guild members a special subscription rate. Use promotion code of DGLD6. Call 1 (800) 433-6451 or visit <http://www.interweave.com/magazines/> Sample Rates: Handwoven (5 Issues @ \$19.95), Spin Off (4 Issues @ 19.95)

### **SUBMISSION FOR NEWSLETTER**

Deadline for items submitted for publication in the CWSG Newsletter is the fifth day of the month.

### **ADS**

Any member may post items for sale free of charge. Anyone else must send a \$5.00 check to the Treasurer along with the ad.

## **Dates of Interest:**

**1 November 15, 2008 Meeting:** *It was agreed that we would wear something we made (woven, knitted, etc) to this meeting.*

**Program:** Terry Dwyer- Loom and Spinning Wheel Maintenance.

**Bring:** Christmas tree decorations for the tree. It was suggested that a future program might be: "Share your pattern for Christmas ornaments."

**White Elephant**  
Show and Tell

**2. November 18, 2008 at 5:30 P.M. in Crafts Center**

*Fiber Exhibit and Wearable Art Fashion Show*  
Models are needed

**3. December 5, 2008**

**Volunteers** are needed at 1PM at the Trade Mart to help decorate the Christmas trees for Chimneyville Crafts Festival

**4. ROC Day:** January 10, 2009 in New Orleans (Tulane).

**5. Annual Exhibit: *Guild Inspirations 2009:*** *Fortune Drawn* will be held at Northwest Mississippi Community College from February 8 to February 28 and at the Madison Library in March! Pieces need to be picked up at the Jan. meeting.

**6. April 17-19, 2009 *SOUTHEAST FIBER FORUM*** will be in Lake Junaluska, NC go to the website for all the details.  
[www.sefiberforum.org](http://www.sefiberforum.org)

visual, with lots of pictures and few words. Liz would make a visual that would provide an overview of the whole process. It was suggested that Hazel appoint the individuals that she wants to head each station. Then each head can get others to work with them. Does anyone have pictures of ROC Day for Sheep to Shawl and/or pictures of past Sheep to Shawl for Hazel, Liz and Katy to use on their posters?

**Of interest:** The United Nations has designated 2009 as the International Year of Natural Fibres. The purpose is "to raise awareness of natural fibres, to promote efficiency and sustainability of the natural fibres, and to foster an effective international partnership among the various natural fibres industries."

Sandi Tucker will procure name tags for new members.

The meeting adjourned, we had lunch and then went downstairs for the program. Marva Goodman and Jane Dollar presented a very informative program on spinning, plying, and finishing. Jane spun and demonstrated while Marva explained. The wife of a tatting demonstrator joined us for the presentation. Once again visibility is good!!!! **Thank you Marva and Jane.**

Gio Chinchar,  
Secretary

### **Treasurer's Report**

Checking account balance = \$3136.97

Paid 70.81 for Tina Bradford print and framing

Paid 19.26 for extra library keys

Made \$16.00 on white elephant

Carolyn Campbell  
Treasurer

### **Harvest Festival at Ag Museum**

#### **Weavers/Spinners/Knitters/et al:**

I got an email Friday from Elizabeth at the Ag Museum asking whether we'd be at Harvest Festival this year, November 12-15. The Ag Museum wants demonstrators at the Harvest Festival from 9-2 on Wednesday-Friday (12-14th) and 9-3:30 on Saturday (15th). Saturday is our meeting day, and I've notified Elizabeth about that. Terry will be doing the loom and spinning wheel maintenance program. Hopefully we can be represented for part of the day. I'm thinking we could do it the way we did the last few times, with members volunteering to demonstrate for a couple of hours, half day, all day, (shoot, all week!) - whatever works for you.

Please email me if you can demo for any segments or days. I will send out a complete schedule as it develops.

Thanks for your help - great picture of Marva in today's paper, demonstrating at Manship House, be sure to look it up!

Thanks.  
Sandi Tucker

## CWSG PROGRAMS 08-09

**August 16, 2008-** Not an official meeting- summer trip to Jane Dollar's home- Marva will teach felting projects for Christmas tree decorations.

1. **September 20**, Blending fine fiber with Patricia Holmberg. She will bring Angora rabbit ready for plucking! Downstairs at the Craft's Center.\*

2. **October 18**: Spinning, plying, finishing with Marva Goodman and Jane Dollar. Downstairs at the Craft's Center. \*

3. **November 15**: Terry Dwyer- Loom and Spinning Wheel Maintenance. Delivery and Show and Tell of Christmas tree decorations for the tree. Also, the following Tuesday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, is the Craftsmen's Guild of MS fiber show at the Craft Center.

4. **December 13(2<sup>nd</sup> Sat)**: Loom Crawl - Meridian- starting at Winki Allen's house with appetizers, and then to Nancy Landrum's house for the meal.

5. **January 17**: Program: Marcy Petrini- FIBER

6. **February 21**: Textile show- audio-visual or other presentation

7. **March 21**: Navajo techniques on the tapestry loom by Nancy Landrum. Downstairs at the Craft's Center. \*

8. **April 18**: expanded Sheep to Shawl: shearing, washing, dyeing, carding, spinning, warping and weaving, sequenced and with visuals.  
Patricia Holmberg will bring her sheep. On the porch and outside at the Craft's Center \*

9. **May 16**: felting woven scarves by Winki Allen. On the porch at the Craft's Center. \*

\* Julia Daley has requested these programs to be downstairs/outside at the MS Craft's Center so that visitors can observe.

## ADS

### Glimakra Jack Loom

Glimakra Viking Jack Loom, 50" weaving width, 4-harness, 6 treadle, texsolv heddles, two reeds (10 and 12), lease and warping sticks, rag and boat shuttles; great for throws, large shawls, and rugs. Folds when not in use. The height is 38", the depth folded is 39" and open completely is 42" (see photo) and the width is 57"-58". Very good condition. \$850. Will meet someone within reason for pick-up.

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