

## **Happy Birthday**

### Gayle Gray June 10 Angel Sullivan June 19

TO: CWSG MEMBERSHIP from the new "Prez"

Well, looks like y'all should have known better....you have allowed me to be your president in the past and forewarned is usually forearmed; but you have done it again. Thank you. I look forward to working with you all. I am hoping we can build on the enthusiasm we all felt which climaxed with a wonderful Sheep to Shawl and Winki's hands-on felting demonstration. I believe we all want to continue learning and growing and sharing our love of our fiber craft/hobby/art. We just have to keep figuring out how!

A great big thank you to all the officers, committee chairpersons, and others who worked so hard in the last year/two years! Any term of office that includes hosting a Roc Day is unusually challenging. So, we have a break from that for a while!

Please do not be shy in the months to come (like you ever are!). Let's do try to have orderly and brief meetings. If you don't like the plans under way, please tell the planners. Tell anybody you like, but be SURE to tell the planners. Maybe they can make a change; maybe not. None of this "stuff" is either personal or earth-shattering. We all care about each other and our avocation. Let's enjoy and grow.

Sharon and I are working on program plans and some other ideas. The Board will be meeting soon to do more planning. Hopefully, we can do most business in the Board and committees, keeping y'all informed and bringing matters that require voting to you. But we will try not to have long business meetings when we could be learning/watching/showing/telling. We will practice being succinct and efficient.

We will have a summer meeting at the newly-available-to-us alpaca farm, hosted by our new husband-wife members. Thank you to them for the invitation. (We did not really give them much choice!) See this newsletter for save the date information.

PLEASE COME TO THE SUMMER MEETING PREPARED TO VOTE ON FUNDING THE NEW ORLEANS WEAVERS GUILD MEMBERS MILEAGE MONEY FOR ONE VEHICLE TO COME UP TO PRESENT OUR SEPTEMBER PROGRAM. ESTIMATE IS \$150 PLUS OR MINUS FOR THE GAS at the standard of 50 cents plus/minus per mile. We need to vote on this during the summer so that we can proceed with writing a check if this all works out for September. More on this later! We may need spend the night slots also! Surely we have enough beds to do that for free....

Looking forward to seeing you in July and/or September! Lu

#### **Treasurer's Report**

Darryl Lancaster booklets \$159.50. Ending Balance = \$2,726.03

Dues deposit will show up on next statement.

#### Carolyn Campbell, Treasurer

## Minutes of May 16, 2009 meeting

New members Donna Peyton, Larry Howard and Jennifer Kersh were warmly welcomed. It was noted that Larry and Jennifer (husband and wife) raise alpacas.

# Old Business:

- 1. **Sheep-to-shawl:** Comments included: best one we ever had; well-organized; stations with pictorial descriptions were excellent; etc. One concern expressed and a possible solution was that the station with the samples should have two areas, one where "untouchables" are displayed with an appropriate sign (Please do not touch) and another with "touchables." It was suggested that pieces be woven specifically for the "touchable" table.
- Library: Beverly is continuing her organization of the holdings. The nine monographs by Daryl Lancaster arrived. Additionally, Nancye McGowan Marcy Petrini donated books to the library; Nancye donated <u>A Handweaver's Workbook</u> and <u>The Art and Craft of Handweaving</u> while Marcy contributed four books about Indian beading. Some members checked out books which will be due back at the September meeting.
- 3. **Hazel's update:** Unfortunately Hazel could not be with us today because she had another fall. Carolyn Campbell constructed a very attractive box to receive donations to the Crafts Center in Hazel's honor. It was agreed that the money collected would be turned over to the Crafts Center and a presentation will be made to Hazel at the September meeting. It was suggested and agreed that members could write a little memory about Hazel a paragraph or two that Debbie Stringer will collated and put together in a little booklet. These memories should be sent to Debbie by August 1.
- 4. Meeting Room: President Sandra Mayo reminded us that in return for the privilege of using the library as the meeting room, CWSG has certain responsibilities which include: Sheep-to-shawl, conducting programs downstairs, and contributing Christmas ornaments for Chimneyville Crafts Festival which will be held the first weekend in December. Sandra will check to see how much money was made from the ornaments in 2008.
- 5. **Equipment:** There was some concern about equipment that CWSG possesses and the procedure for checking it out. I have attached the rental procedure to this Newsletter.

## **New Business:**

**Officer elections:** The nominating committee (Nancy Landrum and Barbara Mitchell) presented Lu Harding for President and Sharon Williams for Vice-president. There were no other nominations. They were accepted unanimously. Sandra Mayo commented that she enjoyed serving as President for the past two years.

Notes: Sandi Tucker will be moving to Atlanta because her future husband resides there. Congratulations Sandi; we wish you well.

Gio Chinchar Secretary

## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

June 23 at a place and time to be announce: Board meeting for planning the upcoming year.

June 27 at the Crafts Center: Demonstration of indigo dyeing with Marcy and her weaving students. All are invited to come out for this event. It will start at 10 a.m.

# July 18, Saturday: CWSG summer fun at Jennifer and Larry Howard's alpaca farm. More information will be in the July Newsletter, but reserve the date!!!!!!!

Ame O'Brian is looking for a used spinning wheel. If anyone has one in good condition and would like to sell it please contact Ame. Her e-mail is <u>ameobrian@aol.com</u>

**Reminder:** If you have not paid your dues for the upcoming year, please do so soon. We'd like to get started on the yearbook.

# An important note form Sandi Tucker:

#### Dear CWSG members,

As you know, we adopted HeartScarves for WomenHeart as a permanent project last year, and have produced quite a number of them for the support group at St. Dominic to distribute to women who are battling heart disease. You also probably know that I have been collecting them for the group as you've produced them, and also that I will be moving to Atlanta at the end of August.

SO...We need a volunteer to do the collecting and deliver to Teresa Nelson, the social worker at St. Dom's who works with the group. I'll put that volunteer in touch with Teresa, and fill you in on where to take the scarves. And so many women will appreciate it!

Waiting to hear from you,

Sandi

#### ALL GUILD MEETINGS:

Guild Meetings are held on the third Saturday of every month (September through May) at 10:00 a.m. 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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