

Happy Birthday Gio Chinchar May 14 Patricia Holmberg May 27

May 2010 letter from the Prez:

Dear Ladies and Gentleman of the CWSG:

Many thanks to all for a wonderful Sheep to Shawl. Thank you, especially, to Liz Turner for chairing and being a general very wonderful "do whatever" person that day. The weather favored us, and the crowd was a very good size for education. And the food was wonderful. A special thanks to Darlene and others who have the patience to work with the children. It looked to me like everyone, including a few parents, had a great time. This was again a successful event, only because everyone who could pitched in and did a part.

The Lancaster workshop is upon us, and I am sure it, too, will be a great success. I regret that I have had to drop out, but Nancy Landrum will be occupying my slot. No doubt Nancy is a candidate for a lot more stitching on hand weaving than I am, so I feel good about this and grateful that the slot will not be wasted. Again, a huge thanks to Gio Chinchar for her tireless work on all the details of the workshop and accompanying lectures.

My shoulder and arm are healing, although not as fast as I would like. No doubt, I will be weaving again before too long. Throwing the shuttle is still a problem. Please do all you can to prevent falls at home and work; I now understand the cost of such a simple little spill—in terms of pain and time and finances. Wow!

Due to my "oops" and a few other things like surgery and family crises, the Nominating Committee was not able to report in April. I am not sure when we could have with Sheep to Shawl going on; we'll think about that for next year.

Here is the slate: As you know, Sandra continues as past prez on the board and I continue as prez since these are two year terms. Nominated for Secretary is Gio Chinchar, Treasurer Debbie Stringer, and for librarian/historian Donna Peyton. The Board will serve as Program Chairman (Vice President) for the time being. If you have an interest in this job or want to recommend someone who you think will do a great job, please advise me. We want to consider this carefully since it is such a key to our success and satisfaction with our Guild.

Please send your vote to Gio via e mail. JUST E-MAIL HER BACK YES I VOTE FOR THE SLATE-----OR I VOTE NO REGARDING THE PROPOSED SLATE.

Looking forward to seeing you in May. Sharon has a special program for us. We will miss her as VP/program chair next year but understand why she cannot continue to do this long distance with all her other responsibilities. Thanks, Sharon, for a great job!

Lu, your "Prez"

No Minutes April 17, 2010 meeting: Sheep-to-shawl

Treasurer's Report:

Debit - 0 Credit - 0 Ending balance \$4,298.43

Carolyn Campbell, Treasurer

Note from Kathy Cohron: Please bring Red Scarves to the next meeting.

Note from Debbie Stringer: Mississippi has a new weaving shop

If you go to the coast this summer, be sure to check out Kathleen's Fiber Arts, in downtown Ocean Springs. Owner/weaver Kathleen Brown started weaving in 1986 while living in upstate New York. Her shop offers weaving and knitting yarns, some weaving equipment, rigid heddle looms, books, handwoven and hand-dyed clothing and scarves, Kumihimo kits and supplies, and jewelry. She also has weaving classes. Her website (under construction) is www.kathleensfiberarts.com. The shop is located at 913 Washington Avenue. It's open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Phone number is (228) 818-6666.

From Winki Allen: FOR SALE:

1) Used LeClerc Dorothy table loom, weaves width of 15 1/2 inches, 4-harness, 12 dent reed, older loom with wear but working well, reed frame was replaced, I bought this loom used and have used it until I purchased a new Dorothy on a stand, \$100

2) Glimakra tapestry loom, table top model, a smaller version of the loom that Nancy Landrum has, weaves 20" width, both warp and cloth beams, uses handmade string heddles which are not included but are easy to make, \$125, nice little loom

3) two handmade raddles, one 22inch with 1 " increments (lighter nails that could be replaced with heavier ones) and the other is 381/2 inch with heavier nails at 1/2" increments.... these were given to me and they are yours for the asking

Guild Meetings are held on the third Saturday of every month (September through May, except December) at 10:00 a.m. at the Mississippi Crafts Center Library. The December meeting (Loom Crawl) is the second Saturday and is hosted at someone's home.

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

You are welcome to bring a brown bag lunch and stay the afternoon to fellowship and work with fellow weavers and spinners. You will be notified in the newsletter of any programs or teaching sessions that will continue in the afternoon.

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