

# NEWSLETTER

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## OCTOBER PROGRAM

Our October program will be led by guild member Margaret Richardson. Margaret has delighted us in the past with her characters created from felted wool sweaters. She'll describe how she creates such fantastic creatures and provide us with abundant felted wool, buttons, etc. so that we can all try our hands at this creative means of recycling. Margaret suggests we bring scissors and tapestry needles ... she'll provide the rest. *Afterward we'll share potluck lunch*.

#### HELLO, FELLOW WEAVERS AND SPINNERS-

We had a great meeting last month at Debbie's work place and just had the best time. The fellowship was great and so was the food! I am looking forward to another great year with CWSG.

I have joined another KAL on Ravelry. I am knitting the Hitofude cardigan by Hiroko Fukatsu. I am also trying to get ready for Chimneyville. With all the knitting it has been hard to find time to spin, but I managed to get a bobbin and a half done at the last meeting! Whoot!

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting. Margaret is going to show us how she makes her wonderful toys out of old felted sweaters! I can't wait!!

See you there, Your Prez, DONNA

"Bring along scissors for cutting felted sweaters and thread, plus tapestry needles for sewing felted pieces together—and your imagination! It will be a zoo!"

- Margaret Richardson

#### **Upcoming Programs**

- October—Margaret Richardson, felted creatures
- November—Donna Peyton, dyeing wool
- December—Loom crawl/party
- January—OPEN
- February—Winki Allen, polymer buttons
- March—OPEN
- April 11—Sheep to Shawl demo
- May—OPEN



# SOUTHEAST FIBER FORUM

Registration for the upcoming Southeast Fiber Forum opened October 1. The Forum will be held April 16-19, 2015 at Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in Gatlinburg, TN..

The Southeast Fiber Forum Association, host of the upcoming Forum, fosters cooperation among individual fiber artists and local guilds in the Southeast USA, specifically Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, the Carolinas, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Keynote speaker for next year's event will be Kay Faulkner of Universal Patterns. Having studied textiles and weaving for more than 25 years, Ms. Faulkner works as a full-time weaver who creates weaving for production, limited run and art textiles. Current interests include warp-faced textiles of Southeast Asia and the design of imagery using tied-unit weaves.

Exhibits include both instructors' work as well as items produced by members and attendees. An informal fashion show and studio stroll will be held Saturday evening.

Workshops include felting, dyeing, pattern design, flax cultivation and spinning, double knitting, e-textiles, deflected double weave, rigid heddle weaving, wedge weaving, tablet weaving, and no-wax batik.

For more information visit www.sefiberforum.org

# ALPACA FESTIVAL

A Stroka Gene-Us Alpacas, one of our past Roc Day vendors, will host the Stringer Alpaca Festival at the farm on November 22 from 9 am to 4 pm.

There will be more than 40 arts and crafts vendors, food, children's activities, alpacas, fiber demonstrations and more!

Admission is *FREE!* 

The address is 383 County Road 155, Stringer, MS 39481.

For more information visit: www.astrokageneusalpacas.com



### RIRTHDAYS

Fabulous fiber festivities to:

Nichol Treuil

**Terry Wetzel** 

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

We made \$.03 interest this month, bringing our bank account balance up to \$4.473.23

Dues of \$20 for the year should be paid by our October 18 meeting. Only dues-paying members will be included in the updated guild directory.



Enjoying the great fall weather and weaving al fresco in Vicksburg, MS

# DREAM ROCKET PROJECT

Guild member Winki Allen reports that she has helped implement the Dream Rocket Project (DRP) for the past three years in Lauderdale County schools. Winki asks that CWSG consider supporting this project by making a donation of any amount.

DRP encourages individuals interested in the arts to dream BIG while learning about space, science and technology. A project of the International Fiber Collaborative, DRP is currently raising funding to wrap a Saturn V rocket at the US Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, AL with over 8,000 pieces of art. The show opens May 1, 2015 and runs through June 30.

Art submission have already been received from nearly 400 artists in 47 states and 20 foreign countries. Preliminary exhibitions of submitted art works have been mounted in 153 venues.

Pledges to the DRP through Kickstarter will allow young people the world over to participate in this exciting project. To make a donation, visit kickstarter.com and search for Dream Rocket Project.

# SEPTEMBER MINUTES

President Donna Peyton, VP Margaret Richardson, Treasurer Carolyn Campbell, and Librarian Debbie Stringer gathered for a board meeting at 9 am on September 20. Topics discussed included duties of guild officers, desire for a weaving workshop (Alma Ellis will plan), need for a new directory, and upcoming review and revision of bylaws. The board planned meetings for the upcoming program year (see list on page 1).

Our regular meeting followed at 10 am. Members were reminded than annual dues of \$20 should be paid ASAP to Treasurer Carolyn Campbell. Only dues-paying members will be included in the new directory. Librarian Debbie Stringer asked for suggestions to be acquired for the guild library. VP Margaret Richardson asked for suggestions for upcoming programs. We discussed the upcoming exhibit of guild members' work at the Craft Center. Following show and tell, we enjoyed a talk by Donna Collins of Southern Needle.

#### JOIN US!

The CWSG newsletter is published the first week of each month and is distributed by email to members and friends.

We meet the 3rd Saturday of the month, usually at the MS Craft Center (upstairs) at 950 Rice Road, Ridgeland, MS 39157

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