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February 2015



Weave a heart for Valentine's Day. Visit the Handweavers Guild of America web site at weavespindye.org for instructions and ideas.

Beginning February 19
(the Lunar New Year),
2015 will be the Year of
the Sheep according to
the Chinese zodiac.
Those born in the Year
of the Sheep are tender,
polite, clever and kindhearted with a special
sensitivity to art and
beauty.

DEAR FELLOW WEAVERS AND SPINNERS,

We have a wonderful exhibit at the Craft Center right now. As I understand it, there are pictures on the Guild Facebook page of our work. Thanks to Marva for helping me set everything up and to Sharon for her long-distance organizing.

This month I'm looking forward to the button demo from Nancy and Winki. I love making buttons!

YOUR PREZ, DONNA

Upcoming Programs

- February—Polymer buttons/Nancy Landrum & Winki Allen
- March—Blocking for knitting & crocheting/ Rita Grice
- April 11—Sheep to Shawl demo
- May—Shibori dyeing/ Winki Allen



SHEEP-TO-SHAWL

We are lining up volunteers to demonstrate at Sheep to Shawl on Saturday, April 11, at the Craft Center. Hours are 10 a.m. til 4 p.m.. Debbie Stringer is coordinating volunteers, so please email her (news@epaofms.com) to volunteer, or just pipe up at the February meeting. Here are the folks who volunteered at the January meeting:

Alma: coordinating sheep and shearing

Nichol: spinning or crocheting

Margaret: washing station

Debbie: floor loom weaving

Do plan to come, even if you can't stay the whole day. This is a fun event and our biggest demonstration of the year.

RIRTHDAYS

Fabulous fiber festivities to members:

Phyllis Miller (Feb. 2)

Nancy Landrum (Feb. 5)

Beverly Allen (Feb. 16)

TREASURER'S REPORT

We made \$.04 interest this month and deposited \$20 in income from dues and paid \$92 for our PO box, bringing our bank account balance to \$4,961.39

JANUARY MINUTES

Nearly 20 members gathered on Saturday, January 17 for our first meeting of the new year.

Under Old Business, President Donna Peyton announced that pieces for the exhibit Say it with Red will be hung on January 31. Pieces may be contributed up until that date.

We discussed our Sheep to Shawl demonstration day to be held Saturday, April 11. Debbie Stringer will coordinate volunteers and publicity. Alma Ellis will see whether sheep Marge and Agnes are available to visit again this year. Alma will also take care of acquiring new signs for us. There are no other classes scheduled at the Craft Center that day.

We discussed the possibility of scheduling a spinning workshop with Mary Lessman in 2015 and a weaving worship with Katherine Webber in 2016. Marcy Petrini made a motion that we move forward with these workshops. Sharon Williams seconded the motion. Guild members voted unanimously in favor.

Under New Business, we discussed the Craftsmen's Guild Show at Northwest Community College in October. Sharon Williams encourages all who are members of the MS Craftsmen's Guild to participate. We also discussed our own CWSG show later this year, perhaps in April. Sharon Williams will check with Sheri about this.

Fiberfest will take place in Plaquemine, LA on the second weekend of November. ROC Day 2016 takes place in Baton Rouge. Participants in ROC Day 2015 included Marcy Petrini, Donna Peyton Brenda Harrower, Sharon Williams and Jane Dollar. Marcy reported selling lots of her monographs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 7, 2015 — Gathering of the Guilds, Memphis, TN, sponsored by the Memphis Weavers guild

May 29 & 30, 2015 — Magnolia State Fiber Festival at Vicksburg Convention Center; more info at msff.net

June 18-20, 2015 — Midwest Weaver's Conference, Minneapolis, MN

July 25 & 26, 2015 — Weaving with Echo and Iris workshop, Jackson, TN, sponsored by Traditional Skills and Fiberworks Guild in Jackson, TN

August 15, 2015 — Marbling Workshop, sponsored by the Traditional Skills and Fiberworks Guild in Jackson, TN

November 2015—FiberFest in Plaquemine, LA

January 2016 — ROC Day sponsored by Bayou Yarn Benders, Baton Rouge

JOIN US!

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

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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