

# Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild

Dear guild members,

*from Gio Chinchar, president*

I am excited about our upcoming meeting, which will be held on Oct. 8, at 10 a.m.

We will start with a business meeting in the library and then proceed to the Guild Hall where we will have a grand celebration. We will celebrate Weaving and Spinning Week and the 35th anniversary of the founding of CWSG. We will hold a raffle (or white elephant), so this is the time to streamline your stashes of fiber and fiber-related materials.

Bring your spinning wheel, loom, pin loom, or some other hand-held project and we will visit, enjoy each other's company and celebrate.

Additionally, we will have a potluck luncheon. Margaret Richardson will send out a sign-up sheet soon. After all, we don't want to have only desserts, or do we?

Also, invite others who may have an interest in joining our guild. I look forward to seeing all of you Oct. 8.

If you have not already done so, please send your dues (\$20) to Nancy Hester, our new treasurer, at P.O. Box 16888, Jackson, MS 39211.

Thanks so much for being part of this wonderful organization.

## September meeting minutes

*by Beth Palmer, secretary*

We met on Saturday, Sept. 17 at the Mississippi Craft Center with 10 members present, plus new member Ryan Hardin and visitor Barbara Mitchell. There were no minutes from the May 2016 meeting as that was our celebratory luncheon with Marva Goodman.

Under Old Business, Marcy Petrini announced that our show, "Colors that Sing," now on display in Senato-



## Officers 2016-2017

*Each officer serves a two-year term on the CWSG board.*

- President: Gio Chinchar
- Vice president: Margaret Richardson
- Secretary: Beth Palmer
- Librarian/historian: Jo Miles
- Treasurer: Nancy Hester

• Newsletter editor: Debbie Stringer  
Please email newsletter submissions to Debbie (news@epaofms.com) by the first of the month of publication.

## About CWSG

CWSG brings together people who enjoy and want to learn more about weaving and spinning. Membership is open to anyone with like interests. Annual membership fee is \$20. A membership form is available on our website.

We usually meet on the third Saturday of the month, September through May. Meetings include a business session, program and show-and-tell, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Mississippi Craft Center in Ridgeland, unless otherwise noted.

**[www.cvillewsg.com](http://www.cvillewsg.com)**

CWSG  
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Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild  
celebrates

**35 years**

of weaving, spinning, knitting, dyeing,  
learning, sharing, showing, growing,  
planning, traveling, meeting, teaching,  
loom crawls, Roc Days, potlucks, parties,  
workshops, lectures, demos, vendors,  
laughter, caring, friendships, fellowship.

*Join our celebration on Oct. 8!*



bia, comes down on Sept. 29. Marcy related that there's some confusion as to ownership of various pieces and suggests that, in the future, we add photos of our submitted pieces to our registration forms.

Under New Business, treasurer Nancy Hester presented the proposed budget for the 2016/2017 year. The budget is balanced against income from dues of \$540. We rejoiced in the recent check received from The Woolery for \$218.42 and encouraged all to participate in the guild rewards program.

A lively discussion ensued regarding how we might grow our membership, increase annual dues, increase ticket prices for our white elephant sales, and other means to increase our income.

Given that recent workshops have lost money none are planned for this year.

Kathy Perito moved to accept the budget and was seconded by Marcy Petrini. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

President Gio Chinchar briefed the guild regarding programs planned for the coming year. Our October meeting has been moved to the 8th (vs. the third Saturday of the month) and will celebrate the 35th anniversary.

## Programs 2016-2017

*All meetings begin at 10 a.m.  
unless otherwise noted.*

• **Oct. 8: Celebration: 35th anniversary celebration.** 35th anniversary of the formation of CWSG, plus Spinning and Weaving Week. Potluck lunch.

NOTE: The bylaws committee will meet with the board at 9 a.m.

• **Nov. 19: Plants Used in Dyeing.** (Donna Hamlin Beliech, Area Horticulturist)

• **Dec. 12:** Loom Crawl, Craft Center.

• **Jan. 21: Kumihimo Braiding.** Program and mini-workshop. (Kathy Perito)

• **Feb. 18: Drop Spinning.** (Donna Peyton)

• **March 18: Sheep-to-Shawl**

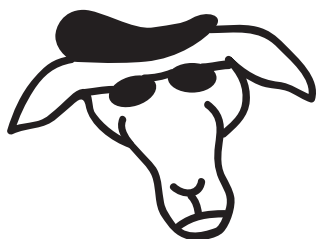
• **April 22: "Yarn,"** the movie. Debbie Stringer's office building.

• **May 20: Presentations from Study Groups**

## Calendar

• **Eighth Annual Jail House Rock,** Oct. 20-22, Canton. Hook-in and rug show hosted by Magnolia Wool Dust Society, ATHA Chapter 114. Registration limited to 55 participants. Contact Debbie Stringer, news@epaofms.com, for registration form.

• **Roc Day 2017,** Jan. 7, Dry Creek, La. Dry Creek Baptist Camp, 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Hosted by Spinners and Weavers of Imperial Calcasieu Guild. For more info: swicnewsletter@gmail.com; SWIC, PO Box 1224, DeRidder, LA 70634.



sary of our guild as well as Spinning and Weaving Week. We'll have a potluck and invite prospective members to join us. The Japanese braiding mini-workshop planned for the day has been moved to Jan. 21, 2017.

The discussion of our updated bylaws, policies, and procedures was postponed to the Oct. 8 meeting. At that time we will also discuss the potential showing of "YARN: The Movie," which will cost the guild \$150. Members can learn more about the movie at [yarnfilm.com](http://yarnfilm.com).

The meeting adjourned and we moved into our program on Convergence 2016 by Kathy Perito and Marcy Petrini, a discussion of study groups on color, our white elephant sale, and potluck lunch.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 8 at 10 a.m. at the Mississippi Craft Center. The board will meet that day at 9 a.m.

## CWSG: A Moment in Our History

*from Marcy Petrini*

In the September 1999 newsletter, vice president and education chair Holly Benzenhafer Redford reminded members: "If you attended a workshop at SFF, please bring project and pieces you have done this summer using the techniques you learned. Be ready to show and share!" (SFF (Southeast Fiber Forum) had been held in Jackson, earlier that year).

## Free alpaca wool available

Amy Walsh, of the Amite County Extension Service, says a client called her to find a home for six bags of alpaca wool. If interested, you can reach Amy at 601-657-8932.

## Looms for sale

Marianne Sicard, a weaver from the coast, is unable to weave and would like to sell her looms, along with yarn. She now lives in Wiggins, off Highway 49. Please call her for prices at 601-528-4627.

- LeClerc 60-inch, 4-shaft loom with 2 reeds; paid \$1,200
- Gilmore 40-inch 8-shaft loom; paid \$1,200

## Treasurer's Report

Due to our schedule change for October, the treasurer's report will come at the October meeting.

## Shop and Support CWSG

### • Halcyon Yarn

Support CWSG when you shop at Halcyon Yarn. Just tell them you are a guild member and we'll receive 5%. Use discount code HYGR2016 to receive \$5 off your next order of \$50 or more.

### • Woolery link

Support the guild when you shop online at The Woolery. Use the Woolery link on our website, [www.cvvilleswg.com](http://www.cvvilleswg.com), so we will reap the benefits!

