

# Cchimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild



Dear fiber lovers,

*by Gio Chinchar, president*

Thanksgiving is over. How wonderful it was, and so much to be thankful for. Black Friday is gone, and Cyber Monday is almost over. On to December!

- Last month you received a copy of the revised Bylaws and Policies and Procedures. Please read them and be ready to discuss and, hopefully, adopt them on Dec. 10.

Yes, there will be a short meeting prior to our Holiday Party, which will be held at the Craft Center (it is not rented for that day).

- There is no board meeting this month.

- The Color Study Group will not meet until Jan. 21.

- Holiday Party: Sign up for your part in the Christmas party cooking (Dec. 10). As in the past, we will have an optional gift exchange. The

item should be around \$20 if you purchase it. Or you can produce it yourself. Or it can be a fiber “tool” or book. Participation is up to you.

- Reminder: Kathy Perito is giving a mini- workshop on Kumihimo Braiding on Jan. 21. If you wish to participate, the cost of supplies is \$15. If you bring your own disk, bobbins and weight, the cost will be \$7. Fees are due by Dec. 10. Please make check payable to Kathy Perito.

See you on Dec. 10.



## November meeting minutes

*by Nancy Hester (in Beth Palmer's absence)*

- More than 10 were present; therefore, we had a quorum.

## 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](mailto: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.

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- Members approved the November meeting minutes with no changes.
- CWSG members will discuss and vote on the revised Bylaws, Policies and Procedures during the December meeting.
- No other unfinished business.
- New business: Need a volunteer to chair the Loom Crawl planning committee. Next business meeting is scheduled for Dec. 10, before the party. There will be a gift exchange during the Dec. 10 meeting. Will follow up with Sheri Cox to see exactly where the December meeting will be held. No other new business.
- Announcements: Chimneyville Crafts Festival is Dec. 1-3 and volunteers are needed. Sharon Williams donated booth space to CWSG; booths #724 and 725 are available to CWSG for demonstrations.
- Updates: Dates for when the George Berry Gallery will be open for displays will be announced at a later date. The Sheep to Shawl theme in March will be selected soon. The April and May meeting dates are open for programs and presentations. The Color Study Group report is due in May. In April, a project day will be held at Debbie's office; bring food and projects with issues (held April 22 due to Easter holiday timing).



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- Convergence 2018 details were presented. Dates are July 6-12 in Reno, Nevada.

## New member welcomed

Heather M. Smith, of Vicksburg, is our newest CWSG member. Heather enjoys weaving and crocheting. Her email address is

hmk.smith@yahoo.com. Be sure to introduce yourself to Heather and give her a warm welcome!

## Craft Center weaving class revamped

Kathy Perito and Marcy Petrini have reorganized the weaving class for a better learning experience. Various topics are discussed in a didactic session (approximately 20 minutes) to start each weekly class. Students are allowed to visit, if they so wish, but away from the studio so as not to disturb other students who are working.

There are a few slots available for the class starting in January. Classes continue to be on Tuesday nights, 7-9

## Programs 2016-2017

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

- **Dec. 10: Christmas Party**, Mississippi Craft Center. Potluck, optional fiber-related gift exchange. Deadline to sign up and pay fees for January's kumihimo braiding mini-workshop.
- **Jan. 21: Kumihimo Braiding**. Program and mini-workshop (Kathy Perito). Color Study Group meets.
- **Feb. 18: Drop Spinning**. (Donna Peyton)
- **March 18: Sheep to Shawl**
- **April 22: Projects/Potluck**
- **May 20: Presentations from Study Groups**

## Calendar

- **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.
- **Oxford Fiber Arts Festival**, Jan. 26-28, Oxford. Classes, vendors, petting zoo, demos, lectures, children's activities. Andi Bedsworth is coordinator. Info: 662-236-6429; www.oxfordarts.com.



## 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.cvilleswg.com](http://www.cvilleswg.com), so we will reap the benefits!







p.m. for 10 weeks and cost \$195, which include use of the looms and other equipment, and materials for the first project.

For more information, please email Kathy at [khperito@gmail.com](mailto:khperito@gmail.com) or Marcy at [mfp\\_tmd@bellsouth.net](mailto:mfp_tmd@bellsouth.net). To sign up, please call the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi, (601) 856-7546. A spot is reserved with payment.

## Treasurer's Report

by Nancy Hester

- The current account balance is \$3,577.23, including 3 cents in interest and dues deposits of \$80.

## CWSG Moment in History

by Marcy Petrini

In the May 1992 newsletter, produced by Debbie Stringer, secretary:

The May meeting was our annual Sheep to Shawl at the farmhouse at the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum. Good participation, beautiful weather and lots of onlookers made it a fun and productive day for the guild. Barney Tanner, Rankin County Extension Agent, brought a fleece and sheared two sheep at the farmhouse.

## CWSG demos at festival

CWSG was fortunate to have the use of two booths for demonstrations, donated and decorated by Sharon Williams.

We had a fine time visiting with each other and sharing our enthusiasm for spinning, knitting and weaving with onlookers. We also promoted our upcoming Sheep to Shawl and the weaving classes at the Craft Center.

Sharon was elected president of the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi during the organization's annual meeting at the festival. Congratulations to Sharon!

Terry Dwyer made these photos of our two-day demos.

