

# Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild

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## Letter from the President



Hello Everyone,

I hope you had a relaxing summer with many spinning and weaving adventures to tell us about when we gather again.

I am excited about my new role within the guild and appreciate the support of our board and members. If you need anything or have ideas you want to share with me, please don't hesitate to reach out.

This year marks a milestone for the guild as we celebrate our 45th anniversary and we are planning a series of celebratory events that promise to make this year unforgettable. More details to follow but I can't wait!  
Janet

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## Weaving Class

The Beginning Tablet Weaving class taught by Angela Schneider will be held Saturday, October 4th at the Crafts Center. There are only a few spots left, so if you haven't yet registered but would like to take the class, contact Janet Lee.

## Notices

Guild dues are due by the end of the meeting on September 20.

For those who are participating, Please have your 2 pieces for the Delta Arts Alliance exhibition ready to be picked up at the September CWSG meeting.



# Program Schedule

## CELEBRATING 45 YEARS

On Saturday, September 20, 1980, Dan Overly, then Executive Director of the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi (CGM), called an organizational meeting for all interested weavers at the newly established Chimneyville School of Crafts and Design on the Millsaps campus, in the hope of forming the "Chimneyville Chapter of the Handweavers Guild of America (HGA)." Dan had gathered a list of weavers among the CGM members and friends, and, with the help of the HGA state representative, had obtained a list of HGA members from Mississippi.

For about a year, the group functioned primarily with the help of Dan and the CGM staff, sending notices of meetings and offering programs led by group members, with no specific membership. But it had always been Dan's intent that the group be self-sufficient, albeit under the hospices of the CGM. So, starting in the summer of 1981, directives (by-laws) were written, officers were elected, committees formed, and dues established; the first out of state instructor was also scheduled: Peg McNair from Seattle, WA taught two three-day workshops on designing and weaving with the Theo Morman technique.

The first line of the August 1981 newsletter, published after the August meeting, announced: "We are officially the Chimneyville Weavers Guild." The original membership was less than two dozen weavers.

### 2025 CWSG PROGRAM SCHEDULE

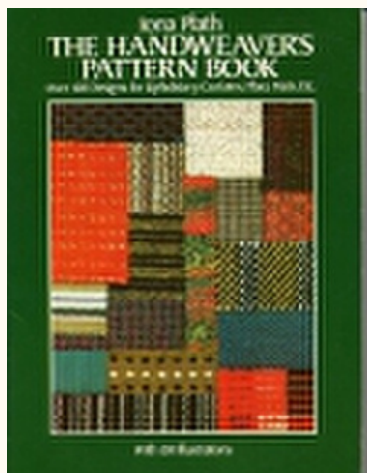
September 20,  
2025  
Anniversary Year  
Kickoff

October 18, 2025  
Fiber  
Identification  
Jacqueline Dutsch

November 15,  
2025  
There's an App  
for That

December 13,  
2025

Christmas Party



This book and many others are available for checkout from the Guild Library. Check out our library at [www.librarything.com/profile/CWSGLibrary](http://www.librarything.com/profile/CWSGLibrary) and contact Jacqueline Dutsch to borrow from the library.

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## Book Highlight

The Handweaver's Pattern Book:

Over 120 Designs for Upholstery, Curtains, Place Mats, Etc.

Author

Iona Plath

This book of patterns brings over 130 designs to novice and advanced handweavers, particularly those who wish to create their own weaves but are limited by time and opportunity. Full-page illustrations and actual-size photographs of the weaves accompany the patterns. Most of the weaves are for the four-harness looms; there are also two-, six- and eight harness weaves, and it is explained how many of four-harness weaves can be woven on two-harness loom.

Refreshments  
September Meeting  
Refreshments:  
Janet Lee

### Co-op Corner

Co-op members are gearing up for their first show of the year, Chimneyville Arts Festival, which will be held from Thursday, November 13th to Saturday, November 15th at the Bill Waller Crafts Center.

# Member Submissions



Summer lunch at Walnut Hills in Vicksburg



Craig Hallstrom's yarn he spun as a member of the CWSG Tour de Fleece team



Donna Peyton spinning on WLBT's Studio Three for Chimneyville's Christmas in July Demo Day

Co-op demo day at the Craftcenter for Chimneyville's Christmas in July.





## ABOUT THE GUILD

CWSG brings together people who enjoy and want to learn more about weaving and spinning. Our guild is based in the Jackson, Mississippi, area.

CWSG receives commissions, at no additional cost to you, from Halcyon Yarns and The Woolery. To explore what they have to offer and support the Guild, please visit Halcyon Yarns and The Woolery through the links on our website.  
[www.cvillewsg.com/index](http://www.cvillewsg.com/index).

### Officers

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

President: Janet Lee  
Vice President: Donna Peyton  
Secretary: Sarah Pair  
Treasurer: Gio Chinchar  
Librarian/Historian: Jacqueline Dutsch  
Past President: Alma Ellis

### Membership

Membership is open to anyone with like interests. The annual membership fee is \$25. A membership form is available at <http://cvillewsg.com/> and click on "membership. CWSG members may also join the CWSG Co-op, which is a member of the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi and provides opportunities to sell original handwoven and handspun work through CGM's shows and gallery.

### Meetings/Events

CWSG normally meets on the third Saturday of the month, September through May. Meetings include a business session, program, and show-and-tell. We begin at 10 a.m. at the Bill Waller Craft Center in Ridgeland, Miss., unless otherwise noted. We also conduct public outreach activities such as weaving and spinning demonstrations and a springtime demonstration day known as Sheep to Shawl. You can purchase CWSG t-shirts and other merchandise at [cafepress.com/ChimneyvilleWeaversandSpinnersGuild](http://cafepress.com/ChimneyvilleWeaversandSpinnersGuild).

### Newsletter

Please email newsletter content submissions to Sarah Pair at [cvillewsg@gmail.com](mailto:cvillewsg@gmail.com) by the first day of the month of publication. If you are sending a photo, please include caption information.

### HGA

#### Textiles and Tea

Textiles & Tea  
takes place  
online every  
Tuesday, 4:00  
- 5:00 PM via  
Zoom and  
Facebook Live

September 16, 2025  
Joyce Robards

September 23, 2025  
Ahree Lee

September 30, 2025  
Deborah Held

October 7, 2025  
Deborah Zeitler

October 14, 2025  
Dani Ortman



# Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild Meeting Minutes

Date and Time	Saturday, May 17, 2025 10 a.m.
Location	Bill Waller Craft Center
Minutes Taken by	Sarah Pair, Secretary
Call to Order	Reports
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Meeting called to order at 10:15 a.m.</li><li>• A quorum of 8 was reached.</li><li>• Jacqueline Dutsch motioned to approve the minutes from April.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Craig Hallstrom seconded.</li></ul></li><li>• Motion passed.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Treasurer's Report<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ spent below spending budget</li><li>◦ already accepting dues for 2025-2026 program year</li></ul></li><li>• Librarian's Report<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ the library is back in the craft center</li><li>◦ 28 knitting books were removed from inventory</li><li>◦ the current inventory count is at 186<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ books have been added since the 2017 inventory</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Open/Old Business	New Business
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Classes<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ 6 are interested in Kyla's spinning class</li><li>◦ 13 are interested in Angela's tablet weaving class</li><li>◦ 9 are interested in Angela's inkle weaving class</li><li>◦ we will reach out to Angela first<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ the first class will probably be in the fall with payment due in July</li></ul></li><li>◦ we will see about getting Kyla to do her class in the spring</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Madison Co Library System is doing a series of hands on programs and demos for kids during the summer.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ we have been invited to help</li></ul></li><li>• End of the year Show and Tell</li></ul>
Announcements	Meeting Adjournment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• still have fabric from the Weismans' donation<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ can possibly look through the cloth and see if any can be used during demos or as table cloths</li><li>◦ We can always use knitting yarn donations for our outreach programs.</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lynn Watkins motioned to adjourn the meeting.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Jacquelin Dutsch seconded.</li></ul></li><li>• Meeting was at 11:00 a.m.</li><li>• Refreshments and a program followed the meeting.</li></ul>