

# Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild

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## Letter from the President



Earlier this month, I had the opportunity to learn new weaving skills with fellow guild members and it reminded me that spending time with others in shared discovery and growth opportunities deepens our bonds as a group. What a joy it is to learn new skills and do so while spending time with others who "get it"! There are many upcoming events over the next year to strengthen both our skills and our relationships – demos, Roc Day, future workshops, Convergence – and I encourage everyone, when possible, to jump in and come along with us on this adventure!

Janet

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## Demo Opportunity

November 1-2: Soule Live Steam Festival, Meridian, MS

- Anyone interested can reach out to Nancy Landrum. She has a demo spot there each year and would love for people to join her.
- <https://www.industrialheritagemuseum.com/> has more information about the festival.

## Hold the Date!

- Roc Day will be held on January 17, 2026, in Plaquemine, LA.
  - More information to follow.
- Cleveland Fiber Exhibit will open on October 24, 2025, from 5-7.
  - Marcy will speak at 6



# Program Schedule

## FIBER IDENTIFICATION JACQUELINE DUTSCH

Have you ever come across fiber down at the bottom of your stash that you don't remember even buying, much less what type of fiber it is? Or have you come across this wonderful bag of mystery yarn or cloth while out shopping and just had to get it, but have no idea what's in it?

If either of the above scenarios, or any others that leave you questioning your stash, come and join us as we discover different ways to test fibers to discover their fiber content.

## CWSG Sapphire Challenge

To celebrate 45 years of creativity, weave or spin anything the color of sapphire. If using any contrasting colors, please keep it as alternate colors of sapphires.

Spinners, if you decide to knit, crochet, or weave with your sapphire yarn, please leave some sample yarn to show with it.

All challenge items are due in February and will be shown during Sheep to Shawl.

If you have any questions, please ask Donna Peyton at [peytondonna@gmail.com](mailto:peytondonna@gmail.com)

### 2025 CWSG PROGRAM SCHEDULE

September 20, 2025  
Anniversary Year Kickoff

October 18, 2025  
Fiber Identification

November 22, 2025  
There's an App for That

December 13, 2025  
Christmas Party

January 24, 2026  
Finishing the Ends

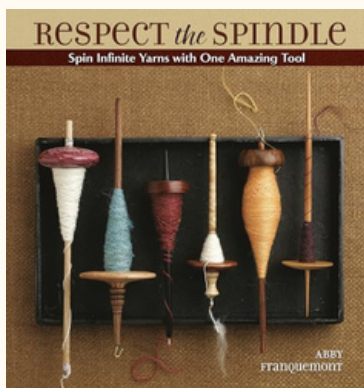
February 21, 2026  
Sapphire Challenge  
Show and Tell

March 21, 2026  
TBD: (Sheep to Shawl or  
Cloth Robe Video)

April 18, 2026  
TBD: (Sheep to Shawl or  
Cloth Robe Video)

May 16, 2026  
Rigid Heddle Study  
Group Show and tell

## Book Highlight



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.

[WWW.LIBRARYTHING.COM/PROFILE/CWSGLIBRARY](http://WWW.LIBRARYTHING.COM/PROFILE/CWSGLIBRARY)

The hand spindle remains one of the most productive, versatile, and convenient tools for creating stunning fiber arts from home, as this beautifully illustrated guide from a veteran spinner and spindle aficionado demonstrates.

With step-by-step instructions, this essential manual details the basic steps of spinning and then advances to the more complicated spinning wheel, showing how to use the spindle to make specific types of yarn, explaining traditional spindle spinning techniques, and detailing five simple projects designed to instill confidence in creating a variety of yarns with this simple tool.

Combining fascinating historical narratives, traditions, and cultures from around the globe with vivid photography, this all-encompassing tour of the spindle also boasts easy-to-follow, contemporary techniques and styles that affirm the tool's enduring legacy.

## Refreshments

October Meeting:  
Donna Peyton and  
Marcy Petrini

## Co-op Corner

- All items for Chimneyville should be dropped off at the meeting on October 18, or on the day of setup.
- Everything should be priced, tagged, and on an inventory sheet.

# Member Submissions



CWSG members watching Angela Schneider demonstrate backstrap card weaving



Spinning, Fiber, and Physics Demo at the LMD ScienceFest at the Ag Museum.



Examples of tablet woven bands by Angela Schneider



CWSG members making their own tablet woven bands during Angela's class.



## 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

October 21, 2025  
Polly Barton

October 28, 2025  
Rosalie Neilson

November 4, 2025  
Austin Clark

November 11, 2025  
Laura Thomas

November 18, 2025  
Andrea Blackmom

# Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild Meeting Minutes

Date and Time	Saturday, September 20, 2025 10 a.m.
Location	Bill Waller Craft Center
Minutes Taken by	Jeanne Marie Peet
Call to Order	Reports
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>President Janet Lee called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>with 22 members present, the requirement for a quorum (at least 9 members) was met.</li></ul></li><li>Approval of minutes<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The minutes of the May 17, 2025, meeting as printed in the CWSG September 2023 newsletter, were presented for approval. Jeanne Marie Peet moved that the minutes be tabled for more detailed information. Marcy Petrini seconded. The minutes will be amended and presented for approval at the next meeting.</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Treasurer's Report<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Treasurer Gio Chincar presented the Treasurer's Report for the 2024-2025 Actuals vs Budget Reconciliation as of June 30, 2025.</li><li>Gio also presented the proposed 2025-2026 Budget for approval.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Donna Peyton moved that we approve the proposed budget as presented and Craig Hallstrom seconded. The budget was approved by voice vote.</li></ul></li></ul></li><li>Changes to governing Documents<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Gio Chincar presented a proposal for Changes to Governing Documents.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Gio recommended the annual financial report for the fiscal year ending in June be given at the following September meeting.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>thus changing the presentation time from May to September.</li></ul></li><li>President Janet Lee suggested tabling this proposal for further details.</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>
Open/Old Business	New Business
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Angela Schneider has been contracted for an October 4, 2025, workshop on Beginning Tablet Weaving.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The workshop is full.</li><li>Janet Lee called for volunteers to help organize future workshops</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>In order to accommodate the Chimneyville Crafts festival, the November meeting will be held on November 22, 2025 , at 10 a.m. instead of November 15</li></ul>
Announcements	Meeting Adjournment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Delta Arts Alliance exhibit, "The Gathering," opens October 7, 2025, at the Ellis Gallery in Cleveland, MS.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Sharon Williams accepted articles to be shown in the exhibit.<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Marcy Petrini will be giving the Gallery talk at the opening of the exhibit.</li></ul></li></ul></li><li>Donna Peyton introduced the Sapphire Anniversary Challenge, inviting members to submit fiber works in sapphire hues at the February meeting. The articles will be displayed in the George Berry Gallery at the Sheep to Shawl program.</li><li>Member dues are due at today's meeting.</li><li>Roc Day will be held by the Plaquemine LA Guild in January. In order for members to attend, the CWSG January meeting will be moved to another date.</li><li>Convergence will be held in New Orleans in August 2026.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Lynn Watkins moved that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.</li><li>Following the business meeting, refreshments were served.</li><li>Donna Peyton then presented The Anniversary Year Kick-off Program introducing the forty-fifth anniversary of the CWSG.</li></ul>

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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>Alma Ellis 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- Treasurer Gio Chinchar<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The guild has spent below spending budget</li><li>This guild is already accepting dues for 2025-2026 program year</li></ul></li><li>Librarian's Report- Librarian Janet Lee<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>donated 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>Donna Peyton and Janet Lee reported on workshop and classes<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>6 are interested in Kyla's spinning class</li><li>13 are interested in Angela Schneider's tablet weaving class</li><li>9 are interested in Angela Schneider's inkle weaving class</li><li>we will reach out to Angela first<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>the first class will most likely 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></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Alma Ellis reported that the 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>they reached out to Alma to see if anyone is able to help with the programs.</li></ul></li><li>End of the year Show and Tell</li></ul>
Announcements	Meeting Adjournment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Alma Ellis announced that we 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>Jacqueline Dutsch seconded.</li></ul></li><li>Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.</li><li>Refreshments and a program followed the meeting.</li></ul>