

Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild

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Letter from the President



Sapphire blue for CWSG's 45th anniversary in September 2025.

Our May meeting on Saturday, May 17, at 10 a.m. at the Waller Craft Center marks the final meeting of our 2024-2025 program year. It's been a great year for our guild. We returned to meeting monthly at the Craft Center, held another successful Sheep to Shawl, enjoyed demonstrating our crafts in our community and welcomed some nifty new members. Check out the list of our many guild activities in the newsletter. Additionally, after the program to be presented by member Sarah Pair on making fiber tools from clay, our new President Janet Lee, returning Vice President Donna Peyton, and new Librarian/Historian Jacqueline Dutsch, will take office for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 program years.

It's been a pleasure for me to serve as your president for the past two years. I joined CWSG 15 years ago, and each of you have become special teachers and friends. I truly appreciate all of your support and participation in the past two years. It is, in fact, your active involvement that keeps our crafts and our guild alive.

One final thing - sapphires! That's the traditional wedding anniversary gift for 45 Years. CWSG was formed in September 1980. So why not celebrate our guild's 45th anniversary in September with blue. Even better, wouldn't indigo be really fitting.

Join us!

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Co-op Corner

CWSG CO-OP meeting after the May CWSG meeting. Donna and Jacqueline will present the agenda.

Program Schedule Back to our Roots

Led by Sarah Pair

If you've ever wanted to see how some of the earliest tools could have been made, want to try a tool before you invest in it, or enjoy playing with clay, come and play with us while make our own tools to use and enjoy. We will have examples of different tools made out of everyday objects as inspiration while we create.

2024-2025 Activities

06/12/24: President and New Secretary, meeting, Jackson
06/27/24: President and New Treasurer, meeting, Craft Center
07/12/24: Meet and Greet Session, HGA Convergence, Wichita, KS
07/20/24: Board meeting, Craft Center
07/27/24: Summer get-together, Southern Needle
08/10/24: Board meeting, Craft Center
09/21/24: September meeting, Craft Center
10/12/24: Demo, Celtic Fest, Reservoir
10/19/24: October meeting, Craft Center
10/19/24: Demo, Craft Center
10/20/24: Demo, Clinton Visitors Center
11/16/24: November meeting, Craft Center
12/14/24: Christmas Party, Craft Center
12/15/24: Demo, Cornerstone Church, Pearl
01/12/25: Board meeting, Jackson
01/18/25: January meeting, Craft Center
01/25/25: HGA Guild Development Retreat, online
02/02/25: Board meeting, Madison
02/15/25: February meeting, Craft Center
03/22/25: Sheep to Shawl, Craft Center
03/29/25: Demo, Art in the Park, Clinton
04/06/25: Ag Museum Sheep to Shawl
04/19/25: April meeting and demo, Craft Center
05/17/25: May meeting, Craft Center

May Meeting Refreshments

Emily Wicke and Sharon Williams

2025 CWSG PROGRAM SCHEDULE

January 18, 2025
Sarah Pair
Finger Loop
Weaving

February 15,
2025 Try It!

March 22, 2025
Sheep to Shawl

April 19, 2025

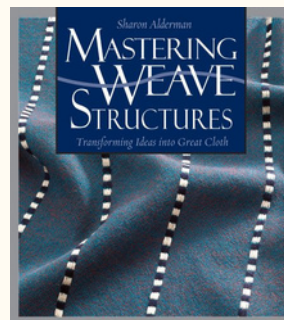
Demo Day

May 17, 2025
Sarah Pair
Fiber Tools from
Clay



Book Highlight

Mastering Weave Structures:
Transforming Ideas into Great Cloth
By Sharon Alderman



This book and many others are available for checkout from the Guild Library. Check out our library at www.librarything.com/profile/CWSGLibrary and contact Janet Lee to borrow from the library.

WWW.LIBRARYTHING.COM/PROFILE/CWSGLIBRARY

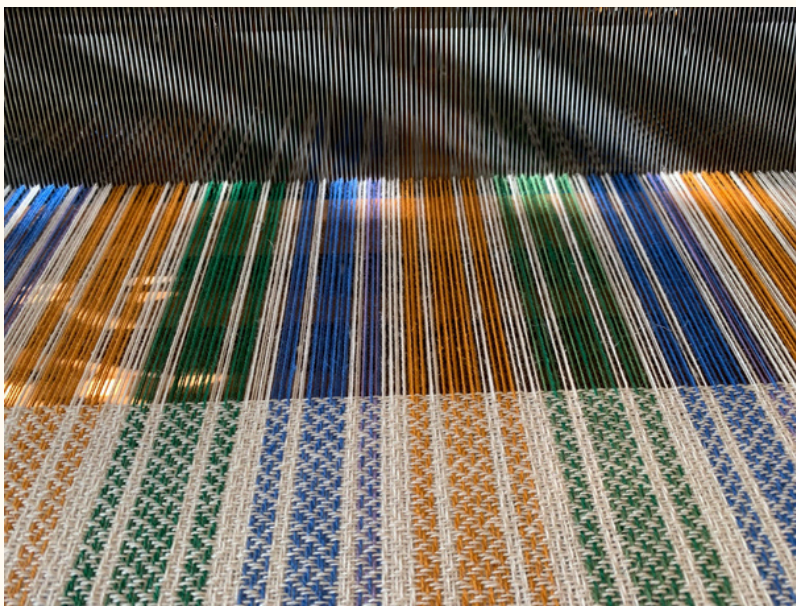
More than just a survey of interlacements from simple to intricate, this thoughtful addition to every crafter's library is a study course for weaving the best, most interesting, most successful fabrics imaginable. A liberating voice is given to each instruction, empowering weavers to discover the basic how-tos of their craft, such as how to design threadings, channel the design power of the tie-up, and make the most of threading options, as well as understand fibers, setts, and color interactions. Aspiring weavers will draw both inspiration and useful information from the clear explanations, wonderful examples, and color photographs of stunning fabrics featured throughout. This introduction to the fundamental principles of weave structure is the result of more than 30 years of serious study and is destined to become a classic for all weavers.

Member Submissions

The "Gathering Exhibition" with the Delta Arts Alliance in Cleveland, Ms. will run from October 7 through November 15. Two fiber pieces must be received by September 27.



CWSG members crafting together during CWSG's Demo Day at the Craft Center in April.



Jean Marie Peet's towel in progress.



Donna Peyton watching Jean Marie Peet weave on a rigid heddle loom on Demo Day.



Sarah Pair's hand made or heavily modified spindles.

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.

Officers

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

President: Alma Ellis
Vice President: Donna Peyton
Secretary: Sarah Pair
Treasurer: Gio Chinchar,
Librarian/Historian: Janet Lee
Past President: Nancy Hester

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.

Newsletter

Please email newsletter content submissions to Sarah Pair at 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, 4-5
PM via Zoom
and Facebook
Live

May 27, 2025

Jean Pierre Larochette
Tapestry Weaver

June 3, 2025

Geri Forkner
Mixed Media Artist

June 10, 2025

Victoria Manganiello
Artist and Educator

June 17, 2025

Johanna Norry
Artist and Educator

June 24, 2025: Valeria
Maldonado Morales

Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild Meeting Minutes

Date and Time	Saturday, April 19, 2025
Location	William Waller Craft Center Ridgeland, MS
Minutes Taken by	Jeanne Marie Peet
Call to Order	Reports
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meeting called to order by President Alma Ellis at 10:04 a.m.With 18 members present, a quorum was met (25% of membership needed).Approval of Minutes from February 15, 2025<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nancy Hester moved to approve the February 2025 minutes as published in the March 2025 newsletter. Sharon Williams seconded.Motion passed and minutes were accepted.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Gio Chinchar presented the Treasurer's Report. Gio also discussed rewards programs from Woolery and Halcyon Yarns that provide revenue for the guild.Marcy Petrini reported the work of the Nominating Committee. The slate of officers selected by the committee are Janet Lee, President; Donna Peyton, Vice-President; and Jacqueline Dutsch, Librarian/Historian. There were no nominations from the floor.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Judy Foster moved to close the nominations and Craig Hallstrom seconded. Jeanne Marie Peet moved to accept the slate of candidates recommended by the Nominating Committee. Mary Craft seconded.The candidates were unanimously elected. Six absentee votes in favor of the slate also recorded.Janet Lee reported a successful Sheep to Shawl Program with attendance of over 100 at the Craft Center.
Open/Old Business	New Business
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Members were encouraged to complete the Workshop Interest Forms.Opportunities to participate in summer programs sponsored by the Madison County Library System are available. The first one will be June 9 in Canton. More information later.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Jacqueline Dutsch moved that we make a donation of \$500 to the Craft Center for the use of the building for meetings and Sheep to Shawl.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Nancy Hester seconded. Motion carried.Sharon Williams called for fiber art items to be exhibited in the MS Delta Arts Alliance Exhibit in Cleveland, MS, beginning October 2, for a two week exhibition.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Sharon requested two articles of superior quality from each member.Sharon explained the roles and relationships of the CWSG and the CWSG Co-Op for interested members.
Announcements	Adjournment
	<p>Jeanne Marie Peet moved that the meeting adjourn. After a brief Show and Tell, members were invited to browse books and fiber art pieces donated to the guild by the family of Debbie Amzal. Suggested donations to guild were listed for members wishing to acquire any of the items.</p> <p>After a potluck lunch, members demonstrated at the Craft Center.</p>