

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

# Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild

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## Letter from the President



Working on the "to weave" list, an advancing twill.

Happy New Year! One of the first tasks I do at the beginning of each year is look at my "to weave" list. My list is in a steno pad, and I add projects I've bought yarn for. In 2024, I checked off quite a few projects that had been on the list since before I retired, some for much longer than intended. My goal for 2025: finish even more projects. What's on your "to do" list?

Maybe your goal is to learn something new? Sarah will teach finger weaving at our first 2025 meeting on Saturday, January 18, at 10 a.m. at the Craft Center.

And if your goal is to be more active in CWSG, have we got opportunities for you: Sheep to Shawl is scheduled for March.

Join us!  
Alma

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## Special Thanks

MANY THANKS TO JEANNE MARIE PEET FOR COORDINATING THE CHRISTMAS PARTY. IT WAS WONDERFUL, JEANNE MARIE! HOLIDAY THANKS ALSO GO TO NANCY HESTER WHO COORDINATED OUR PARTY GAMES, INCLUDING THE FABULOUS PRIZES. THANKS, NANCY!

## Notices

Welcome to new member, spinner Craig Hallstrom. Craig joined us at our Christmas party and wowed us with his beautiful handspun yarns.

Before Christmas, CWSG received a personal call from board member Sheila Roberts and a special card from the Handweavers Guild of America thanking our guild for our annual gift.



# Program Schedule

## FINGER LOOP WEAVING



Join us this month as we learn Finger Loop Weaving. Also called finger weaving and loop braiding, Sarah Pair will give a brief history and overview of the medieval technique of making laces, cords, and trimmings. We will then try our hand at making our own cords.

## Local Fiber Festivals

Oxford Fiber Arts Festival  
January 16-23

Powerhouse Community Arts Center  
Oxford, Mississippi  
Fiber Fun in the 'Sip  
February 21-22, 2025

Vicksburg Convention Center  
Vicksburg, Mississippi

## 2025 CWSG PROGRAM SCHEDULE

January 18, 2025  
Sarah Pair  
Finger Loop Weaving

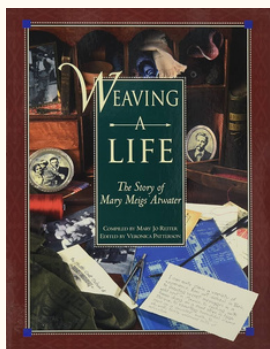
February 15, 2025  
Try It!

March 15, 2025  
Sheep to Shawl

April 19, 2025

Demo Day

May 17, 2025  
Sarah Pair  
Fiber Tools from Clay



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 Janet Lee to borrow from the library.

## Book Highlight

Charming biography of a witty, learned, curious woman who exercised her talents in many wild places of the New World, accompanying her husband, a mining engineer. She founded Shuttle-Craft Guild, which explains publication of her story by a house specializing in weaving. Annotation copyright Book News, Inc. Portland, Or.

## Meeting Refreshments

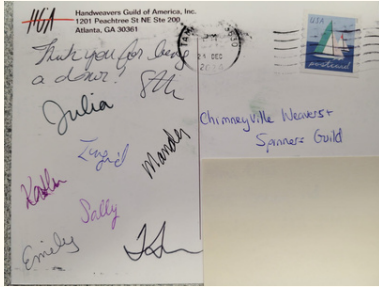
Gio Chinchar  
Judy Foster  
Lynn Watkins

## Chimneyville Co-op Corner

Oxford Fiber Festival

Fiber Fun in the "Sip

# Member Submissions



Seasons Greetings card to the CWSG from the HGA staff



On Sunday, December 15, Donna and Alma spent an afternoon spinning and weaving in their own quaint shop in Bethlehem. Cornerstone Church in Pearl held their first ever Night in Bethlehem interactive event for their church congregation and the community.

Church members dressed in costume guided participants through the village which included an inn and stable, but also a marketplace of Biblical times with shops and craftsmen such as a baker, potter, and spinner and weaver.



An 8"x60" merino and alpaca scarf Jeanne Marie just pulled off the rigid heddle loom. Its ready to be wet finished for the Oxford Fiber Fest.



Fiber shop Jacqueline visited while in Luxembourg





# 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: 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](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

January 21, 2025  
Molly Elkind

January 28, 2025  
Hope Wangi

February 4, 2025  
Florencia Campos

February 11, 2025  
Robin Kang