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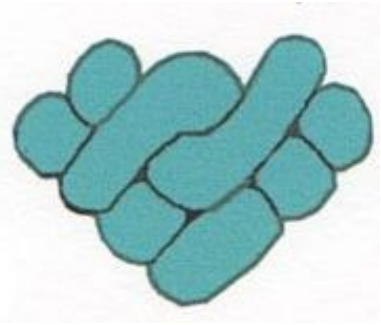

Harvest Loom

Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc.

a.k.a. Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

Saturday, June 8, 2024

at 9:00 am Pacific Standard Time

The Guild meeting will be in PERSON and also via Zoom, starting at 9:00 am

In person meeting: All Saint's Episcopal Church, 4201 West Washington Ave, LV. Directions page 6.

Zoom will be available: Diana Smith will be sending you a link to the meeting before June 8th.

This June, please EMAIL photos to Sue Wainscott for Show and Tell, her email is in the member directory.

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAM: Annual Meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc., vote for next year's board. Slate to the right of this page: Rich, Janet, Jami, Cinda.

Meeting includes Breakfast Potluck.

Announcements

MEMBERSHIP DUES: Current membership expires this June 30. We will begin collecting dues for 2024-2025. Please remember that dues are now $25.00 for everyone. This June, checks are preferred as treasurer Cinda will not be at the meeting. **Out of consideration for the substitute "treasurer," please bring only checks to the June meeting to make it easier for Jami to keep track of payments.**

ANNUAL MEETING The Annual Meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. will be held at 9:00 a.m. on June 8, 2024, in the Parish Hall of All Saints' Episcopal Church, 4201 West Washington Ave., Las Vegas, Nevada.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: the Nominating Committee (Elaine Eggink, Monique Portanger, Sue Wainscott) has the following slate:

President: Rich Deppe
Vice President: Janet Mayers
Secretary: Jami Johnson
Treasurer: Cinda Towne

2024 Guild Meetings—SAVE THE DATES

July and August 2024—Summer Break

September 14, 2024: Presentation Weaving Something by Jill Staubitz, a modern weaver

October 12, 2024: Deppe Dye Day

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Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.
Minutes of the May 11, 2024 Meeting

A meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held on May 11, 2024, in person at All Saint's Episcopal Church and on Zoom.

Attending in-person were Charles Parker, Cinda Towne, Vicki Johnson, Diana Smith, Ginny Deppe, Rich Deppe, Stephanie Peters, Maria Ipharr, Lori Lee, Elaine Morris, Mina Campos, Isar King, Elaine Eggink, Sue Wainscott, Sara Wiegard, Jami Johnson, Sarah Freeman, Monique Portanger, Lorelle Nelson, Janet Mayers, Nora Barry, Laurie Ruben, Lianna Firzpatrick, Hermi Hiatt, Elizabeth LaRue, Susan Beaman, Brenda Beaman, and Maurine Adrezin.

Attending on Zoom: Sandra Sandberg

Rich Deppe called the meeting to order at 9:14 am by welcoming all. We had two visitors, Brenda and Susan Beaman from Pahrump. Brenda describes herself as a 'fiber nerd'.

Approval of Minutes: Charles moved and Diana seconded that we approve the April minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

REPORTS

Treasurer and Membership Report: Cinda reported that we have $3,388.19 in our checking account. Dues for next year are now being accepted, and please remember to use *Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild* on the 'pay to' line. Cinda has recently discovered that we have no signed copy of the Bylaws. The Guild accepted the new Bylaws in October 2020. This was during Covid when all meetings were held on Zoom, so the Guild President and Secretary were not in the same place, and signing was forgotten. This was remedied at today's meeting and Rich, the President, and Jami, the Secretary, signed and dated the document. (Secretary's note: my legal name is Julie R. Johnson, so that is how I signed the Bylaws.

Nominating Committee: The committee members for next year's officers are Sue, Elaine, and Monique. They will put forth the slate in the June Newsletter and be voted on in the June meeting. Anyone interested in volunteering for one of the officer positions should contact one of these members.

Committee Reports

Newsletter: Rich thanked Hermi for her usual wonderful job of producing the newsletter. Then Hermi thanked Janet for all her photos and Lorelle for her proofreading skills. Rich asked Hermi to tell a bit about her recent community service: the guild received a call for help from a woman in Boulder City and Hermi was happy to assist her in refurbishing a 2 shaft counterbalance loom that is over 100 years old. It previously belonged to the woman's great grandmother and she wanted to weave a rug like her ancestor did. Needless to say, there was a lot of work to do, but Hermi was successful, and hopefully we will get to see the rug in the future!

Programs: Rich reminded us that we have some funds available to host a workshop that will benefit the general membership. Maurine inquired if we want her to focus on 'in-person' workshops or 'on-line' ones (where we would attend online and work on our own looms at home.) The answer was: both methods are on the table. The felting workshop considered earlier might be do-able with enough time to do some advertising to guilds in the surrounding states. (Note: transportation costs have risen considerably since our last in-person workshop.

Raffle: Ginny reports that there is a plethora of items for the raffle today, such as tapestry and inkle looms, a bench in great need to some TLC, a garment rack, lots of magazines and yarn. Come and buy tickets with small bills!

Historian: There is nothing new to report about Monique's Historian duties. She is still trying to reach Claytee at UNLV Oral History Project to hopefully take our newsletters. Charles is in the process of scanning old newsletters. After that is done, we will have the option of destroying the written copies and still having a complete history of our guild. In her role as a Fleece procurer, Monique reported that almost all the wool has been distributed and arrangements are being made for the rest of the wool. Monique will be seeing the shearer in the near future. If there is any interest in procuring more, contact her.

Web and Social Media: Diana and Sue agree that the new website is doing well. And Sue thanked Janet for updating the Equipment list on the website.

Equipment and Library: Janet reported that the Guild locker is no more! And she thanked all who helped empty it. Some of the 'stuff' was discarded, other stuff was sold, and the rest is here for the raffle.

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Presidents Message—by Rich Deppe

Here we are at the last meeting of 2023/2024 (June 8th). For those of you who are new, we take off through the hotter months until September. Let's face it, who can get excited about knitting or weaving warm woolen items when it's 100° outside .

I learned a lot from our last Program (Ginny and Janet), and I understand that some of you will be taking a pin loom along with you on vacation this year.

At this last meeting, we will vote on our new officers, eat some yummy food (don't forget to bring your favorite brunch dish) and in general share how we have enjoyed our fiber passions so far this year.

I have started to book next year's meetings, here is what I have in line so far. Feel free to share suggestions or ideas!

September - Jill Staubitz
October - Dye Day
November - Rikki Quintana
December - Holiday party at Jamie's

A big thank you to all the other officers (Jamie, Janet, and Cinda) without whose help I never would have survived, and of course to all the committee leaders who made every meetings a joy.

Until the 8th of June -
Create with Passion and Stay safe, Rich.

Minutes continued: Elaine agreed to take the wonderful metal sign (we think it was made by Donovan, Nancy Belian's son) home with her. The list of equipment still available for rent can be found on the website. Library: as usual, Janet brought a selection of books to checkout. After reviewing publicly available library listing apps, she has decided to keep our current one: Library Thing. Remember to check for books in our library as you pursue your fiber craft!

Study Groups: The Spinning Circle meets (almost) every Wednesday from 10:00 to noon at the Sahara Library – contact Ginny, Janet, Liz, or Hermi for more information. This past Wednesday was a small group due to competition from our other Study Group. The Rigid Heddle study group meets on the Second Wednesday of each month at Laurie Ruben's home, near Gilcrease Orchards. They are currently working on mastering Honeycomb but also on any other problems or interests of those attending.

June Meeting: The annual meeting is on June 8. Please plan on attending as we will be voting for our new officers. After the short business meeting we're also going to have a POTLUCK BRUNCH(ish) spread….so please bring something to share! And of course there will be show and tell for any new items

Demonstrations: Nothing is currently scheduled. Ginny has a photo from the last demo at The Mormon Fort.

Old Business:

IWC: Intermountain Weavers Conference will be in Albuquerque June 17-21, 2025. We need to finalize our contribution to IWC's Goody bags. After much discussion, the choice was made to create approximately **250 Mug Rugs** – aim for 3.5 inch squares in some fiber related technique!

Reminders: Jami will be accepting dues at the June meeting since Cinda will be in New York City preparing for her Carnegie Hall Concert with the Master Singers!
The Skein Exchange will take place at the September meeting – so get busy!
Dye Day is planned for October – this will take place in Rich and Ginny's back yard.

Adjourn: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:36. Refreshments, raffle ticket buying and the drawing, Talk and demo about Pin Loom weaving, and Show and Tell followed the meeting.

Submitted
BY: /S/ JAMI JOHNSON, SECRETARY

Show & Tell
May 2024

Photos by Janet and Stephanie.

Pics show the kind of work we do

INTERMOUNTAIN WEAVERS CONFERENCE 2025

IWC 2025 will be held **17-21 June 2025** at the Albuquerque Convention Center in Albuquerque NM. The IWC board is excited to host the Intermountain Weavers Conference at the Convention Center, since it includes all classes and events in one location. The Convention Center has easy access from highways and the large airport.

New Mexico is a great location for our Conference, as it is a region where fiber arts are thriving. The Conference will start Tuesday June 17, 2025 and end Saturday June 21, 2025.

IWC will hold Zoom classes throughout 2024 for current members. **If you are not a member yet,** you should sign up to get access to the Zoom classes. You can ask questions regarding membership to Hermi or Janet, both are board members for IWC.

Historically our Guild has contributed items for the **"goody bags"** given out at registration. At the May meeting, members decided we will make "mug rug" coasters, aim for items that measure 3.5 inches square, using any fiber technique. We will need approximately 250 small items. Please see Hermi, who with Janet shares one position on the IWC Board.

https://www.intermountainweavers.org/

Summer Access to Guild Website

While we don't have formal meetings during the summer, our website, **https://fiberartsguildlv.org** is available 24-7-365, or in the case of leap years, 366! We have around 350 visits to our website each month, and strive to keep the content fresh. Everyone can check our events and programs webpages to see where guild members will be gathering for demonstrations, study groups, and the spinning circle. You can also find inspiration on the gallery page from photos from past events and our regular show and tell sessions. Members' only website content includes access to past program recordings, the equipment rental page, and access to guild administrative information. The video of our May pin loom program is posted now. Please remember to renew your membership, and on the form note the email address you want to use to access the members' only portion of the website.

Wishing everyone a nice summer, Diana and Sue

Guild Affiliate Program

Lunatic Fringe Yarns offered our Guild to participate in the "Guild Affiliate Program 2024"

Use the Coupon Code when ordering merchandise: **lvfaguild2024**

with your order and save 5% on your order plus earn 5% for your guild

GETTING TO ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL CHURCH on 4201 West Washington Avenue, LV:

FROM SOUTH & EAST VALLEY: (Take I-15 North to) US 95 North, exit Valley View Blvd. and turn right. Turn left onto Washington Avenue when Valley View ends (about one quarter mile). All Saints' is about half a mile west on the left.
FROM WEST & NORTH VALLEY: (Take Summerlin Parkway west to) US 95 South, exit Decatur Blvd. North (exit after Decatur South, watch the signs!). Go north about half a mile and turn right onto Washington Ave. All Saints' is about half a mile east on the right.
Whichever direction you come from, PAY ATTENTION ONCE YOU TURN ONTO WASHINGTON. The church is on the southeast corner of Washington and Glen Abby Court, but it's difficult to see until you're right next to it. PARKING is available on Glen Abbey Court street and in the parking lot including in back of the church. If you have a long vehicle, consider parking on the street as the lot is not very deep. Parking in the back is closest to the meeting rooms (Parish Hall). Enter the campus in front through the red gate and follow the signs to the Parish Hall (across the courtyard toward the right). The Guild logo will be also posted to show you where to go. If you park in the back, enter through the door with the Guild logo. **Doors open 8:45 am**. **https://allsaintslv.com/**

Spinning Circle at West Sahara Library— meets most Wednesdays 10-12 am

Library Thing— How to access the Library Information:

Search the Guild website www.fiberartsguildlv.org : go to "LIBRARY", then click www.librarything.com

1. In the top brown bar, right side search box, type 'Vegas fiber arts' and enter.
2. Do not panic that it says 'no results' in the center section! Depending on your browser you will see the column on your left with "social" or a drop down menu labelled "works". Expand the drop down menu to find "social". Under *Social* you should find 'members' and a red or blue'1', click on either the word 'member' or the '1'. Now in the center section, find 'Vegas_Fiber_Arts" and click on it.
3. On the left, you will see some logistics about our collection. The important line is the first one: "Collections Your Library" Click on 'Your library'

A list of all our books, DVD's etc comes up, usually with a snapshot of the cover in the left column. Or to find an author, specific book or subject, find the search function.

2023 Board and Committees

Officers:

President:	Richard Deppe
Vice President:	Janet Mayers
Secretary:	Jami Johnson
Treasurer:	Cinda Towne

Committees:

Newsletter Editor:	Hermi Hiatt
Hospitality:	Vicki Johnson
Membership:	Cinda Towne
Equipment:	Janet Mayers
Librarian:	Janet Mayers
Historian:	Monique Portanger
Programs:	Maurine Adrezin
Web Master:	Sue Wainscott
Raffle:	Ginny Deppe
Zoom Master:	Diana Smith

IWC Representatives: Janet Mayers, Hermi Hiatt

ONLINE INSPIRATIONS:

Ideas and links sent by guild members

Stephanie Bryant: sent the pattern of the tatted choker on page 4, which Cinda was so kind to test for her. The pattern is available for free online and is an adaptation of a tatted insertion from 1870 (https://www.mortaine.com/blog/portfolio/a-choker-for-beeton/).

Charles likes to follow the adventures of Franklin Habit at H&H Germany. Quite interesting if you are a knitter. https://www.moderndailyknitting.com/community/letter-from-paris-bonjour-koln/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR3E9l_Llj_9MxgwzHXw0MMRfXu6Tzo6qDLtNub3-WBZjECSllD7twvLqtw_aem_AcYhaBtVBFaT459B8ZKjX3Ro_iAXemj4JbSWqOYPeQ2YedMDzHhz-JhP5ZRib2V5Zv9ULYSbqhSeGuI4XWd1kZNS

Monique is scouring the internet for interesting stories about wool type and process, especially after she organized the lovely Merino fleece. https://www.woolmarklearningcentre.com/

Ginny reported about the demo at the Mormon Fort on April 27, 2024. from 10—12.30. Only three members were present. As usual Vicki had an amazing display set up, and was creating a tapestry rug on a vertical loom. Ginny was spinning, but also brought pin looms, woven squares, and some written information on pin loom patterns. Mina Campos was there as well with her spindle. Several people stopped and engaged in conversations about what we were doing. Vicki handed out guild cards to those who showed interest. Several people mentioned they had learned something that day from us.

Jami reported in her minutes (page 3) that the guild decided to make mug rugs as gifts for the Intermountain Weavers Conference 2025 attendees. The choice was made to create approximately **250 Mug Rugs** – aim for 3.5 inch squares in some fiber related technique. A mug rug is a combination of a coaster and a placemat that is large enough to hold a cup. Past gifts included needle cases for the 2017 conference and book marks for IWC 2023.

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Dues for next year can be paid this June meeting, only this time checks preferred, $25 General Membership.

All checks must be payable to "**Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.**" as that is our legal name. Any checks made out to "Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild" or any version of that name will be declined.

LAS VEGAS FIBER ARTS GUILD MEMBERSHIP FORM

Today's date: _____

Please enroll me in the Fiber Arts Guild for the year ending June 30, 20____.

_____ $25.00 dues for General Membership

_____ $30.00 dues for Families (one email address)

Membership half price after January for new members only.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone (2 max): _____

Email: _____

What fiber techniques are you involved with? _____

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What equipment and software do you use in your fiber efforts? _____

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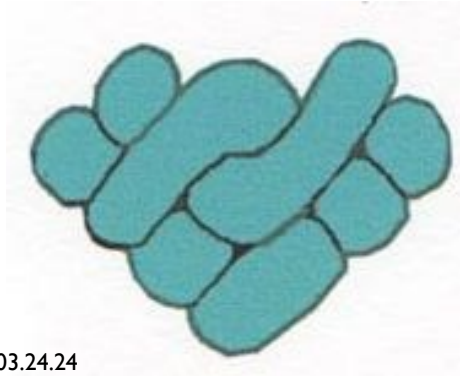
Checks **MUST BE** payable to **Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.**

Mail to:
Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild
P.O. Box 370604
Las Vegas, NV 89137

Or email completed form to lvfiberartsguild@gmail.com
and pay your dues at one of the meetings.



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