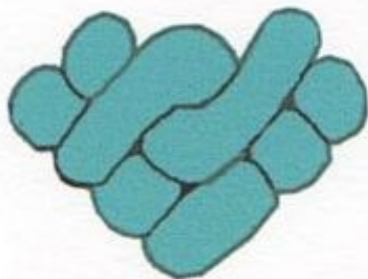


October  
2022



# Harvest Loom

Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc.

a.k.a. Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

Saturday, October 8, 2022

at 9:00 am Pacific Daylight

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, Las Vegas. Directions  
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Zoom will be available: Diana Smith will be sending  
you a link to the meeting a couple of days before the 11th.

Please EMAIL your photos to Diana for Show  
and Tell after she sends you the Zoom link, do  
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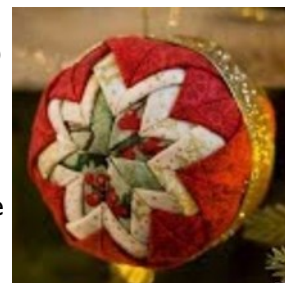
#### ACTIVITIES & PROGRAM:

"Make your own quilted balls"

## QUILTED BALLS

Jami will demo how to make Quilted Balls at our October meeting. The plan is that we will have 30 kits available at the meeting for everyone present to take one. Any left over will be sold for \$5. Each kit will have: a 3 inch Styrofoam ball, ~220 sequin (1/2inch pins), a satin ribbon, a lace ribbon, and fabric squares – thank you Liz! (for those working remotely, you can use straight pins rather than sequin short ones; suggest figure out finishing ribbon after the class; 2.5 inch squares of quilting fabric: 8 pieces fabric A, 16 fabric B, 16 fabric C. I usually use a red print for A or C, and a green print for C or A, and a white or cream- print or solid – for B) Optional: a thimble – you're pressing every pin into the Styrofoam! And a mug or small bowl can keep the ball in one place rather than rolling around.

For those attending on Zoom, feel free to email me ahead of time. Jami



**Dues for next year must be paid at this meeting, last chance!!**

Only paid members will be included in the Guild directory.

#### Fall 2022 Guild Meetings – SAVE THE DATE

**November 12:** making greeting cards and more

**December 10:** Holiday Party and Auction at Jami's

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# Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.

## Minutes of the September 10, 2022 Meeting

A meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held on September 10, 2022, in person at All Saint's Episcopal Church and on Zoom.

Attending in-person were:

Elaine Eggink, Elizabeth LaRue, Diana Smith, Cinda Towne, Hermi Hiatt, Charles Parker, Vicki Johnson, Lorelle Nelson, Mina Campos, Audrey Strehlow, Nora Barry, Janet Mayers, Sue Wainscott, Jean Suess, Jami Johnson, Ellie Sternquist, and Lori Marvin.

Attending on Zoom: Maurine Adrezin, Sandy Gillies, Jodelle Larimer, and Isar King.

President Janet Mayer called the meeting to order at 9:12 am. She welcomed everyone, those in person and on-line, and wanted to note how wonderful it is to return to (almost) normal meetings with no masks. There was applause when she announced we had treats!!

**Approval of Minutes:** There were several items that needed amending from the published June minutes: Charles moved, and Nora seconded to record that we voted in June for our officers: Janet Mayers for President, Ginny Deppe for Vice-President, Jami Johnson for Secretary, and Cinda Towne for Treasurer. Secondly, there was no record of the vote that was taken on the revised cost of workshops. It was moved by Charles and seconded by Lorelle to correct this omission. Finally, Charles moved, and Diana seconded that we accept the June minutes as amended. They were approved unanimously.

**President's announcement:** Janet announced that she is now a 'lame-duck' President. She will NOT be President next year. But she assured everyone that it is not a difficult job, and she has written up procedures (as the rest of the board is also doing) for people to follow. Basically, it involves organizing a meeting (with a model agenda to follow), standing up and leading the meeting, and passing along to others any information that comes to her. **We need someone to step up and do this!!**

### REPORTS

**Treasurer and Membership Report:** Cinda reported that we have now \$3310.71 in our checking account. She also noted that she is collecting dues for the 2022-23 member-

ship year. Janet brought to everyone's attention that the board had voted to increase the dues for all for \$25/yr in place of the current structure of \$15/yr for members 62 years old and older, and \$25 for everyone else. We would be getting rid of the two tier structure. Diana moved and Charles seconded that we accept the recommendation to change the dues starting in 2023-24. The brief discussion noted that our dues have remained the same for several decades! The Guild voted unanimously to raise our dues.

**Newsletter:** Hermi said that nothing exciting had happened, but then realized that wasn't true: Sue Wainscott had offered to write an article for the newsletter, and then Charles said he would as well. Others are invited to submit articles in the future. In answer to a question, Hermi answered that the newsletter usually goes out the week-end before our meeting.

**Programs:** Maurine reminded us of Rosalie Neilson's workshops: 8shaft Rep weave runner on February 24-25, 2023, and one day on Kumihimo on Feb 26. Tuition is \$100 for Rep weave and \$50 for Kumihimo. Cost of handouts: \$20 for Rep weave; and \$15 for either 8 Tama or 16 Tama handouts, or \$25 for both Kumihimo handouts. Both workshops will be held at Lorelle's home. Maurine will be sending out a questionnaire to everyone in the workshops next month: these need to be returned to Maurine by early December.

**Hospitality:** Vicki and Elaine were happy to invite everyone to enjoy the food. And if anyone would like to contribute for future meetings, please contact one of them.

**Raffle:** Ginny is not here today, but Liz graciously stepped forward and is ready to sell tickets! We will have the raffle after the program.

**Historian:** Monique is in Ely this weekend. Janet confirmed that there will be some history in the new website.

**Web and Social Media:** The new website is getting closer to being ready for the world. We are planning on having 'show and tell' as part of the December Holiday party.

**Equipment and Library:** Janet brought books and DVDs from the library. Any member in good standing is welcome

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to borrow, please sign the borrowing log on the table in the back. Janet also brought a list of all equipment available for renting.

**Spinning Circle** meets at Sahara Library on Wednesdays at 10 am til about noon, meeting inside in the spacious lobby. Quite a few spinners have been attending and we have library patrons stop by to talk. One artist even made a small coloring book for us to give to any children and the library has made copies for us.

**Knoxville** – 3 of us (Janet, Cinda and Jami) attended Complex Weavers Seminars and HGA’s Convergence vendors and exhibits. It was a great event and Janet has a slide show flipping through in an electronic frame in the back of the room.

**Conferences, national and regional:** IWC will be in Logan, Utah on the Utah State University campus, July 27-30, 2023. Janet has postcards with a listing of the wonderful workshops available, (or check the website). Please keep making bookmarks for this event: we have about 75, and need 250! Convergence and Complex Weavers Seminars will be in Wichita, KS in July 2024.

**Upcoming demonstration opportunities and miscellaneous information:**

- October 29 at Mormon fort (SE corner of LV Blvd and Washington): Nevada Day and Halloween event, we demonstrate and get to sample the soup-off creations and see all the little kids in their costumes.
- Pioneer Days at Spring Mountain State Park: we have no date yet, but hope to demo at the event.
- Handweaver’s Guild of America (HGA): is sponsoring quite a few virtual events to celebrate Spin and Weave Week: check their website at <https://weavespindye.org>.
- Rebecca Mezoff has an online acid dye class. Barbara McKinnon is interested and wanted to know if anyone else is interested. Janet commented that the class is very scientifically organized and not inexpensive. Contact Barb if interested.

**Adjourn:** There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 am. Time to buy raffle tickets and grab some munchies before our Mathemagical Design on-line class with Jennifer Moore.

Submitted

By: \_\_\_\_\_/s/ Jami Johnson, Secretary

**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 corner of Washington and Glen Abby Court, but it's difficult to see until you're right next to it.

PARKING is available on the 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.**

**Please note: All Saints’ has updated their mask guidelines to meet the new standards. Masks are not required for all vaccinated persons. Persons who are not vaccinated must wear masks and observe distancing.**

# National Chemistry Week

Presented by Sue Wainscott

The American Chemical Society (ACS) is celebrating textiles and fibers during National Chemistry Week, October 16-22, 2022. This year's theme is Fabulous Fibers: The Chemistry of Fabrics. ACS is sharing educational materials for all ages on an outreach webpage: <https://www.acs.org/content/acs/en/education/outreach/ncw.html>. There is an illustrated poem contest for K-12 grade students, as well as a wide variety of news articles, activity plans, and informative videos.

Some classic activities include Kool-Aid dyeing of various fabric (fiber) types and testing the strength of twisted cotton fibers drawn from cotton balls. Additional programming ideas include tests of water absorbency and repellent properties of fabrics with different fiber blends. While the lesson materials provided by ACS focuses on comparing machine-woven cotton, polyester, and cotton poly blends, one could easily include other fiber and fabric types.



Outreach materials include several short articles about natural and synthetic fibers, sustainable fashion efforts, and indigo dye, originally published by the American Association of Chemistry Teachers. One article describes the strength of spider silk and ends in a discussion of biomodified goats that produce spider silk fibers in their milk.

A few videos of interest include How Do Jeans Get Blue? and Why do clothes shrink in the wash?. The second video includes a quick discussion of the basic chemical structure and properties of animal, plant and manufactured fiber types, and a section on the chemicals involved in dry cleaning. There is also a page dedicated to the development of nylon and Wallace

Carothers' research in synthetic fibers.

National Chemistry Week is celebrated mid-October each year, and is an opportunity for ACS members to promote the science and industry of chemistry. The first National Chemistry Day was in 1987, and featured a parade in Washington, DC. The event expanded to a week in 1993, and has included chemical themes focused on kitchens, careers, sports, soaps & detergents, and pigments & dyes. Who knows when the theme will next intersect with the fiber arts world?

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## Ely Weaving and More—an update by Monique

Ely Weaving and More has almost completed another year of running small craft classes in Ely NV. Our classes start each year in April when the Garnet Mercantile officially opens for the year and end in Oct. Our space in the Garnet is donated by the generous lady Virginia Terry who manages the Mercantile. Additionally, donations from the LV Fiber Arts Guild 2 years ago made it possible for us to furnish the free space we were given. We are grateful to you all in the Guild for all the wonderful books, yarns, tools, spinning wheel and looms you all donated- it made it possible for us to start this space! This year has been great, we held jewelry making, quilt repair, beadmaking, among other classes. We seem to have a small audience, but they are consistent in coming to join us for camaraderie and craft experiences each Sunday. My partner Carolyn Merrill is the main "enabler" by teaching varied classes on many different crafts and she is present each Sunday. I am her supporter and make sure the classes are advertised on Facebook and I assist in running the classes when I'm in Ely as well as ordering supplies.



We want to thank Guild members, **"we couldn't have started this without you"- a big thank you!**

Editor: we reported about Weaving and More in the November 2020 and May 2021 Harvest Loom newsletters.



# ONLINE INSPIRATIONS

**Golden Needle Arts LLC:** Golden Needle Arts is planning to have a trunk show the weekend after Thanksgiving, including Desert Panda Fiber Arts. More information in November. <https://goldenneedlepoint.com/>

Janet contacted Cristin Santos of **Desert Panda Fiber Arts** about coming to a guild meeting in January or February. Cristin envisioned bringing spinning fiber and a variety of spinning wheels for show and tell. She also wants to bring some of her yarn and weave a scarf to show.

Ginny suggests checking out this video, clasped weft can be done on any loom: [\(56\) Clasped Weft Diamonds Tutorial - YouTube](#)

She also sends the following link: [On-Line Digital Archive of Documents on Weaving and Related Topics \(arizona.edu\)](#)

Jami sent us this link on Remembering Queen Elizabeth II Through Knitting:

[Remembering Queen Elizabeth II: Royal Impact on Knit and Crochet | Knitting | Interweave](#)



Jami comments that fiber enthusiasts have lost a fellow knitter with the recent passing of Queen Elizabeth II. The longest reigning monarch passed away September 8, 2022, and we mourn with the millions of others around the world who admired her grace and dignity.

At the last guild meeting, Hermi showed the book "*Knit your own Royal Wedding*", for those interested, it seems to be available in the US.

## Mormon Fort Nevadaween

Saturday Oct 29th, 9am- 1pm

In celebration of Nevada Day and Halloween

Join us @ Mormon Fort on 500 E. Washington Blvd. and Las Vegas Blvd. for Nevadaween.

Bring your handiwork of spinning, weaving, knitting to celebrate Nevadaween Day.

Pioneer clothing would be fun but not required. Chairs and table provided. Check out Friends of the Fort.

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# NEVADAWEEN

CELEBRATING NEVADA DAY AND HALLOWEEN

**SATURDAY OCTOBER 29, 2022**  
FROM 9:00 AM UNTIL NOON

THE OLD LAS VEGAS MORMON FORT STATE HISTORIC PARK  
500 EAST WASHINGTON BOULEVARD  
LAS VEGAS, NEVADA, 89101

ADMISSION IS \$3 PER PERSON, (CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE)

**Activities:**

9 AM - Pumpkin Decorating	Nevada Birthday Cake
10 AM - Children's Costume Contest	Demonstration by the Fiber Arts Guild
11 AM - The D.U.P. Soup Cook-Off	Children's Games
9 AM-Noon - Decorated Adobe Building	Cupcake Walk
	Nevada History Scavenger Hunt

**Children's Costume Contest:**  
Children ages 12 and under are invited to attend in costume. Judging is held at 10AM. There will be one winner for each of four age groups: 3 and under, 4-6, 7-9, and 10-12. Winners receive a \$25 Target gift card, and everyone receives a treat.

**Vote for Your Favorite Soup:**  
At 11AM, sample soups at the Annual Soup Cook-Off from the Daughters of Utah Pioneers.

For more information, contact The Old Fort Staff:  
**702-486-3511**  
[oldfort@parks.nv.gov](mailto:oldfort@parks.nv.gov)

**FRIENDS OF THE FORT**  
[www.friendsofthefort.org](http://www.friendsofthefort.org)

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# In Person Workshops: Rosalie Neilson February 24—26, 2023

**CLASS ONE: February 24-25, 2023** - Rosalie will teach "8 Shaft Rep Runner: A Study in Block Design Using Linked Blocks and Solid Stripes" - This 2-day workshop is for intermediate to advanced weavers who want to develop their design capabilities. Participants will design a warp stripe and thread their loom prior to the workshop. Skills include how to read both a thread-by-thread and profile draft, how to warp with two different colors, how to beam a longer warp (4 to 6 yards), how to place paper or sticks in warp while beaming to prevent threads from falling off the edges, and know how to correct crossed warp threads. Weavers will work exclusively on their own looms. The Handout for the 8 Shaft Rep Runner will be \$20.

**CLASS TWO: February 26, 2023** - Rosalie will teach "Kumihimo". There will be a Handout for the "Kumihimo" class. For the handout with either 8 tama or 16 tama - the price is \$15. If you want the 8 tama and the 16 tama the handout will be \$25.00.

Workshop fee for both classes will be \$150 plus handout. Taking Class One only will be \$100, and Class Two \$50 plus any handouts.

Maurine will let you know when your Fee for the class and Handouts are due.

Both classes will be held at the home of Lorelle Nelson and Lance Davis from 9 A.M. to 4 P.M. each day.

**Contact Maurine if you like to attend one or both workshops.**

## 2022 Board and Committees

### Officers:

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

### Committees:

Newsletter Editor: Hermi Hiatt  
Hospitality: Vicki Johnson/Elaine Eggink  
Membership: Cinda Towne  
Equipment: Janet Mayers  
Librarian: Janet Mayers  
Historian: Monique Portanger  
Programs: Maurine Adrezin  
Web Master: Charles Parker  
Raffle: Ginny Deppe  
Zoom Master: Diana Smith  
IWC Representative: Veronica Brundy

## Library Thing— How to access the

### Library Information:

1. Search the Guild website ([www.lvfiberartsguild.org](http://www.lvfiberartsguild.org)): go to "LIBRARY", then click [www.librarything.com](http://www.librarything.com)
2. In the top brown bar, right side search box, type 'Vegas fiber arts' and enter.
3. Do not panic that it says 'no results' in the center section! In the left hand column, under *Social* you should find 'members' and a red '1', click on either the word 'member' or the '1'. Now in the center section, find 'Vegas\_Fiber\_Arts' and click on it.
4. 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.

# LAS VEGAS FIBER ARTS GUILD MEMBERSHIP FORM

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

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 dues for General Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$15.00 dues for Seniors (62+)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$30.00 dues for Families (one email address)

Membership half price after January for new members only

Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_

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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**Please make check payable to Fiber Arts Guild  
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