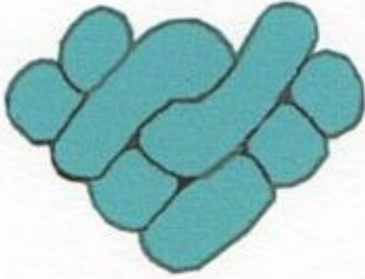


September
2024



Harvest Loom

Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc.

a.k.a. Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

Announcements

Saturday, September 14, 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 5.

PLEASE PARK BEHIND BUILDING

Zoom will be available: Sue Wainscott will be
sending you a link to the meeting before Sept 14.

Please **EMAIL** Show and Tell photos to Sue
Wainscott after she sends you the Zoom link.

ACTIVITIES & PROGRAM: Rich has arranged a
zoom presentation by Jill Staubit; she is a master
weaver and specializes in overshot weaving.

MEMBERSHIP DUES: Current memberships
expired this June 30. We will collect dues for
2024-2025 during the September meeting.
Please remember that dues are now \$25.00 for
everyone, cash or checks made payable to
Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners
Guild, Inc.

PARKING: All Saints' has a clean-up day on
September 14th, so please enter through the
2nd driveway and park in the back.

PROGRAM: Jill Staubit fell in love with
weaving 12 years ago when retiring as a
graphic designer. The two disciplines meshed
perfectly for her through the love of color,
pattern and the design process.
She started *Modern Weaver*, and enjoyed
teaching weave structures empowering weav-
ers to create their own cloth.

<https://www.modernweaver.com/>

2024 Guild Meetings—SAVE THE DATES

October 12, 2024: Deppe Dye Day. Remember how much
fun we had last year, and it will be even better Oct. 12.
Specifics later.

November 9, 2024. Presentation by Hermi and Janet about
the Intermountain Weavers Conference in June 2025.

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Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.

Minutes of the June 8, 2024 Meeting

A meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held on June 8, 2024, in person at All Saint's Episcopal Church and on Zoom.

Attending in-person were: Charles Parker, Vicki Johnson, Ginny Deppe, Rich Deppe, Lori Lee, Elaine Morris, Mina Campos, Isar King, Elaine Eggink, Sue Wainscott, Janet Mayers, Jami Johnson, Lorelle Nelson, Hermi Hiatt, Elizabeth LaRue, Susan Beaman, Brenda Beaman, Maurine Adrezin, Allen Adrezin, Stephanie Bryant, Jean Seuss, Audrey Strehlow, Bivian Coe, and Guest Collin Charity.

Attending on Zoom: Cinda Towne

Rich Deppe called the meeting to order at 9:10 am by welcoming all. We had one visitor, Collin Charity, a visitor from Algonquin Spinners and Weavers Guild in Ohio.

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

REPORTS

Treasurer and Membership Report: Cinda was out of town but sent her report to Rich. She reported that we have \$3,858.19 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. Jami is accepting dues today, checks preferred, but cash accepted. We need to approve payment to All Saints' Episcopal Church for use of their facilities this past year. Janet moved and Lorelle moved that we approve this expenditure: it passed unanimously.

Nominating Committee: The committee members for next year's officers are Sue, Elaine, and Monique. They have put forth the slate, presented in the June Newsletter, it will be voted on at the end of the meeting.

Committee Reports

Newsletter: Hermi announced that the next newsletter will be in September, shortly before the first meeting of the 'new year'. If anyone has submissions for the newsletter, please let Hermi know by Aug. 15, before she leaves town on vacation.

Workshops: Maurine has been working to find some spinning workshops as we haven't had a spinning workshop in a while. She is in contact with Julie Drogoszold to teach

cotton spinning and Jillian Moreno for spinning with wool and a bit of knitting. Janet, Cinda, and Liz have taken a workshop from Jillian and recommend her highly. Ginny suggested Kathleen Walln as a potential teacher of dyeing.

Raffle: Ginny apologized for the way all the wares are squeezed together because we have fewer tables available than usual... and there's lots of stuff, so come and check it out.

Historian: Our Historian is out of town, so no news on that front. As far as anyone knows, all the merino fleece Monique acquired for our Guild has been dispersed.

Web and Social Media: Website is going well. Sue requested that if you have pictures to put up on the website to send them to her and she will post them.

Equipment and Library: Janet reported that the Guild's Library is in her home – if there is anything you are interested in, please contact Janet to arrange a time to visit! You can see the list on the Guild's website under Library Thing. She has only brought DVD's today – please check them out. We have many fewer items that belong to the Guild as we have canceled our locker. There is an updated list of available equipment on the website.

Study Groups: The Spinning Circle continues to meet through the summer at the Sahara West Library from 10am to noon. However, it will not meet on June 19 as the Library is closed that day for Juneteenth. Last week they played with the merino, with the recommendation to *gently* wash and scour (twice!) locks of the merino. The Rigid Heddle group also continues to meet during the summer on the second Wednesday at Laurie Ruben's home; the next meeting is June 12. There is some instruction and lots of encouragement in this group.

September Meeting: will be on September 14. Have a great summer! Rich has arranged a Zoom talk by Jill Staubitz; she is a Master Weaver and specializes in over-shot.

Demonstrations: October 5 is the Spring Mountain Ranch's Pioneer Days. The plan is to go up to the old houses and demonstrate spinning, card weaving, loom weaving, and any other fiber crafts you might have available!

Election: The nominees are the same as our present board:

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Presidents Message—by Rich Deppe

September 14, 2024: here we are at that First Meeting of the New Year! I'm excited to get started. Although, all of you had some time off. The Board and Committee has been busy through the summer working on making this upcoming year the best we can.

Hermi has done a great job keeping you up to date on upcoming events. But let's review some of the big ones-

Skein exchange- at this month's meeting, details are in this newsletter (below).

Mug rugs for the IWC swag bags are due at the May meeting 2025.

Pioneer Day Oct 5th at Spring Mountain Ranch State Park.

And speaking of the IWC...in one of our earlier meetings Hermi will be speaking about our involvement with the IWC, she has been a board member.

I will be looking for volunteers to share their talents at meetings, it's a great opportunity to share what knowledge they have. And before I forget! We are looking for volunteers to step into some of the committee positions that need filling as people need to move away, sadly.

Until the 14th of September-

Create with Passion and Stay safe, Rich.

FIBER ARTS GUILD SKEIN EXCHANGE

Participants spin a 2-ply skein weighing a minimum of 4 ounces (about 114 g.) to be randomly exchanged with other participants.

1. Use any natural fiber of any color. Fiber may be dyed. No synthetics.
2. Spin and ply using your preferred method. Any weight of yarn is acceptable.
3. Be sure to wet finish your skein. For more on wet finishing your spinning, see "Yarnitecture" by Jillian Moreno.
4. Submit one or two skeins with each skein tagged with your information: your name, fiber content and source (if known), drop spindle or spinning wheel used and speed whorl (if applicable), total weight, any other information you feel is relevant.
5. Place the skein in a brown paper bag and bring to the September 2024 meeting.

Bags will be numbered, and skeins will be distributed via random number drawing. If you draw your own number, you can select another number.



Photos by Janet



Emotional Support Chickens
made by Ginny and Monique (handspun), Charles and Isar with other yarn.



Elaine E.

Show & Tell June 2024

Photos Janet



Hermi



Collin



Vicki



Stephanie B.



Elaine M.

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. For this meeting, PLEASE PARK IN THE BACK, it is closest to the meeting rooms (Parish Hall).

If you park in the back, the Guild logo will be posted to show you where to go. 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.

2024 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:	Elaine Eggink
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

Upcoming Fiber Festivals, compiled by Janet

Vermont Sheep and Wool Festival – Tunbridge, Vermont – September 21-22

<https://vermontfibershed.org/fiber-arts-class/>

Taos Wools Festival – Taos, NM – October 5-6

<https://taoswools.com/pages/taos-wools-festival>

Lambtown Festival – Dixon, CA – October 5-6

<https://www.lambtown.org/series/lambtown-festival-2024/>

SoCal Fiber Fair – Pomona Fiber Fair – November 23-24

https://socalfiberfair.com/?mc_cid=41e44b6b3c&mc_eid=746fcc952b

A more complete list of 2024 fiber festivals can be found here.

<https://thatchedroofcottage.com/blogs/artisans-nook/2024-us-fiber-arts-festivals>

Jami sent this nice article for weavers by Janet Dawson about what reed to choose when denting isn't even.

[https://handweavingacademy.com/how-to-choose-the-best-reed-and-sleying-order-when-the-perfect-reed-is-not-available/?](https://handweavingacademy.com/how-to-choose-the-best-reed-and-sleying-order-when-the-perfect-reed-is-not-available/?utm_source=drip&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=How+to+choose+and+use+reeds+for+the+best+cloth)

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Cinda Found this article interesting and thought you might like to see it. [Discovery of 3,800-year-old artifact mentioned in Bible story \(msn.com\).](#)

Hermi has studied tablet woven bands by Maikki Karisto and Mervi Pasanen. These two authors were inspired by fragments of archaeological bands from the Finnish Iron Age. <https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/57718123-tablet-woven-treasures---archaeological-bands-from-the-finnish-iron-age>

June 17-21, 2025

Albuquerque, NM

Intermountain Weavers Conference



Elevating Fiber to New Heights

Susie Ballenger, M's and O's, Treadlings

Elizabeth Buckley, Tapestry

Myra Chang-Thompson, Bound Weave, Dorset Buttons

Cael Chappell, Basketry

Karen Donde, Plaited Twills, Design

Julie Drogsvold, Spinning

Molly Elkind, Landscape for Tapestry, Using Photographs

Donna Foley, Rigid Heddle, Natural Dyes, Stock solutions

Geri Forkner, Weaving for Nuno Felting, Electronic Textiles

Liz Gipson, Translating Drafts for Rigid Heddle

Connie Lippert, Wedge Weave, Chipboard Looms

Jennifer Moore, Doubleweave, Fractals, Tessellations

Martha Owen/Elizabeth Johnston, Spinning for Weaving or Fair Isle Knitting, 7 Ways to Knit

Marcy Petrini, Colors and Twills, Turning a Draft, The Way We See Color

Laura Salamy, Punch Needle

Deborah Silver, Split Shed Weaving

Meg Stump, Pin Loom Weaving

Emily Trujillo, Chimayo Weaving

3-day, 1-day and half day classes

intermountainweavers.org

Board Meeting minutes:

End of Year Board Meeting, June 23, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held at Desert Wind Coffee Roasters on June 23, 2024, at 2:00 pm.

Those attending were: Rich Deppe, President; Cinda Towne, Treasurer; Jami Johnson, Secretary; Hermi Hiatt, Newsletter Editor; and Ginny Deppe, Dye Day host.

Introduction: Rich's goals are: "Review all areas of meeting/guild activities, what to repeat, what to never do again. This should be fast through some areas, I think we should at least have them written down, if there are no comments, then let's just move along."

Treasurer/membership-Cinda: Membership has gone down since Covid, but there doesn't seem to be a decrease in attendance. And members seem more involved – especially with the 2 study groups, Spinning and Rigid Heddle looms. Cinda wondered if we should have a packet of info (electronic) for new members along with a current roster. She also wondered about name tags: permanent ones (that get forgotten at home) or temporary paper ones. Maybe have a Guild Challenge – everyone makes a lanyard for a more permanent name tag.

Secretary-Jami: Cinda requested a copy of the signed by-laws be sent to her. (Ed note: this has been done)

Meetings- R.Deppe: (Maurine not present) Discussion about attendance at our meetings through Zoom: it has definitely declined since Covid, but still has value. We will continue it. In order to be more respectful of those on Zoom, we will change the order of the meeting somewhat: Call to order, Business, Show and Tell, snack and raffle ticket time, program, and raffle. (Note that this might change if we have a remote speaker.)

Programs: Programs for the fall as scheduled are September - Jill Staubitz, October - Dye Day, November - open, December - Christmas Party. Some ideas for future meetings: some given by members.... Rich will look at the list we generated last year and approach members. Other ideas: an HGA Textile and Tea presentation, download a topic from Long Thread Media, our Library's CD's.

Workshops - Maurine: (Maurine not present) idea raised to have a 3 person committee to work on workshop planning and arrangements. Rich will take this under advisement and suggest a couple people to join Maurine. Cinda

brought up the Guild's commitment to help subsidize our workshops - currently we charge \$50/day, and the guild picks up the rest. Should we revisit the amount of treasury used so we don't hold workshops for groups that are really too small to support it? She reminded us that there is money in the treasury and would like to have a significant workshop that would interest all our members – weavers and spinners. Maybe on color?

Raffle – G.Deppe: Ginny reports that there is lots of stuff (all over the garage) for the next raffle. She also said there are several items that are more valuable, and worthy of a silent auction. She has permission to evaluate contributions for silent auctions, now and in the future.

Historian – Monique: (Monique not present) She will be moving up to Ely full time and selling her house in the near future. We need to find a new volunteer for her position so she can transfer her knowledge and her Position Binder. She has done an excellent job of organizing a lot of 'stuff' and in her work of connecting us to the UNLV Oral History Archives.

Newsletter – Hermi: She will be gone Aug 22 thru Sept 12, and will need to put out the newsletter before leaving. She'll want all contributions by Aug 15. She'll send out a blast about July 1 and Aug 1 to all the members. We're all happy with the format. Pictures for the newsletter and website: Hermi will talk with Sue about pictures, to find out if Sue wants them directly from the photographer or through Hermi.

Library – Janet: (Janet not present) She's doing a good job, we wish there was more borrowing of our resources. Perhaps one of our programs could be some of us getting up and extolling the virtues of some of our favorite books.

Website - Sue: (Sue not present) Great to have our new site up and running so well. She and Diana did a great job getting it up.

Zoom Master – Diana: (Diana not present) Yes, we need a Zoom Master, we need another set of equipment (currently using Diana's) so that if Dianna misses a meeting, we'll still be able to accommodate our absent members. Rich will talk with Sue about investigating cost of equipment and she would be our back-up person.

Hospitality – Vicky: (Vicky not present) Running smoothly, no changes needed.

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Minutes of the June 8, 2024 Meeting continued

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President—Rich Deppe, Vice President - Janet Mayers, Treasurer – Cinda Towne, Secretary – Jami Johnson. Rich asked if there were any nominees from the floor. There being none, he recommended that we vote for all the positions in one group. This was agreed to by common agreement, he called for the vote, and it was unanimous.

Old Business:

IWC: Intermountain Weavers Conference will be in Albuquerque June 17-21, 2025. We have finalized our contribution to IWC's Goody bags. We need to create approximately 250 Mug Rugs – aim for 3.5-inch squares in some fiber related technique!

Reminders: Jami is accepting **dues** after the June meeting! The **Skein Exchange** will take place at the September

meeting – so get busy! Submissions are to be 4 oz, 2 ply, natural fiber (i.e. not synthetic!), any color. Please include some info about the fiber with your submission. It will be a blind drawing of the prize. Anyone who participates gets to take the yarn home.

Dye Day is planned for October – this will take place in Rich and Ginny's backyard.

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

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

Dues for year 2024-2025 can be paid this September meeting, cash or checks, \$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.

Board Meeting minutes continued—from page 7

Demonstrations: Vicky seems to spearhead most of our demos for the community and is doing a good job, number about right. Cinda reminded us that we need to do some outreach to meet the requirements of our 501c3 (tax deductible) status. We feel that between our Community Outreach (e.g. Mormon Fort, Spring Mountain Ranch) and our Spinning Group meeting at the Sahara Library public space and talking to anyone who wanders by, educating about how thread is the basis of almost all our clothes and how to make thread, we're educating the public. And teach anyone who is interested!

Equipment-Janet: we wondered if Janet has an updated list of the locations of our equipment as some of it is scattered among members. She did a great job of downsizing and gathering helpers to empty the storage locker. There is a current equipment list on the website.

IWC Representative-Janet & Hermi: The next conference

will take place in June 2025 in Albuquerque. The list of workshops is on the IWC website, and Hermi will post the color postcard in our next newsletter in August. They are sharing the position, and their term ends at the end of the conference. Hermi is not planning on continuing, unsure about Janet.

Other: Skein Exchange: we decided on the format as there are various understandings: All skeins will be put in non-transparent bag, each bag will be numbered. Those who have contributed a skein will draw a number, find the bag they've won, and then have 'the great reveal' so everyone can oooh and aaah!

Adjourn: There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Submitted

By: /s/ Jami Johnson, Secretary

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? _____

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

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

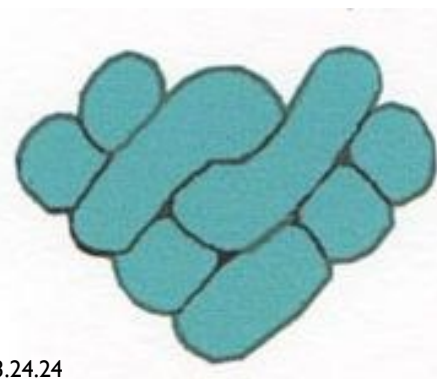
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Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

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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