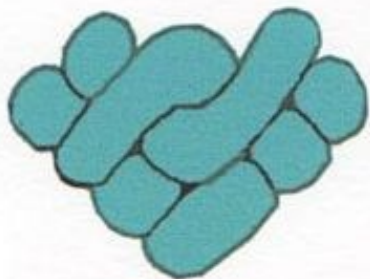


December
2025



Harvest Loom

Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc.

a.k.a. Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild

Holiday Party at Jami's Saturday December 13, 2025, 9 am

Jami Johnson is our hostess for the Annual December Holiday Brunch on 13th December. It starts at 9 am, and we all eat brunch with food that you will be bringing. And after that we gather around the Christmas tree and have our Auction! In order to have anything to auction, we need you to bring something to auction! Bringing a gift is optional, bidding is also optional but you don't have to bring a gift to bid! Bring an anonymous, wrapped gift, labeled *only* if it's specific for a weaver, or a spinner, or a knitter, etc. We have a fun auction with Jean Seuss acting as our wonderful auctioneer. All proceeds go to the Guild.

As for food....bring something interesting for our brunch! It can be 'breakfast' food or a heartier 'lunch' fare. We need some protein, some carbs, some veggies and something sweet to top it off. Be Brave! Be Creative! Maybe even make something you've never made before!

Jami's address is in the Guild directory, recently sent to all of you, and it is also in the email with this newsletter. If you need more specific instructions, please call her at 702-871-9583. Leave a message if no one answers, and she will call you back. We will also collect donations for a local charity as we have for several years, **DETAILS on page 3.**



2025/2026 Guild Meetings—SAVE THE DATE
January 10, 2026: Program- Locker Hooking
By Janet and Vicki

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Southern Nevada Handweavers & Spinners Guild, Inc.

Minutes of the November 8, 2025 Meeting

A meeting of the Southern Nevada Handweavers and Spinners Guild, Inc. was held on Nov 8, 2025, at Good Samaritan Lutheran Church (The Lakes campus) in person and on Zoom.

This is our first meeting at Good Samaritan Lutheran Church, 8200 W. Sahara. Thanks to Jami, Cinda, and Janet for finding a new location.

Attending in person: Janet Mayers, Deb Haveman, Jerry Buckler, Hermi Hiatt, Elizabeth LaRue, Stephanie Peters, Rich Deppe, Vicki Johnson, Danielle Hanson, Meg Harrington, Cinda Towne, Elaine Eggink, Ginny Deppe, Diane Ricks, Beth Little, Sara Wiegard, Emily Buchwald, Leah Gregorio, Courtney Wagner-Smith, Stephanie Bryant, Erin Washington, Maria Ipharr, Lisa Jimenez, Charmonte Malbon, Lorelle Nelson, German Martin Martin, Diana Smith.

Attending on Zoom: Jodell Larimer, Sandy Gillies.

Rich called the meeting to order at 9:07 and welcomed members & guests. Our guests today were:

Diane Ricks - She does some of everything, sewing, painting and fiber arts. She was a member of a guild in So. Cal and has been to several national conferences.

Beth Little has done textiles with emphasis on painting or dyeing and is interested in learning with the group.

Approval of Minutes: Diane Smith moved the September minutes appearing in the November newsletter be accepted. The motion was seconded by Stephanie Bryant.

REPORTS:

Treasurer and Membership: Cinda reported that the Guild checking account currently has \$5,490.14. Dues for this year needed to be paid in order to be in the updated directory. She has not been able to pay Elizabeth Holdman for her presentation so far as Elizabeth needs to send in her W-9. Several requests have been made.

Committee Reports

Newsletter - Hermi thanks Janet and Meg for the many pictures for the recent newsletter from the various demos at events that the Guild has attended. She asked that members keep sending snippets and ideas for future newsletters.

Workshops - Meg & Janet report and discussion: Janet made a motion to the Workshop fees to \$65.00 maximum per day for all workshops. This was seconded by Diana. Members had a discussion, and the fee increase was passed. Non-members' price will be an additional \$15.00 per day. **SAVE THE DATE** - A workshop by Annie MacHale will be held on May 1-3, 2026. Material fees will be \$5.00, a one-time fee for the whole course. More details will be available at the January meeting. Enrollment will begin at that time. Contact Meg Harrington with any questions.

Programs - Maria reported that all the programs have been assigned for each meeting through June with some booked out for next fall as well.

Raffle - Ginny reported she has a large variety of raffle items and would like another table for display in our new space.

Historian - Elaine had no updates to report today.

Web and Social Media - Diana (Sue was not present) got Zoom up and running at our new location and she spoke about YouTube being an excellent resource for fiber artists.

Equipment and Library - Janet reminded members that the library is in her home, but we can check the website to see what books and materials are available for checkout. Current equipment for rent at \$35.00/month: 3 table looms and a Baby Wolf. Contact Janet if you are interested in any of the library items.

Study Groups and Continual Educational Demonstrations:

Spinning Circle/Band Group at Sahara West Library Wednesdays 10 am - Dani reported that this group is going strong! They had 18 spinners at one of the recent circles.

RH Study Group - 2nd Wednesday of each month - Janet indicated that the attendance at the RH group will take a hiatus and reconvene in January. Currently, members are concentrating on other disciplines.

Scientific Dye Study Group - Jami, Cinda & Janet are spearheading this and are working out details now. There was a sign-up sheet, and 9 members indicated they would like to be a part of the study Group. Measuring is critical and participants will get a complete ring of colors. Sessions will be after the first of the year, with times to be decided. **For everyone in the guild: Please save any 32-ounce dairy containers!** There will be a material fee, but it has not been finalized at this point.

New Business: Rich asked for a motion to shift the Annual Meeting from June to the May meeting. This was voted and approved. The motion was made by Rich and seconded by Diana.

Past Demos:

Farm Fest - Dani said it was lots of fun with a lovely lunch provided. The children enjoyed spindle spinning at our booth.

Upcoming Demos:

Cactus Joe's "Stewards of the Earth" will be November 15 & 16. Hermi has 4 members signed up for the morning of the 15th and 3 members in the afternoon. Two are signed up for the 16th.

Next Meeting is December 13, 2025. It is the Holiday Potluck and Gift Auction, at Jami's house.

Adjourn: There being no other business, the meeting was ended at 9:40. Refreshments, a Zoom presentation by Alanna Wilcox, "How to Approach Creativity" (A copy of her presentation will be made available.), Show and Tell, and Handspun Skein Exchange with only 3 participants in the skein exchange and the Raffle followed.

Submitted By: Meg Harrington with assistance from Hermi Hiatt and light editing by Jami Johnson

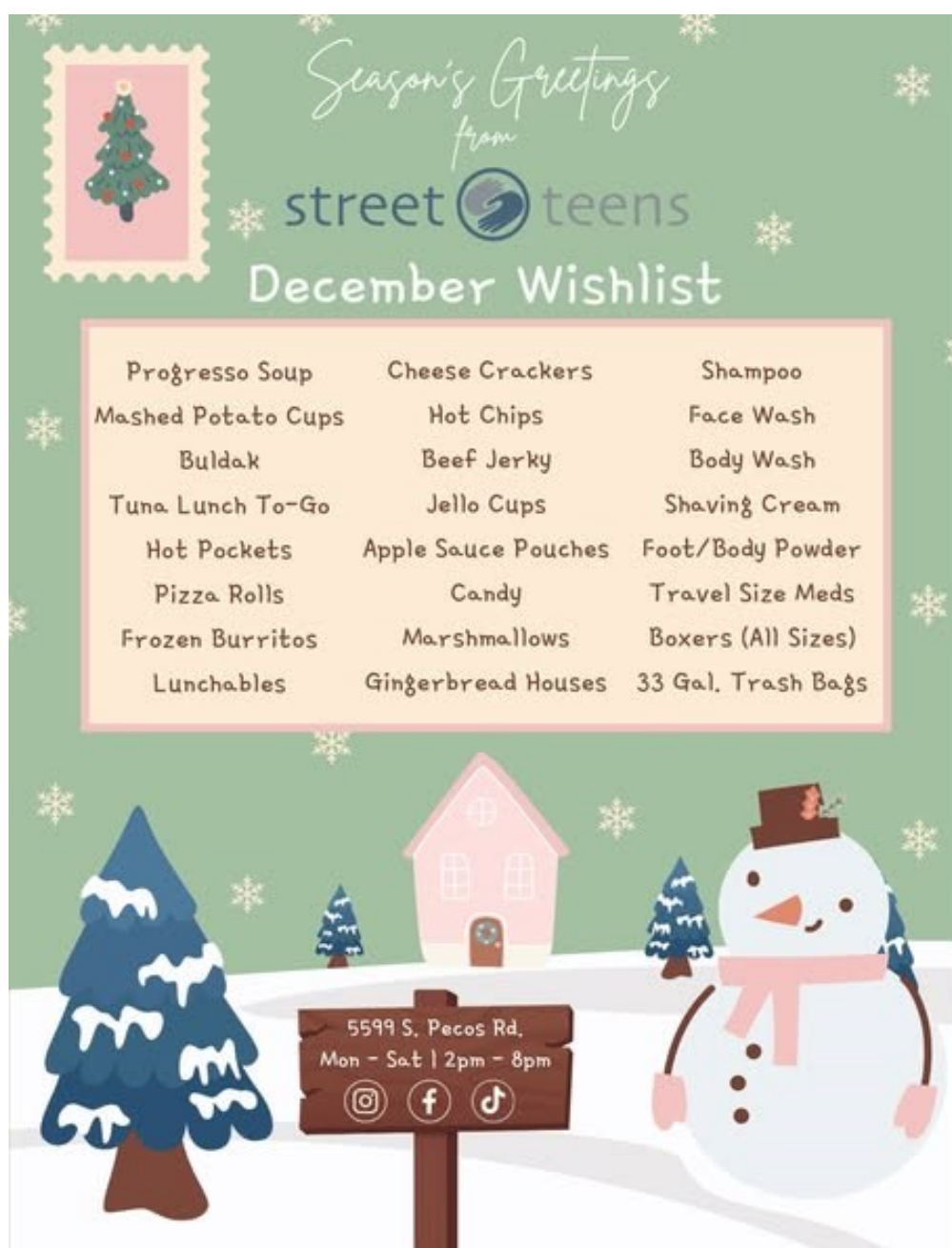
Details about the Holiday Party at Jami's

Saturday December 13, 2025

This is our traditional holiday with potluck and gift auction. Come around 9 am and bring something interesting to feed hungry members. Jami's phone number and address is in the guild directory, and the email with this newsletter.

If you wish, bring a **creatively wrapped gift** to engage the senses and bring forth the buyer in us all. Everyone has a chance to bid on the unknown item. The winning bidder immediately opens the gift to ohhhs and ahhs. If the gift is particularly for a **spinner or knitter**, a tag indicating that would be appreciated! Our lively auctioneer Jean Sues will preside over the auction.

We will again **collect donations for a local charity.** We will support the Street Teens as we have done in the past. Donations of non-perishable food, snacks, and personal items listed in the flyer below. A Guild board member will make sure those donations are delivered at 5599 S. Pecos Road, Las Vegas NV 89120.





Show & Tell November 2025



Many beautiful items were presented for Show & Tell. Your editor identified some of them, the makers of others are unknown to her.

Products from the Deppe Dye Day include shirt by Lorelle and Vicki's basket of fibers. Quilt was a gift to Cinda by Emily, handsewn shirt by Stephanie B, and the flowery locker hook was made by Vicki.

Lastly the bottom photos show a hat made by Cinda from 2024 skein exchange, and three skeins from the 2025 skein exchange.

Photos Janet



Spinning Circle at West Sahara Library

meets most Wednesdays 10-12

Please let us know if you plan to join the spinning group, just reply to emails so we know you will come. Our mission is to enable anyone interested in fibers.

Sock Contest: 4 spinners showed off their socks because wearing shoes makes it difficult to spin. From left to right socks by Cinda, Hermi, Liz, and Lori.

Photos by Janet



Library Thing— How to access the Library:

Go to the Guild website www.fiberartsguildlv.org. On top of the Home page, click LIBRARY.

You can either download the pdf of the Library catalog, or scroll down to the Online Library Database which has a search feature to quickly find what you are looking for.

We have lots of books, and you can easily search the Library Thing with their search feature top right.

Title	Author	Date	Tags
16 harness patterns : the fanciest twills of all : from the weaving notebooks of Fred A. Pennington	Irene K. Wood	1976	
African fabric crafts : sources of African design and technique	Esther Warner Dendel	1974	Africa, fabric
The Alden Amos Big Book of Handspinning: Being A Compendium of Information, Advice, and Opinions On the Noble Art & Craft	Alden Amos	2001	spinning

2025 Board and Committees

Officers:

President:	Richard Deppe
Vice President:	Danielle Hanson
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:	Maria and Rich
Workshops:	Meg and Janet
Web Master:	Sue Wainscott
Raffle:	Ginny Deppe
Zoom Master:	Diana Smith



Cactus Joe's:
Stewards of the
Earth: Spinning in
the Rain
November 15th
and sunshine
next day.



Photos by Meg

ODDS and ENDS

Found on the Internet by members, thank you all for the info !!!

- **Stephanie B:** Sharing a couple of patterns from my show and tell today for the newsletter: Karen Stevens is the sewing designer who wrote the pattern for the 1 yard shirt I made while I was traveling. The pattern is available as a pdf for \$6.50 on her website: <https://www.kzstevens.com/>
- **Stephanie B:** wrote up the Haunted House pattern and posted it to her blog: <https://www.mortaine.com/blog/portfolio/haunted-house/> It will have a Ravelry pattern once I've got it to a more finished state with pictures (and maybe someone to test it).



- **Stephanie B** sent this link for free sewing patterns, sized to fit: <https://freesewing.eu/>. Good way to try it using scraps of fabrics.
- **Sue W:** Eve Ogden Schaub is documenting her attempt to "grow a dress in my backyard". She has grown flax, and has filmed her progress from harvest to spinning thus far (November 2025) in weekly installments. Find her videos on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@eveschaub999/playlists>
- **Janet M** mentioned the March 8-12, 2026 Weave Together in Loveland, CO. <https://shop.longthreadmedia.com/products/weave-together-with-handwoven>. It is absurdly expensive but it also includes 3 days of intense band weaving and pin loom, check out the website. The absurd cost does cover a lot: the ticket price includes hands-on classes, materials fees, evening activities, hotel accommodations, meals, and more!
- **Janet** also reports on the upcoming Scientific Dye Study Group. The Steering Committee (Jami, Cinda and Janet) is in the process of planning a meeting for January 2026. It will be followed a bit later by a demonstration of the technique needed to dye Tencel samples. Soon Cinda will send more details to the 9 or 10 people who signed up.
- **www.alannawilcox.com/** check out the website from the November speaker!!!

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 payable to **Las Vegas Fiber Arts Guild** (please do not abbreviate). 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 our meetings.**

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