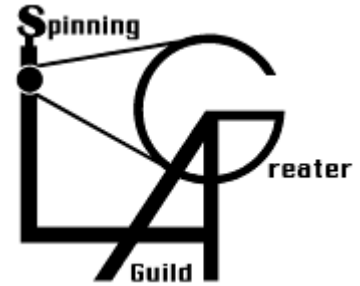


Website: www.glasg.org
RAVELRY Group: www.ravelry.com/groups/glasg
Yahoo Group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GLASG>



2016 MEETINGS

January 23	February 27	March 26
April 22	May 28	June 25
July 23	August 27	September 23
October 22	November 26	December 31, Potluck holiday party

Guild President: Stephanie D.
Vice President: Nan O.
Treasurer: Virgidean

Secretary: Gretchen H.
Programs: Fran Z
Workshops: Jesse

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Voting for new Board Members was postponed until the November meeting. The Nominations are as follows:

- President - Stephanie De La Torre
- Vice President - Nan O'Donnell
- Secretary - Gretchen Houk
- Treasurer - Virgidean Richmond
- Members at Large -Jan Larson, Andy Mordoh, Sonya Bekoff Molho

Enrich your experience with GLASG by serving on a committee. Whether you want to take a leadership or team role, we need your support in committees:

- Membership
- Library
- Equipment
- Programs
- Raffle
- Events & Outreach
- Social Media
- Historian

Discussion of committee responsibilities, and volunteer sign-ups will take place at the November meeting following the board elections.

November: Spin Your Fears Away

Ann Davis will teach how to face our fears in spinning our "too precious" fibers. Bring your fearsome fiber, and be inspired to find freedom, tame your fears and spin beauty.

The focus is facing challenges and fears, as relates to spinning. Find the right mindset you need to move past reticence and into action.

Bring a tool or fiber you've been holding back from using, or a finished project that challenged you. Successful or not so successful, both will be beneficial for discussion.

October: American Long Draw and Woolen Spinning at Blackberry Creek Farm

Due to the planned field trip to Blackberry Creek Farm, the October meeting was not well-attended. With approximately 10 members in attendance, we did not hold a formal business meeting with committee reports. In addition, we did not have a quorum present to hold 2017 Board Elections: the election has deferred to the November agenda. Since we posted that we would be at the church until approximately 11am, we had a social knitting/spinning circle from 10-11am.

At 11 am, we shut down and headed out to Blackberry Creek Farm. Our hostess, Sally Young, set up a lovely circle of chairs for social spinning and a circle of chairs in a clearing for the afternoon workshop. Everyone enjoyed a lovely potluck lunch in the shade. We also got to visit Sally's sheep and goats, who are lovely!

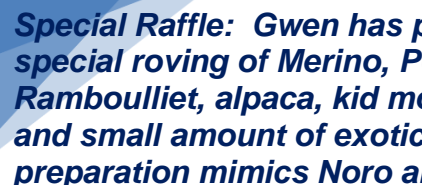
After lunch, we had an afternoon workshop with Stephenie Gaustad, who taught us about woolen (English long draw) and American long draw on wheels and spindles. Participants spun fibers prepared in several ways, and learned how to create handcarded rolags.

Support Your Guild!

Reminder: Dues for the 2016 year are now due. Be sure to pay at the next meeting or via PayPal. Application is on the last page of this Newsletter.

The Conference of Northern California's: CNCH 2017

"Sapphire Sea, Golden Threads" will take place at Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, California May 4 - 7, 2017. This is a workshop format conference: all teachers will be teaching 2 1/2 day workshops. Conference attendees will stay at the Asilomar conference center and all meals will be included. Check <http://www.cnch.org/conferences/cnch2017/> and the Conference Facebook Page www.facebook.com/CNCH2017/ for updates.



Special Raffle: Gwen has provided a special roving of Merino, Polwarth, Ramboulliet, alpaca, kid mohair, silk and small amount of exotic fibers. The preparation mimics Noro and if spun in order will give 5 repeats of a very intricate pattern. Colors range from white to dark brown and from turquoise to purple with other colors adding interest. There is approximately 2 pounds of fiber all of it very soft. Raffle tickets will be \$2 each. All donations go to the Guild workshop funds to help everyone attend workshops.

EVENTS & OUTREACH

SPINNING EVENTS 2017:

DECEMBER

JANUARY 2017

MARCH 2017

APRIL 2017

- [PLY Away](#) April 25–29, 2017, Kansas City, MO, USA at the Westin at Crown Center

MAY 2017

- CNCH (see above) May 4-7, Asilomar, CA

JUNE 2017

- Estes Park Wool Festival, Estes Park, CO, June 8-11.

- Black Sheep Gathering, Eugene OR

JULY 2017

- The MidAtlantic Fiber Association (MAFA) Conference of 2017 - "A Kaleidoscope of Possibilities" will be held at Millersville University, Millersville, PA during July 20 – 23, 2017.

OCTOBER 2017

- Vermont Fall Knitting Retreat At Trapp Family Lodge, October 27-30, [website](#)

The Conference of Northern California Handweavers 2017

CNCH will be hosting two fabulous basketry instructors. The conference will be held at Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove, California May 4 – 7, 2017. This is a workshop format conference – 2 ½ days with one instructor – plus fun evening events. Online registration opens Nov 12 at 9 am. A downloadable registration booklet and other information is at www.cnch.org. Additional info is posted on the CNCH 2017 Facebook page. This will be a popular conference - you will want to register early!

Check the registration booklet for instructors in spinning, weaving, dyeing and creativity.

Spinning workshops will be led by Kate Larson and Beth Smith:

--Learn to hand spin Spectacular Knitting Yarns with Kate Larson

--Beth Smith will teach the ins and outs of 15 sheep breeds and how best to spin fabulous yarn from each of them in Princess Breeds – Turbo Charged.

Deborah Valoma will be the keynote speaker one evening.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions:

Donna LaVallee

CNCH 2017 Program Committee

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The CNCH newsletter has been published on line. Great read! <http://www.cnch.org/cnchnet/fall-2016/>

GLASG.ORG

We now have a section on the website for members' spinning stories. If you would like to post your experiences with spinning, send pictures and your story to editor@glasg.org.

The GLASG website is updated at least every month. We would like to have more input into the website. Please send editor@glasg.org pictures and articles that are labeled. If the pictures have people, please send a note that the people in the picture agree to have their picture put on the internet. We will take your word on this. Please include either a caption to go along with any pictures.

If you have uploaded any spinning related videos to YouTube, please forward the information to editor@glasg.org. We will list the videos under resources. Thank you.

Guild members may place a fiber related "for sale" advertisement in the newsletter. Email editor@glasg.org your information for the ad. These ads are not for commercial ventures.

PLEASE add editor@glasg.org and GwenPowellSpinner@outlook.com to "safe senders" setting in your email. I get bounced emails because I am not on your list and do not have time to contact you individually. Thank you.

Thursday Night Fiber study in Torrance—Spinning, Fiber Preparation, Band Weaving, Crochet, Beginning Knitting, Needle Felting—Openings are again available, no charge 5-8 p.m. GwenPowellSpinner@gmail.com .

Ongoing: The Orange County Spinning Guild is an informal group. Margaret Trousdale (sciencetcher@gmail.com) is now arranging meetings and can provide information on their locations.

More events can be found on our [Ravelry Group](#)

If you have anything to be added to the newsletter, please send it to editor@glasg.org by the 10th of the month. Thank you.

Web Links

This month's weblinks from Edith:

Hairless hamster gets new sweater as winter approaches - BBC News
<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-37738917>



A tiny hamster born without any fur in the US state of Oregon gets a custom-made sweater to stay warm this winter.

A short 1 minute video of incredible colored wool. And a few dogs as big as the sheep.
<http://www.wovember.com/2016/11/03/bulgarias-endangered-karakachanska-ovca/>

<http://www.wovember.com/2016/11/08/wool-labelling-deciphering-eu-legislation/>

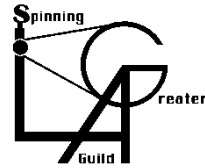
Subscribe to Wovember.com for lots of fiber related adventures as well.

GLASG Meeting Minutes:

October 22, 2016 GLASG Minutes

- GLASG has a new ravelry “member” called GLASGlibrarian. The books in our library are being added to this account’s ravelry library, so we can all see on ravelry what we have. You can message through this account to request items from the library before the meetings.
- Jillian Moreno’s book, Yarnitecture has been added to our library.
- Voting has been postponed until next meeting when more members are in attendance.
- Some interest has been shown for a future program in spinning for embroidery. Possibly reverse engineering from commercial embroidery floss. Also interest in spinning silk for this purpose.
 - Also some interest has been shown for a program in spinning silk hankies.
 - We have one new member, Helene.
- Meeting adjourned so that we could drive to Blackberry Creek Farm.

Greater Los Angeles Spinning Guild
2016
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL



\$30 for one year \$15 after July 13, 2016

Please complete the form below and submit with your check payable to **GLASG** by hand to any GLASG board member, or send to:

GLASG Membership Committee
P.O. Box 64454
Los Angeles, CA 90064

You may also make dues payment by PayPal by following these steps:

- Log on to your own PayPal account
- Click on "send money"
- Enter "membership@glasg.org" as recipient and "Service" from the "Payment" tab as the transaction type. Do not check "personal transfer" or anything from that tab.
- Enter \$30.00 as the amount, and enter your name in the "Comments" section so we know without a doubt who is renewing their membership.

Mail in or hand in a completed copy of this form. *The information below will be made available to members in our Member Roster, published in a secure area of our website. If you wish any item to be omitted from the published Member Roster, please check the box at the left of the item.*

**Omit from
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Roster**

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Renewal: Please correct the Roster as shown above.

Roster Correction Only: My dues are paid through 2016, just correct the Roster as shown above.

Membership Committee use only:

Date Received: to Treasurer: _____ Date dues given

Check No.: Check Amount:

This membership term begins (date): Ends: 12/31/2016