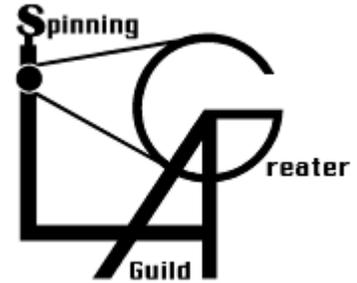


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RAVELRY Group: www.ravelry.com/groups/glasg
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2017 MEETINGS

January 28	February 25	March 25
April 22	May 27	June 24
July 22	August 26	September 22
October 28	November 25	December 22, Potluck holiday party

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

Secretary: Gretchen H.
Programs: Rotating Members
Workshops: Jesse?

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- **April: Weaving on a Tape loom - Judy Sage**
- **May: Presentation and discussion on meandering colorways. Please bring anything related to show and tell.**
- **May Workshop Announcement—Creating Fiber Prep for Noro Style spinning.**
- **Events and Outreach and Opportunities**
- **Minutes—February Minutes**
- **Membership Renewal Application 2017**

March: Spin Your Own Warp with Jan Larson

Don't think your handspun can stand up to warping? Learn how to spin your own warp yarn.

May Workshop: Preparing Fiber for Noro Style Yarns

Noro yarns are more popular than ever. If you are not familiar with them, they are specialty yarns that have interesting colorways that have extremely long repeats. Noro yarns come in many fibers and colorways but the colors and styles you want might not be available and they are very expensive. In this workshop, you will learn to design and prepare fiber into a roving that is ready to spin to create a Noro style yarn of your own.

Friday: Preparing on the Blending Board (Rolags)

Sunday: Preparing on the Drum Carder (Roving)

The class will cost \$90 that includes materials fees and parking. Payments can be either check made out to GLASG or PayPal at membership@glasg.org (if you pay with PayPal we ask you add a couple extra dollars to cover the PayPal fee)

Space is limited.

GLASG Spin-Along

GLASG is doing a SAL in 2017. The idea was hatched during our Jillian Moreno workshops. There are so many different ways to spin fiber that even those of us that were spinning the same thing were coming up with different results -- all gorgeous. We thought it would be fun to have a guild SAL where we all start with the same thing and then share our results. The finish products will be shared during a guild meeting so we can all oogle the finish yarns and talk about how we got them.

We are going to have custom dyed fiber for the SAL. I thought it would be fun to have 3 different colorways available in a couple different bases in 2oz put ups to enable combo spins and increase the possibilities.

I will create a "SAL 2017 Inspiration" photo album in the group. Add pictures that you'd like the colorways based on. We will all vote and the top 3 will become our SAL colorways. Everyone can vote by clicking "like" on the pictures they'd like to spin. Vote as many times as you'd like. I will also be posting on the Ravelry group.

Initial voting will be open through the end of January. On Feb 1st I will post the top picks from FB and Ravelry in both places and we'll have a week of voting to pick the winners from among them. It's the fairest thing I could think of since not everyone is on FB. The members that post the winning pictures will each get 2oz of their colorway as a prize.

Once we have the colorways picked out I'll post ordering information.

Reminder: Dues for the 2017 year are now due. Be sure to pay at the next meeting or via PayPal. Application is on the last page of this Newsletter.

EVENTS & OUTREACH

SPINNING EVENTS 2017:

MARCH

- **FibersWest** 3/17 & 18

Surrey, BC

- **Carolina Fiber Fest** 3/24 & 25 Raleigh, NC
- **Interweave Yarn Fest** 3/30 – 4/2 Loveland, CO
- **Alpacalooza 2017** 3/31 – 4/2 Ridgefield, WA

APRIL

- **Yarn Con** 4/1 & 2 Chicago, IL
- **Shepherds Extravaganza** 4/14 – 17 Puyallup, WA
- **Plyaway** 4/25 – 29 Kansas City, MO

MAY

- **Sapphire Sea, Golden Threads** 5/4 – 7 Pacific Grove, CA
- **CNCH** 5/4 – 7 Alsilomar, CA
- **Maryland Sheep & Wool Festival** 5/6 & 7 West Friendship, MD
- **Shepherd's Harvest** 6/12 – 14 Lake Elmo, MN

JUNE

- **Flag Sheep & Fiber Festival** 6/3 & 4 Flagstaff, AZ
- **Estes Park Wool Festival** 6/8 & 11 Estes Park, CO
- **Black Sheep Gathering** 6/23 – 25 Eugene, OR
- **Griffin Dyeworks Retreat** 6/23 – 25 Lake Arrowhead, CA

JULY

- **The British Wool Show** 7/8 & 9
- **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.

- **British Natural Fibre & Craft** 7/29 & 30 Bedford, UK

- **New England Fiber Arts Retreat** 7/30 – 8/5 Medomak Retreat Center, Washington, ME

AUGUST

- **L.A. Quilt Show & Fiber Fest** 8/13 & 14 Crafted, Port of L.A., CA
- **Michigan Fiber Festival** 8/18 – 20 Allegan, MI

SEPTEMBER

- **Wisconsin Sheep and Wool** 9/7 – 10 Jefferson, WI
- **CA Wool & Fiber Festival** 9/15 – 17 Booneville, CA
- **Oregon Flock & Fiber Festival** 9/23 & 24 Canby, OR

OCTOBER

- **Lambtown Festival** 10/1 & 2 Dixon, CA
- **Vista Fiber Arts** 10/7 & 8 Vista, CA
- **Taos Wool Festival** 10/7 & 8 Taos, NM
- **Fiber Fusion** 10/8 & 9 Chico, CA
- **NY State Sheep & Wool Festival** 10/21 & 22 aka Rhinebeck
- **Vermont Fall Knitting Retreat** At Trapp Family Lodge, October 27-30, [website](#)

NOVEMBER

- **WeFF** 11/5 Torrance, CA
- **Deb Robson's Explore 4** 11/6 - 9 Lakedale Resort, WA

Announcements

July 6-12, 2018



Save the Date!

[The Handweavers Guild of America, Inc.](#) will present Convergence®, our international fiber arts conference, in [Reno, Nevada](#) July 6-12, 2018 at the [Peppermill Resort](#). With more than 1,500 participants, HGA's biennial Convergence® Conference is a multi-faceted experience with exhibitions, shopping, fashion show, tours, workshops, seminars, lectures, and more. We are excited to share with our members and fellow fiber enthusiasts all that Reno and Northern Nevada has to offer.

Nestled at the base of the magnificent Sierra Nevada Mountain Range, Reno's dry, mild climate with more than 250 days of sunshine makes it attractive to visitors year round. The city is accessible by car, train, or the newly renovated airport - just an 8-minute drive with complimentary shuttle provided by the Peppermill Resort. At the Peppermill Resort we will be able to house our entire Convergence® conference in one space. The Peppermill offers guests 12 dining options from authentic Chinese and Italian to seafood, steaks, sushi and the convenience of 24-hour room service; free parking; and their rooms have been selected as the "Best Reno Hotel Rooms" year after year.

We hope you will make plans to join us in Reno for Convergence® 2018. Stay connected for more updates as they become available by following us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

For more information about Convergence® and the Handweavers Guild of America, Inc., please visit our [website](#), www.weavespindye.org.

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: **THERE ARE STILL OPENINGS!**

--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

Donna.lavallee@gmail.com

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:

[Indigo in your Garden and your Dye-pot](#)

<http://www.cnch.org/cnchnet/spring2017/indigo-garden-dye-pot/>

Blue dyes were rare in the millennia before chemical dyes were invented. Northern European dyers used woad (*isatis tinctoria*), a member of the cabbage family, and in tropical climates there are several species of indigo. *Indigofera tinctoria* is from India, *Lonchocarpus cyanens* lives in Africa, and there are two or three others from the New ...Read more online...



Heart & Hand: Spinning Wheel Restoration with Reed Needles

<http://heartandhandfestival.blogspot.com/2014/09/heart-hand-antique-spinning-wheel.html>

Spinning wheel restorer Reed Needles answers a few questions about his craft and gives us some tips on what to do with that antique spinning wheel you find ...

GLASG Meeting Minutes:

Date: February 25, 2017

Welcome to your guild!

President - Stephanie
Vice President - Nan
Secretary - Gretchen
Treasurer - Virgadean

Members at Large:

Jan Larson
Andy Mordoh
Sonya

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Welcome to the new and returning visitors. Introductions, where are you from and what is your current project?

We welcomed four new visitors today.

3. Minutes

Everyone should have received the minutes and newsletter from January. Many people did not get the minutes. We will make sure Gwen has them on the list. Minutes approved as posted.

4. Treasurer's Report (Virgadean)- No update today

checking: \$

saving: \$

Paypal: \$

5. Committee Reports

Membership: Jen- 38 paid, 2 lifetime. She will email to let people know if they are paid or not in the next couple weeks. On the roster she has color coded it whether or not people are paid. Check the printout at the door please.

The membership dues help pay for our rent for the meetings.

Dues are \$30 for the year. We are a non-profit, so dues pay for the rent, workshops, community outreach. Workshops are discounted for members. You get a copy of the newsletter emailed and access to our library and tools.

Library: Anne- Has changed a bit. Now it is more self-service. The selection is being kept in our storage area at the church. We have all of the Ply magazines, DVDs, SpinOff magazines on CD, and more. Reminder to bring back items that have been checked out. She will reach out to those who still have items to remind them.

Equipment: Lily- Hand carders- wool and cotton, bobbin winder, drum carders, combs and hackle

With a deposit any can be checked out.

Hospitality: No update

Programs: (update from Stephanie)

Using Ravelry technology as another tool

March- Spinning for Warp with Jan

April- Open

May- Workshops- Preparing fiber to gain a "Noro" type yarn- Gwen

June- Open house and wheel tasting, special raffle for Canadian Production Wheel

July- Skill building strategies- Anne

August- workshops- TBD

September- Wool fiber prep: from farm to yarn, processing a fleece- Fran

October- Guid spin a long- Jen has narrowed it down to the most popular colorways. Inspired by the Jillian

Moreno workshop we will be show and share about our yarn made from the guild colorway. The color will be

on various 2oz put-ups. She will bring in samples at the next meeting. Jillian also wants to participate remotely.

November- Open

December- Holiday party- DATE CHANGE- December 30th

Workshops: (update from Stephanie)

May- Gwen Powell -our very own member/founder, webmaster, author- Blending Board Basics and Beyond workshop on Noro style fiber prep. Friday and Sunday May 26th and 28th. Registration is open for paid members. \$90 includes parking and materials at Westside Pavilion. More information as we get closer. Paypal or check is accepted. Please add a little extra to cover Paypal fees.

Friday class uses blending boards, Sunday class emphasis on drum carders.

August- Amy King (Spunky Eclectic and author- Spin Control)

A poll is live on Ravelry to choose the classes that we want. Friday, Sunday full days and half day on Saturday. Complete fees for class will be updated once we know the total cost. Spin Control is in our library in case anyone wants to know more about her.

2018- Kate Larson in spring. Judith MacKenzie in August?!

Raffle: (Jan is covering)

Some SpinOff magazines donated from a Knitting Guild member, plus lots of other goodies. Remember to bring something if you win something.

Events/Outreach:

Make sure to check facebook and Ravelry. We need to go out and share with the community. Let us know if you come across any opportunities.

Kasey- volunteers with the San Fernando Historical Society- Andres Pico Adobe open house, 3rd Sunday of each month (except Easter) from 1-4pm - They are focusing on textiles. No Chatsworth Garden event this year.

Do we have a wheel that we could bring for outreach for people to try?

Stephanie- we bring drop spindles usually or have a project that isn't a special one so that other people can use the wheel and try it out.

Fran- usually brings a little kit so that people can have something to bring home. She charges about \$5, the cost of the kit. They can take it home and keep learning and practicing.

Flyers and business cards are good to bring along also.

Social Media: no update

6. Old Business

None to discuss.

7. New Business

Judy- Let's do a get-well card for Nancy. We are missing her at the meetings and want to let her know that we hope she feels better soon.

Anne- guest fiber vendors. We did it last year and it was a lot of fun. Should we do this again. Judy will contact people.

8. Announcements

None.

9. Show & Tell

Jen- New custom pocket wheel from Jon (McCoy?)- Walnut frame, maple wheel, guitar finish on the wheel in purples and blues. The base model is about \$600. Wait time is usually around a year. So cool! Also a pretty new Allen Barry drop spindle at Madrona.

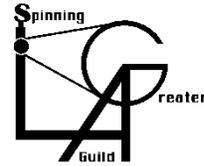
Judy K.- Finished fingerless gloves of first handspun and a Steven West hat in pretty pinks and mauves.

Jan- From the same booth as Jen's wheel, she bought an octopus patterned bag (instead of a spindle!). After convincing herself that she didn't need any fiber, she saw the Wool Gatherings fiber booth- she saw black alpaca fiber with colors of silk running through it. Really lovely. She went back and also bought some in merino and silk. She also took classes at Madrona. She brought a little tote bag woven on a rigid heddle made in a class. And a power spinning class- samples/control card showing whorl adjustments and differences in the yarn. Also Any Herzog class, highly recommended. AND she met Erin there, who came to our meeting as a visitor today.

Elena- Anatolian spindle- used a Russian join to add her small amounts from the spindle together. She explained how a Russian join works. Eventually she will have a much larger skein. Karen volunteered to demo a Russian join for anyone interested.

10. Adjournment
Meeting adjourned.

Greater Los Angeles Spinning Guild
2017
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL



\$30 for one year \$15 after July 13, 2017

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. Be sure to enter all contact information and your email so that we can get the Newsletter list updated.

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.*

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Name: _____

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City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

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Renewal: Please correct the Roster as shown above.

Roster Correction Only: My dues are paid through 2017, just correct the Roster as shown above.

Membership Committee use only:

Date dues given

Date Received: to Treasurer:

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This membership term begins (date):

Ends: 12/31/2017