

Northwest Pennsylvania Spinners and Weavers Guild

"Dedicated to the promotion of education and interest in the arts of spinning, weaving, dyeing and fiber-related techniques."

The NPSWG was formed in 1980 in response to a need to organize and coordinate the efforts of fiber artists in the area. This was accomplished largely due to the efforts of Sigrid Piroch. The guild acts as a hub, drawing in members from a radius of over 100 miles... from Erie to Chautauqua to Clarion to Pittsburgh to Cleveland. Since most of this region is rural, the guild provides a unique opportunity for interested persons who are isolated throughout the area to come together.

In skill, we range from beginners to professional fiber artists, but we share an enthusiasm for the fiber arts and a dedication to promoting these arts and developing our skills. Every encounter is an opportunity to learn, to be inspired, and to be encouraged.

Resources: *The guild has an extensive lending library of books, magazines, and videos. e also have rental equipment including a spinning wheel, an eight-harness portable loom, a drum carder, wool picker, both English & paddle combs , an inkle loom, several table harness looms and a small rigid heddle loom.*

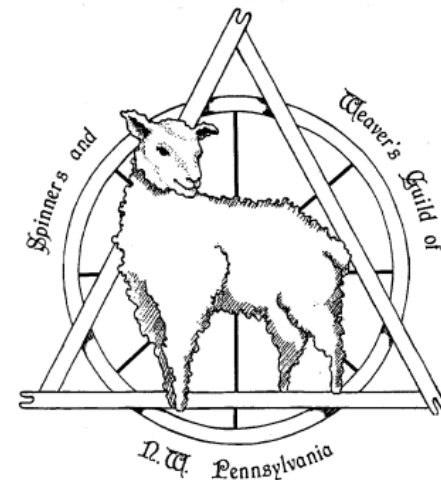
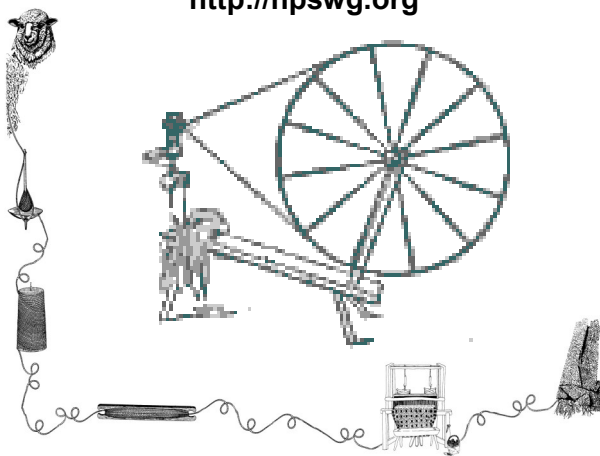
Newsletter: *Our newsletter "The Hub" is published bimonthly before each meeting and is the main communication between members.*

Workshops: *Workshops sponsored by the guild bring local and nationally known artists to the area to teach their special skills.*

Demonstrations:

Demonstrations of fiber arts are performed by guild members at fairs and community events throughout the year. This includes spinning, weaving, and fleece-to-shawl programs.

*For more info visit our website at:
<http://npswg.org>*



We currently meet at 10:00 a.m. on the first Saturday of each month at Christ Episcopal Church on the diamond, across from the courthouse, in Meadville, PA. Both members and nonmembers are welcome.

Our "Joyous Hands Spinning Group" meets as announced at Christ Episcopal Church, from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. Bring a lunch, coffee & tea provided.

MEMBERSHIP is open to all interested persons. Dues are \$20.00 annually. Please send your dues with your name, address, phone number, & Email address to the "Membership Coordinator" listed below:

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A Guild Dye Day



The guild demonstrating at
a civil war reenactment