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Weavers & Spinners Society of Austin
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Dear Texas weavers guild members,

Hello, my name is DeeDee Woodbury. I am the new President of the Contemporary Handweavers of Texas. You may know that Houston is the new host guild for CHT from 2005 until 2007. The reason I am writing is to talk to you and your guild members about what is going on in CHT. Please pass this letter on to your membership at your next meeting. Thank you.

We in Houston are preparing our first issue of the newsletter. What we need from each guild in Texas is your guild news. Please send information regarding when and where you meet. We would also like to know what is going on in your guild. Are your members volunteering in your community? Are you having any workshops in your area? Do you have a sale or special event coming up? Please share articles from your local newsletter with the State newsletter. The newsletter is the only way many textile folks in the far reaches of the state learn what is going on around Texas. The more information and articles we have the more fun the newsletter is to read. It is easy to send your information to the editor. You may send it electronically or via U.S. Post to Gloria Chukman, cheknit@yahoo.com or to 5357 McCulloch, Houston, TX 77056. The deadline for the October 2005 issue is September 15, 2005. If you have an e-mail address that we can use to contact your guild it will be easier to send out information and reminders before each deadline.

We are working on further developing the CHT website. A central place like a Texas Guilds website should list each and every guild in the state, along with meeting information and a contact person, so people can find you. But, we would also like to have more information posted on the website. We are proposing a small fee to cover any further information you would like posted. There is a cost to the guild for running the website and we would like to see the service pay for itself. The fee would be nominal. Let me know if your guild is interested in this additional service and we will discuss it.

I hope to visit various guilds throughout the state, along with other members of the board. Your input is so important to us, please do not hesitate to contact us. There are some great ideas brewing regarding a reorganization of CHT. This could provide an opportunity for the guild to really grow and expand its services to the membership. See the October 2005 Newsletter for an article with a proposal on that subject.

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dee Dee Woodbury".

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