



MAFA Message

July 2017 - Guild Representative News

July 5, 2017

Dear MAFA Reps --

Please pass on the first part of this message to your guild members who are not attending a conference workshop so that they know the opportunities for day trippers at the Millersville conference on July 20-23.

Many MAFA Conference Activities Are Open to the Public

The Marketplace with [31 fiber-related vendors](#), the Fashion Showcase and Sample Books exhibits, as well as special daytime activities will be open:

Thursday, July 20, 1 – 7 p.m.

Friday, July 21, 12 noon – 10 p.m.

Saturday, July 22, 12 noon – 8 p.m.

Special activities in the Marketplace will include:

- Daytime demonstrations by Bobbin Boy and some vendors. In addition, Bobbin Boy will repair wheels and other equipment free of charge, if they are able to do the work during the conference. See [the schedule of demos and other activities](#) for more information.
- Knit-In - Friday, July 21, 1 - 4 p.m.
- Spin-In - Saturday, July 22, 1 - 4 p.m.
- Book signings - Friday, July 21, 7 - 9 p.m.
- Spinning Games - Friday, July 21, 7 - 8 p.m., led by Tom Knisely.

Additional Open Activities

- “Sheep and Wool in Story and Song,” with Martha Owen and Melissa Weaver Dunning - Saturday, July 22, 5 - 6 p.m., in the Reighard Multipurpose Room
- Open Studio self-guided tour - Saturday, July 22, 7 - 9 p.m.

Location: The MidAtlantic Fiber Association conference will take place at Millersville University in Millersville, Pennsylvania, just outside Lancaster, on July 20-23. See our website for [driving directions](#) and a [campus map](#). <<http://www.mafa-conference-2017.org/campus-map>>

Special Offer for Guild Members Visiting for the Day -- Stay Overnight!

MAFA has arranged for Friday and/or Saturday night accommodations for any guild member who wishes to join in the conference activities without taking a class. Come visit the Marketplace, watch the great demonstrations, volunteer for an hour or two. Then have dinner with your guildmates in the Dining Hall and attend Friday evening's Shop 'Til You Drop activities or Saturday night's Open Studio Tour.

Cost? \$55 per night. All-you-can-eat meals may be purchased in the dining hall: Breakfast at \$8.25, Lunch at \$10.75 or Dinner at \$14.50.

Register no later than July 12 for a room through the registration program on our website at: <http://www.mafa-conference-2017.org/workshop-registration> (Note: You only need to register if you want to book a room. There is no need to register to visit the Marketplace and take part in other open activities.)

Daytime Volunteers Needed

And if you are not attending a class, but can volunteer to help us out in the Marketplace or Fashion Showcase, especially during class times, please contact Elizabeth Ator at volunteercoordinator@mafafiber.org. She will find something fun for you to do!

--Donna Mentzer

MAFA 2017 Conference Coordinator

MAFA Board News

Elections

Elections for the MAFA Board for the 2017-2019 term will be held at the conference on Saturday, July 22 at 7:30 a.m. in the Reighard Multipurpose Room. All reps are invited to join us there for a continental breakfast.

If you cannot attend, please send an alternate from your guild. If no one from your guild can attend the meeting, then please complete the attached absentee ballot and either e-mail it to our President, Elisa Eiger, at president@mafafiber.org or snail-mail it to her at 5 Cobblestone Terrace, Montville, NJ 07045.

Slate of Officers for July Election:

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate of officers for the 2017-2019 term:

President: Karen Miller

First Vice-President/Communications: Charlene Marietti

Second Vice-President/Conference: Donna Mentzer

Treasurer: Marla Campbell

Secretary: Joan Martin

For more information on the candidates, see their statements on our website in the [Reps Corner](#).

Hope to see you soon!

--Elisa Eiger

President, MAFA

MAFA Board Officers for 2017-2019

Absentee Ballot

Vote for one candidate for each office:

PRESIDENT

O Karen Miller

O Write-in: _____

VICE-PRESIDENT/Communications

O Charlene Marietti

O Write-in: _____

VICE-PRESIDENT/Conference

O Donna Mentzer

O Write-in: _____

TREASURER

O Marla Campbell

O Write-in: _____

SECRETARY

O Joan Martin

O Write-in: _____

Guild: _____

Voting Representative: _____

**E-mail ballot to President, Elisa Eiger, at president@mafafiber.org
or snail-mail it to her at:**

5 Cobblestone Terrace, Montville, NJ 07045.
