



## CHIMNEYVILLE WEAVERS

NOVEMBER NEWLETTER 1983

The weather took its toll, and the Meridian folks couldn't make it to the meeting. Dianne Davidson, as the ranking officer, presided over the meeting; Marcy served as secretary; thus she has written this newsletter to bring you up to date.

**DECEMBER MEETING.** It will be held on Saturday Dec. 3 after the closing of the Chimneyville Show (~5 p.m.), before the Craftsman Guild dinner. It will be somewhere in the show, but the exact place will be determined later, just look for a bunch of well dressed ladies (in handwovens, of course). Even if you won't be at the show, please come to the meeting, as we will be crowning our new officers (see below).

**FUTURE MEETINGS.** After a long discussion as to why we don't have more members, what to do to attract more people, etc., these are some ideas that we came up with as a compromise:

- 1) Meetings are necessary to carry on our business, but they could be shorten so that more time could be devoted to weaving, so...
- 2) The board could meet at 9:30 prior to the general membership meeting and discuss issues, etc. These board meetings would be open to any member who would want to go and to those individuals who would have some specific business that they would want to bring up.
- 3) The membership meeting would be at 10:30 and would consists of announcements and issues to be voted on. Any member should be familiar with the happenings of the guild because...
- 4) The Newsletter will come out every month prior to the meeting and will have the latest information on all issues. No time will be wasted during the meetings to recap things, since it is assumed that any weaver that can read drafts, can read a newsletter. (The newsletters could be corrected as minutes are, at the meeting).
- 5) (Marcy's thing) At 11:30 we could have a formal "Show-n-Tell". A table would be set up at the beginning of the meeting for people to drop things off. At 11:30 each person would present each item and give a brief description. All items would then go back to the table so that people could look at them during lunch. Marcy (if elected) could provide 3x5 cards so that people could write information about their pieces which would be included in the newsletter. Anybody needing some inspiration, could come to the meetings!
- 6) Each month we should have a program, so that people should be interested in coming.

Notice that these are ideas, so come to the December meeting for

your input

**JANUARY MEETING** To keep in line with the above ideas, our January meeting will be a social get together for prospective members. With the January newsletter an invitation will be sent to members who used to be, to people who should be, etc. If you know of anyone you would like invited, make sure you give a list to your next secretary who will cheerfully address as many invitations as necessary. And, in the spirit of the above ideas, our program will be "The Chimneyville Weavers Guild: Past and Future". Winki will show her slides of our past shows and Marcy will show her slides of our Convergence piece; this should lead to our future, the "Step by Step Guide to Spinning, Dyeing and Weaving" (see below). Present members could bring a dish so that we could serve lunch to the prospective members. More to be discussed at the December meeting.

**SLIDE SHOW.** Our "Step by Step Guide to Spinning, Dyeing and Weaving", which from now will be referred to as "The Slide Show" is alive and well. For those of you who missed the last couple of meetings, our '84 project is going to be the making of a slide show which will describe from sheep to shawl. This will then be available for any guild member who needs a slide show for talks that she may have to give. We will be drawing up plans first and then we will have several photo sessions to photograph the various steps. This is a BIG project because we want this slide show to be professional. There are already demands: Winki could use it to show to the Art Department at the Meridian College, Dianne could use it for teaching purposes at the high school level. So, you see, we need ideas, and especially people to work on it. More in December.

**BALLOTS** Please use the enclosed ballot, vote by either marking a name or by writing in a person, and invest 20 cents in the future of your guild by mailing it to Winki Allen P.O. Box 4474 WS Meridian Ms. 39301. Please do so immediately, before the December meeting.

**QUIZ.** As your probably-next-secretary, I have taken the liberty to add this to the newsletter. I should get some reward for all this typing, right? This expresses my opinion, and not necessarily that of the Guild. M.F.P.

Each organization has several "bones"; they are

- 1) "wishbones" wish someone else would do the work.
- 2) "jawbones" talk, but do little else.
- 3) "knucklebones" knock everyone and everything.
- 4) "backbones" carry the load.

Pick the one that best describes you

BALLOT FOR THE 1984 YEAR  
CHIMNEYVILLE WEAVERS' GUILD

Director: Dianne Davidson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Ass Director Amy Evans \_\_\_\_\_  
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Treasurer: Vicky Walker \_\_\_\_\_  
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Secretary: Marcy Petrini \_\_\_\_\_  
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Liason : Winki Allen \_\_\_\_\_  
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