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APRIL 1984 NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR. April 14: Regular meeting at Chimneyville; program :

panel on "How to Price Your Handwoven."

May 12: Guild Show Opening at Chimneyville regular meeting at Chimneyville

program: Swatch Swap

(hopefully) our slide show

June: Convergence '84 in Dallas

August: Workshop?

September: Guild Show in Meridian; Cross Country

Weavers Notebooks for program

October: HGA Award at the Mississippi State Fair

meeting program: "how to photograph your work."

November: Elections
December: New officers.

APRIL MEETING AGENDA.

9:30 Board meeting

10:30 General business meeting

11:00 Program: Panel on "How to Price Your Handwovens"

12:00 Lunch (Brown bag)

1:30 Work session: May show planning

NEW MEMBERS. Welcome to our new member Cynthia Pace.

MARCH PROGRAM. The double weave slide show from HGA was a success; Amy Evans brought samples and a piece using double weave that really helped visualize the process. Not everyone may be a convert, but the slide kit certainly showed the depth and breath of the technique.

MARCH WORKSHOP. Slides were sorted through for the Chimneyville Weavers slide show; Marcy Petrini and Kate Patterson have a few more coming so that the weaving part of the show is just about completed. There are also enough slides showing the different kinds of weaving and Kim Whitt had good slides of ikat dying. We now need slides of spinning. If you have any, please send them immediately to Amy Evans. Amy and Dianne are going to get together soon to sort through the slides and match the slides to the text. If there will be no spinning slides, that part will be left out of the show.

THE WRINKLES YOU SEE on some of the weavers' faces are the result of the picture taking session that took place before lunch at the

March meeting. The best slide will be chosen for the CWG slide show; everyone present will receive a copy of the group slide as a souvenir. If you weren't there, see what you missed?

DIRECTORIES. They were available at the March meeting and they will be available again at the April meeting. If you won't be able to come to the meeting and you would like a directory, please send Marcy a self-addressed, self-stamped envelope.

SHOW AND TELL. Our show and tell table had wonderful items: Judy Foster brought a vest of "Pet of Sold" cottons; Kate Patterson had a tapestry pillow with linen warp sett at 12 e.p.i. and weft of scottish tapestry wool; two pieces were from Gerry Reiff: a rag rug and a tapestry design exercise; a painted warp leno shirt came from Kim Whitt, and a pillow sham with pearl cotton warp and "Nevada" acrylic weft from Margaret Williard. It is nice to see so many beautiful things from everyone; the beginner weavers should really be proud of themselves.

APRIL MEETING. "How to Price your Handwoven" will be the topic of a panel discussion; Martha Garrett will be on the panel; Martha's considerable experience with the Craft Center at the Natchez Trace will help us determine how to set prices; members of our Guild will also be on the panel. This program will, of course, be of interest to people engaged in selling their work, but it will also be useful to people who do not. Do you always realize what you give away as a present? (Do the people receiving it realize it? Do they appreciate it?). Bring pieces for the Show and Tell with information about the yarn cost and how long it took you to weave them. These pieces will be priced by the panel.

APRIL WORKING SESSION will be about our show; read on

MAY will be a busy month; on May 12 we will have the regular meeting at Chimneyville; the Swatch Swap will be held as part of the program (all partecipant need to weave 14 swatches, 13 for the weavers, one for the Guild); that evening the opening for our show will be held (see below); and hopefully, our slide show will be ready then for its first viewing, or at least for a preliminary viewing.

MAY SHOW TIME TABLE. April 14 meeting: bring pieces to the meeting; May 1: absolute last day to deliver pieces for the show to Amy Evans; May 5 (Saturday): show will be hung at Chimneyville; May 12, 7:30-9:30 p.m.: show will open with a reception. Show will come down before the children classes start and before the Coast Show for the Craftsman Guild of Miss.

MAY SHOW DIRECTIONS. Start weaving, if you haven't yet! Each member should have at least at piece in the show. When you turn in your piece(s) make sure that you have the following: 1) each piece labelled with your name, the name of the piece, if any, information about fiber content, dyeing, pattern, as applicable; 2) the price, if for sale, NSF or the borrower's name if not for

sale; this information will also be used for the catalogue; 3) an inventory sheet, if you have more than one piece; 4) a list of people you would like to invite to the opening. But it's not enough to have a piece, we also need help with all of the following to make this a success; please volunteer for one of the following, at least. The following committee will be formed: Publicity will send out invitation well in advance; Hanging will hang the show on May 5 (Amy Evans will be in charge); Reception committee will take care of the food; Dianne and Marcy will organize it, but everyone will be asked to contribute an appetizer the Guild will provide paperware and punch; Decoration committee will be in charge of opening night decorations: flowers, handwoven linens on the food tables, etc. This is going to be a smashing success, so that we will be asked again. And, oh yes, we have had a suggestion for a show title: "Threads". How do you like it? As a working session in April we will do more planning for the show. Please come prepared with suggestions and enthusiasm to volunteer for a job.

TREASURER REPORT. Vicky reported the following: to the previous balance of \$190.61 subtact \$23.36 for expenses and add \$255.00 for dues paid; this brings us to a new balance of \$422.25. Magnolia Federal Bank is the new name of our bank; our account is still totally free. We have 22 paid members and one person who still hasn't paid the dues. No dues, no pieces in the show.

SUITCASE SHOW. Judy Rayner suggested a while back that we have a suitcase show to go with our slide show with items donated by our members to be raffled off. This idea has been further expended so that the money raised could go to Chimneyville to buy a loom when the weaving studio is moved upstairs. This would allow us to have one fund raising event only and would allow us to help Chimneyville in exchange for space for the Guild in the new studio.

CONGRATULATION to Amanda Call who has just been accepted to the Craftsman Guild of Mississippi.

UNFORTUNATELY for us Deena Young has moved to Ohio! Good luck, Deena, but we will miss you. But remember that you are still a member and can still partecipate in our show. And that is true for all our far away members. Mail or ship pieces to Amy Evans (1704 Sheffield Dr., Jackson, Ms. 39211). Deena's new address is in the new directory.

HAPPY WEAVING

P.S. Some of Kim Whitt's friends are planning a shower for Kim after the April meeting. This note will not reach Kim, since it's a surprise. Everyone is invited. If Kim will surprise us and will have the baby early, Amy will forward any little gift that may be brought to momma and baby.