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SUMMER 1984 NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR. September: Guild Show in Meridian

Elizabeth Dice Workshop at Chimneyville Meeting same weekend: Convergence update

(Cross Country Weavers Notebooks ?)

October: HGA Award at the Mississippi State Fair

meeting program: "how to photograph your work."

November: Elections December: New officers.

MAY SHOW was a success. If you did not get a catalogue, there are some still left, request one from Marcy. We hope you saw the nice write-up in the Jackson paper.

MAY MEETING. Part of the program was the swatch swap; swatches were exchanged by those who were there. Five people did not send swatches; they are: Winki Allen, Michelle Burns, Judy Foster, Gale Ray and Judy Rayner. Swatches can still be exchanged by sending them to Amy (1704 Sheffield Dr. Jackson 39211).

SLIDE SHOW. At the last meeting we also saw the complete slide show. Impressive! Dianne and Amy will put the finishing touches, duplicate the slides and the text so that we will have more than one set; then we'll have an official slide show. We would like to thank you all those who contributed slides and work.

TREASURER REPORT. At the May meeting Vicky reported a balance of \$350.26, after paying for the show expenses (\$88.72). Expenses included mailing invitations, materials for the actual hanging (which will be reusable for future shows) and a small amount for the opening, as most foods were donated.

GOOD NEWS. In case you haven't heard Ian Borgman Whitt was born on Thursday May 24, 1984 at 11:30 p.m. as a 10 Lbs, 23" long healthy baby. Congratulations to Kim and John! Kim also asked that we put in the newsletter a "big hug and kiss thank you" for those involved in her surprize shower.

SEPTEMBER MEETING. The newsletter will resume the regular mailing in September, so you will receive one before the next meeting with the details; however, here is the preliminary news: the meeting will probably be held in conjunction with Elizabeth Dice workshop (see below), so that people don't have to come to two events in September. The program will be a summary of Convergence, so if you went to Convergence, we hope you will

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bring everything to share.

WORKSHOP. The Chimneyville School of Craft and Design will be sponsoring a workshop with ELIZABETH DICE Saturday Sept. 22 and Sunday Sept 23. The workshop will include leno lace variations, laid-in, dukagang, pile, flossa, rya, Ghordes knots, soumak, Danish medallion, Brooks bouquet, Spanish lace, looping, crossed weft technique.... and more (all done on a straight draw!). workshop will be taylored to individual needs, with each student working on only one loom at her/his own speed. Spend 2 days on one technique or learn them all! Ms. Dice has a reputation not only of being a wonderful teacher, but also a very patient one! Ms. Dice has taught weaving and art from grade school to college, including at the Mississippi College for Women where she was from 1945 till her recent retirement. She has a Master in Design from the U. of Michigan as well as an MA in Art History from Indiana U ; she has also an extensive weaving experience. You will receive more specific information and an application from the School soon. The workshop cost will be \$30. Yarns will be the responsibility of each weaver, but for warp all that is needed is crochet cotton. You should really try to attend this workshop if you possibly can. We are trying to build a community of weavers and who better to give advice and guidance but someone from our own state with so much experience as Elizabeth Dice. Even if you are already familiar with some of the weaves, the inspiration alone will be worth your attending. Ms. Dice will also share her large collection of slides with us.

MERIDIAN SHOW. The Chimneyville Weavers Guild will have a show in Meridian in September. Usually pieces are due in Meridian at the end of August. For details contact Winki Allen (3412 State Blvd. Meridian MS. 39301 482-4986) or Judy Rayner (Rt #2, Box 53 Meridian, MS. 39305 681-6265).

PATH OF THE WEAVER. You should have received a flyer from the Memphis Weavers Guild about this regional show. Pieces are due there August 23. If you didn't receive an announcement and would like to partecipate, please contact Marcy.

MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR. If you partecipated in the Fair last year, you should have received the 1984 Premium Book. If not, or if you are knew to this, you can get a book by writing Mississippi State Fair, P.O. Box 892. Jackson, Ms. 39205 or call 961-4000. You also get tags and inventory sheets from this If you didn't partecipate in the past, I urge you to do address. Ribbons are given to so, even if you are a beginner weaver. several pieces (i.e. pieces don't compete against each other for ribbons, but against a standard). Last year lots of people won enough ribbons to get enough money for a project. Ribbons have cash awards ranging from \$8 to \$3, depending on the category. The Fair is October 5-14; pieces must be at the Trade Mart You can bring them there yourself, you can building October 1. have your Extension Home Economist (whose name you can get from address above) take them or you can get them to me, labelled and tagged. Try to enter one piece per category. Unfortunately the

Premium Book does not list the HGA AWARD and the COTTON CLOUD AWARD, but both will be given. Mark 100% cotton all pieces to compete for the Cotton Cloud Award (which, of course, have to be 100% cotton). Remember that only by having a good turn out will we be able to continue to have weaving categories, and awards. Specific information on categories, tagging, etc. is in the Premium Book. Read pages 22 to 27 carefully, as they pertain specifically to crafts.

WEAVERS GUILD MEETIGS. The Dyed In the Wool Weavers made us a proposal that was enthusiastically approved at the May meeting. There will be an exchange between the Chimneyville Weavers Guild and the Dyed In The Wool Weavers (DWW). In October there will be a joint meeting in Jackson in conjunction with the Fair. In spring there will be a meeting on the Coast. More details for the October meeting in the next newsletter.

PIONEER FAIR. The Craft Center at the Trace will once again sponsor this Fair on October 20-21. You should have already been contacted to partecipate; please respond as soon as possible. If you are not a member of the Craftsman Guild, you can still demonstrate if you'd like (you must, of course provide your own loom), but you cannot sell woven items. For more information contact Martha Garrott at the Trace, phone # 856-7546.

FROM THE BUSINESS WORLD. Several people have asked to bring you up to date as what is available in Mississippi as far as weaving materials are concerned. So, to be fair to all, here is a summary of everything that is available in Mississippi (as far as your newsletter writer is concerned).

As most of you know, THE WEAVERS COLLECTION, owned by Helen Currie, DWW charter member and HGA member, is the only weaving shop in Mississippi. In addition to beautiful yarns, Helen is a dealer for Leclerc and Schatch. For information contact Helen at 1020 West Beach Boulevard, Pass Christian, Ms. 39571, 452-2390. A tour of the shop is a priority item for the spring Coast meeting.

Mary Posey, co-owner of HELENE'S QUILT KORNER in Ridgeland, (Jackson area) is getting a Schatch dealership. She has also a box of samples from Halcyon from which she will be glad to order for you. Call her at 856-8533 during business hours (9-5, M-S).

As most of you know, Marcy has been a professional weaver with Leclerc for the past few years, which means that she can order Leclerc looms and accessories in Jackson for you and will assemble and deliver them in working order.

And don't forget COTTON CLOUDS. Although not located in Mississippi, Irene Schmoller, owner of Cotton Clouds has continuously supported Mississippi weavers. Irene is once again sponsoring the Cotton Cloud Award at the Fair in October (see above). You are still on time to order your cottons and weave a prize winning piece. And rag rug lovers: Irene now has beautiful

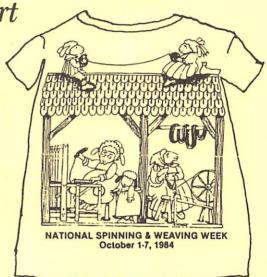
calico fabrics color-coordinated to the yarns. No more running around town to match fabaric to your yarns. You can get samples for \$2 from Cotton Clouds 702-C Main St. Safford, Arizona 85546 (phone 602-428-7000).

NATIONAL SPINNING AND WEAVING WEEK IS OCTOBER 1-7, 1984. Here is a description of the official T-shirt and order blank for your convenience.

The Official WSC National Spinning and Weaving Week T-Shirt

This year's official T-shirt incorporates a whimsical design by renowned artist Tomie dePaola, in white on medium blue. The 100% cotton high-quality shirt comes in adult sizes S(34-36), M(38-40), L(42-44) and XL(46). A child's version in 50% cotton, 50% polyester is available in sizes CS(6-8), CM(10-12) and CL(14-16).

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- All prices include shipping.

Send your order along with payment to:

The Weaving and Spinning Council Post Office Box 339 Sanbornville, NH 03872

CHANGE OF ADDRESS. Please update your mailing address below.

- If the present address is incorrect. - If the mailing address for 1985 Week information will be different from
- this year.

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