

MARCH 1987 NEWSLETTER

CALENDAR:

March meeting:

Date: Saturday, March 21

Time: Board- 9:45

Guild-10:00 to about 12:00

Place: Margaret Williard's house

1502 Sheffield Dr., Jackson (map enclosed)

Program: Navaho tapestry weaving by Jo Miles

April 18: April Meeting

May 1: Registration due for Kim Whitt's workshop

May 16: Workshop by Kim Carson-Whitt on painted warp

June 7: Children's Craft Sampler at Natchez Trace

FLBRUARY 21 MEDTING:

Thirteen members of the Weavers' Guild met at the Municipal Art Gallery.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$648.07.

We discussed the upcoming workshop by Kim Carson-Whitt on painted warp to be held at the Natchez Trace Crafts Center on Saturday, May 16. The workshop will be from 9:00 to 4 or 5:00. We need to have at least 10 people register for the workshop and the cost will be \$10 each. We have set May 1 as the deadline for registering. Registration forms will be mailed with the April newsletter, but anyone needing an extra may call Marsha Harris (825-9741). Kim will also be doing a demonstration at the Trace on Sunday, the day following the workshop.

Cther topics discussed included the Children's Crafts Sampler on June 7, a program on lace making (non-woven types) being planned for fall, and the 1988 show.

Members voted unanimously to donate \$100 to the Gulf South Fiber Conference to show our support and to assist with their expenses.

The idea was presentes that we have a Christmas gift exchange of a small handwoven (or spun) item.

Marcy Petrini gave a program on edgings. We locked at various samples of finishes and then she explained to us how to avoid those uncaught selvedge threads.

Welcome to new members Virginia Trainor and Susan Dignam!!

ITEM OF INTEREST:

Deborah Levine says that the Gift Shop at the Walthall Hotel has some sheep pins by Lynn Geddie for sale and that she will save them for the first weavers to claim them.

NAVAJO TAPESTRY WORKSHOP

For our March meeting, the program will be a mini-workshop on Navajo tapestry weaving. Jo Miles, who has lived with the Navajo Indians will have an upright tapestry loom to demonstrate on. In order to practice the techniques she will show us, please bring the following equipment:

meat tray, shoebox top, or piece of cardboard that size scissors

ruler or straightedge to use as a batten

cotton yarn, string or twine for warp (5-6 yds.)

scrap yarns in various colors and/or textures for weft pencil

Thrums would be perfect for the weft and a great way to use them up! If anyone has any examples of Navajo weaving: rugs, tapestries, blankets, or garments; please bring them.

YARN WHOLESALER

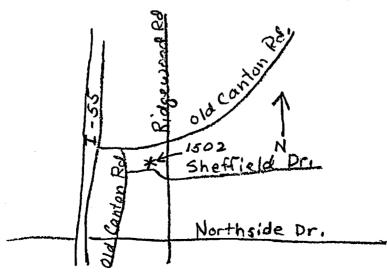
I've been contacted by Floyd Holloway, who camethrough Jackson last spring, selling yarns at wholesale prices from the back of his truck. In addition to the wools and cottons he had last year, he has added certain products that would be of interest to the knitter as well as the weaver, such as bias cotton ribbon in 7 or 8 colors for \$3.50/1b. We are still working out the scheduling, but hope he will be in Jackson the day of the meeting. I will not know exactly until 2-3 days before. If you are interested in buying from him (the bigger the sale, the more often he will include Jackson on his route) please let Shelly know (982-3078), so that she can contact you when things are finalized.

Because he sells directly to you there is no shipping and since his invoices are written from a Georgia address, there is no sales tax. He does not take

credit cards, so be sure to have cash or a check.

Shelly Leichter, Director

Map to Margaret's house:



Marsha Harris, Secretary (825-9741)