

FEBRUARY 1988 LEWSLETTER

CALENDAR:

FEBRUARY MEETING

Date: Saturday, February 20, 1988

Time: Board- 9:30

Guild meeting- 10:00

Place: Municipal Art Gallery

839 N. State St.

Jackson

Program: Drafting, Part I

February 25: Deadline for HGA Learning Exchange

May 14-15: Jubilee Jam

September: "Mississippi Weaves" Show

January 1988 Meeting

The January Weavers' Guild meeting took place January 16 at Marcy Petrini's house. We welcomed two new members, Sharon Williams and Eurmah Burris. Standing committees were announced as follows: Newsletter: Marsha Harris and Margaret Williard, Exhibits: Amy Evans (chm) and Melanie Hays, Community Service: Deborah Levine(chm) and Susan Dignam, Publicity: Hazel Howell(chm), Judy Foster and Tina Bradford, Education: Marcy Petrini(chm) and Ginny Trainor, and Refreshments: Sandi Tucker (coffee-Susan Dignam).

We discussed Jubilee Jam to be held in May. The organizers would like 2 or 3 members to serve 1½ hour shifts for the two days to help with "meat tray weaving" for children. The Community Service committee will be in charge of planning our portion of the event.

Amy Evans reported on plans for the September show. The publicity committee for the show will be the same as the standing Publicity Committee but two more publicity people need to be added to work on the show. Amy said that we already have the covers for the catalog and Marcy said she would do the rest of it. We still need entry forms. Amy was to call the gallery to see if they will receive the pieces. Melanie Hays and Amy were going to begin checking on awards. Gerry Reiff was appointed Hospitality chairman to help provide a place for out of town people to stay. Hazel Howell will be doing baskets and flowers for the tables.

Amy Evans as HGA representative spoke about Convergence in July and about the goals of HGA. She also discussed Guild Rally and the advantages of increasing our HGA membership. Any new HGA members

should make a notation when they send their HGA dues that they are a new HGA member and also the name of our guild (Chimneyville Weavers' Guild). During the meeting a list of new members was passed around and it was determined that we had reached the quota. Those who signed should be sure to send their dues to HGA soon so we will get credit.

Marcy Petrini proposed that we begin charging for for sale or wanted to buy ads for weaving equipment in the newsletter. For non-members \$5 per month or \$10 for three months was suggested. A vote was taken and the proposal passed.

The treasurer reported a balance of \$651.54.

. . Tina Bradford suggested that we each make a list of weaving/spinning/dyeing books that we would be willing to lend. Mail this to Tina and we will provide a composite list for each member.

The date of the March meeting is not definite yet-- watch for the newsletter to find out.

After the business meeting. Terry Dwyer gave a program on loom maintenance and how to avoid loom problems. We appreciated the time he took to organize and give this program.

From past experience I know that membership dues will trickle in for a couple of months. I am in the process of doing the directory now-hopefully members will receive theirs along with this newsletter. If you haven't sent your Guild dues, please do and we will add those names to the directory later. Also, if you haven't paid your dues this will be your last weletter! Remember though, to send me names and addresses of any prospective members and I will send them newsletters for a couple of months.

Tina's spinning class met for two Saturdays in January. The six of us alternately felt great frustration and great elation as we repeatedly got the hang of it and lost it again. Most of us now have our wheels put together properly and have obtained the other essential items. I have actually produced something resembling yarn. We also learned bits of history, spinning lore and lots of practical advice.

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