

### APRIL 1988 NEWSLETTER

April meeting:

Date: Saturday, April 23

Time: 9:30- Board meets

10:00 - Guild meets til 12:00

Place: Hazel Howell's house

1468 Sunset Dr.

Canton, MS (directions follow)

Program: Basketry- Choctaw Elbow Basket, by Hazel Howell

May meeting: May 21 at Municipal Art Gallery

May 14-15: Jubilee! Jam

June 18-19: Bayou Yarn Benders, Baton Rouge Weavers' Guild sponsors a workshop "Working with Color and Design at the Loom" by Sallie T. Guy. I will offer more info at the meeting or you may call me (Marsha Harris) 825-9741) and I will tell you what I know.

Sept. 19-25: Handweavers Guild of Nashville sponsors a lecture and workshop by Peter Collingwood on Block Weaves and

Shaft Switching

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#### NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR (AND "ACTING SECRETARY" FOR MARCH)

#### March Meeting

(2) If you can offer hospitality to an out-of-town weaver or two during the show's opening, please let Gerry Reiff (948-1948[h]) know as soon as possible.

<u>Jubilee Jam!</u> Mentally set aside May 14-15 to help with Jubilee Jam! if needed. Debbie Levine is in charge and will have more info for us at the April meeting.

"Y'all Come Back!" We were glad to have our most distant (geographically!)

member at our meeting in March. Georgia Weir of WinstonSalem, NC, was with us. She's been in Kosciusko as ArtistIn-Residence.

Yarn Sources (1) Renee Taylor (355-2069) is getting up a large order for Halcyon and is offering us the opporunity to share the bulk discount. No date was given for ordering, so this announcement may be after-the-fact. Give her a call if interested.

(2) Burmah Burris shared a new source for some lovely dyed yarns: The Net Loft in Cordova, Alaska. We are eligible for a Guild discount there, too. Talk to Burmah for more details (924-7062).

A Note from Margaret Williard: "How wonderful you have been to me and to my children during the last trying year and this final time! I can never thank you but I'll always love you for your support and prayers and love. "The peace lily is beautiful with six blooms coming out. Please come by so you can share in its beauty. My heart is full of warmth whenever I think of you. Love, Margaret"

Additional Committee Assignments: (Chairmen, take note of your additional personnel!) These are additions to the standing committees listed in the directory: Exhibits - Sharon Williams, Margaret Pittman; Community Service - Jo Miles, Gaye Drake, Sue Miller; Publicity - Jane Dollar, Mary Cobb; Education - Burmah Burris, Linda Chapman.

#### March Board Meeting

Although we had a quorum for the Board meeting we preferred to be democratic and have the Guild consider the following two items:

- (1) We are considering changing our Guild "year" so that it actively begins in September rather than January. This would be a definite advantage to the incoming officers, particularly the Assistant Director who is in charge of programs. It would also put us in sync with the Municipal Art Gallery, since their year begins in September and we have to submit our year's calendar to them. If we do this, the present board would continue to serve through May 1989. Nominations would be presented to members at the regular March meeting, election would be held in April, and those elected would take office at the close of the May meeting. The By-laws would have to be changed accordingly. Think about it, and we will have a vote at the May meeting.
- (2) We reversed our agenda for the March meeting and had the program first. It was suggested afterward that this order put the emphasis on the program and the learning/sharing time, where it should be. Would you be in favor of changing our regular order to (1) program; (2) show and tell; (3) refreshment break; (4) business. We might find our business session more efficient since our 12 noon exit of the Gallery is mandatory. Think about it and come prepared to make your recommendations and vote in April.

\*\*\*My thanks to Sandi for doing my thing in March and for writing up this part of the newsletter\*\*\*

Gleanings from the "Silver Shuttle" newsletter: Sharon Williams is the new co-owner of the Silver Shuttle in Memphis. Congratulations' to her on her new enterprise!

Loom for sale: Le Clerc "Artisat" 4-harness floor loom. 25" width with 2 reeds and raddle (\$425). Matching bench (\$65). Used two years. Sandi Tucker 746-3081(h), 746-1226(w)

Spinners: We do plan to spin after the regular meeting. I'll call a couple of people to bring lunch fixings so if you don't hear from me just assume it's all taken care of. Anyone else is welcome to stay to spin with us-- just call me if you want to stay so we can plan for lunch.

# BASKETRY PROGRAM

Hazel has planned an exciting program for us on April 23rd (10:00). The cost of the materials will be \$2.50 each which we can pay that day. However, Hazel needs to know who will be there so she can purchase and prepare the materials. Please fill out the attached slip and mail it to her immediately.

Also, we will each need to bring the following items to the meeting:

\$2.50
basket clippers or sharp kitchen scissors
plastic bag for storing damp weavers
old towel
plastic apron or plastic bag to put across lap
small paring knife
clothes pins (10-12), wire spring clip type
flat heavy cardboard or thin plywood--about 10"x12"-clip board will do fine
pencil
tape measure

Hazel will have other materials and assorted dyes

## NOTES FROM HAZEL:

"This is a simplified version of the Choctanelbow basket--it's one of the simplest baskets."

I make--and one with great use and decorative possibilities. You can make it absolutely to completion in 1½-2 hours. If we begin at 10 you should be ready to leave by 12:00."

DIRECTIONS TO HAZEL'S HOUSE:

Go up 55, get off at the first Canton exit. Stay on that road, which becomes Peace St. through Canton (going east). It then becomes Highway 16 (Hwy 16 joins it). Stay on it til you get to the Hospital and turn right at Lakeview Drive. Go one block to Sunset Drive, turn left. #1468 is the 5th house on the right-pink brick. Hazel's phone #859-4836.

Hope to see you all there!! Marsha Harris, Secretary

Send this to Hazel Howell

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