

MARCH 1989 NEWSLETTER

#### CALENDAR:

MARCH MEETING:

Date: Saturday, March 18

Board- 9:30 Time:

General- 10:00

Place: Municipal Art Gallery

839 North State St.

Jackson. MS

Program: "Fundamentals of Design" by Amy Evans

APRIL 15: April meeting- "Heart Cheese Baskets" by Hazel Howell (see enclosed registration form)

MAY 6: May meeting at Agriculture Museum - "Sheep to Shawl"

JUNE 4: Children's Craft Sampler at Natchez Trace Crafts Center

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#### FEBRUARY MEETING

The Chimneyville Weavers' Guild met at the new Crafts Building at the Agriculture Museum on February 25.

The Board agreed not to act on a proposal by Prudence Owens McGehee to hold a show (as a Guild) in September at Meadville, MS. This was explained later at the General Meeting along with information on the newly formed "Homochitto Guild of Artisans" which will be opening a store/gallery in downtown Meadville called the "Homochitto Arts Palace." Work will be accepted for sale on a commission basis and those interested should contact Prudence Owens McGehee.

Also discussed were upcoming programs for March and April. The May meeting will be moved to the sixth to enable us to do a "Sheep to Shawl" demonstration at the Agriculture Museum. Tina Bradford will handle details on this. Also discussed was a request to do the Children's Craft Sampler at the Natchez Trace on June 4 from 1 to 5:00. Volunteers are needed, call Sandi Tucker.

Marcy Petrini presented a request she had received from the Old Capitol Museum. They will be having a show of old textiles and textile tools in April and May and would like to have volunteers to demonstrate weaving on their old loom for school groups on Wednesdays. Interested volunteers should contact Marcy and she can put you in touch with those in charge.

The program for this month was presented by Marcy Petrini on handwoven Puppets.

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I was sorry to have missed last month's meeting (and especially the program) and I greatly appreciate those folks (particularly Sandi and Marcy) who have kept me up to date on things. Unfortunately I will be out of town for the March meeting as well and I will have to depend on you all to provide me with information. As for the Directory, it's in the works but unfortunately will not be ready to send out with the newsletter. I apologize for my lateness ("Someday I've got to get organized!") and will get it to you as soon as possible.

About the April meeting: Those of you who have been to one of Hazel's basketry sessions will know how much fun they are, and will also understand why she needs to know well ahead of time (at least a week) who will be there. We will be making the Heart Cheese Basket. Enclosed is a registration form for you to give or send Hazel Howell (1468 Sunset Dr., Canton, MS 39046) along with a check made out to Hazel for \$3.25. Plan to bring the following items to the April meeting:

- -- piece of cardboard or thin plywood (at least 8" square)
- -- about 20 clip clothespins
- -- yardstick
- -- basket clippers or sharp kitchen: scissors
- -- pencil
- -- plastic bag to hold damp weavers (I know there's a joke there somewhere!)

## REGISTRATION FOR APRIL 15 BASKET WORKSHOP

name	address
phone	ENCLOSE \$3.25 for supplies.

The nominating committee met and has submitted the following report (elections will be held in April):

Report of the Nominating Committee (Margaret Williard and Marcy Petrini).

The following people have agreed to run for office:

Director: Gerry Reiff

Vice Director: Margaret Williard Secretary: Virginia Rogers

Historian: Tena Bradford, to replace Gerry Reiff if elected.

Report of the Library Committee (Tena Bradford, Melanie Hays, Hazel Howell, Marcy Petrini and Gerry Reiff).

The Committee met on February 25, 1989 and has agreed on the following for the Board and membership consideration:

#### The Librarian

The Historian shall act as Guild Librarian and shall be responsible for the following duties:

- 1) collection development which includes selecting and procuring books and periodicals from donations as well as purchasing from library fees.
- 2) cataloging all books and periodicals acquired by the Guild.
- 3) book and periodical circulation which includes handling fees (although money is kept by the Treasurer).
- 4) appointing someone to serve as temporary librarian during a meeting that s/he cannot attend.

#### Rules of the Library

- 1) Check out time is from meeting to meeting, for \$ 1 fee per book and \$ 0.25 per periodical, renewable if no hold is in effect.
- 2) Overdue fees will double per check-out interval. The borrower is responsible for returning the book or periodical to the library even though s/he cannot attend the meeting, or the overdue fees will go into effect.
- 3) The library is open during a meeting time so as not to disturb the business meeting or the program.

#### Ideas to help build the library

April would be Guild Library month; members would be asked to search their shelves and bring to the meeting any books or periodicals that may like to donate.

Library fees would go toward the purchase of books; the Guild should concentrate on purchasing books that are too expensive for most people to own, or at least to buy unexamined.

A time will be set aside to help the librarian with the initial cataloging to be decided at the March meeting.

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### CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

FOR SALE: 12-harness, 14-treadle, 60" width LeClerc loom. No bench.

Three reeds: 10, 8, and 6 dent. Fly-shuttle attachment, 2 shuttles, patterns, and book. \$1250. Also, 22" 4-harness, 6-treadle Macomber loom. 12-dent reed. \$250. No shipping. Joan Goodman, Rt. 2, Box 65-C, Pelahatchie 39145. Phone 854-8043

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