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December, 1989, Newsletter

Calendar

December Meeting

Date: Saturday, December 9, 1989

Time: 10:00 am

Place: begin at 107 E. Willow Ct., Ridgeland, then on to
104 Grey Brant Ct., Madison

Program: "Loom Crawl" progressive party

January 20, 1990 -- January Meeting, Library Work Day

November Meeting Minutes

The November meeting was held at the Crafts Building of the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum on November 18. We welcomed Hazel's guest, Marcie Phillips of Carthage. We celebrated "Marsha Harris Day" and delighted in visiting again with Marsha. Our program was Hazel's Scandinavian Woven Star.

The December meeting will be our annual Loom Crawl, details of which are below. We also discussed program ideas for upcoming meetings. In January, we will catalog and set-up our library. Everyone is encouraged to look at home for books or periodicals to donate and to give thought to a wish list for future library purchases. For a possible February program, Margaret Williard is looking into a program about selling your wares. Other ideas include a workshop "to dye for" (sorry!), a yarn swap, an idea/creative exchange and color forecasting. If you have an idea for a project or could present a program, please let Margaret know (362-2633).

For several months we have been tossing about the possibility of the Guild buying a drum carder for spinning. Sharon Williams brought a 4" Louet drum carder to the meeting for our review, and the motion to buy it at \$173 passed. Sharon will have a bill sent to Melanie and will deliver the carder to the January meeting. The spinners have been volunteered to draw-up the rules and procedures for checking out the carder and to present the rules at the January meeting.

Discussion was begun on our biennial show. Amy Evans noted that the Southeast Craft Council will be meeting in the Spring of 1991 and suggested that we consider moving our show to coincide. A motion to do so passed. We next discussed gallery space at 121 Millsaps St. According to Amy, this would be perfect, including ample space for the show and for demonstrations. She will look into this further. The search for a juror is on. Anyone who has a suggestion can contact Amy (856-4494).

Our meetings are so much fun! I especially love the exchange of ideas and inspiration with all of you nutty weavers. As a result, our meetings have a tendency to run long. We discussed this in November, and decided to make a conscious effort to keep things under control. To this end, we are re-thinking our meeting schedule. In January, we will try the following timetable: 9:30 Board Meeting, 10:00 Show-and-Tell and Socializing, 10:30 Business and Program. Also, we're going to try to put more announcements in the newsletter. If you have news or an announcement that can go in the newsletter, call or write me (Virginia, 856-3142).

Respectfully submitted, Virginia Rogers.

No Weaving Corner
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Congratulations to
Sharon Williams

just elected to the Craftsmen's

~~Guild of Mississippi Board of Directors!~~

Merry Christmas

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Happy (Weaving) New Year!

Notes and Announcements

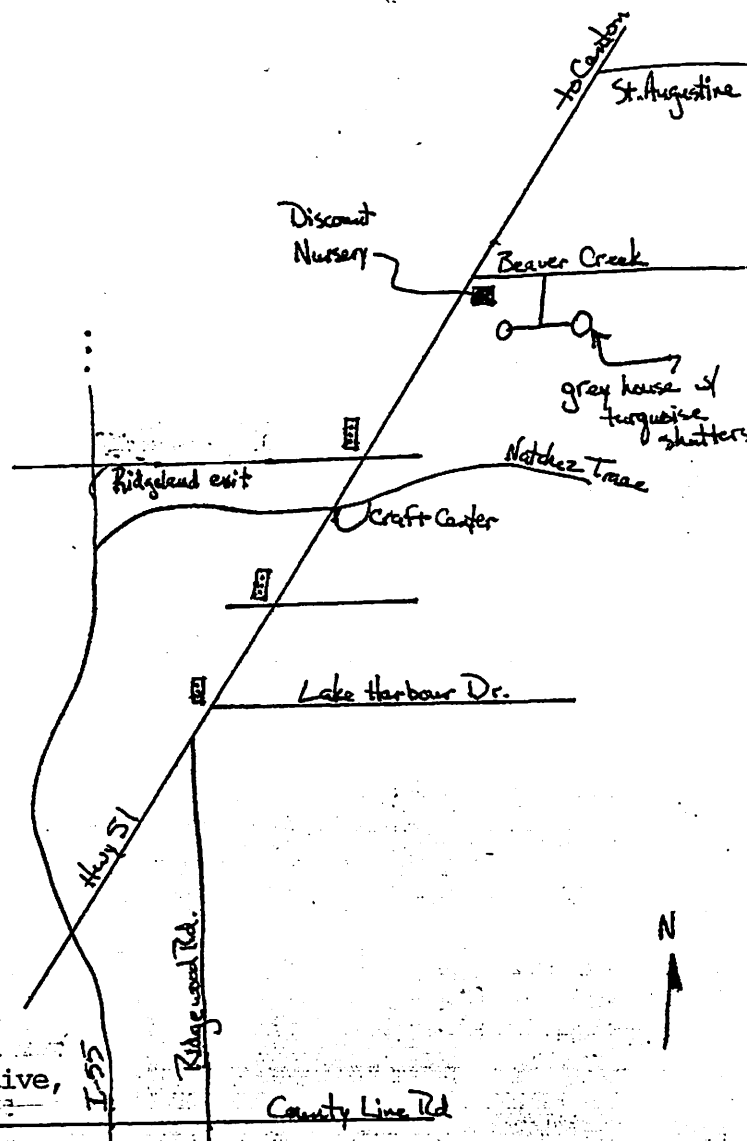
Loom Crawl -- This year we'll start "crawling" at my house, map at right, for appetizers, then move on to Amy Evans' house in Roses Bluff for lunch and dessert. The gift exchange will work like last year -- everyone who brings a handmade gift will receive one. Gerry notes that the gift she brings will not be from her loom or her hands, but I'm sure it will be from her heart. Anyone who wishes can meet at the Briarwood Presbyterian Church (at I-55 and B'wood) in the east parking lot at 9:45am and caravan to my house. We will then caravan to Amy's. Anyone who wishes to bring food and has not already signed up can call me at 856-3142 for an assignment.

HGA Membership -- The Handweavers Guild of America (HGA) is a non-profit, international organization dedicated to the fiber arts. Benefits of membership include a quarterly magazine, a biennial convention, exhibits, exchanges and learning opportunities for fiber artists of all levels. Membership in HGA is encouraged, especially since Marcy is up for a position on the Board. If you need more info, contact me or our HGA representative, Amy Evans (856-4494).

Guild Membership -- We also like to encourage membership in the Chimneyville Weavers Guild. We are a non-profit group of multi-talented folks who enjoy getting together to share our experiences and knowledge of weaving and other things. Membership dues are \$15; friends of the Guild can receive the newsletter for \$5 per year.

Cross-Country Weavers Samples -- Marcy has temporary possession of this travelling swatch swap, which includes Damask, Satin and False Satin, and will bring the samples to the Loom Crawl for our perusal.

Classified ads -- You may advertise in this newsletter, which is a fabulous medium with an average circulation of 50. Ads run for 3 months; cost is \$5 for non-members and free for members. That comes to roughly 3¢ per advertising impression for non-members, even less for members. Who's ad budget can't afford this? (Is it obvious that I spent 7 years in advertising?)



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