



CHIMNEYVILLE WEAVERS

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June, 1990, Newsletter

Calendar

- June 9 -- Informal summer meeting, at Hazel Howell's home.
- August -- Another informal summer meeting, date to be determined
- August 10 -- Entries due, Path of the Weaver
- September -- Dues for 1990-91 season due
- September 15 -- Tentative date, 10th Anniversary Celebration
- September 27 - October 20 -- Path of the Weaver, Memphis, TN
- November 29 - December 2 -- Chimneyville Crafts Festival
- March, 1991 -- Mississippi Weaves III
- December, 1991 -- Weaving Exhibit, DGNB Gallery Downtown

May Meeting Minutes

The treasury is reported to have \$339.17, as of the May Meeting.

With approval from the Craftsmen's Guild, the Weavers Guild passed a motion to decorate a tree at the Chimneyville Crafts Festival. We will meet at Hazel's in June to plan handmade decorations and again in August to actually make decorations. More details later. Committee to plan the tree includes Hazel Howell, Virginia Rogers, Barbara Mitchell, Margaret Williard, Ginny Trainor.

Ginny Trainor reported on shelf possibilities for our library. The option that carried is cement blocks and pine shelving, costing roughly \$35. Margaret Williard has access to a truck for transporting lumber; Ginny will get accessories; Gerry Reiff volunteered her yard/driveway for staining lumber or whatever.

The Children's Crafts Sampler is June 3, 1-4 p.m., at the Trace Crafts Center. Participants scheduled are Margaret Williard, Virginia Rogers, Barbara Mitchell, Gerry Reiff. (By the way, we had a great time doing Ojos de Dios, even in the rain!)

Our 10th Anniversary Celebration is "looming" on the horizon. Margaret Pittman noted that the Masonic Lodge at the Ag Museum rents out for special occasions. Margaret P. and a committee consisting of Tina Bradford, Jane Dollar and Dianne Davidson will consider ideas such as pot luck dinner, inviting families, show-and-tell, exhibiting weaving "dogs" from our past, etc.

Someone suggested a group trip to Memphis to see the Path of the Weaver exhibit this fall. Let's talk more later.

We discussed next years Sheep-to-Shawl. It was suggested that we consider returning to the Trace Crafts Center, and that we solicit 4-H'ers and their sheep and perhaps Girl Scouts.

The May program was, of course, the Sheep-to-"Sweater". It was a gorgeous day, although the sheep probably wished he had his sweater back because of a definite nip in the air! We went up to the studio for lunch and a meeting. Marcy brought pasta and pesto and Gerry brought a huge freezer of homemade ice cream.

It has been a fun year.

From the Director's Couch:

(This Director has a Jet-Propelled Couch!)

Marcy Made It! YEA - WAY - 2 - GO! Is it possible to be proud and humble at the same time? That's the way I feel about Marcy's election to the HGA Board.

The upcoming year is full of challenges for us all--our Christmas Tree, Covergence 90, our Library, Tenth Anniversary, assisting at Craftsmen's Guild Christmas Show, and of course, planning and weaving for Mississippi Weaves III (!!!). This group is so full of enthusiasm and cooperation, I know each of you will do your part to make it another GREAT year.

No one could follow Gerry. For your excellent leadership we can only say we owe you a big debt of gratitude for setting such a shining example. And Gerry, be on the lookout for a big surprise coming your way in August!

I need INPUT! So feed me your ideas and suggestions. My answer phone is always available.

The Children's Crafts Sampler was a rain-barrel of fun for kids and weavers! There were Ojos de Dios (God's Eyes) and for the younger ones, little lambs to wrap. Thanks to Virginia, Gerry and Barbara for making it so. The Guild received a generous compensation for your efforts. And Hazel brought all those adorable grandchildren!

Wanted

Beginning weaver would like to buy a used loom, at least four harnesses, and spinning wheel. Contact Marva Goodman, 404 Parkway Road., Brandon, MS 39042, (601) 992-0383.

MEMO

To: Chimneyville Weavers' Guild Officers
From: Marcy Petrini
Re: Potential HGA Board Meeting in Jackson in January 1991

Now that I have talked to you at Convergence or since, I thought I summarize what we discussed and also let you know of some new developments, starting with the latter.

I have talked to Marjorie Bates, Executive Director, and Dianne Davidson, Administrator, The Craftmen's Guild of MS, about the possibility of the HGA Board using the meeting room upstairs in the Craft Building during a Thursday through Sunday period, probably the last weekend in January. We are all agreed that it would be not only possible, but also a good opportunity for our Guilds (CWG and CGM). Marjorie will be writing to Norma Smayda, President of HGA, to formally invite them to meet there.

So, the ball is in the CWG court; what do we do now, in terms of deciding for sure? Can we make a final decision during the August meeting? I am anxious to decide one way or the other, so that the HGA Board can make its plans. Incidentally, if we do decide to go ahead with this, it would be nice if Margaret Williard, as Director, could write to Norma formally inviting the HGA Board as well.

Before we commit, though, I think I should spell out what we are committing to. This is the way I see it:

1) On Thursday, we would need various people to pick up at the airport the 15 people who will be arriving (14 Board members plus our Development Director). I think it may be easier if we all meet at my house; I can have food and drinks ready informally. This, of course, means that I won't be able to go to the airport but once. At Convergence, we came in 3 or 4 groups, so I don't necessarily mean that we need to make 15 trips.

2) We will need housing for the 15 people; Hazel says she can accommodate 6, Margaret W. I think said 2, I can have 2 at my house, plus 1 at Mom's; we need room for at least 4 more. I can organize the housing aspect with Norma, but it will be nice to know about pets and allergies, etc. (Can you imagine people who are allergic to cats staying at my house?). The hostess will be responsible for feeding her guest breakfast and transporting her guest to the Craft School, and taking her back home in the evening. Of course, some car pooling is possible.

3) Dianne said that there shouldn't be any problem eating lunch at the school; it would be advantageous, time-wise. This shouldn't be a problem as I can make casseroles ahead of time, and I'm sure Mom can help. We will need help serving, etc., as Dianne and Marjorie cannot be stuck with all the lunch work and I will be of no help while I am in meetings.

MEMO

For: Director, Wildlife Services
From: Mary Beth
Re: Potential WSA Board Meeting in Jackson in January 1991

Now that I have talked to you at Government or since I thought
I summarize what we discussed and also let you know of some new
developments, starting with the letter.

I have talked to Marjorie Bates, Executive Director, and Diana
Davidson, Administrator, The Grattner's Office of NE, about the
possibility of the WSA Board using the meeting room upstairs in
the Grant Building during a Thursday through Friday period.
Probably the last weekend in January, we are all agreed that it
would be not only possible, but also a good opportunity for our
Guides (LWS and GWS) to formally invite them to meet there.
President of WSA, so formally invite them to meet there.

So, the plan is in the WSA room, what do we do now, in terms of
deciding how many? Can we have a final decision during the Advisory
Meeting? I am anxious to decide one way or the other, so that the
WSA Board can make their own independent decision. It would be nice if
Director, could write to Jones formally inviting the WSA Board as
well.

Before we commit, though, I think I should spell out what we are
committing to. This is the way I see it:

1) On Thursday, we would need various people to pick up at the
airport the 12 people who will be arriving (14 Board members plus
our Development Director). I think it may be easier if we all
meet at my house. I can have food and drinks ready in my house.
That of course means that I would be able to go to the airport
but once. At Government, we come in 2 or 3 groups, so I don't
necessarily mean that we need to make 12 trips.

2) We will need housing for the 12 people. Hazel says she can
accommodate 6. Margaret W. I think said "I can have 2 at my
house, plus 1 at home; we need room for at least 4 more. I can
organize the housing aspect with home, but it will be nice to
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are allergic to cats staying at my house? The house will be
responsible for feeding her guest, organizer and transportation for
guest to the Grant School, and taking her back home in the
evening. Of course, some car pooling is possible.

3) Diane said that there shouldn't be any problem eating lunch
at the school; it would be convenient, time-wise. This
shouldn't be a problem as I can make casseroles ahead of time
and I'm sure we can help. We will need help serving, etc., etc.
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will be of no help while I am in meetings.

4) As I said, Thursday night we can have an informal dinner at my house; this way, the hostesses can pick up their guests then, if they can't go at the airport. Hazel kindly volunteered to have one dinner at her house; she also suggested that one day we go out for good ol' MS catfish, with one CWG member treating a Board member. I am not sure about Sunday night yet, but some people may not be leaving till Monday morning, but we could certainly have another informal dinner at my house.

5) In the way of other social activities, Amy has volunteered to have something at her Gallery. I think that would be wonderful. Maybe one evening before dinner we could take a driving tour of Jackson. There are other possibilities.

Well, what do you think? Anything that I forgot? I think it would be wonderful, and a wonderful experience. I was thrilled that we were asked. The only thing I worry about is that there is a fair amount of work involved and we are a small Guild.

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Happy Weaving,

cc: Marjorie Bates, Dianne Davidson

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Happy Weaving,

cc: Marjorie Bates, Diana Davidson