

SEPTEMBER, 1990, NEWSLETTER

Calendar

September 15, 1990 -- 10th Anniversary Celebration; Masonic Lodge at the Mississippi Ag & Forestry Museum; 11am-3pm; covered dish luncheon with guests and families.

September 21, 1990 -- Sallie Guy to offer seminar, at weaving studio, 7-9pm. September 27 - October 20 -- Path of the Weaver, Memphis, TN

October 20, 1990 -- Oct. Guild meeting and Pioneer Festival at Natchez Trace Crafts Center.

November 17, 1990 -- November Guild Meeting

November 29 - December 2 -- Chimneyville Crafts Festival

March, 1991 -- Mississippi Weaves III

December, 1991 -- Weaving Exhibit, DGNB Gallery Downtown

August Meeting Minutes

As of August 4, the treasury shows \$530.84.

In discussion of our volunteering as booth sitters at the Chimneyville Crafts Festival, March suggested t hat we wear some sort of sash in order to be identified. Will discuss in greater detail, and begin to sign up for booth sitting in October.

Plans are firm for the Anniversary Celebration on September 15. We will meet at the Masonic Lodge at the Ag & Forestry Museum from 11-3. We'll have a covered dish lunch, show & tell, a "dawg" table, and lots of fun and fellowship with our families and our special guests and former guild members. There will also be a small Christmas tree displaying the ornaments we've made so far for the Crafts Festival. Bring your ornaments too! If, for some reason, you didn't receive your sign-up letter, call Margaret Pittman (992-9184) now to make your reservation.

Margaret Williard cited our need of a PR person and committee. So, as we perused the bylaws for guidance, we found provisions for several standing committees: newsletter, exhibit, community service, publicity, education, refreshment. Be prepared to sign-up for the committee of your choice in the near future.

In a unanimous decision in August, we voted to host the HGA Board of Directors January meeting in Jackson. The meeting is set for January 24-27, with 15 or 16 in attendance. The Mississippi Craftsmen's Guild has invited the group to hold their meetings at the Guild offices. Tentative plans include several dinners and receptions, and providing lunch during their meetings. So look into your bedrooms, kitchens and automobiles, cause we must plan for accompodations, meals and transportation. You will be hearing more on this subject.

Marcy shared a revelation with us in August. She has calculated that, if we each put away \$1 per day starting now, Convergence '92 will be paid for just in time. Doesn't that sound like a great idea? And, Washington D.C. isn't nearly as far away as California, so that will probably leave room to spare! Start putting back those dollars, folks--maybe we can get up a road trip, eh Nancy!?!

Respectfully submitted, Virginia Rogers.

Director's Corner

Summer's end at last! What a busy one, too! Weavers met in June and August to work on Christmas Tree items. Many thanks to Hazel and Nancy for being our hostesses.

Convergence was wonderful. Our own Marcy was installed as a Director of HGA, and one of her first acts was to invite the Board to Jackson for a quarterly meeting! Our members Hazel, Marcy and Judy had entries there proving that we qualify. Also our old friends Shelly Leichter and Susan Dignam converged with us for good times. Convergence provided just the motivation needed to get back to the looms (2: inkle and 4H). Plan now for the next one in Washington D.C., neaer American University in 1992.

Congratulations to Amy on the opening of her new gallery, Third Dimension, located in Banner Hall on I-55 N. A real treat awaits those of you who stop by!

Notes/Announcements

- -- We are saddened by the death this summer of Margaret Pittman's mother, Virgene Holliday. Anyone wishing to send a memorial may do so to the American Cancer Society.
- -- We are getting a great response to the Sallie Guy seminar on September 21. If, for some reason, you did not receive this info, contact me at 856-3142. Remember, space is limited.
- -- We need to get going on Christmas ornaments. Please bring any you have made to the September meeting to decorate our tree. We will probably make some at the October and November meetings. We may even have several impromptu evening gatherings.
- -- Dues are now due. Hazel will be taking money at the Sept. meeting, or you may mail in to either Hazel or me. After the Sept. meeting, we will gather everyone and type a new directory.

Wanted

A beginning weaver would like to buy a used loom, at least 4 harnesses, and a spinning wheel. Contact Marva Goodman, 404 Parkway Rd., Brandon, MS 39042, 601-992-0383.

Craftsmen's Guild Offerings

Puppets -- Weaver Marcy Petrini of Jackson will conduct a workshop on Saturday, Sept. 22, from 10am to 4pm at the Chimneyville Crafts Center at the Ag & Forestry Museum. Participants will weave a puppet on a simple frame loom. \$35 fee includes frame loom and all supplies. Pre-registration and prepayment are required and enrollment is limited. Participants need to bring scissors and a sack lunch. For more information, call 981-0019 or 981-2499.

Twills -- The Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi is offering a 10-week class in weaving twills beginning May 21. This class is designed for those who have completed beginning weaving and are able to dress a loom and weave. The class will coverthreading, treadling, weaving, and drafting of various twills; combining twills in one piece; color and weave effects; and treadling variations. Students will dress the looms for special projects using yarns provided and then weave the projects using their own yarns. Class meets on Mondays, 7-9pm, from 9/24 till 11/26. Cost is \$75 plus \$15 loom rental fee. Instructor is Marcy Petrini. Enrollment is limited; preregistration and prepayment are required. For more information call 091-0019.

Marcy Petrini 950 Fairfax Circle Jackson, MS 39211

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