

P.O. Box 13494 Jackson, MS 39236-3494

## May, 1991, Newsletter

# Calendar

May 10--Peter Collingwood lecture open to public in New Orleans, 7-10 p.m.
May 11 & 12--Peter Collingwood workshop; contact New Orleans Weavers Guild for details.
May 11--May Guild meeting; Kim Whitt Workshop at Trace Craft Center
May 17-19--Kentucky Guild of Artists & Craftsmen SPRING FAIR, Berea, KY
June 2--Children's Craft Sampler, 1-5 p.m. at Trace Craft Center
June 22--Joint Meeting with Dyed-in-the-Wool Weavers. More details later
September 22--NOWG exhibit and reception at Longue Vue House. To enter, contact NOWG.
December, 1991--Weaving exhibit, DGNB Gallery, downtown Jackson

## Meeting notes

The April meeting was held at the Ag Museum at the farm house. Hazel Howell gave the treasurer's report showing approximately \$450 in treasury plus or minus money collected for Kim Whitt's workshop and guild dues. She also reported that show expenses for Mississippi Weaves III were approximately \$600. We were reminded that dues are payable now or NLT September for the coming year. September through September is \$15, after January 1, \$7.50.

It was asked that anyone furnishing food for the January HGA Board of Directors Meeting please turn in recipes to Margaret Pittman for the recipe book.

Problems and solutions to Mississippi Weaves III were discussed. As suggested at the meeting, anyone who worked on the Mississippi Weaves III show should make a written report of suggestions for the Mississippi Weaves IV. Please mail these to Chimneyville Weavers Guild, P.O. Box 13494, Jackson, MS 39211 or bring to the May 11 meeting.

An invitation was extended from Nancy Landrum to meet at her house sometime in the summer or fall. Possibly Christmas in July? And another invitation from Margaret Pittman to gather for a mini "rock day" or day in the country at her place.

Everyone had a great time at Sheep-to-Shawl. The shawl was finished, thanks to Nancy Landrum. The general opinion was that the shawl be given to Barney Tanner, Rankin County Agent who so generously gave of his time and wool.

It was discussed to have a Christmas tree at the Chimneyville Crafts Festival again this year. Hazel was nominated chairman - unanimously! A possible theme is angels. Volunteers for the festival were also discussed as a good idea. More details later.

#### From the Director

The Sheep-to-Shawl was a wonderful happening, full of good spirit and much fun. I have some gr-r-reat pictures to share with you on May 11. Thanks to all the participants, with a special round of applause to Tina Bradford, Jane Dollar, Margaret Pittman, Nancy Landrum and Kathy Cohron and to the Rankin County Agent, Barney Tanner and most especially to Barney's sheep for all their contributions.

Next time I will send you a farewell to arms speech, but there is one other thing I'd like to encourage you to do right away. Join HGA! It is worth it! You have seen how hard their Board works to serve you, and they deserve our support. Then there are all those services that are available to help you grow as a weaver/spinner/dyer: CONVERGENCE!, SS&D, Scholarships, Learning Exchange (I loved that one), Small Expressions, Kits, Awards, COE, and that spirit of professional companionship that motivates us all. JOIN IT!

See ewe all May 11.

Margaret W.

## May Meeting

The May guild meeting will be held at the Trace Craft Center on May 11. Board meeting 9:00, General meeting 9:15, Kim Whitt workshop 10:00. We assume it may last until mid-afternoon so bring a sack lunch.

# Notes/Announcements

Our condolences to Gerry Reiff in the loss of her father, Mr. J. Thurman Long. The funeral will be held on Saturday, May 4, in Houston, Texas. We are thinking about you, Gerry.

Help HGA to serve you better! Complete your questionnaire and return to Marcy; if you don't have one, call her.

Mary Bell, of the Arts and Crafts for the Merchants of Magee, MS called to say they are making plans to open "The Merchants of Magee Specialty Shop" and are soliciting weavers, spinners and quilters to rent space for selling your pieces and to come to Magee from time to time to demonstrate. If interested, call Margaret Williard, 362-2633. Mary Bell is sending more information to her.

For Sale--60" LeClerc Nilus II, 4 harnesses, counter-balanced, folds to 24" depth, with double flying shuttle beater (can be used as standard loom), \$1500 plus UPS; Drum carder, like new, makes up to 12" batt, \$100 plus UPS; "Pat Green" picker, like new, \$200 plus UPS. Contact Marie Downs, Rt. 1, Box 508 F, Osyka, MS 39657, (601) 876-6808.

# Knitted Squares

Tina says that using original directions, the corners will not come out right. It will be too pointed and have an extra "hole" with a yo having no twist. Do this. Cast on 4 sts. Row 2: K-2 sts, yo, k to end of row. Repeat Row 2 until there are 43 sts. Next Row: K 1, k 2 tog, yo, k 2 tog, k to end. Continue until 6 sts remain. Then turn and k1, k2 tog, k2 tog, k last st. (Now there are 4 sts.) K the "4 st row" 3 times. Bind off.

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