

CHIMNEYVILLE WEAVERS GUILD

February 1992 Newsletter



January Minutes

The December Guild meeting was held at the Ag Museum in the Craftsmen's Guild's building.

After the board met and before the general meeting, we were addressed by the director of Allison's Wells School of Arts and Crafts, Ronald Hill, and Bonnie Staffel, program director. Hand-outs were given to include pamphlets and proposed courses of study at the new school. Classes will be held 49 weeks each year. It was a very interesting discussion. The opportunities for study are exciting!

Among business discussed was the joint weekend retreat with Dyed-in-the-Wool Weavers to be held the second weekend in April. Hazel Howell filled us in on the details, as well as the approximate cost (\$10 per night or \$5 per day), and passed around a sign-up list and maps. Food and meals for the weekend were discussed. We were informed to sign-up with Hazel and make checks payable to Chimneyville Weavers Guild for deposit. Marva Goodman is in charge of coordinating food. Hazel will coordinate transportation. We will also need to take bedding and towels. They will supply linens for a fee.

Hazel talked with us regarding the Pine Straw Teneriffe workshop to be held in February and said we could invite others who might be interested. She does need to know your plans, as space is limited.

Sheep-to-Shawl was discussed along with set-up of committees. Tina Bradford is the chair for this event.

Marcy Petrini brought up a discussion of problems encountered by volunteers during the Craftmen's Guild show. Limiting lunch breaks and coffee breaks was suggested as well as scheduling of lunch breaks.

Marcy also brought up a discussion of a traveling show in conjunction with the "Year of the American Craft" to be held in 1993 instead of MS Weaves IV. The set-up of committees was discussed as well as setting up a conference. Tina is in charge of a letter and form to be sent to guilds within the gulf states.

Hazel has completed putting the afghans together and passed them around for show-and-tell. She will be in charge of choosing recipients.

There was a discussion in the board meeting about demonstrating in public places such as malls. (Thank you, Debbie Stringer, for this great idea.) Tina will check out the possibilities. It was decided that Barbara Mitchell would prepare hand-outs to give passersby at such events.

Hazel said she would like for us to prepare hand-outs to include history of the guild, guidelines, etc. for new members.

ROC Day was discussed during board meeting, and the thought was entertained to have it here in 1994.

After the general meeting, we adjourned without a program due to bad weather.

Margaret Pittman

Calendar

Feb. 15: February Guild Meeting. Workshop following: "Pine Straw Teneriffe", conducted by Guest Director Annie Mae Henning, assisted by Hazel Howell. More details follow in this newsletter. Board meeting: 9:30; general meeting: 10:00.

March 21: March Guild Meeting. Workshop following: "Principles of Space-Dyeing Cellulose Fiber", conducted by Margaret Pittman, assisted by Virginia Rogers and Marva Goodman.

April 10-12: April Guild Meeting. Chimneyville/Dyed-in-the-Wool retreat meeting.

April 25: Sheep-to-Shawl. Location: Farm house, MS Agriculture and Forestry Museum.

From the Lab

Well, group! I got snowed in! Got back to Starkville in time for a snowball fight with Allen. I'm sorry the rose didn't get smelled. It was good to have Ronald Hill and Bonnie Staffel with us.

Jane

Notes/Announcements

For Sale: 36", 4-harness, LeClerc Nilus (jack-type) loom. Fabulous maple bench. Bench is worth \$150. Several reeds, lease sticks. \$500. Can be seen at the Craftmen's Guild. Contact: Margaret Williard Pipkin, 925 New Garden Rd., Apt. 421, Greensboro, NC 27410.

For Sale: LeClerc Inca 36", 4-harness, counter-balanced loom. Sectional warping beam, 40 (4" spool) bobbin rack with thread guides. Tension box, warping frame, manual bobbin winder, shuttles, reed hook, spools, bobbins, heddles, books, patterns and some yarn. Best reasonable offer for everything will be accepted. Call Helen Haddad, 1-885-2390, evenings and Sunday; 1-885-8993 Monday through Saturday.

Dyeing Workshop: There will be a workshop following the March guild meeting rather than a program. We will be studying the principles of space-dyeing cellulose fibers and will space-dye a T-shirt. (These principles can be used later to space-dye cotton and/or rayon yarns.) In order to receive dyes in time, I need to order on/before February 29. You can take the workshop for as little as \$22.00 (or less, depending on colors, sizes, etc.). If you like, you can choose a partner and add an extra T-shirt to share expense. Please give me a call prior to the order date (preferably by February guild meeting, 2/15). Other information (such as dye colors to choose and order form) will be sent to you after I receive your call. My numbers are (H) 956-1478, or (O) 992-0715.

Thanks,

Margaret Pittman

Note from Debbie Stringer: D&S Weaving Suppliers is now open in McComb. The owners, Don and Sue Bullock, offer all kinds of yarns, rags, looms, etc. and a speedy mail-order service. They have offered to give me a hand full of catalogs to distribute among guild members; I'll bring them to the Feb. meeting. If you would rather contact them for a copy, write them at PO Box 1724, McComb, MS 39648, or call 249-0857. There's no charge for the catalog. They're located at 301 Presley Blvd.; take the Tylertown exit off I-55 and go east (left) toward town. They're about a mile from the interstate, across from the Coke plant. D&S is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m.

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