Chimneyville Weavers Guild

March 1993 Newsletter

Calendar

March 8: Study group meeting at Margaret Pittman's; see details this newsletter

March 10: Delivery deadline for Traveling Show entries from participating guilds

March 14: Registration deadline for Donna Sullivan seminars

March 20, 21: Donna Sullivan seminars, Jackson; dinners with Donna, see details this newsletter

March 28: Regular meeting (note new date!) to coincide with YOAC show reception; around 3:30: see next item

March 28: Opening reception for YOAC Gulf States Traveling Fiber Show at Eudora Welty Library, Jackson; 2-4 p.m.

April 12: Take-down of YOAC show and packing for its travel to Montgomery, AL

April 16–18: Southeast Fiber Forum

April 16-18: Dyed-in-the-Wool Fiber Retreat

April 24: Regular meeting (note new date!)

May 8: Sheep to Shawl at Natchez Trace, Crafts Center

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FEBRUARY MINUTES

Meeting date changes: Due to a conflict between our regular March meeting date and the Donna Sullivan seminars March 20-21, CWG members voted at the February meeting to change the meeting date to Sunday, March 28. We'll meet following the YOAC Gulf States Traveling Fiber Show reception at the Eudora Welty Library in Jackson. The reception is 2-4 p.m. in the library auditorium; we'll meet about 3:30.

Members also voted to change the April meeting from the 17th to the 24th. This move will avoid a date conflict with the Dyed-in-the-Wool Weavers and Spinners Guild Fiber Retreat April 16-18.

Sheep to Shawl: Members voted to hold the guild's annual Sheep to Shawl on



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Saturday, May 8 at the Crafts Center on the Natchez Trace near Jackson. Nancy Landrum is chairing this event.

Education Committee: Marcy Petrini, chair, missed the Feb. meeting due to illness, but she sent sign-up sheets for dinner with Donna Sullivan. See her report in this newsletter.

Nominating Committee: Barbara Mitchell announced appointments for the nominating committee. They are Margaret Pittman and Jane Dollar. CWG members will vote for new officers in April; the new board takes office in May.

Roc Day '94: CWG members voted to assist the Dyed-in-the-Wool Weavers and Spinners Guild with Roc Day '94. This assistance will take the form of providing some items for goody bags, some refreshments, some door prizes, or other such ideas.

YOAC traveling show: Hazel Howell, show committee chair, reported that the Year of American Craft Gulf States Traveling Fiber Show includes 63 entries from five guilds in Miss., Ala., and La. For the show's reception March 28, CWG members voted for fiber (rather than formal) table decorations. Hazel has invited Mississippi ETV to tape the reception for an "Artifacts" feature; they've indicated they'll try to make it.

YOAC show reception and invitations: Heather Gillis, refreshments chair, will call CWG members to round up reception volunteers and to find out how many guests each member thinks she may bring. Those who ordered reception invitations for mailing themselves may pick them up from our mail basket at the Ag Museum.

1800's Festival: The 1800's Festival in Port Gibson needs weaving/spinning demonstrators in 19th century costume March 27-28 at Oak Square (a restored antebellum home). If you'd like to participate, let Barbara Mitchell know *now*.

Study Group: Marva Goodman announced the formation of a study group that meets once a month for some serious learning about weaving. See her report in this newsletter.

MARCH MEETING

New meeting date: The March meeting will be a business meeting held March 28 at 3:30 p.m., or as the YOAC traveling show reception winds down at the Eudora Welty Library in Jackson. Plan to come and enjoy the show (volunteer for duty if you can!), then stay for our meeting.

Directions to Eudora Welty Library: Take High Street exit off I-55 near the Coliseum. Continue on High past Dairy Queen, et al, then turn left onto four-lane State Street at fourth light. Library is on left, just past the big church on the right (300 N. State St.).

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Dinner With Donna

Marcy Petrini is organizing dinners with Donna Sullivan during her visit to judge the traveling show and to lead seminars. Everyone is invited to a potluck dinner with Donna on Friday, March 19 at 7 p.m. at Marcy's house (directions follow). In-town guests should bring a dish to serve at least 12. Donna will talk informally about the Certificate of Excellence in Weaving, which she holds.

On Saturday night, March 20, all are invited to a dutchtreat dinner with Donna at a restaurant. Call Marcy to make your reservation no later than March 18 (957-1423; may leave message).

Directions to Marcy's: Take the Adkins Blvd/Beasley Rd exit off I-55 north in Jackson. Turn right onto Adkins if you're traveling from the south; turn left onto Beasley/Adkins if you're traveling from the north. Continue on Adkins through the light at Ridgewood Road, then look for the second Fairfax Circle entrance on the right. Turn right and look for Marcy's (950 Fairfax) on the left.

STUDY GROUP

By Marva Goodman

A weaving study group gathered Feb. 8 in the home of Marva Goodman. A serious commitment to improve weaving skills was the thread that brought the group together. Goals and organization were topics discussed. The group decided to meet monthly. An assignment of thread wrapping to be brought to the next meeting was made. Study topics were assigned.

The next meeting will be March 8 in the home of Margaret Pittman (5875 Baxter Drive - off Pear Orchard; 956-1478). If other weavers are interested in joining the group, please bring with you a written list of topics you would like to study. A social time will begin at 6:30. The meeting will be 7:00-8:30.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donna Sullivan seminars: Registration closes March 14 for the Donna Sullivan seminars! Get your name (and check) in the pot now for Summer & Winter (Saturday, March 20) and/or Color Interaction for Handweavers (Sunday, March 21) at the Chimneyville School of Crafts and Design, Jackson. Registration is \$40 for one seminar (specify) or \$75 for both; send to Hazel Howell, 1468 Sunset Drive, Canton, MS 39046. Seminar hours are 9-12 a.m. and 1-4 p.m. both days. Space is limited, so make your reservation now!

Tapestry workshop: A tapestry design and weaving workshop will be offered May 17-21 at the Village Art Gallery in Destin, Florida. Yael and Jean Pierre La Rochette instruct. Tuition is \$250 with a \$150 deposit due by May 10. Enrollment is limited. For more information: Biruta La Celle, 30 Holly Ave., Apt. 303-J, Shalimar, FL 32579; (904) 651-0460.

Loom for sale: 50-inch Norwood 850 loom; 8 harnesses, 10 treadles, sectional warp beam, 3 reeds (6, 10, 12). Beautiful condition. \$1500. Bench, \$150. Call Sandy Bell, Montgomery, AL, at (205) 285-7462 evenings.

Loom for sale: LeClerc 24-inch freestanding loom and supplies. Call Sarah Johnson at 373-6465 after 5 p.m.

New yarn shop: Woolmarket Fine Yarns has opened at Pear Orchard Village (near Red, Hot & Blue), 1625 E. County Line Road, Jackson. Gladys Gill, administrator, offers yarns such as acrylics, cotton, mohair, angora, silks and tapestry wools. If you stop by, let her know what you'd like to see her stock. The shop is open 10-6, Monday through Saturday (977-9602).

R&M yarn sale: R&M Yarns of Cartersville, Georgia, is having a Dollar Day Sale July 2-3. They're selling 90 percent of their stock at \$1 per pound with no limit. If you'd like to go with some CWG members, speak up at the March meeting.

Guildfest: The Craftsmen's Guild of Miss. will host Guildfest on Saturday and Sunday, April 3-4 at the Agriculture and Forestry Museum in Jackson. Guild members will sell their work and demonstrate, and there'll be food and music. An Early Bird Crafts Auction is 10 a.m. Saturday. Tickets are \$4 per person. Call (601) 981-0019 for info.

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