

CHIMNEYVILLE WEAVER'S GUILD

SEPTEMBER 1993 NEWSLETTER

WELCOME BACK!

IMPORTANT! Our first regular meeting will be held at the Craftsman's Guild on September 18, 1993. The Board meeting is at 9:30a.m. and the regular meeting is at 10am.

Summer Get Togethers

Several guild members met over the summer to share ideas, eat, talk weaving, eat, make baskets, and eat. We met at Hazel Howell's in June and she treated us to a wonderful lunch and shared the secret for making frozen tea. She taught us how to make grapevine baskets. We spent the day in her garden surrounded by the most amazing collection of day lillies I've ever seen. In August we went to Nancy's in Meridian and ate some more. Ask her about the cheese molds! Nancy has a wonderful home in the country with handwork and handwoven items on every wall.

From the Front Porch Swing

Well, summer is almost over and it seems I have to learn to "direct." I am truly honored that all of you wonderful people think I can do it- so there is my incentive for giving it a good try. Thank you for the vote of confidence.

This has not been a weaving summer for me. It seemed no matter how hard I tried to sit at my loom work outside called. I expanded my gardens and moved a log building to my yard. I can sit on my front porch swing and look at it. Work on the log house has begun and the porches are taking shape. This past weekend Don and I peeled about twenty ten foot poles, cut and snaked out of the woods another forty foot pole and peeled it. These are for the porches. Unless I start getting up about three hours before daylight, I guess weaving is still on hold.

However, I am planning for the coverlet and may get the warp made. This is not (as Don says) getting the cart before the horse, because by the time I get the warp on and the coverlet woven, the house will be finished and the bed waiting.

On another note, let me say how much I enjoyed our meeting July 31st. It was great. Thank you for coming.

Happy Weaving,

Nancy

CWG Membership Renewal

It's time to sign up for another year of membership in the Guild. Please bring your membership renewal to the September guild meeting or mail it to Eileen Wagar. We need it before the November meeting in order to complete the new Directory.

CWG Membership Renewal

Sign me up for another year of fun and learning with the Chimneyville Weavers Guild! Renew my membership (or begin my new one). Enclosed is my check for \$15.

Name _____

Address _____

Home phone _____ Work phone _____

Bring to the Sept. 18 guild meeting, or mail immediately to
Eileen Wagar, 520 Madeleine Court, Brandon, Ms 39042

Fall Fiber Retreat

The Dyed in the Wool Weavers fall retreat is scheduled for October 8, 9, & 10, 1993. We have no details yet regarding cost but should have that information by the September meeting.

Education Committee Report

Education Committee report: I have corresponded with Julia Kubat with regard to her coming to teach a felting workshop. Because of our guilds's engagements (Zoo & Pioneer Fair) and Julia's (teaching and SOAR), the only available date is November 13. If that date is not agreeable with us, we can have the workshop after the first of the year.

I would like to hear from you **BY THE SEPTEMBER MEETING** whether this date is convenient for you, if you are planning on attending. Material fee is \$10; attendance is limited to 10, as per Julia's request (very reasonable for a day workshop). We will discuss the cost of the workshop at the September meeting as well.

Respectfully submitted,



Marcy Petrini
Education Committee

FALL WEAVING CLASS

Weaving Classes will be offered on a modular system, open to students who have taken a beginning weaving class. The modules are as follows:

Module 1: plain weave and its derivatives (basket weave, rep, tapestry, etc.)

Module 2: twills

Module 3: unit weaves (huck, M's & O's, Swedish lace, etc.)

Module 4: block weaves (overshot, summer & winter, monk's belts, crackle, etc.)

Module 6: complex weaves (more than 8 or special weave)

Module 7: color (and color & weave effects)

Module 8: fabric analysis and design (must be extremely familiar with drafting).

Students will choose a specific weave structure within a module, and plan a project of their own; thus it is possible to repeat a module. Students wanting to learn about a specific item, for example lace, or rugs, should sign up for the appropriate module (unit weaves or twills for lace, modules 1, 2 or 4 for rugs). Students provide their own yarns; a limited number of yarns are available to students in the studio free of charge; these yarns are donated and cannot be counted of being of the correct quantity or quality to produce a good project.

In order for this method to work, students must sign up ahead of time as the instructor will contact each student individually to schedule an appointment to plan the project while giving each student her undivided attention before class starts. Because of this arrangement, class size will be limited. Class will be canceled if enrollment is too low by the registration deadline.

Fall class starts on Tuesday October 5 and will last for 10 weeks. Registration starts immediately till September 21. Your registration is final after payment has been made. Cost is \$95 (\$80 plus \$15 loom fee).

For more information, or if you are unsure of the module to take, please contact the Guild office (981-0019) or the instructor.

Please send any announcements or information for the newsletter to:

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