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*Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild*  
**NEWSLETTER**

*January 1995*

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***December Meeting Program/Business***

The guild did not hold a formal meeting in December. Instead, members enjoyed our annual Loom Crawl, graciously hosted in 1994 by Milti Leonard and Kathy Cohron. We started with appetizers and lunch at Milti's, and then it was on to Kathy's for dessert and our gift exchange. Though the weather outside was frightful, the festivities were quite delightful!

Marva advised those present of some projects the guild needs to undertake in 1995: cleaning the looms in the studio, cataloging the material in the guild library, and developing written procedures for our usual activities (Loom Crawl, Chimneyville Christmas tree, Sheep-to-Shawl, etc.) and job descriptions for guild offices. Marcy volunteered to write the Loom Crawl procedures. As historian, Debbie will be in charge of the library. Other members should be prepared to help with these projects.

**JUST SPINNING** (I think I need to add 'and Weaving' because that is all I have been doing lately! but there are days when all I have been doing is **Spinning (my wheels)** )

Welcome to 1995! Most of the signs of Christmas have been packed away, and I am trying to implement my **New Year's Resolutions**. Mainly--Organization.

**ROC DAY** is almost here, and I am looking forward to that trip. Then there are basket classes to teach along with projects for cup exchange and rag show and blacksmith meetings.

I hope you have done, or are doing, something to show in the Rag Show. Please think of this show as our way of educating non-weavers with a small sampling of what we do--this time in rags. It is a sharing. It is not just for the perfectly woven project done only by the experts.

So dust off the loom, pull something old out of the rag bag, strip it, and weave it. Let your creative juices flow.

Loom Crawl was a lovely day. Those of you who missed it really should mark your 1995 calendar **NOW**--the second Saturday in December. I think we already have volunteers as hosts--one of our members is hoping to be in her new home by that time--with a special weaving studio!

Loom crawl means that we all get together at one member's home for appetizers, visit a time, oooh and ahhh over all the wonderful weaving/spinning equipment. Then we move to another home, have lunch, and get to drool over some more wonderful looms, shuttles, yarns, etc., etc. Then, once more, we move to a third home for dessert, gift exchange (participation in this is optional), and one final soul filling of the weaving/spinning goodies--before adjourning for the day.

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You might think that everyone has more interesting equipment or a better set-up than you. This is not true--a weaver just enjoys seeing and marveling over what another has. I have yet to meet a weaver or spinner that didn't have something special to share, or something to learn from others. Loom Crawl is just our way of fellowship, sharing ideas, and getting to know each other better. Try it. You'll like it!

Our next meeting should be lots of fun. Those who participated in the cup exchange/weaving project will bring the cup back to its owner along with a gift inspired by the cup. It will also be a day of idea exchange with lots of Show and Tell.

Come and enjoy all this inspiration for the new year.

Marva Lee

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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The next CWSG meeting will take place on January 21 upstairs in the studio at the Crafts Gallery at the Ag Museum. As usual, the board meets at 9:30 AM; the general meeting begins at 10 AM.

Hazel Howell will host the spinners on Friday (Jan. 20) before the meeting.

The Study Group will meet January 12 at Marcy's.

**Change of address:** As of January 15, 1995, Judy Foster's address will be 210 Woods Lake Drive, Madison, MS 39110; 601/856-4062. Please note this change in your yearbook directory.

**Winter Weaving Class** begins on Tuesday, Jan. 10, and continues thereafter on Tuesday evenings through March 14, 1995. Students must sign up ahead of time, and payment for class is due when registering. Because of this arrangement, class size will be limited. Class may be cancelled if enrollment is too low. Registration starts immediately, and it is final after payment has been made. Cost is \$95 (\$80 plus \$15 loom fee). For more information, if you are unsure of the module to take, or if you don't know how to weave, please contact the Guild office (981-0019) or the instructor, Marcy Petrini.

Weaving classes are offered in a modular system; modules after the first one are open to students who have taken a beginning weaving class.

Module 1: Beginning Weaving  
Module 2: Plain Weave  
Module 3: Twills  
Module 4: Drafting

Module 5: Unit Weaves  
Module 6: Block Weaves  
Module 7: Color

Module 8: Fibers  
Module 9: Complex Weaves  
Module 10: Fabric Analysis & Design

(Registration form on next page)

## FOR SALE

**Loom and other equipment:** 48" 8H Tawakiva with tensioner, counter, spool rack, bobbins, lots of wool yarn. Sliding bench is in good condition. Will sell all or separately. Contact Tae Broad at 601/948-7285.

**Floor Loom:** 4-harness LeClerc "Artisat" model, 24", along with raddle, two reeds, and original accessories. "Perfect" condition. \$425. Contact Sandi Tucker, 2106 Wildwood Terrace, Yazoo City, MS 39194; 601/746-3081.

**Table Loom:** 4-harness Schacht. Call for information. Louise Gardner, 601/825-8524.

*Classified ads are run free of charge to CWSG members. The fee per ad for nonmembers is \$5 for three consecutive newsletters. Submit ads to the CWSG*

## WINTER WEAVING CLASS

The next weaving class is scheduled for:

**Tuesdays January 10 - March 14, 1995**

**7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

Registration starts immediately until class is full. Your registration is final after payment has been made. Cost is \$95 (\$80 plus \$15 loom fee).

Please complete this registration form and send with your payment to:  
Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi, Inc.  
1150 Lakeland Dr.  
Jackson, MS 39216

Classes are held in the weaving studio of the Chimneyville Crafts building, on the grounds of the Agricultural Museum. (Please enter via the service entrance).

Choose a module according to the description in the enclosed brochure. **STUDENTS WHO HAVE NEVER WOVEN BEFORE** should sign up for module 1. Modules may be repeated for in depth study.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State & Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Day phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Evening phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Module: \_\_\_\_\_

Class dates: January 10 - March 14, 1995.

\_\_\_ Payment enclosed (\$95).

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