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# *Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild*

## **NEWSLETTER**

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**May 1995**

### **MINUTES**

**Meeting of Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild**  
**April 22, 1995**  
**"Sheep to Shawl"**

**Present:** About 15 "die-hard" members and friends of CWSG!

**Absent:** *The Sheep!* (Due to the storms, they were too muddy to attend their shearing.)

**President Marva Goodman called the meeting to order** during the lunch break. Our guests--Julia Kubat, Marianne Sicard, Bunnie Oxley, and Andrea Longo--were welcomed. We also gave a special welcome to our new member, **Melba Nipper**, and her daughters Jessica and Wendy. (Melba spent the day with us and decided to join the Guild!)

**Minutes** The minutes of the March meeting were approved as printed, with the correction that in the Roc Day report, the words "of the Canton site" be deleted, leaving the minutes to reflect that the vote was "to accept the Board's recommendation for the site" for Roc Day.

**Treasurer's Report** There is a balance of \$1929 in the treasury.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**ROC Day** ROC Day is set for January 6, 1996. In working with JoAnn Jordan, the committee has made the following arrangements. Lodging at Allison's Wells Hotel will be reserved exclusively for us, with options for Friday/Saturday nights at the rate of \$20 per person. Drinks and snacks will be furnished, and spinning will be at the Canton Community Center near the hotel.

**Constitution Revision** Three additional items were approved by consensus to be stated in the new constitution: (1) All officers will serve staggered two-year terms. (Presently only the Treasurer and Historian serve two-year terms.); (2) The responsibilities of Secretary will be separated into two distinct positions: Corresponding Secretary and Newsletter Editor; (3) The outgoing President will serve as an ex-officio member of the new Board.

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### **1994-95 CWSG Board**

**Director:** Marva Goodman, 404  
Parkway Rd., Brandon, MS 39042; 992-  
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**Vice Director:** Lu Harding, 1715  
Devine St., Jackson, MS 39202; 355-  
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**Secretary:** Carol Parks, 832 Cherry  
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8605(H), 981-3100(W); email -  
rparks@delphi.com

**Treasurer:** Heather Gillis, 507  
Boardwalk Blvd., Ridgeland, MS 39157;  
856-7850(H), 939-9030x433(W)

**Historian:** Debbie Stringer, 2534  
Crestleigh Manor, Jackson, MS 39204;  
373-6292(H), 922-2341(W); email -  
HNBT1SA@prodigy.com

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**Rental Equipment** Marcy recommends that we not leave the rental equipment in the weaving loft, to avoid any misunderstandings. Marva and Kathy volunteered to house some of the equipment in their homes.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Nominating Committee** Sandi Tucker reported the following nominations for the new slate of officers: **President** Kathy Cohron; **Vice President** Nancy Landrum; **Corresponding Secretary** Sandi Tucker; **Newsletter Editor** Carol Parks. Heather Gillis and Debbie Stringer continue to hold their offices of **Treasurer** and **Historian**, respectively.

**Installation of Officers** Due to Marva's expected absence in May, she installed the new officers at the April meeting, using the analogy of parts of a loom to describe each officer's and member's function.

**Appreciation** Hazel Howell presented Marva a large "angel", woven of vines, in appreciation of her service to the Guild, and Marva presented gifts to the officers who had served with her on the Board the past year.

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### ADDITIONS TO THE DIRECTORY

**Melanie Hays**, 2739 Old Country Club Rd., Pearl, MS 39208.

**Cathy Smith**, 773 Hwy. 481, Morton, MS 39117; 854-6441.

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## SHOW & TELL

**Marcy** brought an exquisite scarf of very fine silk, which she had woven using silk sewing thread as weft. The "autumn" colors were wonderful! **Marva** brought two very unusual and attractive baskets she had woven. One she had done using a photo as pattern, and the other was an example of the baskets to be woven in her upcoming class at Allison's Wells. Our guest (she seems so much a member!) **Julia Kubat** modeled a lovely blouse done in an 8-harness weave, accessorized by colorful felted beads. **Andrea Longo**, guest of the Kreylings, shared samples of some 36 epi yardages she is preparing to weave for costumes to be used in historical re-enactments.

## ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned to the chilly, damp veranda to resume spinning, hoping to produce enough weft to finish weaving the shawl Hazel had so creatively warped. (Unfortunately, the wool warp absorbed its allotted 30% moisture, and weaving had to be abandoned until it might be sufficiently dry to hold a proper tension.) Nevertheless, the comraderie was just as sunny as ever, and those who braved the elements had a very enjoyable day!

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☺☺☺ *Many thanks to Sandi Tucker for jumping into her new secretarial duties and taking the April meeting minutes in Carol's absence!* ☺☺☺

### 🔔 **CHANGE IN PLANS!! CHANGE IN PLANS!!** 🔔

Margaret Pittman will NOT be at the May meeting to collect entries for the June Ridgeland library display. Instead, please **bring your items to the Craftsmen's Guild no later than May 20**. Entries should be labeled with your name and left in the upstairs meeting room. Remember, the theme for June is "bridal gifts." Entries for the July "red, white, and blue" display should be left in the same location by July 1.

*The Weaving Study Group will meet May 11 at 7:00 pm at Marcy's (950 Fairfax Cir.; 957-1423). Previous attendance is not necessary. Bring a project to discuss, if you have one, or just come to contribute to the discussion.*

## Cotton Landia Exhibition Update

*Margaret Pittman submitted this letter from Craftsmen's Guild Director Skip Allen:*

Re: Fiber Exhibition at Cotton Landia Museum in Greenwood, MS, joint show between fiber artist members of the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi, Inc. and Chimneyville Weavers Guild.

The Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi, Inc. has planned a show for its fiber artist members and the Chimneyville Weavers Guild, opening Sunday, July 16, 1995, at 1:00 PM. Each artist may submit up to three examples of their work. Additional smaller items that might be easily sold--for example, scarves--may be included for Cotton Landia to sell. Cotton Landia takes a 20% commission on all sales.

Some members of the Crafts Guild and the Weavers Guild have volunteered to hang the show. Because of space limitations, they may decide not to hang all three pieces of your work. Work needs to be delivered to the Guild Office at the Agriculture and Forestry Museum, 1150 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, MS 39216, on or before Saturday, July 8, 1995. After the exhibition closes, you may pick up your work at the Guild Office during the week of Aug. 20, 1995. If you wish to ship your work to the Guild and have the work shipped back to you, please send it in a suitable container that can be used again. Also, send a check for cost of return shipping.

This is an excellent opportunity for members of both Guilds. We have not had an exhibition at Cotton Landia for quite some time. I would consider this a new audience for us. The openings at Cotton Landia are well attended, and the exhibiting artists are warmly welcomed. Please RSVP by May 1, 1995. *[Editor's note: Skip is aware that our newsletter will not be published until after this deadline. Please respond as soon as possible.]* You may let us know if you plan to participate or not at our address listed above or call 1-601-981-0019. Thank you for your consideration of this event.

Sincerely,

Skip Allen  
Executive Director

*Classified ads are run free of charge to CWSG members. The fee per ad for non-members is \$5 for three consecutive newsletters. Submit ads to the newsletter editor by the first of each month.*

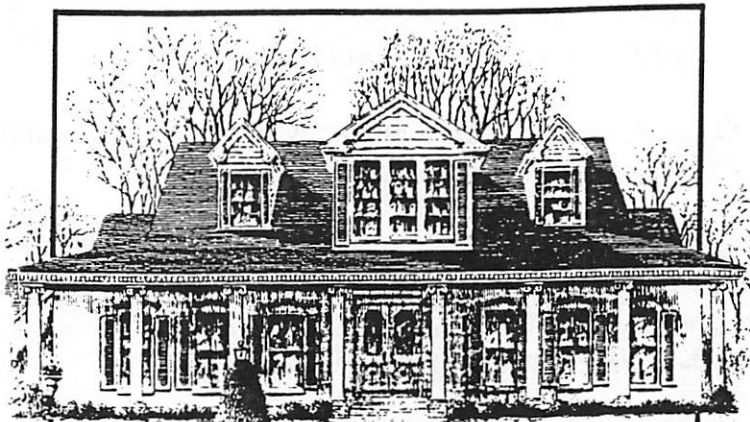


### **JUST A REMINDER!**

You'll want to be at the May meeting at No Mistake Plantation in Sartartia. The elegant bed and breakfast inn is also a nationally recognized day lily farm, and these flowers will be at their peak when we meet there on May 20. Be at the Ag Museum at 9:45 a.m. to carpool over. Our meeting will be at No Mistake at 11 a.m.. Following our tour of the house, lunch will be served. Then we are invited by the Barfields to set up spinning wheels or looms on the lawn and stay as long as we like.

**RESERVATIONS** are required and are to be made by sending your check for \$15, made out to No Mistake Plantation, to Sandi Tucker, 2106 Wildwood Terrace, Yazoo City 39194. Your check must be received by Wednesday, May 17.

*(See the attached map!)*



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We are pleased to present a workshop with Margaret Stove:

Saturday, July 29, 1995 - LACE KNITTING AND DESIGN

This workshop will focus on lace knitting with a special emphasis on analyzing the stitches that form the lace and putting those stitches together to form your very own lace designs. What fun! Participants should have a good working knowledge of knitting.

(Fee: \$35 for members; \$45 for non-members)

REGISTRATION opens May 15, 1995. Register early, space is limited!! Your space in the workshop can be reserved by sending a \$15 deposit (non-refundable after July 15, 1995) to:

Mary Lynn Jackson  
9326 Cal Road  
Baton Rouge, LA 70809

Make checks payable to *BAYOU YARN BENDERS*. The balance of your fees will be due the day of the workshop.

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REGISTRATION FORM FOR MARGARET STOVE WORKSHOP

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