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# *Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild*

## **NEWSLETTER**

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**December 1995**

### MINUTES

*Meeting of Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild*  
**November 18, 1995**

**PRESENT:** A good mix of old members and guests and potential new members. (*If I had been really quick, I would have everybody's name, but alas...*) Anyway, a hearty welcome to all those who visited for the first time!

**PROGRAM:** After everyone introduced themselves, the program was turned over to Marcy Petrini, who gave us the benefit of her considerable knowledge of weaving as she discussed fabric design. Always the encourager, Marcy used some of her "dogs" to illustrate points as she led us through the steps of making a good fabric. (*Actually, it was hard for some of us to always recognize what she called a "dog"--perhaps we were already developing that flexibility she espoused.*) Anyway, we always learn a lot from Marcy, and there was no disappointment this time, either. She especially emphasized keeping notes on each project, as the best reference is work already done.

From "designing cloth," she moved into a discussion of network drafting for those who have eight-harness looms, promising to give fuller instruction to that group following the break.

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

The October minutes were approved as printed in the newsletter.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Christmas Tree for Chimneyville.** In the absence of the Chairmen Kreyling, members were encouraged to help if asked or to volunteer to Pam and Ed.

**Loom Crawl.** Jane Burrows I (in Raleigh) and Melba Nipper (in Brandon) will be hostesses for Loom Crawl on December 9. Maps are in this newsletter; a car pool will meet at the Ag Museum at 9 a.m. that morning for those who'd like to make the trip together. Sign up with Milti to bring appetizers, soup, salad, or dessert.

**Roc Day.** Marva emphasized that all CWSG members DO have to register with Carol Parks by December 15 to attend Roc Day. Since hotel

reservations are slower than expected (we had thought we'd need the entire hotel), members are encouraged to stay at the Trollo. Please volunteer to help with registration, serving, whatever, by calling Marva. The point was made that a guest who is accompanying a CWSG member but not registered for Roc Day will pay \$5 for the dinner on Friday. So far there are seven excellent vendors registered and about 30 spinners.

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### 1995-96 CWSG Board

**Director:** Kathy Cohron, 414 Lake Cavalier Rd., Jackson, MS 39213; 856-6698

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Hazel is in charge of food for the event and asked each member ("100% participation!") to make one recipe of a pick-up dessert, to be brought in a disposable container and labeled with your name. (*Mama Hazel really meant business about this, so let's get busy baking!*) The desserts can be brought or sent Friday evening or Saturday morning.

Barbara Mitchell suggested a photo display for Roc Day similar to one she had seen in the Blue Ridges.

**Thank-you notes** from Nancy Kahrs and Martha Garrott to the guild were read.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Banner/Sign.** There has been a recurring need for identification of our group at demonstrations and displays. The motion was made and approved to have both a banner to hang and a rigid sign (for a standing easel) made for this purpose. President Kathy will see to this.

**Spin-In.** Lu Harding said that she is going, and invited anyone who wants to go to call her about it.

**Hostess Committee.** Kathy announced that Melba, Heather, and Marva are the Hostess Committee, and members can expect to be called to help with refreshments for our monthly meetings.

**Pink Elephant Drawing.** (*Is that for real?*) Milti Leonard and Jessica Nipper were tickled pink with the yarns they won! The library received some nice books on knitting.

**Show and Tell.** Several pieces were presented: there is a lot of interest in chenille right now! All were fun to see and hear about.

**ADJOURNMENT.** (I had to leave at this point, so I cannot report on the rest of the afternoon in the weaving loft.)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

*'Twas the night before Loom Crawl, and at Melba's place, the wheels were all spinning at a furious pace. . . The spinners will meet Friday, December 8, at Melba Nipper's house (120 Evergreen Dr., Brandon) at 7:00 p.m. (Since Melba's also hosting Loom Crawl the next day, a map to her house is included in this newsletter.)*

All you cyber-surfers out there should drop in at the **Craftsmen's Guild's new web page**. It's URL is <http://www.teclink.net/mscrafts>. The page contains information about the Craftsmen's Guild and its activities. Featured in this month's slide presentation is **Margaret Pittman's Pattern Weaving**. Congratulations, Margaret, for having your work displayed on the Internet!

### CLASSIFIEDS

**WANTED TO BUY:** Used loom. Not too expensive. Four harness. At least 45 inches wide. Please call or write Melba Nipper, 120 Evergreen Drive, Brandon, MS 39042; 601/825-3749.

*Classified advertisements are placed free of charge to members of the Chimneyville Weavers and Spinners Guild. The fee for non-members is \$5.00 per ad, to run a maximum of three times.*

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JANUARY SPIN-IN 1996

DATE--January 24-28. 1996

LOCATION-- Seascape Resort and Conference Center. Destin. Florida--Located in the FL panhandle.

REGISTRATION: Send a check for \$10 (advance registration) along with the enclosed reservation form to Choctawhatchee Bay Spinners Guild, 664 Brookhaven Way, Niceville, FL 32578. A map will be provided about 3 weeks prior to Spin-in. DEADLINE FOR ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS January 15th--after that registration is \$25.

INFORMATION:

Spin-in is set up so that you can come for whatever time your schedule allows, whether that is one or two days or the entire time. There will be an informal gathering at 7 p.m. on Wednesday. This is just the first of many times to put names with faces. On Thurs., Fri. and Sat., we will begin around 9 a.m. in the conference room. If you wish to start your day later that's fine. Around 11 a.m. each day, we will have a time of sharing for anything you have made or are currently working on that you would like to show. We try to break for lunch about noon and resume at 1:00 p.m. Information on local restaurants will be available at ideas on lunch and dinner. We usually break around 5 or 5:30 for supper and in the past various groups have gotten together in individual rooms for more visiting.

It has become something of a tradition to have door prizes at the Spin-in. If you have something you would like to donate, it will be most welcome, but is certainly not required. In the past people have brought such things as books, both new and used, antique bobbins, fiber, handmade craft items, and door prizes that they won the year before and would like to recycle. This is just a fun thing and everyone goes home with a prize (and some years, two).

If you have any thing that you want to share, or show, please bring it with you for the Spin-in. If, during the Spin-in, you see someone doing something you would like to know more about please ask them. This is a time to share.

Please remember the challenging things for this year's Spin-in--the most creative use of a toilet roll and songs with the word ROLL in the title.

We hope that everyone will have a wonderful time and we are looking forward to meeting each of you. If you have any questions or need any help prior to the Spin-in, please contact Nancy Kahrs at (904) 897-5011.

JANUARY SPIN-IN 1996

Since we now have a larger place, we will be able to have the vendors right in the room with us so they can participate more fully and we can get more visiting/shopping done. Oh, how we love shopping opportunities!

Spin-in 1996 will be held at Seascape in Destin, FL. It is closer to Bayou Bill's Crab House for those of us who feed our faces there on Saturday night.

As in the past, participants will make their own reservations with Seascape or nearby motels. We strongly urge you to make your reservations early particularly with Seascape since there are a limited number of condos in each size and, after Dec. 22, 1995, they will no longer be reserved just for us.

Each condo has a king sized bed in the master bedroom, (the other bedrooms contain twin beds) a living room, dining area and kitchen plus the number of baths indicated below. The sizes and prices of the condos are listed below. As in the past, there is also an 8% room tax added to these figures.

SIZE: BEDROOM/BATH	MAX PEOPLE	UNIT RATE/NIGHT
1/1	2	\$75.00
2/1	4	\$105.00
2/2	4	\$110.00
3/2	6	\$126.00

When you make your reservations, with Seascape, please tell them you are with the January Spin-in to get these special rates. You may guarantee your reservations with a credit card. Cancellation policy for individual reservations is 72 hours.

Seascape  
100 Seascape Drive  
Destin, FL 32541  
(904) 837-9181  
1-800-874-9106 (outside of FL)  
1-800-342-2710 (inside of FL)  
Ask to speak to Maria if possible.

Other motels in the area: (all are within 6 miles of Seascape and are listed below with the closest first)

Sleep Inn	Destin	904-654-7022	(about 1/2 mile from Seascape)
Hampton Inn	Destin	904-654-2677	Seascape)
Holiday Inn	Destin	904-837-6181	1-800-HAMPTON
Comfort Inn	Destin	904-837-0007	1-800-228-5150

It is suggested that you make your reservations early! We are looking forward to seeing you there.

# RESERVATION FORM FOR JANUARY SPIN-IN 1996

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

I am planning on arriving \_\_\_\_\_

I am planning on departing \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

SPINNER \_\_\_\_\_

VENDOR \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Vendors please let us know if you wish to be set up in the room with the spinners or if you prefer to sell in your own condo. Tables for vendors in spinning room are approx. 2 ft x 6 ft. This will be on a space available basis. Please check what you will need in the way of tables. We will try to accommodate you as best we can.**

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 table \_\_\_\_\_ 2 tables \_\_\_\_\_ 3 tables

\_\_\_\_\_ 4 tables

All reservations must be received by January 12, 1995. Please mail this form and your \$10 check to Chortawhatchee Bay Spinners Guild, 664 Brookhaven Way, Niceville, FL 32578.



## Southeast Fiber Forum Assoc. 1996 Conference

Nashville, Tennessee  
April 12 - 14, 1996

Keynote Address  
by Nancy Crow

### WORKSHOP TEACHERS

- Nancy Crow: "Two Improvisational Techniques" (quilting)  
Arlyn Ende: "Hooking from a New Angle" (contemporary rughooking)  
Jennifer Gould-Traylor: "Designing Dolls" (contemporary dollmaking)  
Bethanne Knudson: "Fabric Etching: Cutwork Without Scissors" (surface design)  
Ethel Kawamura: "Kumihimo" (Japanese braiding)  
Priscilla Gibson-Roberts: "Tapestry Knitting" (knitting)  
Beth Hester: "Cherokee Style Storage Basket with Chief's Daughter Pattern" (basketry)  
Claudia Lee: "Papermaking: Personal Imagery" (handmade paper)  
Madelyn van der Hoogt: "Thick 'n Thin" (weaving)  
Heather Winslow: "Handwoven Sweaters" (weaving - finishing)  
Jan Friedman: "Exercises in Color Blending and Texture" (weaving)  
Patsy Zowistaski: "Marvelous Goats and Mohair" (spinning)

contact: Becky Brodersen  
6722 Duquaine Ct., Nashville, TN 37205 phone: (615) 352-7413

Southeast Fiber Forum Association is an organization made up of individuals and guilds who share an interest in fiber arts and crafts. Its purpose is to provide an annual fiber conference in the southeast for its membership. These conferences hosted by member guilds give fiber enthusiasts an opportunity to meet, study, and have fun with others who share their enthusiasm. Lifetime memberships are only \$5.00 for individuals and \$25.00 for guilds.

On April 12 - 14, 1996 the Handweavers Guild of Nashville has planned an exciting SFFA conference to take place in Nashville. Noted quilter and color expert Nancy Crow will give the keynote address. Early conference tours with a fiber focus will be fun and informative. Two rooms of commercial vendors from as far as Oregon will provide those "hard-to-find-in-your-hometown" supplies. There will be a choice of seminars and a choice of twelve workshops.

Conference brochures will be available in late September. Contact: Becky Brodersen,  
6722 Duquaine Ct., Nashville, TN, 37205;  
telephone (615) 352-7413.  
Make membership checks payable to SFFA.

## LOOM CRAWL ASSIGNMENTS (from Milti Leonard)

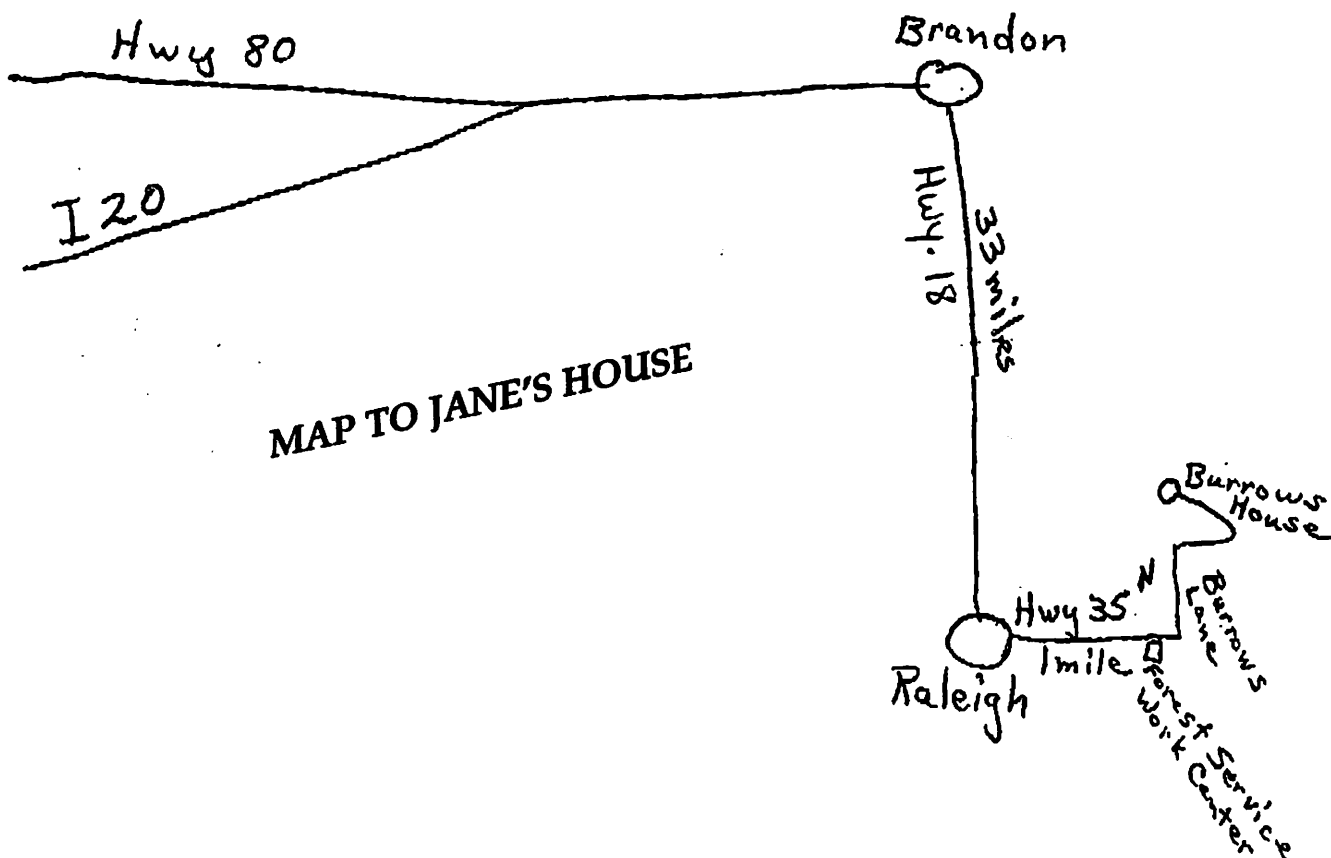
--at the home of Jane Burrows, Raleigh

APPETIZERS:      Margaret Pittman      Barbara Mitchell  
                     Marva Goodman      Carol Parks  
                     Jill Hammes      Marianne Sicard

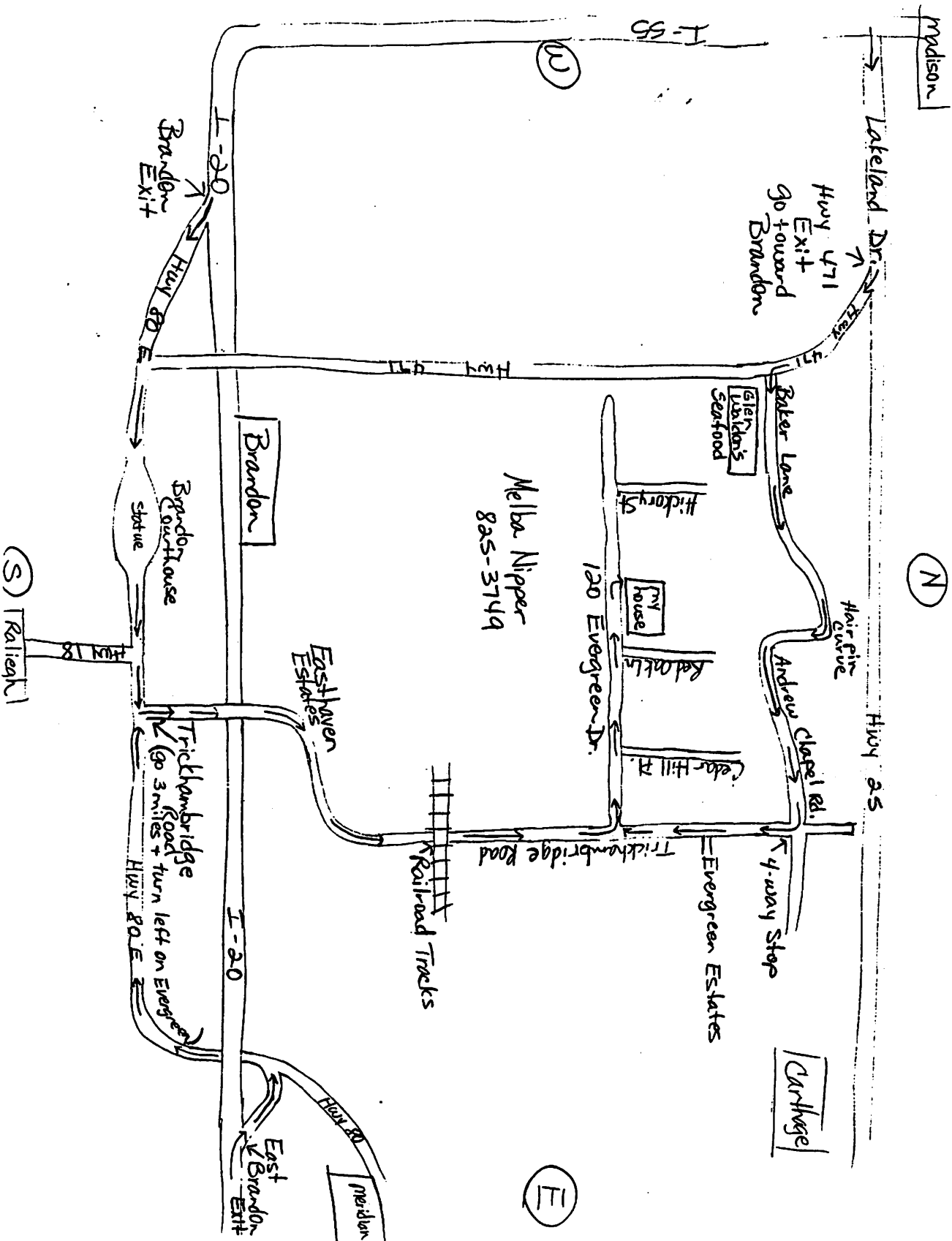
LUNCHEON:      Hazel Howell - salad  
                     Nancy Landrum - bread  
                     Marcy Petrini - bread  
                     Lu Harding - vegetable soup  
                     Deborah Levine - soup

--at the home of Melba Nipper, Brandon

DESSERT:      Kathy Smith  
                     Ann Hayne  
                     Marcy Petrini - chocolate sauce, cookies  
                     Milti Leonard - brownies  
                     Kathy Cohron - sock-it-to-me cake



# MAP TO MELBA'S HOUSE



## ROC DAY ASSIGNMENTS (from Hazel Howell)

### FOODS TO BE FURNISHED FRIDAY NIGHT AND SATURDAY

BROWNIES: Marian Sicard  
Marva Goodman  
Hazel Howell  
Milti Leonard

CHOCOLATE CHIPS: Nancy Landrum (plus one more kind)  
Deborah Levine  
Jill Hammes  
Lu Harding  
Melba Nipper

CRISPY COOKIES: Sandi Tucker  
Kathy Cohron

BREAKFAST BREADS: Deborah Levine  
Barbara Mitchell  
Kathy Smith  
Marcy Petrini--Mom's chocolate bread

CAKE OR MUFFINS: Heather Gillis--pound cake  
Carol Parks--chocolate sheet cake  
Jackie Rollins--banana bread  
Ann Hayne--pecan tassies  
Deborah Levine--seed rolls  
Jill Hammes--blueberry muffins  
Hazel Howell--blueberry bran muffins

### VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH FOOD SERVING:

Kathy Cohron	Marian Sicard	Nancy Landrum
Ann Hayne	Deborah Levine	Barbara Mitchell
Lu Harding	Milti Leonard	Margaret Pittman

A big thanks to all from Hazel. I will try to get a note to you later designating your responsibilities. We need to borrow some crock pots for the venison chili. Margaret Pittman is going to help with the chili.

## LETTERS

*From Martha Garrott*  
Dear CWSG,

Now that I'm caught up with the "must do's" in the aftermath of the Pioneer and Indian Festival, I can get around to the pleasant duties like thanking you all once again for the grand job you do in informing and converting our bemused visitors toward understanding and valuing the fiber arts.

I only wish we had better facilities for your demonstrations, parking, and everything else.

Help us lobby for the new Crafts Center!

And thanks--from my heart--

Martha

*From Nancy Kahrs*  
Dear Marcy,

Please pass on to the Chimneyville Weavers Guild how much I appreciate the opportunity to teach the Spinning Cotton Happily workshop. What a great, congenial group of spinners! It was wonderful to meet all of you (and hopefully, you are now happy about at least some aspect of cotton).

Thanks again for having me. Hope to see each of you at Spin-In.

Regards,

Nancy Kahrs

Chimneyville Weavers & Spinners Guild  
c/o Carol Parks  
Cherry Stone Cir.  
Clinton, MS 39056



Marcy Petrini  
950 Fairfax Cr.