

Chimneyville

Weavers & Spinners Guild

November 1998 newsletter

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Next meeting: Nov. 21 at weaving studio

Sharon Williams will lead the program for our Nov. 21 meeting at the weaving studio. Ann Haynes will provide refreshments. There will be an open house in the gallery and studio that day, so plan to spin or do other handwork after the meeting, as we hope to have visitors!

Margaret Pittman will host spin-in Friday, Nov. 20, at 6 p.m.

October meeting minutes

By Jane Dollar

Our October meeting was held at Hazel Howell's on Friday night during spin-in, as Pioneer Festival was on Saturday. Let me say that the wine was quite good and we all enjoyed it, not just Marcy!

The motion on 501-c3 (becoming a legal entity) passed. It will cost us \$50. We will be able to get grants and cannot be sued as individuals. We have to produce three years of financial records for the IRS.

Rosina Echols moved we revise our by-laws to change our fiscal year to Jan. 1 - Dec. 31. This will eliminate several problems. I think I seconded (told you the wine was good!). There was a note about this in the October newsletter.

∩ We were assured we will get our directories soon. (Editor's note: directories have been mailed.)

The procedure notebook will also be ready soon.

Amy Evans (our own! we had her first!) was to be at Marcy's Sunday night. She is a member of the loom police; if nothing is on the loom, they take all the chocolate!

November spin-in will be at Margaret Pittman's at 6 p.m.

After the meeting Saturday, Nov. 21, those of us who want can bring wheels, etc. People will be coming upstairs to look. Our Fimo program is a no-go; Sharon Williams might do color wraps.

There will be a notice next month about the Chimneyville Crafts Festival Christmas tree.

Loom Crawl will be at Nancy Landrum's and Jill Hammes' on Dec. 12. Linda Gayle Smith volunteered to have spin-in; due to her husbands' health, Melba Nipper volunteered also. And Nancy said anyone who wants can spend the night with her and help! Gifts will be optional. As usual, they should have something to do with weaving, fiber, etc. Handmade, preferably.

There was a note in the October newsletter about Beverlee's survey. We need to respond and help her out. We had an update on the COE. Three people passed; one of these was a Level II in tapestry.

The Web site address for the Southeast Fiber Forum '99 is in the October newsletter. It is now too late to submit more names for teachers.

The last issue of SS&D has pictures of some of Margaret Pittman's work illustrating the article on the TLC. Way to go, Margaret! But then, we all your work is gorgeous; it's just nice for the rest of the world to know, too.

Rosina gave us a brief financial report.

Then we adjourned and went back to the wine.... Boy, was I glad I was staying with Hazel!

Marcy's weaving class

Contrary to the rumor, there are a couple of places in the winter class, starting in January. Several new people have expressed interest, but places are reserved only with payment (full or partial). For more information about the classes or to sign up, please call the Craftsmen's Guild office at 981-0019.

Roc Day '99

The Acadiana Weavers and Spinners Guild will host the annual Roc Day celebration Jan. 9, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Milton Civic Center in Lafayette, La. Deadline for registration is Dec. 15. To register, send a \$20 registration fee along with your name, address, phone and guild affiliation to Roc Day c/o Elaine Hurst, 113 Deanna Drive, Lafayette, LA 70503. For more information, call Elaine at (318) 981-8620 evenings.

A block of rooms at the Courtyard Marriott has been reserved for Roc Day participants. Rate (valid until Dec. 18) is \$65 per room, with choice of king or two queen beds. For reservations, call 800-321-2211.

CWSG to host mud cloth workshop in April

Judy Dominic will teach a three-day bogolan (mud cloth) workshop Friday, April 9 through Sunday, April 11 at the weaving studio at the Chimneyville Crafts Building in Jackson. A possible second workshop may be offered April 12-14, depending on interest. A workshop registration form is enclosed.

HGA sends thanks for COE work

(Note from Marcy: Even though these notes are addressed to Marva and me, they are for the whole guild.)

Dear Marcy and Marva:

On behalf of HGA please accept our sincere thanks and appreciation for a job well done. Hosting a COE Examining is a huge responsibility. We appreciate your willingness to take on this responsibility and the hard work that it entails. We also appreciate your willingness to review process and to make suggestions for improvements to the Host Guild Guidelines. You and your committee have made a wonderful contribution in support of the fiber community. Please extend HGA's thanks to everyone in the Chimneyville Handweavers Guild and to everyone on the COE Host Guild Committee.

Sincerely,

Sandy Bowles, executive director

Dear Marcy and Marva:

Let me echo Sandy's thanks for the fine job you did with the COE/W judging. Your hard work, patience, tact and ability to operate under pressure is just incredible.

Thanks,

Charlene Anderson-Shea, HGA president

CALENDAR

Nov. 20: Spin-in at Margaret Pittman's, 6 p.m.

Nov. 21: CWSG meeting

Dec. 12: Loom Crawl at Nancy Landrum's and Jill Hammes' in Meridian

Jan. 9: Roc Day '99; (318) 981-8620 evenings

Jan. 27-31: Spin-in at Destin

Feb. 19-21: LunaSea '99 in Destin

Feb. 22-24: Intensive LunaSea; 877-LunaSea

Coming up:

Bogolan (Mud Cloth) Workshop, April 9-11, weaving studio, Jackson

HGA's Small Expressions, May 15 - June 27, 1999; Mississippi Museum of Art, Jackson. Opening and gallery talk by juror Lotus Stack will be May 21.

Southeast Fiber Forum, May 21-23, 1999; Millsaps College, Jackson;
(http://personal.lig.bellsouth.net/~mfp_tmd) or write CWSG

Call for entries:

"Millennium: Fiber Moving into a New Age," March 30 – April 30, 1999. Regional juried fiber exhibit sponsored by the Chattahoochee Handweavers Guild, Atlanta, and the Fine Arts Gallery, Kennesaw State University, Kennesaw, Ga.

Open to all residents of Ala., Miss., Ga., La., Fla., S.C., N.C., Va., Tenn., Ken., W.V., D.C. Juror will be Marge Warren of Lake Junaluska, N.C. Slide deadline is Jan. 29, 1999. Jury fee is \$20 for up to three pieces of work.

For entry brochure, send a stamped, self-addressed legal-size envelope to: Margie Freeborn, 1264 Weatherstone Dr., Atlanta, GA 30324.

**Judy Dominic's
Bogolan (Mud Cloth) Workshop
Friday, April 9 - Sunday, April 11, 1999**

Judy Dominic is a renown fiber artist from the Cincinnati, Ohio area who teaches bogolan and basketry around the country. She has exhibited extensively. Her creativity, sense of humor and fun really come across in this cross-cultural workshop that she has developed to make this fiber art accessible to those with no previous exposure as well as experienced artists. This is an experience you will not want to miss!

Judy says: Traditional bogolan uses narrow woven strips of cotton cloth stitched together and "painted" with mud to produce a story in symbols. We won't be using African mud or symbols, but we will tell our own stories in various muds as we pattern our cloth. Bring a container of your favorite mud to share!

In this 3 day workshop we will work on a T-shirt and large wrap and we will learn how to do the African "mud dance" while we wait for our mud to dry!

Where: Chimneyville Crafts Building, home of the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi studio, classroom and on the grounds (weather permitting) of the Mississippi Agriculture and Forestry Museum, 1150 Lakeland Drive, Jackson, MS. (Please enter through the service gate and park in the spaces provided behind the main museum building).

Time: we will start on Friday April 9, 9 am sharp! A possible second workshop may be offered on Monday April 12 through Wednesday April 14, depending on interest.

Cost: \$100.00 plus \$35.00 materials fee

To register: Please fill out and return the enclosed registration form. **Class size is limited** due to the nature of the workshop, and it is usually filled way ahead of time. Sign up early. Your place will be guaranteed **ONLY** with payment of the non-refundable deposit. **No fiber, or surface design experience necessary!** Beginners are welcomed.

You must bring:

- laundered 100% cotton T-shirt
- laundered 100% cotton fabric large enough to wrap as a skirt, 3 or more yards
- t-pins
- cardboard to put inside the T-shirt, so the mud won't go through
- two or more margarine containers of mud
- apron
- stencils and/or stamps you may want to use
- 12 spring type clothespins
- paper and pencil
- hair dryer or an iron
- masking tape

All other supplies, including handouts, will be supplied by the instructor as part of your material fee.

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To guarantee your place, please send this information and a \$50 non-refundable deposit to the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi, Inc. at the address listed above. Balance is due March 1, 1999. Material fee of \$35 is also due March 1.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone numbers, day and evening: _____

Please check one payment choice and a preferred set of dates:

Payment choice:

____ I am enclosing full payment of \$135.00.

____ I am enclosing a \$50 non-refundable deposit. I understand that the remaining fee is due March 1, 1999.

Preferred Dates:

____ Yes, sign me up for the Bogolan Workshop on April 9 - 11, 1999

____ Yes, please sign me up for the Bogolan Workshop on April 9 - 11, 1999, but I am **willing** to take the April 12 - 14 workshop if it will be available.

____ Yes, please sign me up for the Bogolan Workshop on April 9 - 11, 1999, but I **would prefer** to take the April 12 - 14 workshop if it will be available.

____ I cannot sign up for the April 9 - 11, 1999 Bogolan Workshop, but I would like to know if the April 12 - 14 workshop becomes available.

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A Vote for Hazel!

Dear CWSG members:

The CWSG Board unanimously approved to submit to the membership the name of Hazel M. Howell as an Honorary Life Member. Because we would like this to be a surprise, we don't want this to appear in the newsletter, or discussed it at the meeting. A 2/3 vote of the members is required, according to our By-laws, so please vote *before* the December meeting at the Loom Crawl. Please vote in one of the following way: 1) leave the enclosed ballot in my mailbox at the Craftsmen's Guild office (I won't be at the November meeting); 2) drop the ballot in the regular mail; 3) phone me at the phone number above with your vote; 4) e-mail me at the e-mail address above with your vote.

The plan would be to present to Hazel her Honorary Life Membership during Loom Crawl, to return to her the 1998-99 dues and give her a gift.

It would be difficult in this short space to describe all that Hazel has done for our Guild over the years, but I don't think it's necessary, since everyone of us knows Hazel and her contributions. Service is her middle name. This Honorary Life Membership would be a small way for us to say thank you to Hazel.

Please vote! I look forward seeing you all at Loom Crawl.

Regards,

Marcy

Please return this ballot to Marcy as described above

Yes, I vote to award Hazel M. Howell an Honorary Life Membership.

No, I vote not to award Hazel M. Howell an Honorary Life Membership.

I abstain.

Name: _____