

Chimneyville

Weavers & Spinners Guild

February 1999 newsletter

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Happy birthday to:
Nancy Landrum
Margaret Pittman

Learn about kumihimo at Feb. meeting

Cynthia Crull will teach us about kumihimo braiding at the CWSG meeting Feb. 20. Everything needed for the program will be provided. Kumihimo covers a wide range of braiding techniques, from simple to complex, practiced in Japan for many centuries. Smooth silk is the traditional yarn for kumihimo, but choices of yarn are as limitless as the uses for this decorative and functional braid.

Spin-in will be at Ann Hayne's house, beginning at 6 p.m., at 110 Beaver Run in Brandon (992-4583). She'll serve a soup and salad dinner. See map in this newsletter.

January meeting minutes

By Jane Dollar

After our discussion of Southeast Fiber Forum, Marcy opened our meeting.

The December minutes were approved.

A motion was made and passed to have a CWSG silent auction at SFF '99 to make money for the guild. Little things may be contributed as door prizes; larger things contributed for the auction. We need to tell how much the object is worth; minimum bid will be 50%.

Our motion to incorporate passed.

There will be a SFF '99 chair meeting after lunch following our Feb. meeting.

Policy and procedures notebook is done. We will get copies and notebook in February if we are at the meeting; otherwise we will just get a copy mailed to us.

Since we are very busy with SFF, our annual Sheep to Shawl will be postponed to next year.

The Birmingham Guild is hosting a beading class sometime in the future.

Those of us at Roc Day received an announcement of Perkins Farm Wool Days, set for April 3 & 10, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in Reeves, La. For information call (318) 666-2252.

Those of us who attended Roc Day gave a brief report--fun for all!

Lu and Barbara had lunch with Heather, who is now a member of the N.O. Guild.

We sympathize with Kathy C. on the illness of her stepmother.

Elizabeth Lewis had surgery and is doing well.

And I'm going to be a grandmother for the first time about the end of August!

Show and tell:

Marva Goodman: Knit cap of handspun wool; a star woven in silk linen on a 200-year-old loom in Holland; handspun yarn of llama and alpaca.

Marcy Petrini: Sampler of left- and right-hand twills with different twist handspun merino yarn.

Nancy Landrum: Handwoven grass cloth from Africa; wool scarves handwoven in Brighton Honeycomb.

Guild policy and procedure notebook available

By Marcy Petrini

Copies of the guild policy and procedure notebook will be available to all current members. Those attending the February meeting will receive the content and a free, recycled three-ring binder, compliments of Marcy and Lu Harding. Those not attending the meeting will receive the contents in the mail and will have to provide their own binder.

As we discussed in the past, the notebook will be updated yearly; the president will check the minutes of the past year during the summer and change the notebook to reflect those changes voted by the membership or procedures changed by a committee. The new pages will be provided to the current members in September, along with the new directory. I think I have covered the minutes of the past year, but something may have slipped past me or I may have made mistakes in other areas. So, when you receive your notebook, please take the time to read it and let me know of any errors or unclear practices. I will make changes as necessary, so the new president will start with a correct book.

This represents a lot of work by a lot of people, so I hope that it is as current as possible. I hope it will be useful for the future, so our guild doesn't have to reinvent the wheel. Personally, I'd rather spin with mine!

Guild directory updates

Please make these changes in your directory:

- Reinstated member: Nancy Olson, 1428 Wisteria Dr., Vicksburg, MS 39180; home: 601-638-3945; work: 601-355-7444; birthday: 4/7; e-mail: KandENA@aol.com.
- New member (welcome!): Caroline Halley, 107 Stockton Dr., Brandon, MS 39047; home: 601-992-0944; work: 601-992-9991; birthday: 12/21. Hobbies: sewing, crochet.

CALENDAR

Feb. 19: Spin-in at Ann Hayne's, 6 p.m.

Feb. 20: CWSG meeting, weaving studio.

Feb. 20: Day of Spinning and Weaving with Norman Kennedy, hosted by Bayou Yarn Benders in Baton Rouge; 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call Stannie Luker, (504?) 926-7916.

Mar. 26 - Apr. 30: "Pieces and Strings," quilt competition and exhibit, Mississippi Cultural Crossroads in Port Gibson. Call (601) 437-8905.

Mar. 30 - Apr. 30: "Millennium: Fiber Moving into a New Age," juried regional fiber exhibit sponsored by Chattahoochee Handweavers Guild, Atlanta, Ga; (404) 636-1633.

May 8: Little Barn traveling show, hosted by Dyed-in-the-Wool Spinners and Weavers Guild. Call Lynn Gonzalez at (228) 539-2035 or e-mail lbghg@datasync.com.

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 during Southeast Fiber Forum.

Southeast Fiber Forum, May 21-23, 1999; Millsaps College, Jackson. Workshops, seminars, vendors and lots of fiber fellowship. Topics include weaving, spinning, knitting, quilting, dyeing, papermaking, dollmaking, stamping and more.

For the latest updates, check out http://personal.lig.bellsouth.net/~mfp_tmd. To request a registration booklet, write Southeast Fiber Forum, P.O. Box 1152, Ridgeland, MS 39158.

