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SHEEP TO SHAWL
SATURDAY
APRIL 20, 2002
9:00 A.M.
CRAFTMEN'S GALLERY

Shearing will take place at 11:00. We will cancel if it rains. A good time will be had by all. Come to the SPIN-IN at Kathy Cohron's house on Friday night. If you plan to be at Kathy's please let her know by contacting her at 601-856-6698 or CCOHRON@jam.rr.com. It is potluck, but potluck doesn't mean homemade. Just come and let's have fun.

SPRING RETREAT

Lu Harding is offering her family's **Gulf Shores** house for a fiber retreat either **April 26-28 or May 3-5**, depending on when more people can come. On the agenda is a visit to the Chinese exhibition in Mobile, which includes a brocade drawloom. If you are interested, please let Lu know which weekend would be better for you. Call Lu at (601) 355-8807 or see her at Sheep to Shawl April 20.

MINUTES for MARCH 16, 2002

In the absence of president Debbie Stringer, Nancy Landrum called the meeting to order. Marva Goodman volunteered to take minutes.

Old Business:

The April meeting will be held on Friday night, April 19, prior to Sheep-to-Shawl the following day. A sign up sheet and map to Kathy Cohron's house where the meeting will be held were passed around. Guild members signed up their choice of dish to bring for the supper. The business meeting will be held after the meal. Anyone not attending the March meeting needs to call Kathy if they plan to come.

Sewing workshop: An August date was tentatively set. The workshop will include the construction of a simple garment, sewing instruction, pattern reading, and simple pattern alteration. There will be a limit of 10 for the class. If there is sufficient interest, a second workshop will be offered.

Spring retreat to see the China exhibit: Nancy passed out pamphlets and books from the exhibit she has already attended. Her comment: 'It is worth seeing, even twice. There are items men will enjoy. The silk fabric that is being woven on the demonstration loom is woven at about 315 ept. Good parking is close by.

Donation the Craftman's Guild of MS matching grant fund: Sandy moved that we give \$500 to this fund. Margaret seconded the motion. The discussion stated that this is a reasonable rate for a monthly meeting site which we are furnished free of charge. The new CGM building, which is planned, will be a very good place for artists to gather. This motion will be voted on at the April meeting.

Report from the nominating committee: Margaret reported that they have been unable to fill all the positions. They will have to bring a final report for the April newsletter and we will vote at the April meeting.

Program update: Holly said that we should all be working on our journals which will be part of the Gravity Show in October. The other piece we should all be working on from the art cards, which Sharon allowed us to choose from, will be part of the NWCC Art Gallery show.

Beading class: Dates for the Leigh Everett beading class were discussed. June 15 is the tentative date selected.

CD purchase: Lu moved during the February meeting that we put half our checking account balance into a CD after expenses are paid. Action on this will be taken at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

A proposal for a gourd basket class was passed around. No action was taken on this. Joan announced that the Grenada Art Guild has scheduled an outdoor guild day. Demonstrators may sell their work if they would like to come and demonstrate. This will be the second or third Saturday in May.

There is an art workshop held each year at Tougaloo College. Joan moved that we pay the tuition for the class, The Art Quilt, for a CWSG member to attend with the stipulation that this person hold a workshop for the guild on this subject afterward. The tuition is \$245 with a \$50 materials fee. Melba seconded the motion. Discussion and vote will be held at the April meeting.

Marva moved that we have Jill pursue a Kim Witt paper workshop and that Joan present a workshop on the pvc rug loom and rug twining. Margaret seconded the motion.

We took a break for refreshments and Pink Elephant. Melba won someone's knit (but not put together) sweater. There was lots of yarn.

SHOW AND TELL

Sandy showed her handspun for warp from her ROC Day prize. She had a neat idea for a bag to hold the fiber for spinning. She had a large crochet circle with a drawstring in the outer edge. Spread out flat on the floor beside the spinning wheel, it makes a holder for spinning fibers. Drawn up, it makes a carrier for the fibers—or a casserole holder!!

Joan had a thread bead from handspun. Holly show a woven baby blanket of blue tencel done in point twill/basket weave. Marva modeled her 30-Minute jacket done from instructions in the latest issue of Threads magazine. Margaret brought her LX faux ikat samples.

PROGRAM: Debbie Levine presented the program—An Overview of Color Knitting. She discussed stranded knitting, where two colors are used across the row, intarsia, used for large blocks of color or isolated patches, and mosaic knitting. We enjoyed her hints and helps on using color in our knitting. She made it seem easy.

The meeting was adjourned.

Marva Goodman (substituting for Anne)

See you on Saturday.