



Happy Birthday

Nancy Landrum Feb 5
Beverly Milner Feb 16
Margaret Pittman Feb 18

Dear Weavers, Spinners and Fiber Fans,

Wow, have you ever seen such beautiful weather for February. Hard to stay in at the loom or wheel when it is so warm and the sky so blue. Nature calls. But while you are outside with nature, look around at the colors, see the soft pink, reddish color at the tip of some trees, this is Spring. I even saw some daffodils in bloom. So Spring is not far off.

And SMALL EXPRESSIONS is not far off either. Really looking for a great turn out from our Guild for this exhibit at the Crafts Center on Tuesday, February 24th at 5:30 P.M. Plan on being there for this event.

Sandra Mayo, President.

Minutes of January 17, 2009 meeting

IMPORTANT: The February meeting originally scheduled for Feb 21 is replaced with the opening of *Small Expressions* on February 24 at 5:30 pm at the Mississippi Crafts Center.

The minutes of the December, 2008 meeting were approved.

The Treasurer's report as published in the January Newsletter was approved.

Librarian's report: (Beverly Milner)

1. Two books were donated to the library by Marcy Petrini: *Start Spinning: Everything You Need to Know to Make Great Yarn* by Maggie Casey and *Kids Start Quilting* with Alex Anderson. Thank you Marcy.
2. The following individuals have keys to the cabinets: the Librarian, Beverly Milner; the President, Sandra Mayo, and the Secretary, Gio Chinchar.
3. Beverly will put a box in each cabinet for checking out books.
4. **Action Item:** It was moved and seconded that the CWSG purchase the four monographs by Daryl Lancaster, as suggested previously by Marva Goodman. The motion passed. Additionally Beverly will provide a list of the other monographs by Daryl Lancaster for perhaps a future purchase.

5. There was much discussion about how best to categorize books, etc. Beverly is continuing her work on sorting through the books and updating the spreadsheet. Once updated, a copy will be provided to each member and will also be posted on the website.

6. A thank you card to Joe Gentile who donated books through Lu Harding was passed around and signed by all present. Lu Harding will get it to him.

Hazel's Party: Scheduled for March 21 from 2 to 4 pm at the Crafts Center.

Liz updated us on Hazel's condition and suggested we send cards. She will provide the mailing address.

Due to Hazel's misfortune, the party is on hold for the moment. A determination of whether it will go on as planned will be made in February. Meanwhile the following members have been assigned (volunteered for) the following tasks: **Jane Klinck and Beverly Milner**: organization of food and punch; **Carolyn Campbell**: creation of box for donations and a card to be signed by all; **Debbie Stringer**: invitations to all members by e-mail and a printed invitation to friends with whom she volunteers at the Crafts Center, Craft Center staff, and family members who live locally; and **Kathy Cohron**: centerpiece for table.

Sheep-to shawl: (Liz Turner's notes from Hazel)

April 18 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Sheep shearing will occur at 10:30 am and then again at 1 pm.

Chairs for the various stations are as follows:

1. Sheep and shearing: Patricia Holmberg
 2. Washing and drying: Katey Carter
 3. Carding: Patricia Holmberg
 4. Dyeing: Jane Dollar
 5. Spinning: Marva Goodman
 6. Knitting: Barbara Mitchell
 7. Weaving: Nancy Landrum
 8. "other things to do with wool" such as felting, etc.: Winki Allen
 9. Inside near the reception desk a station devoted to more contemporary weave structures: Margaret Pittman
- Liz will contact each one and verify that they will chair the station.***

Jane Mullins, a member of the Craftsmen's Guild has volunteered to help.

Chairs of each station will recruit members to help. Sign up sheets will be at the March meeting.

Liz Turner has agreed to make a permanent display on folding plywood. She brought the words and some Internet pictures that she would use. We had a chance to look at them and provide input. Each station will have a foam board that details the process more fully. Liz had the information for each of these stations also. Once again she asked for input from the members.

It was agreed that members bring food for a potluck luncheon the day of the event. Sandra Mayo will check for cups, plates, and silverware.

Odds and ends:

1. Pieces were collected for Guided Inspirations. A number of members are participating. I'll not list them for fear of forgetting someone. The opening is Feb. 2, 2009.

2. Marcy thanks those who contributed pictures for the website.

3. Many members had pieces for Show and Tell.

4. A White Elephant Sale was held.

A wonderful program on Fibers presented by Marcy Petrini followed the meeting. Not only did she tell us about a variety of fibers, many of them more recently available to the weaver and knitter, but she also had many samples for us to see and feel. A very good handout dealing with sett and gauge and other matters was provided. Thank you Marcy!!!!

Gio Chinchar, Secretary

Treasurer's Report

\$15 deposit from White Elephant sale

\$100 debit for Small Expression

Ending balance = 2,973.58

Carolyn Campbell, Treasurer

Remaining CWSG PROGRAMS 08-09

February 24: Opening of Small Expressions at Crafts Center

March 21: Navajo techniques on the tapestry loom by Nancy Landrum. Downstairs at the Craft's Center. *

April 18: expanded Sheep to Shawl: shearing, washing, dyeing, carding, spinning, warping and weaving, sequenced and with visuals. Patricia Holmberg will bring her sheep. On the porch and outside at the Craft's Center

May 16: felting woven scarves by Winki Allen. On the porch at the Craft's Center.

ALL GUILD MEETINGS:

Guild Meetings are held on the third Saturday of every month (September through May) at 10:00 at the Mississippi Crafts Center Library

CWSG Board Meeting will start at 9:00 during the regular Guild schedule unless otherwise notified by President.

Bring a snack lunch, drink, and other refreshments you might like during the day, and plan to spend the afternoon as well so that you may participate in the program.

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