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Monday	By Appt.
Tuesday	10 am - 3:30 pm
Wednesday	10 am - 3:30 pm
Thursday	10 am - 3:30 pm
Friday	By Appt.
Saturday	10 am - 3:30 pm
	every 3rd Sat.
Sunday	Closed

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The Little Loomhouse



Saturday, June 2, 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM

The Little Loomhouse is excited to announce the 4th annual Spin-A-Yarn Storytelling Festival! The festival will take place **Saturday, June 2, 2012 from 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM**. Eleven talented Kentuckiana residents will spin their yarns, each unique and family-friendly.

Four friends of the Little Loomhouse were lucky enough to get a preview of the festival during the storyteller auditions. The auditions were held on March 3 and coordinated by the Little Loomhouse's own storyteller-in-residence, Ole Man Mac, aka Garry McCandless. Judges Leslie Clements, Judy Fitzhugh, Robbie Masterson, and Mary Winges were entertained by nine local talents eager to share their stories.



The TARC Trolley will provide transportation.

During the Spin-a-Yarn festival, these nine folks will be joined by storytelling professionals Cynthia Changeris and Mandy Dick. In addition to stories, the festival will feature bluegrass music from The Shuttle Winders, featuring Tammy Burke and Jeff Guernsey. There will also be weaving and spinning demonstrations, basket making, and authentic Cherokee crafts on display, and cabin tours. A raffle will be held for ten pounds of Kentucky-raised beef, and the first 200 visitors will receive a free Storytelling Festival t-shirt. Food and drinks will be available for purchase, and the gift shop will be open all day.

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HAPPENINGS

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12 - Beechmont Festival of Flowers and Art in the Arbor, the Little Loomhouse will demonstrate weaving and sell our wares.

Kentucky State Fair - the Little Loomhouse will once again sponsor the Lou Tate Memorial Award and other weaving categories. Get your entries in early! Entries are due by July 2, 2012. KYSTATEFAIR.ORG

Spin-A-Yarn continued

General Admission is \$2 per person. Seniors 65 and older will be admitted for \$1, and children six and under are free. There will be free parking behind DeSales High School at 425 West Kenwood Drive and free TARC Trolley transportation between DeSales and The Little Loomhouse.

Demonstrations and Cabins tours start at 10:30, music at 11:00, and storytelling at 11:30. See you there!



Free T-shirts for the first 200 visitors.



The Little Loomhouse Hires Education Coordinator for the Summer

Greetings! My name is Stephanie Brown and I am honored and tremendously excited to become part of the Little Loomhouse. The Loomhouse has such a rich history and so much to offer the community through its weaving resources. I look forward to helping

Louisville and beyond access both of these.

I began weaving in 1995 on a beautiful, handmade 4-harness table loom. At first self taught, I soon found an Austrian weaving teacher, Rosmarie Amstein, in Golden, CO, who initiated me into the infinite possibilities available on just 4-harnesses.

A few years later, I purchased my first Glimakra, an Ideal 6-harness, 6 treadle countermarche floor loom. I have woven woolen and rag rugs, table runners, towels, napkins, scarves, blankets, woolen yardage for clothing, and cotton and linen yardage for upholstery. I just acquired my second Glimakra, a Standard 4-harness, 8 treadle countermarche loom and can't wait to get it warped!

Weaving took a back seat while I homeschooled my two boys, Torin and Carrick.. During this time, both completed beautiful projects on the loom. As they are now attending Louisville Classical Academy, I have the opportunity to more fully immerse myself again.

I now have a studio at the Mellwood Arts Center where I am weaving lightweight, colorful summer scarves using huck lace blocks in 16/2 cotton. I sell my scarves through both the retail and wholesale markets. My work is currently at the Kentucky Arts Council awaiting the jury process for Kentucky Crafted. I look forward to meeting each of you and hearing your weaving stories!

Where: the Little Loomhouse
When: May, June, July 2012,
10:00-3:00, Tuesday,
Wednesday and Thursday

Weaving Wednesdays

Attention Members! Weave a New Overshot Pattern Project.

by Sally Moss

Little Loomhouse members will have a new opportunity to weave an overshot (4 harness) pattern beginning June 6th through August 18th. Every Wednesday (10:00-3:00) and 3rd Saturday (10:00-3:00) members may come and create one Lou Tate Hot Mat at no cost!

These beautiful patterns were selected by Lou herself. Each one is a single unit of a draft, already set up on our table looms and ready to weave, these patterns are excellent for samples, decoration or gifts.

Also available for sale is Lou Tate's original publication Drafts for Hot Place Mats from Some Historic Kentucky Coverlets published as part of the Kentucky Weaver series. This booklet contains 15 separate patterns.

Come join the fun and make a beautiful 6" x 10" hot mat. See you this summer.

For the Kids:

Weaving Wednesdays - Kids Classes
Join us for one Wednesday or every Wednesday for eight weeks of fun!

Dates: June 13 through August 1

Time: 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Ages: 9 through 15

Cost: \$20 per session (day) for members
\$25 for non-members

Bring lunch and a drink. Spend the day weaving and making a project from your handcrafted fabric (No adult required!) Bring a friend, a cousin, a neighbor or a schoolmate. Come once, twice, or all 8 weeks, even the 4th of July! Call for reservations: Miss Sally at 239-7382 or 609-0104. More information? Check us out at our website or facebook page.

Chairs for Spin-A-Yarn

The Little Loomhouse would like to thank Mr. Earl Yocum for his generous donation of 79 folding chairs to the Little Loomhouse for use at the storytelling festival. We will put the chairs to good use and greatly appreciate Mr. Yocum's kindness.

Don't Throw It Out It's As Old As Me!

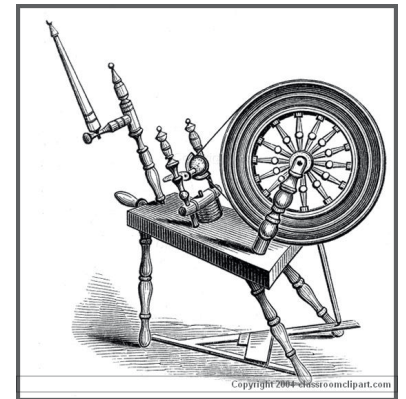
Sitting on a shelf at Tophouse, I recently came across several spools of warp thread with a handwritten note from Sally Moss tucked in the center of one of the



spools. The note read, This Army Green, cotton thread was given to Lou Tate during World War II when she worked with the wounded veterans at Fort Knox. I remember a loop warped with this in the 1960s. PS Don't throw it out. It's as old as me!

FOR SALE

The Little Loomhouse currently has a variety of floor looms and spinning wheels for sale. Call (502) 367-4792 for more information.



OUR WISH LIST

If you would like to make a non-monetary donation to the Little Loomhouse here are a few items we are currently in need of: Paper towels, Scrubbing Bubbles, Toilet bowl cleaner. Thanks!

HAPPENINGS

A Day at the Old Brownsboro Road Arts and Crafts Festival

by Sylvia Arnold-Kinsfather

On March 31, 2012, the Little Loomhouse set up a booth at the Fourth Annual Old Brownsboro Road Arts and Crafts Festival inside the old gym at Ballard H.S. According to Ms. Fulton, this festival was set up as a fundraiser for the approximately 200 choral students to help pay for music, instruments and trips. On one of their previous trips, they actually sang at Carnegie Hall!

Setup was at 7 am. My husband and I pulled up near the gym and the students helped us unload the truck. The choral students were awesome helping us get set up in the gym. We gave them our assigned booth number and everything was there waiting for us.

I loved the "rolling" coffee cart going thru the booths so we didn't have to leave them unattended for long. Those were the most helpful, well-mannered teens I've encountered in quite a while.

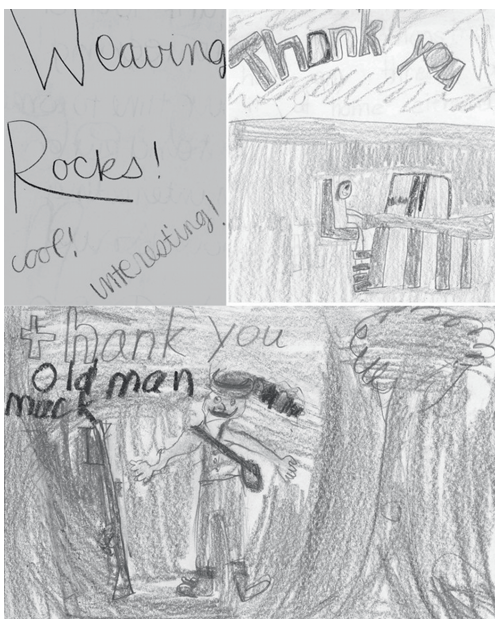
Sally Moss came to assist as we weren't sure how busy it was going to be there. Mostly it seemed to be the young people that were interested in actually weaving on the loom that we had set up.

Due to the Cards & Cats playoff that day, we didn't get as many visitors as we had hoped, but we did give out a lot of information about the Loomhouse and its upcoming festival in June.

We are so thankful to Linda Fulton and to Mr. Noel Weaver, the Choral Director at Ballard H.S. for giving us this opportunity and we hope to be back next year.



Ballard High School, site of Old Brownsboro Road Arts and Crafts Festival.



Thank you from the students of St. Rita School.

A Visit to St. Rita School

On March 28, the Little Loomhouse was invited to participate in St. Rita School's Enrichment Day. Rosemary McCandless took a loom and invited the students to try weaving. Our in-house storyteller, Ole Man Mac, Garry McCandless, also participated sharing a variety of stories. I'm not sure who had more fun, the students or the volunteers.

The Little Loomhouse would like to acknowledge the generous donations this quarter of Mary Jane Hoog and Mary Stuart Reichard.

Remembering the 1937 Flood



As Louisville commemorates the 75 year anniversary of the 1937 Flood, the Little Loomhouse wanted to share a couple of historic photographs from the private collection of Lou Tate Bousman's family. The photographs were taken at the Bousman family home located on South Third Street, in Old Louisville.



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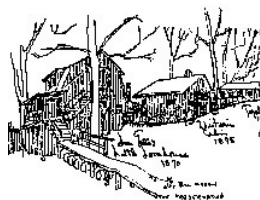
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