



## Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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<http://Wiliamsburgspinweave.org>

**April, 2013**

### **Monthly Meeting**

Monday, April 15, 2013

10:00 am (9:30 am social time) to 1:00 pm

#### **Bentwaters Farm**

1083 Circle Drive, Mathews, VA

**Bring a bag lunch!**

### **Program**

Chemical dying,

Dying scarves for June nuno scarf felting program,  
(see minutes for cost)

Discussion of plants to grow for Fall natural dyes workshop

### **Refreshments**

Bring a bag lunch

### **No Bash this month**

### **Directions to Bentwaters Farm**

Route 14 East from Mathews Courthouse (about 8 miles)  
Turn right on Circle Drive (Route 600) at New Point Firehouse  
Follow road approximately 1 mile to driveway on right

**WSWG**  
**Minutes March 18, 2013**  
**James City County Recreation Center**

President Sandi Petty called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.  
Sandi welcomed new member Beth Harmon.

**Minutes** for the February meeting were approved as published in the March newsletter.

**Committee Reports:**

**Treasurer:** Ingrid Kross reports that there is \$3136.48 in the checking account.

**Membership:** Ingrid has emailed everyone a copy of the 2013 membership roster. Please check your information for accuracy.

**Library:** A motion was made and seconded to purchase *The Weaver's Inkle Pattern Directory: 400 Warp-faced Weaves* by Anne Dixon. The motion passed unanimously.

**Sunshine:** Barbara Frey is doing well after her surgery.

**HGA:** Still no word on the location of the 2014 Convergence. Lots of interesting information is available on their website, including applications for scholarships to attend workshops. The address is:  
[www.weavespindye.org](http://www.weavespindye.org)

**Workshops:**

The Su Butler "Warp Painting" workshop will take place Tuesday-Thursday, June 25-27 at the Williamsburg Unitarian Church. Su will be staying with Sandi Petty at Sandi's Powhatan Plantation time-share. The Guild is responsible for Su's lunches and dinners. A sign-up sheet will be passed around. Kathy

will have more information as to supplies needed and the materials fee after the contract is signed.

The Albemarle Handweavers Guild in Charlottesville will host a 3 day workshop, "You did that on 4 shafts?", with Su Butler on Friday-Sunday, June 28-30. Our Guild members are welcome to attend: the cost is not known yet. Their website is [www.albemarleweavers.com](http://www.albemarleweavers.com).

**Programming:**

April 15: Chemical dying, including dying scarves for nuno scarf felting program (cost of scarf is \$6.05; please contact Mary Beth Hawn if you have not already ordered yours, ASAP); discussion of plants to grow for Fall natural dyes workshop. This will take place at Bentwaters Farm.

May 20: V shawls with Judy Mooers & Ingrid Kross

June 17: Heathsville Tavern visit & picnic; nuno scarf felting program with Mary Beth Hawn. Felting program will cost \$2.00 for supplies (+ \$6.05 for scarf- see April's program).

July 15: Meeting at Mary Lou Birns house to decide what to delete and what needs to be added to the Guild's library. Please review the holdings list before the meeting. People will need to carpool to this meeting as there is little parking available.

August 19: Melissa Yoder Ricks of Wild Hair Fibers

September or October- Natural dyes; possibly a spin-in day?

November: Kathleen Klumpp will show and discuss her film "Ancient cotton fiber art of Manabi Province, coastal Equador".

December: Christmas potluck and results of "Repurposing a sweater" Challenge

**Snacks:** Bring your bag lunch to the Farm.

**Bash:** No bash in April.

**Old Business:**

The one-day beginners spinning class took place Saturday, March 9, from 10-4 at the JCC Rec Center. Natalie Canfield, Ingrid Kross and Judy Mooers taught the class. Everyone felt it went very well. It might be better as a two-session class in the future. Judy Mooers also suggested that the Guild update the beginning spinning library holdings; this will be looked into at the July meeting. The one-day class will be repeated Saturday, July 13.

The new banner looked terrific hanging at the Mid Atlantic Quilt Festival.

Micki Decker reports that the Guild's exhibit is up and running at Blue Skies Gallery; she says it looks very nice and hopes members will stop by to see it. It runs through March 28. Micki will return items to owners at the April meeting.

**New Business:**

The JCC Before and After School Program has asked if the Guild could do a program at their various locations. It was suggested that the Guild look into doing a pilot program at one school, after the school break.

The Williamsburg Farmers Market begins its season Saturday, March 30. Kathy Kuhn will look into having the Guild demonstrate the second Saturday in May and a Saturday in September.

Kathy asked if there would be interest in doing a Second Sunday on Prince George's Street this year. She will look into what is involved.

**Show & Tell:**

Micki Decker: finished "Animal Challenge" necklace she was working on at the March Bash  
Claudia Melgaard: cotton towels from her rigid heddle loom  
Ingrid Kross: inkle looms she made for participants in today's program  
Jerry Smith: a knitty knotty to give away; inkle loom  
Sandi Petty: sewing: reversible vest; rain coat for granddaughter; Batman jacket for grandson  
Marsha Rehkamp: drop spindle and yarn made at the Beginning Spinning class  
Rosalie Brown: chenille (and other) handwoven scarves- for sale at Bentwaters Farm; some yarns from Bob Mosley  
Natalie Canfield: pine needle baskets  
Judy Mooers: 2 rag rugs; triangle shawl (from Quilt show); scarves  
Micki Pugh: Arts Alive 2013 Artist Studio Tour to benefit the Northumberland Public Library April 13 & 14

**Today's program**

Inkle looms with Sandi Petty

Respectfully submitted,  
Marsha Rehkamp

**Members in attendance:**

Linda Adamchak, Virginia Banks, Mary Lou Birns, Rosalie Brown, Natalie Canfield, Micki Decker, Jane Gustafson, Beth Harmon, Mary Beth Hawn, Ingrid Kross, Kathy Kuhn, Bernadette Marquez. Claudia Melgaard, Judy Mooers, Sandi Petty, Micki Pugh, Marsha Rehkamp, Jerry Smith

**FYI**  
**From the March Meeting:**

**Kathy Kuhn's Infinite Variety Pound Cake**

A box of Any Cake Mix-- I use the Pudding in the Cake Mix  
A box of Instant Pudding -- Any Flavor  
1/3 Cup of Oil -- I use canola oil 1  
1-1/4 Cup Liquid --Water, Milk, Orange Juice, Lemonade, Rum  
4 Eggs

Bake at 350 for 35 - 45 minutes depending on your oven. When the Straw comes out clean -- It is done!

I have made this cake all kinds of ways: Chocolate w/Chocolate Pudding; Strawberry w/Strawberry Jell-O; German Chocolate w/White Chocolate Pudding; Lemon Cake w/lemon pudding or Jell-O; Golden Butter w/cheesecake pudding; Yellow w/coconut cream pudding; Rum for the liquid. What ever happens to be in the pantry at the time.



**Rosalie's rayon chenille source:**

Mo Purl Yarns

Bob Mosley

1413 Crossing Way, 334-887-5883

His info from the Weavolution website:

coned cottons, rayons, bast bamboo, rayon chenille by the pound.

No website or storefront, call to arrange a visit to the office and warehouse, mail order available, no credit cards, out-of-state checks accepted.



**Free Brochures available from Interweave Press:**

“Low tech, high satisfaction: spinning with simple tools”

<http://www.spinningdaily.com/media/p/748.aspx>

“Introduction to spinning: basic ideas, tools, and terms”

<http://www.spinningdaily.com/media/p/246.aspx>

Other interesting spinning brochures also available at:

<http://www.spinningdaily.com/media/g/spinning-how-to/default.aspx>

And, while we're at it, free weaving resources from Interweave Press:

<http://www.weavingtoday.com/media/4/default.aspx>

From the WSWG Blueskies Gallery show



From the Inkle Loom Program:



## Upcoming Fiber Events

Saturday, March 30, 10:00 am-5:00 pm

### Knitting Guild of Tidewater Retreat

Whitcomb Lodge in Beaverdam Park, 8687 Roaring Springs Rd., Gloucester  
Spinners welcome. \$5.00 donation. Contact Dee Smith for more information

Saturday and Sunday, April 13 & 14

### Arts Alive Artist Studio Tour

 (to benefit the Northumberland Public Library)

on Virginia's Northern Neck from Reedville to Sharps, including the Heathsville Tavern  
For more information, visit the library's website at [www.nplva.org](http://www.nplva.org)

Saturday, April 20, noon-4 pm

### Sheep to Shawl celebrates 300 Years of Meadow Farm

Meadow Farm Museum

3400 Mountain Rd. Glen Allen, VA 23060

Meet a living historian portraying William Sheppard, listen to music, and watch the sheep being sheared. Try your hand at carding, spinning and weaving, or make a wool craft. Information: 501-2130. Free.

Saturday, April 27, 10:00 am-5:00 pm

### Powhatan Festival of Fiber

3920 Marion Harland Lane, Powhatan, VA. More information at [www.powhatansfestivaloffiber.com](http://www.powhatansfestivaloffiber.com)

Sat. May 4 - Sun. May 5

### Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival

West Friendship, MD

[www.sheepandwool.org](http://www.sheepandwool.org)



### WSWG 2013 Officers

President	Sandi Petty
Vice-President	Micki Pugh
Treasurer	Ingrid Kross
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