

Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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December, 2013

Monthly Meeting

Monday, December 16, 2013
10:00 am (9:30 am social time) to 1:00 pm
at JCC Recreation Center

Program

Holiday Potluck
(bring a dish to share)
Vote on 2014 slate of Officers
Results of the
"Repurpose a Sweater" Challenge





Looking ahead:

January Super Bash
at Powhatan Plantation

Monday, January 20 (after meeting) - Wednesday, January 22
Bring your spinning & weaving
Learn card weaving (bring your own cards)
Mini study group on block weaves
(directions to be emailed in January)

WSWG

Minutes November 18, 2013 James City County Recreation Center

The meeting was called to order by President Sandi Petty at 10:06 am. At this time there were no guests, but a friend of Jane Gustafson, Heather Walton, came at 10:30 to hear the program.

Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the October meeting as published in the November newsletter. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: \$3054.03

Library:

It appears that the website still has the 2011 booklist and should be updated to the 2013 list. Virginia Banks will talk to Dave. Claudia Melgaard donated two new books: *Spinning for Softness and Speed* by Paula Simmons and *The Essentials of Yarn Design for Handspinners* by Mabel Ross.

Membership:

There are no new members at this time. Members are reminded that the next year's dues are due. The dues are still \$20.00.

Sunshine:

Selma's husband had a good report from his doctor. Rosalie's husband had his back surgery and is getting better.

Workshops:

Micki reported that Bonnie Inouye will come in October 2014 to present a non-weaving program at our regular meeting October 20th, then do a twill workshop on the 21st through the 23rd.

Programs:

December meeting will include the results of the "Repurpose a sweater" challenge, as well as a vote on the 2014 slate of officers.

Micki has twelve programs lined up for next year, the ones mentioned in the November newsletter plus Bonnie Inouye in October.

Hospitality:

December will be the holiday potluck luncheon. Everyone is invited to bring a dish to share. No Bash in December.

Old Business:

Block weaving will be discussed and a DVD will be watched at the January Super Bash. Card weaving will also be demonstrated. Members should bring their spinning wheels plus whatever they wish to work on. The January meeting will be on spinning and finishing your weaving.

New Business:

A motion was made and seconded to pay any Guild member who presents a program \$50, the same amount paid to outside presenters. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made and seconded to buy the DVD, The Ancient Cotton Fiber Art of Manabí Province, Coastal Ecuador, part of today's program. The motion passed unanimously.

Sandi mentioned a list of DVDs and books on spinning and weaving that she will have Ingrid buy to add to the library.

Upcoming events: HGA 2015 will focus on yardage, art pieces and fashion.

The Friday, Saturday and Sunday after Thanksgiving will be Open Studio Tour in Matthews.

Today's Program:

Today's program is **The Ancient Cotton Fiber Art of Manabí Province, Coastal Ecuador** with guest speaker Kathleen Klumpp. Kathleen showed a DVD that she put together showing the spinning and weaving one family is doing in Ecuador to make a special bag. They do this without a modern spinning wheel or weaving loom. Kathleen also brought some examples of the bags they make. She is hoping to preserve this skill as there is only one family who does this. The guild bought a copy of this DVD to have in our library.

Show and Tell:

Claudia Melgaard Scarf and inkle loom
Ingrid Kross Scarf, yarn and cotton crop
Linda Adamchak book on natural dyes from

Colonial Williamsburg

Sandi Petty Sewn vest, doll coat

Judy Mooers Woven vest, kumihimo braids

Submitted by Mary Lou Birns with updates and correction by Marsha Rehkamp

Attendees:

Linda Adamchak, Virginia Banks, Mary Lou Birns, Micki Decker, Barbara Frey, Jane Gustafson, Ingrid Kross, Kathy Kuhn, Beverly Levinson, Claudia Melgaard, Judy Mooers, Selma Moore, Sandi Petty, Micki Pugh, Jerry Smith

Upcoming Fiber Events

Friday-Sunday, November 29- December 1 "Made in Mathews" Open Studio Tour
More information at: http://madeinmathews.net.

Satuday, December 7, 10 am-2 pm Golden Village Christmas

Unique artisan crafted gifts, bake shop, historic area walking tours Hewletts Tavern, Heathsville, VA

Monday afternoon, January 20-Wednesday, January 22, 2014 Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild Super Bash Powhatan Plantation, Williamsburg

February 27-March 2, 2014

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival

Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA



A Sampling of Upcoming Area Workshops

Bay School in Mathews:

Saturday, Jan 25: "Felted hats" with Rosalie Brown

Friday Feb 7, 14, 21, 28: "Knitted cables & lace bag" with Dee Smith

Saturday, Feb 8: "Toothbrush rug" with Rosalie Brown More information at: http://www.bayschool-arts.com

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, Richmond:

Saturday, Feb. 15: "Painted silk scarf" workshop

Saturday, March 22: "Printing Textiles with Indian blocks" More information at: http://www.VMFA.museum/learn

Arts Alive, West Point:

January 23 & February 13: 2 session "Creating a character/fantasy doll"

Thursday, March 13: "Silk scarf painting"

More information at: http://www.artsaliveinc.org



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President Sandi Petty
Vice-President Micki Pugh
Treasurer Ingrid Kross
Secretary Marsha Rehkamp