

### Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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# July, 2017

Monthly Meeting Monday, July 17, 2017 10:00 am James City County Library 7770 Croaker Rd, Williamsburg

## Program

Visit to Yarn Matters 7437 Richmond Rd Williamsburg, VA (Note: the store is not open on Mondays; it is open for our visit)

## **July Meeting Snacks**

Sweet - Selma; Savory - Goodie



### Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild Minutes June 19, 2017 James City County Library

Meeting was called to order at 10:15 by Linda A.

Minutes were accepted as written.

Treasurers report: We have \$3461.68 Membership: We have 34 Members Website: Marsha - the instructions for making cd coasters are now on the website. Newsletter: no report

Workshop: Judy- Patsy Z is looking at our spinning classes requests. She will work to combine what we want to eliminate overlap.

Programs: Marsha -

July – JCC Library. After business we will go to Yarn Matters Yarn Shop August – JCC Library. Computer presentation on Visual Designs in Art & Weaving September – Spinning Workshop October – Dewitt-Wallace special textile tour. If you don't have a good neighbor pass, it costs \$12.95. November – Talk by lady from the Dream

Shop, Eastern State Hospital. They sell handmade Guatemalan items. Jane will check into this program.

December – Pot luck lunch and fabric/weaving challenge.

The HGA is offering their library to any member guild who wants a particular book. Check their website to see the list.

The Hickory Neck Fiber Festival was a success. They made \$4000. Spectators were numerous.

Next year the hours will be shortened. We may want to demonstrate in shifts next time.

Marsha will check into getting business cards made.

We will demonstrate at the Williamsburg Farmers Market on October 21 Montpelier Fall Fiber Festival – September 22 is the deadline for entries to the Skein & Garment Competition.

Kathy K came upon a great new website that changes multi-treadle drafts to fit fewer treadles. It's called Tim's Treadle Reducer. https://www.cs.earlham.edu/~timm/treadle/for m1.php

or just Google Tim's Treadle Reducer.

Show and Tell:

Claudia M - green alpaca and bamboo scarf. Linda A - red & multi cardboard loom bag. Marsha R - 3 woven tote bags and denim lace scarf.

Judy M – silk and cashmere lace shawl. Goodie B – handmade felting tool.

Ingrid – <u>Handwoven Home</u> book, Akers spindle, and zoom loom scrubbie

Cindy – 2 clasp-weft scarves, dish towels and 3 yarn bowls made from clothesline. She offered to teach a class on this sometime.

Sandy – Grey woven scarf from Virginia Beach class.

Jane G – teal knitted wool scarf. Sandi – rose and lime temari balls. Barbara F – sparkling brown shawl in progress and red & beige temari ball. Program: Identifying Mystery Fibers

Sandi & Marsha set up 3 stations where you could test your fiber. The first was the burn test, the second was the bleach test and the third was weight and length of a partial ball using the yarn balance and scale. Yarn burns differently if it's animal or man made. Bleach will disintegrate animal fiber but not acrylic types. The yarn balance balances a small piece of trimmed yarn. After it is measured for length and the rest of the ball is weighed on a scale, you can calculate the yards in the ball. Handouts were given for our future use. The program was very informative and fun to do. Thank you.

Barbara F and Cindy F brought the snacks and also Janet G.

July snacks are Selma-sweet and Goodiesavory.

August snacks are Kathy-sweet and Judy-savory.

Members in attendance:

Claudia M, Linda A, Marsha R, Judy M, Goodie B, Ingrid K, Cindy F, Ellen P, Sandy V, Natalie C, Selma M, Jane G, Dave B, Virginia B, Kathy K, Sandi P, and Barbara F.

Respectfully submitted,

Claudia Melgaard





### **Barb's Triple Chocolate Cake**

1/4 cup oil1 box Devil's Food Cake1 box instant chocolate pudding mix1 cup chocolate chips1 1/2 cups water2 eggs

Preheat oven to 350 F. Pour oil into 9 x 13 pan and spread evenly. Add rest of ingredients. Mix with a fork or spoon until well blended. Scrape sides well. Bake for 35-45 minutes or until it tests done.

Optional: 1 can dark sweet cherries in syrup. Drain cherries into measuring cup and add enough water to make 1 1/2 cups and use in place of plain water. Add cherries with rest of ingredient



### WSWG 2017 Calendar

#### July 17

Monthly Meeting at James City Co Library Program: Visit Yarn Matters in Norge Snacks: Selma-sweet; Goodie-savory

#### August 21

Monthly Meeting at James City Co Library Program: Visual Design in Art & Textiles with Marsha Maurer Snacks: Kathy – sweet; Judy - savory

#### September 18

Monthly meeting at James City Co. Library Program: Warped & Ready with Patsy Zawistoski Snacks: Jane – sweet; Natalie – savory

#### October 2

Bash at Kathy's

#### October 16

Monthly meeting at JCC Rec Center & field trip to DeWitt Wallace Museum

### 2017 Guild Challenge

"Destash" something made from your stash & a piece of Kathy's fabric stash Due December 2017

### **Upcoming Fiber events**

Saturday, September 16 & Sunday, Sept. 17 Spinning workshop

Workshop will cover: Wool spinners tune-up; Beguiling blends on hand cards, blending boards & drum carders; and Color options for handspun painted rovings

September 22 Deadline for entering Skein & Garment Competition, Fall Fiber Festival

Saturday, October 7 & Sunday October 8: **Fall Fiber Festival** 11395 Constitution Highway Montpelier Station, VA For more info: http://fallfiberfestival.org If you are going, **please consider volunteering** an hour or two at the Skein & Garment Competition exhibit! Contact Marsha, Sandi

### WSWG 2017 Officers

President: Vice-President: Treasurer: Secretary:

or Judy for details.

Linda Adamchak Marsha Rehkamp Kathy Kuhn Claudia Melgaard

