

Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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March 2010



Minutes February 15, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Vice President Sandi Petty. She introduced our visitors: Patty Richards, Barb Hellerstedt, Brian Kross (Ingrid's husband, the "book Sherpa") and Carol Mitchell.

Minutes for the December, 2009, and January, 2010, meetings were accepted as published.

Treasurer's Report: Ingrid Kross reports a current balance of \$3,743.62 in our account.

Library: Mary Lou Birns has organized the library and created a list of titles owned. She had copies made and passed them out to all members present. (She gave the receipt for the printing to the treasurer for reimbursement.) The list is also on the website, thanks to David Banks. Pam Franck donated 20 titles from her library to be added to the collection; only 2 were duplicates of titles already owned. Mary Lou has sent her a heartfelt thank you from the Guild. These titles will be added to the list. Two new titles were bought with WSWG funds: Learning to Weave, Revised Edition by Deborah Chandler and The Big Book of Weaving by Laila Lundell and Elisabeth Windesjo.

Programs: Gail Nichols, fiber artist, will present the March program. In April, Elaine Bradley will do a seminar on weaving a garlic basket. (This is a messy hands-on activity; dress casually!) She will then present a 2 ½ day round-robin workshop, "Old Family Recipes" (April 19-21). Information on setting up the looms and on the venue for the workshop will be discussed at the March meeting. The cost will be \$125 for members and \$150 for non-members. The June meeting will focus on planning for the coming year. It is also the annual picnic. The idea of study groups was suggested as a future activity.

Bashes: No bash in March

Snacks: March: Bill Kay savory; Marsha Rehkamp sweet

April: Judy Mooers savory, Birdie Burton sweet **Events:** The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show at the Hampton Coliseum will be February 25-28. To the people who have signed up to come on the various days: go to the workshop reservation desk to sign in. Friday and Saturday volunteers: come when you can, work on what you want and talk up weaving. Ingrid showed an article for pin weaving in the March 2010 issue of *Threads*, which she will demonstrate at the show.

The Five Rivers Fiber Guild has an exhibit at the library in Heathsville.

The Virginia Beach Knitters Guild is renting a bus to go to the Maryland Sheep and Wool Show on May 1. (The show is on May 1 & 2.) If you are interested in going, contact Barbara Frey for more information.

Old Business: The checking account needs an "inside audit" of last year's expenditures. Judy Mooers offered to do it.

Show and Tell:

Judy Mooers modeled her reblocked (and nicely resized) brown sweater, and showed a skein of lace weight yarn.

Ingrid Kross baby blankets from "Sugar & Cream" worsted weight cotton, and towels for her daughter.

Micki Decker is knitting a shawl with angora yarn from Tuesday Morning.

Bob Hecker is offering the use of his sectional warp beam lasso to people who would like to try it and give him feedback on it.

Frankie Snipes modeled a wool shawl she wove on a triangle loom.

Guest Barbara Hellerstedt brought bags of Australian sheep fleece for sale. Guest Patty Richards has grey and rose alpaca fleece from her farm in Lanexa for sale. Please contact her at 804-815-5096 for more information. Barbara Frey showed a purple and lilac baby sweater in a "rambling rows" knit and a yellow cable knit bag.

Sandi Petty wove baskets and masks from *Zati: The Art of Weaving a Life* by Susan Barrett Merrill.

Our program consisted of making preparations for the Mid-Atlantic quilt Show.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Marsha Rehkamp

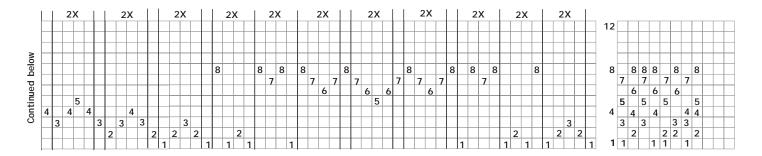
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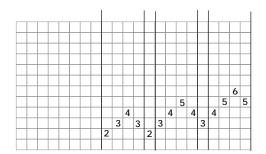
Linda Adamchak, Dave Banks, Virginia Banks, Mary Lou Birns, Jeff Cleveland, Micki Decker, Barbara Frey, Bob Hecker, Ingrid Kross, Judy Mooers, Beth Palmer, Sandi Petty, Marsha Rehkamp, and Frankie Snipes.

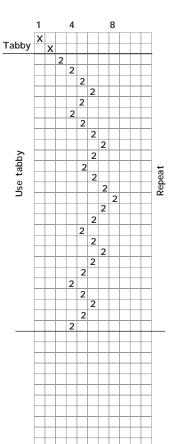


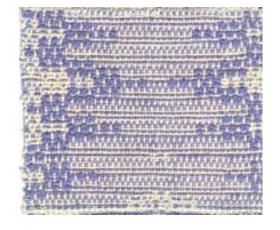
James River Weavers Sample Sheet

The Stray Lamm, a publication of the James River Weavers of Richmond, Virginia, Jan. 2010. Used with permission.











January 2010 Woven by: Jo Fletcher

Project and/or suggested use: Table runner

Pattern and Source: "Crackle Diamonds" Stickler - 8 shaft patterns #500

Technique: crackle

Warp: 10/2 cotton (cream) Pattern Weft: 5/2 cotton (blue)

Tabby: 10/2 cotton (cream) Reed: 12 dpi

Sleyed: 2 per dent Sett: 24 epi Woven: 24 ppi

Finishing: Machine wash and dry. Press flat.

Comments: My first crackle - Threading was tedious but weaving went quickly

Websites of Interest

http://www.themorgan.org/collections/works/cleves/default.asp

The Morgan Library & Museum -

Demons and Devotion: The Hours of Catherine of Cleves

Many of the illustrations are of fiber arts.

http://rosemaryknits.blogspot.com/2007/11/makeyour-own-jewel-spindles-and-other.html How-to for making drop spindles

How to pick a spindle http://www.knitty.com/ISSUEspring06/ FEATKSgotspin.html http://www.weavershand.com/weavershand

An information page for weavers! Specifically for those interested in Tablet Weaving, Kumihimo, and Ply-splitting, but peruse the links if your interests lie elsewhere. Lots and lots of links to information.

http://iweb.tntech.edu/cventura/ Dr. Carol Ventura

"I am working on three books. The History of Craft surveys western and non-western ceramics, fiber, glass, metal, and wood. Maya Baroque examines Maya contributions to Spanish Colonial architecture in Guatemala and southern Mexico. Southeastern Native American Art surveys the Southeastern United States, prehistoric through the present. Please take a look at some of my research:"

Library Additions

The two new books to added to the library list are: The Big Book of Weaving by Laila Lundell Learning to Weave (revised edition) by Deborah Chandler



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