

Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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March Newsletter 2023 Next Meeting April 17, 2023 Social Time 9:30-10:00 In-person Meeting ZOOM Meeting 10:00-12:00



March 20th, 2023 / 9:30am to 12:30pm / King of Glory Lutheran Church / 4897 Long hill Road, Williamsburg, VA / ROOM 313

ATTENDEES

Kathy Kuhn, Judy Mooers, David Plunkett, Jaime Peirce, Pam Pickett, Janet Matthews, Ingrid Kross, Ginger Flynn, Claudia Melgaard, Janet Griffin, Natalie Canfield, Tina Christensen-Parmen, Dawn Bills, Cindy French, Sandi Petty, Karen Clancy, Lisa Draper, Dee Smith, Janie Lembke

Old Business

- TREASURER'S REPORT: Kathy reported we have over \$6801.00 in our account
- REMINDER: Dues are \$20 for the year; dues will go up if you pay after February 1st to \$30 as penalty for late dues payments. This won't affect new members who are just joining.
 - New members are welcome anytime of the year.
 - If you can't make it to a meeting, you can mail your dues to: Williamsburg
 Spinners and Weavers Guild, PO BOX 2086, Williamsburg, VA 23187-2086
 - Sorry, we have no PayPal, online or credit card options at this time.
- Website/Facebook: and newsletters are posted. <u>https://williamsburgspinweave.org</u> <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/2549723381705895</u>
- Natural Dying class May: turn in your mini skeins for mordanting to Karen Clancy, Suggested Knitpix 20 yds Superwash or similar. Please label your skein with water proof tags.
- Continue wearing name-tags to all WSWG events. Tina reminded even the Zoom people should have names displayed. Handmade name tags encouraged.

New Business

- May 15th Natural Dying: Location change, Kym Hretz's house, <u>122 Horseshoe Dr.</u> Williamsburg, Va. 23185
- June 19th class changed to VA Beach Tapestry, possible speaker, Ester Rodgers, spinner and weaver
- March 20th: MAFA Key Fobs: These are all finished YAY.
- Loom advertisements through Cindy and Dave
- HGA: Check out <u>http://www.weavespindye.org</u> for more information on the Handweavers Guild of America. CORRECTION from January minutes, the guild is a member, this does NOT make you an individual member. If you would like to be an individual member

- MAFA: Remember, if you are a member of our guild, this does give you individual membership of MAFA (Mid Atlantic Fiber Association) so you can register early, and for better prices! <u>https://mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2023/</u>
- Beaverdam was a good experience let's do this again in the spring and fall
- **Peacehill:** November application due. Is there enough interest? Small number to maximize weaving demo, concentrate on one demo. Everyone can visit. Committee will be formed to organize, send email to Kris or Tlna

Programs and Workshops

- April 17th: NOTICE: The Jacqueline Estes Overshot Exchange will happen in April 2023, not February as originally scheduled. Remember we will need 20 Overshot Samples if you are participating in the exchange. Make sure your selected pattern is registered with Cindy. (Also, bring any small items you might want to dye during the May dyeing demo Karen will have to mordant them prior to dyeing.)
- May 15th: Karen will teach and demo about natural dyeing! We will have to do this outside, and

have access to water and heat, but we'll figure out the details. Start thinking now about some small

projects you might want to dye! They will have to be mordanted BEFORE the meeting. Location- Kym Hretz's House, <u>122 Horseshoe Dr, Williamsburg, VA. 23185</u>

- June 19th: Changed to Boucle Yarns!! Tina will demo how to spin boucle yarns! We'll also discuss how to use boucles in your projects, like weaving, knitting, tapestry, crochet, or felting. Such cool effects!
- **July 17th:** Felted Bracelets! Bring 100% silk scraps, and some towels, and we'll decorate the silk with wool and wet felt them into fun and beautiful cuff bracelets! Details will be shared closer to the date (who brings electric kettles, mops, etc.).

Ideas for future Programs are welcome. Do you want to share your knowledge on interesting projects or techniques? If you know of a great class with a cool instructor, please share with Tina.

Snack Sign Up

- April 17th- Sweet / Ingrid Savory / Janie
- May 15th- Sweet / Goodie Savory / Kym Hretz
- June 19th- Sweet / Ellen Savory / Janet
- July 17th- Sweet / Savory /

Thank you to Cindy for organizing key fobs and demonstrations.

Show & Tell

- Kris- completed her scarf from the rigid heddle class at Beaverdam park
- Janet M- new tapestry A.T.A
- Kathy K- Variegated Scarf, 1st time using a rigid heddle
- Natalie- lessons learned, Alpaca warp and weft is not a good combination
- Ginger- Special weaving, laceweight yarn
- Cindy- handmade copper looms, non-symmetric/ asymmetric. Jane Stafford Course
- David- Special on sale Kindle version
- Ingrid- plastic vinyl tablecloth towels, Viking era pattern
- Tina- for challenge; small weaving and felting, themed together, assorted fiber
- Marsha- Copper loom, Towels, WOW! Plan from Interweave program, size surprised her

Pictures!

Key Fobs are outstanding! Many, varied and different Inkle Looms! Our frontispiece is Dee's wonder rigid heddle MINI!! Claudia is a wizard, and teaching others on her loom.





Did I not tell you?! Many, varied and different! Ginger warped her giant Inkle! Check out that 2 heddle Inkle loom! Thanks, Ingrid.





Natalie worked on a Saori scarf with many, varied and different YARNS! WOW! Janet Matthews is part of the American Tapestry Alliance... she does AMAZING WORK!





Kathy had a good time learning on the rigid heddle loom!! Beautiful scarf!! Ginger created her own special scarf fabric.... look at that precision and DRAPE!



Cindy is following a class with Jane Stafford...she likes those stripes! Ingrid wove up several towels for others in her family.



