



Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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<http://williamsburgspinweave.org>

May Newsletter 2023
Next Meeting Monday
June 19, 2023
Social Time 9:30-10:00
ZOOM Meeting 10:00-12:00



Williamsburg Spinning & Weaving Guild

May 15th, 2023 / 9:30am to 12:30pm / Kym Hretz's house / 122 Horseshoe Dr, Williamsburg, VA / 248-953-1210

Attendees

Kathy Kuhn, David Plunkett, Pam Howard, Janet Anderson, Claudia Melgaard, Janet Griffin, Tina Christensen-Parmen, Cindy French, Sandi Petty, Dee Smith, Elizabeth Bunch, Kym Hretz, Dave Banks, Eliz. Vonasek, Catherine Bond.

Old Business

- **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Kathy reported we have over \$6500.00 in our account.
- **REMINDER: Purchases made through the following links give a kickback to our guild for purchases made.**
 - Woolery.com
 - Halcoyn.com
- **Website/Facebook:** and newsletters are posted. <https://williamsburgspinweave.org>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2549723381705895>
- **Natural Dying class May:** This is being held at Kym Hretz's house [122 Horseshoe Dr, Williamsburg, VA 23185](#) Yarn skeins have been collected for Mortaring. Be prepared to possibly get dye on your clothing so wear clothing that can be damaged. PLEASE bring a bucket.

New Business

- HGA: Check out <http://www.weavespindye.org> for more information on the Handweavers Guild of America. Classes are available. WE made the key fobs for the goodie bags. Sandi is the only one from our guild.
- 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! <https://mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2023/>
- **Homework for our website. Website/Facebook:** and newsletters are posted. <https://williamsburgspinweave.org>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2549723381705895>
- Looking for feedback from guild members on what classes or demos they are interested in. We have a great within our guild, if you have something you might teach, please let Tina know.

Programs and Workshops

- **May 15th:** Karen demonstrated about natural dyeing! We will have to do this outside, and have access to water and heat! Yarn will have to be mordanted BEFORE the meeting. Notes were handed out with instructions on varied dyeing techniques/ Karen demonstrated dyeing with Indigo, Red *Alum Mordant, Longwood and Weld. Mordant requirements and fiber prep were explained. Each person in attendance dyed their yarn in the four choices or a mixture of the dyes. Karen did a great job as always. Location- Kym Hretz's House, [122 Horseshoe Dr, Williamsburg, VA. 23185](https://www.google.com/maps/place/122+Horseshoe+Dr,+Williamsburg,+VA+23185)
- **June 19th:** Changed to VA Beach Tapestry, possible speaker; Donna Wynn, spinner and weaver
- **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.).

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Minutes by Kym Hretz
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Snack Sign Up

- **June 19th- Sweet / Ellen Savory / Janet**

July 17th- Sweet /? Savory /?

- NO SHOW AND TELL THIS MONTH

Kym's backyard was SO inviting! Wasn't that an enchanting image of her husband's shed on the frontispiece? Karen was a dynamic speaker for the dyeing workshop!



So many excited spinners and weavers, watching carefully with Karen in charge! Tina helped distribute the named yarn....
Sandi was one of the first dyers. Elizabeth B. and Janet M. looked like professionals!



Two more delighted experimenters, David P. and Claudia!! Dave tried hard to get an internet connection, however you, as the audience, already how that did not work! Amazing COLORS!



Many varied and different colorful creations! Thanks go to Tina for helping us through this Organic FUN! Super THANKS to Kym for sharing her home with us! Double THANKS to Karen for allowing us to part of your world! Memorable!

