

Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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August 2009

August Meeting

Monday /09

10:00 am (9:30 a.m. social time) to 1:00 p.m.
the Unitarian Church at 3051 Ironbound Rd., Williamsburg
See their website - wuu.org - for a map of the location. If you are using I-64, take Route 199 to Route 5 (John Taylor Hwy.) and turn right. Go to Ironbound Road and turn left. The church is a short distance on the right.

Program

Elaine Bradley, a weaving instructor from Atlanta, will present a lecture on Weaving Independence to the guild in the morning of August 17. She will encourage members to think about planning their weaving projects to broaden their knowledge and experience with weaving structures.

Following the meeting, Elaine will conduct a 2 1/2-day workshop on Summer and Winter. Each participant will bring a warped loom to the workshop and will work on his/her own loom. The cost for the workshop is \$125 for guild members and \$150 for non-members. Openings are still available. If you wish to participate, contact Judy Mooers or Ingrid Kross for further information.

Refreshments

Savory - Linda Adamchak Sweet - Micki Decker

Bash

Ingrid Kross will host the bash on Monday, 8/3/09.

Contact her if you plan to attend.

Minutes July 20, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. by President Rosalie Brown.

Our current bank balance is \$4,055.54. One reason our balance is so high is that folks have already paid for the upcoming workshop and we have not yet paid the instructor.

Newsletter -- Barbara Frey reported that last month's newsletter was short on account of her having to use the computer at the local library to avoid a virus on her computer. Everyone reported that they were receiving their newsletters on time.

Library report -- Shawn Clarke brought several books on warping and mentioned a Handwoven article on summer and winter. Interweave.com also has information on warping the loom.

Program -- Judy Mooers reviewed plans for upcoming programs. August will feature a program on "weaving independence" or planning out successive weaving projects to advance our skills by Elaine Bradley. Ms. Bradley will also lead a two-and-a-half day workshop on summer and winter August 17-19. There may still be room for additional folks in the summer and winter workshop - contact Judy Mooers ASAP. Cost is \$125 for members and \$150 for nonmembers. Note that the August guild meeting and the workshop will take place at Williamsburg Unitarian Universalist Church located at 3051 Ironbound Road.

September will feature a program by Judy Mooers on plying yarn and twisting fringe. October's program will be weaving software given by Jerry Smith. In November we will share the results of our bag exchange and in December we'll have our fashion show, gift exchange, and potluck luncheon. The guild decided to make and exchange notecards that use some fiber-related technique (e.g., weaving, knitting, crocheting, felting). Blank cards will be distributed at our September meeting and each participant is to create one card for every other participant. At least 15 people signed up to participate in this gift exchange at our July meeting.

Membership -- Ingrid Kross offered to chair this committee.

History -- Bernadette Marquez asked for permission from the guild to get to work on compiling our historical archives. We voted unanimously by acclamation to encourage Bernadette to begin work.

Bashes -- Ingrid Kross will host the next bash at her home on Monday, August 3.

Snacks -- In August Micki Decker will bring a sweet snack and Linda Adamchak will bring a savory snack.

New Business -- Jerry Smith volunteered to pick up entries for the VA State Fair at our August meeting. He will deliver them to the fair and pick them up at the end of the fair. Participants are responsible for completing appropriate entry applications and paying entry fees. Jerry Smith also mentioned a video interview with Peter Collingwood available for purchase from another guild. We voted to buy the video. Jerry will find out more about it and report at our August meeting.

Show and Tell:

Barbara Frey -- lace shawl and bobbin lace amulet bag

Beth Palmer -- knit vest (in progress)

Micki Decker -- necklace

Marsha Rehkamp -- towel collection from workshop at The Mannings

Jane Gustafson -- report from recent dyeing workshop Franki Snipes -- Navajo weaving gizmo

Jerry Smith -- rug and madder-dyed yarn

Julie Colby -- summer shawl

Rosalie Brown -- triangular shawl (lined by Ingrid Kross)

Judy Mooers -- report on warping with a trapeze Bernadette Marquez -- sample books from the Guild

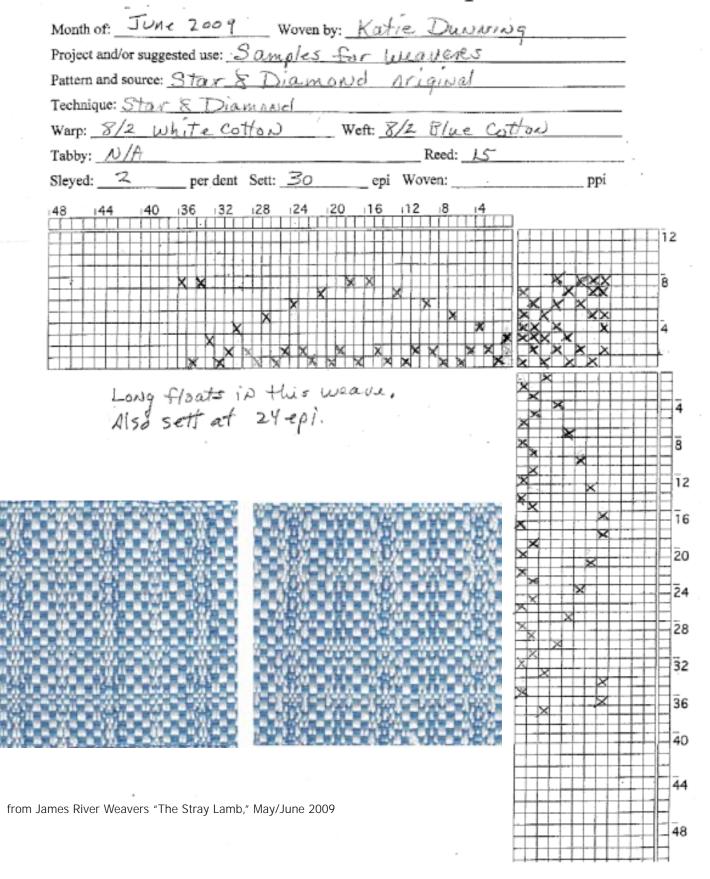
We enjoyed an informative program by Ingrid Kross and Rosalie Brown on various methods of warping the loom.

Meeting adjourned and refreshments enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted, Beth Palmer

Members in Attendance: Linda Adamchak, Virginia Banks, Mary Lou Birns, Rosalie Brown, Birdie Burton, Shawn Clarke, Julie Colby, Micki Decker, Barbara Frey, Jane Gustafson, Bob Hecker, Jean Huneycutt, Ingrid Kross, Bernadette Marquez, Judy Mooers, Selma Moore, Beth Palmer, Sandi Petty, Marsha Rehkamp, Janice Roe, Jerry Smith, Frankie Snipes, Donna von Biela

James River Weaver's Sample Sheet



Harrisville Model T/4 36" folding floor loom - 1984 - used once.

4 harness, 4 treadles direct tie-up system

jack action, rising shed

folds with warp in place for easy portability

removable beater for ease in threading

beater has open ends and adjustable height to accommodate any size reed solid hardwood construction

adjustable friction brake system

castle height - 42"

floor space - unfolded, 42" x 32"; folded, 42" x 13"

weight - 60 lbs

loom includes

1 reed (6, 8, 10, 12 or 15 dent), 600 flat steel heddles

4 new cables

12-yard warping board assembled with wing nuts

boat shuttle 12" x 1 13/16" x 1 1/4"

4 extra hardwood bobbins

ski shuttle 21" x 1 1/2"

contact: Gladys Zhoroff 1-804-725-9570

Price \$600



Website of Interest -- Weaving Draft Archive

http://www.handweaving.net/Home.aspx

This website contains 58132 hand weaving drafts, with more being added often. Each draft includes the standard threading, tieup, treadling, and color drawdown. Drafts can be viewed, printed, and downloaded in WIF format. You can easily share your own drafts with other weavers here using our draft contribution page.

Griswold Digital Archive of Documents on Hand Weaving, Lace, and Related Topics—Ralph Griswold's Digital Archive of Documents on Hand Weaving, Lace, and Related Topics is now part of this site! This is a fascinating and useful library of more than 8000 high quality digital reproductions of original works including over 140,000 pages. Any of these works can be obtained with just a few clicks.

Handweaving.net Store—We offer low cost CD-ROMs of many drafts and nearly all of the documents in the Griswold Archive on Weaving, Textiles, Lace, and Related Topics. Our CDs are easy to use and work with any type of computer. CD purchases and donations help us to continue freely providing and expanding this site for all.

Weaving Gallery—Be sure to visit our online Weaving Gallery with pictures of items woven from drafts obtained here. We have received some photos of exceptional weaving and encourage you to browse through the gallery! We welcome gallery submissions from all Handweaving.net visitors, so please consider sending pictures of your work for the gallery to inspire others around the world.

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