

Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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January, 2014

Monthly Meeting

Monday, January 20, 2014
10:00 am (9:30 am social time) to 1:00 pm
at **JCC Recreation Center**

Program

“Why I spin my own yarn”
with Judy Mooers

Super Bash

January Super Bash
at Powhatan Plantation
Monday, January 20 (after meeting) - Wednesday, January 22
Bring your spinning & weaving
Learn card weaving (bring your own cards)
Mini study group on block weaves
(directions to be emailed in January)

WSWG
Minutes December 16, 2013
James City County Recreation Center

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Micki Pugh at 10:00 am.

Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the November meeting as published in the December newsletter. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: \$2816.84

Library:

New titles added to the library this month:

Start Spinning: the Video by Maggie Casey with Eunny Jang (DVD)

Respect the Spindle by Abby Franquemont (DVD)

Doubleweave Basics by Jennifer Moore (DVD)

Weaving Well: from Yarn to Cloth by Madelyn van der Hoogt (DVD)

Block Weaves - Madelyn van der Hoogt (DVD)

Start Spinning: Everything You Need To Know To

Make Great Yarn - Maggie Casey

The Spinner's Book of Yarn Designs: Techniques For Creating 80 Yarns - Sarah Anderson

Spin To Weave: The Weaver's Guide To Making Yarn - Sara Lamb

Membership:

2014 annual dues of \$20 are due.

Workshops:

Micki reported that Bonnie Inouye will present a non-weaving program at our regular meeting October 20th, then do her "Big Twills" workshop on the 21st through the 23rd. Kathy Kuhn will look into the location for the workshop.

Programs:

January 20, 2014: "Why I Spin My Own Yarn" with Judy Mooers

February 17: "Finishing Your Weaving" with Sandi Petty

March 17: "The Internet for Knitters, Weavers and Spinners" with Martha Hulse

April 21: "Patterns Everywhere" with Marsha Rehkamp

May 19: Spin-in

June 16: Potluck Picnic (location to be announced)

July 21: "Naalbinding and Lucet" with Ingrid Kross & Rosalie Brown

August 18: Needlefelting with Micki Decker

September 15: TBA

October 20: Bonnie Inouye

November 17: TBA

December 15: Holiday Potluck

Hospitality:

Snacks for January: Mary Lou Birns, sweet; Marsha Rehkamp, savory

No Bash the first Monday in January. The Super Bash is Jan 20-22.

In 2014, Kathy Kuhn will supply the paper products (plates, napkins, eating utensils) for the Potlucks.

Old Business:

The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show will be Thursday, February 26-Saturday, March 1, 2014. Sign-ups will be available at the January meeting.

New Business:

A motion was made and seconded to donate \$250 to the HGA Fiber Trust. The motion passed unanimously.

MAFA has created a new page on their website where members can place advertisements for fiber related items they wish to sell. Any WSWG member in good standing can advertise. See the last page of this newsletter for rules and contact info.

There was discussion about the purpose and efficacy of Guild-led classes for the public. Possible classes could focus on children, homeschoolers in particular, as well as adult weaving and spinning classes.

Today's Program:

Show and Tell; Results of the Repurpose a Sweater Challenge; Holiday Potluck

Repurposing a sweater/Show and Tell:

Linda Adamchak: felted a sweater; results to follow

Judy Mooers: knotted pile from workshop she attended; kumihimo necklaces; silk & cotton sweater unraveled and woven into a vest

Micki Decker: Needlefelted wool jacket, wool sweater, wool scarf, silk sweater

Claudia Melgaard: decorative pillow from decorated & felted sweater

Natalie Canfield: clasped weft scarf; solution to broken leather on HD loom & jewelry made from the old leather; still working on challenge

Barbara Frey: tatted snake; mohair scarf knitted from an unraveled mohair sweater

Micki Pugh: working on her challenge

Ingrid Kross: silk and cotton sweater unraveled and knitted into a vest; coasters from felted sweater; purses from a felted alpaca sweater

Marsha Rehkamp: dryer balls from felted sweaters cut into strips, wound with wool yarn & roving; baby hat from turtleneck of felted sweater; felted sweater purse (unfinished)

Kathy Kuhn: sweater pillow; circle scarves from felted sweaters; "worm" scarf from felted rib knit sweater; felted wool flowers

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Rehkamp

Attendees:

Linda Adamchak, Mary Lou Birns, Natalie Canfield, Micki Decker, Barbara Frey, Ingrid Kross, Kathy Kuhn, Claudia Melgaard, Judy Mooers, Selma Moore, Micki Pugh, Marsha Rehkamp

Results of "Repurposing a Sweater" Challenge



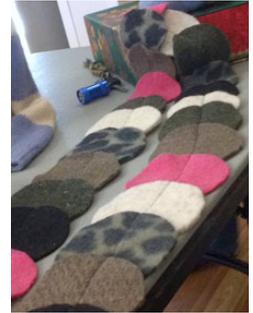
Claudia's decorative pillow



Judy's woven vest from unraveled sweater



Kathy's circle scarf



Another of Kathy's circle scarves



Marsha's dryer balls & baby hat from turtleneck of sweater



Marsha's (unfinished) purse



Kathy's sweater pillow



Ingrid's alpaca sweater purses



Ingrid's coasters



Ingrid's knit vest from unraveled sweater



Barb's knitted shawl from unraveled mohair sweater



Micki D's needlefelted sweater



Another needlefelted sweater by Micki D

COPPER PENNIES

MUST DO AHEAD

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| 5 Cups Carrots, sliced and cooked | $\frac{3}{4}$ cup vinegar |
| 1 medium onion, chopped | 1 teaspoon salt |
| 1 green pepper, chopped | 1 teaspoon dry mustard |
| 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ ounces condensed tomato soup | $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon pepper |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ cup oil | 1 teaspoon Worcestershire |
| 1 cup sugar | |

Mix first 3 ingredients. Blend all other ingredients into a sauce. Pour sauce over vegetables. Place in covered jars. (I place in a stainless bowl or pot and cover with saran wrap). Refrigerate overnight. Will keep in the refrigerator for 2 weeks. Yields 3 pints.
"An interesting relish. Very different"

Micki Decker
From: Virginia Hospitality Cookbook
Junior League of Hampton Roads



Things We Learned Repurposing Sweaters

Sometimes you have to wash and dry a sweater 4 or 5 times to get the felted effect you want.

Micki Decker discovered that you can needlefelt all kinds of clothing, from jackets to scarves. (Even denim can be needlefelted.)

She ordered a multitude of roving colors, in small amounts, from Stoney Mountain Fibers in Charlottesville, VA. See her spreadsheet of colors and contact information for Stoney Mountain Fibers in this newsletter.

If you want to unravel a sweater to reuse the yarn, check the side seams. If they are obviously cut, you will have many short strands instead of a good, usable, continuous length of yarn.

A good set of instructions for making dryer balls can be found at <http://www.crunchybetty.com/how-to-make-felted-wool-dryer-balls>.

When making circle scarves from felted circles, make the circles in the middle of the scarf (those going around your neck) smaller than those at the edges.



Judith Powers, from the Richmond Guild, has an article in the Winter 2014 issue of Spin-Off called "Ella Baker: Think Cotton".

Upcoming Fiber Events

Monday afternoon, January 20-Wednesday, January 22, 2014
Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild Super Bash
Powhatan Plantation, Williamsburg

February 27-March 2, 2014
Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival
Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA



Advertising on the MAFA Website

To access the page, go to the MAFA website,
<http://mafafiber.org> and click on the "For Sale" link on the
left hand side.

Here are the general rules:

Items For Sale

- 1.This is a new feature of the MAFA website. Only MAFA guilds members or associate members are privileged to use this form of advertisement.
- 2.Advertisements will come directly to David Banks. Text or Word documents and small images (jpg or png) are OK.
- 3.Advertisements will be on the website for a maximum of 60 days or when the item has sold. Advertisement may be renewed for a second 60-day period.

Addendum to Minutes of December 16, 2013 Meeting:

This meeting was called back to order by Vice President Micki Pugh at approximately 12:05 pm.

The proposed 2014 slate of officers is: Sandi Petty, President; Micki Pugh, Vice president; Ingrid Kross, Treasurer; and Marsha Rehkamp, Secretary. A motion was made and seconded to accept the slate as presented. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned.



WSWG 2014 Officers

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| President | Sandi Petty |
| Vice-President | Micki Pugh |
| Treasurer | Ingrid Kross |
| Secretary | Marsha Rehkamp |

| ROVING COLORS | | | | ROVING COLORS | | | |
|--|-------|------------|-------|--|-------|------------|-------|
| COLOR | ORDER | COLOR | ORDER | COLOR | ORDER | COLOR | ORDER |
| GREEN | | COPPER | | GREEN | | COPPER | |
| TURQUOISE | | TANGERINE | | TURQUOISE | | TANGERINE | |
| MOSS | | APRICOT | | MOSS | | APRICOT | |
| MAGENTA | | DARK GREY | | MAGENTA | | DARK GREY | |
| ICE | | LIGHT GREY | | ICE | | LIGHT GREY | |
| LIMA BEAN | | CHOCOLATE | | LIMA BEAN | | CHOCOLATE | |
| CANDY | | YELLOW | | CANDY | | YELLOW | |
| CHILIE PEPPER | | HONEY | | CHILIE PEPPER | | HONEY | |
| INDIGO | | FIR | | INDIGO | | FIR | |
| BERRY | | LIME | | BERRY | | LIME | |
| PUMPKIN | | TEAL | | PUMPKIN | | TEAL | |
| TOFFEE | | NAVY | | TOFFEE | | NAVY | |
| PURPLE | | RASPBERRY | | PURPLE | | RASPBERRY | |
| SKY BLUE | | NUTMEG | | SKY BLUE | | NUTMEG | |
| LEMON | | MARIGOLD | | LEMON | | MARIGOLD | |
| LAVENDAR | | CAMEL | | LAVENDAR | | CAMEL | |
| BUTTERSCOTCH | | CANDY | | BUTTERSCOTCH | | CANDY | |
| NATURAL | | SMOKE | | NATURAL | | SMOKE | |
| AUBERGINE | | OLIVE | | AUBERGINE | | OLIVE | |
| CHERRY RED | | RED | | CHERRY RED | | RED | |
| BLACK | | SWEET PEA | | BLACK | | SWEET PEA | |
| CUPCAKE | | MINT | | CUPCAKE | | MINT | |
| LAGOON | | FERN GREEN | | LAGOON | | FERN GREEN | |
| ORANGE | | BLUE | | ORANGE | | BLUE | |
| LILAC HAZE | | ROSE | | LILAC HAZE | | ROSE | |
| PERIWINKLE | | AMETHYST | | PERIWINKLE | | AMETHYST | |
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