WILLIAMSBURG SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD P.O. BOX 2086 WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23187 <u>http://williamsburgspinweave.org</u> June 2006

Meeting: Potluck picnic at the Mathews home of Pam Franck from 10 to 4 Materials for dyeing and felting will be provided. Bring cellulose warps or fibers to paint. Dyes will be provided. It may be desirable to bring cookie sheets and/or bamboo mats or other textured surfaces for felting.

Bash: Rosalie Brown will host the bash on June 5. Please call Rosalie if you plan to attend or need directions. Ingrid Kross has offered to drive her van and would be glad to provide rides for those who wish to carpool.

Events outside our Guild:

Heritage Crafts show in conjunction with Chippokes Steam and Gas Engine Show, Chippokes Plantation State Park, Surry, VA, June 10-11. For more information, call 804-786-7950.

Convergence, in Grand Rapids, Michigan, June 25-July 1. www.weavespindye.org

Website:

If you would like to add something to the guild website <u>williamsburgspinweave.org</u> please contact Dave Banks at <u>dfbanks@earthlink.net</u>.

June Birthdays: Carlos Smith Donna von Biela

Officers: President: Julie Colby Vice President: Pam Franck Secretary: Jane Gustafson Treasurer: Ingrid Kross Williamsburg Spinners and Weavers Guild Minutes for Meeting May 15, 2006

The meeting of the WSWG was called to order by the president, Julie Colby, at 10:00am. The minutes of the April meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter.

New Business: Peggy Nacci is hosting a workshop on rug weaving at her home on May 23 at 10:00. Call Peggy, if you need directions.

Rosalie Brown will host the bash at her home in Mathews on June 5.

Ingrid announced that Izabela Cieszynski has joined the Guild. Marty Bailey and Michele Mangham have rejoined.

Shawn said that she will be unable to attend most of the meetings in the future because she is starting a new job at William and Mary. She is willing to keep the library, but has asked that another member volunteer to bring books to the meetings.

Julie said that Frances Wyatt has been back in the hospital and Beth Palmer is away because her father is quite ill.

Pam provided the following summary of program plans for the rest of the year:

- Dec: Potluck luncheon and bag exchange. Participants may exchange any kind of hand-made bag that uses fiber in any form.
- Nov: Workshop with Celia Quinn on color blending in spinning on Nov. 14-15. Celia will return for our regular meeting and give a presentation on hand spindles.
- Oct: Liz Ackermann will provide a day-long (9-5) workshop on weaving entitled "Stripes to Plaids."
- Sept: Ultimate recycling. Bring brown paper bags, scissors and a straight edge.
- Aug: Share warping tips and practices.
- July: Nettie Cross will present a program on spinning and weaving bast fibers
- June: Picnic at Pam's house in Mathews. Bring a dish to share. Two project stations will be provided: dyeing and felting. Bring cellulose yarns to dye.

Members were reminded that Chippokes Steam and Gas Engine Show includes a Heritage Crafts show. Artisans are invited to demonstrate crafts and sell items.

Ingrid presented journals with hand-woven covers to all who helped at the quilt show in February. Next year we will be demonstrating spinning and weaving with cotton.

Show and Tell:

Ingrid	waffle weave towels
Charlotte	socks
Peggy C.	baby shawl
Birdie	knitted sweater
Bob	huck lace woven shawl
John	double weave scarf with pickup
Carlos	rag rugs and a gamp
Donna	socks
Judy	hand-spun lace shawl, buffalo down yarn

Lou	woven piece from Africa
Selma	knitted scarf
Julie	woven summer shawl

Program

We viewed a DVD that showed the steps required to make a felted fedora and shared our experiences and resources for felting. Several members reviewed books on felting from the WSWG library, and we had a second round of show and tell for felted items. The felting show included

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Ingrid	hat and bag
Charlotte	hat
Peggy C.	child's hat
Rosalie	felting wall hanging, drink cozy, soap cover, needle
	felted sheep and a mouse
Berit	Norwegian mittens
Judy	hats, wrist distaff, buttons

The meeting was adjourned at 1pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane L. Gustafson, Secretary

Attendance List May 15, 2006

Ingrid Kross, Charlotte Headley, Peggy Counce, Birdie Burton, Bob Hecker, Melinda Hose, Peggy Nacci, Beverly Robinson, Rosalie Brown, John Janson, Berit Mesarick, Shawn Clarke, Carlos Smith, Donna von Biela, Judy Mooers, Lou Ayers, Selma Moore, Julie Colby, Jane Gustafson, Pam Franck.