WILLIAMSBURG SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD

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March 2006

Meeting: Monday, March 20, 2006, 10:00 a.m. (9:30 social time), in Room C in the James City County Recreation Center, 5301 Longhill Road, Williamsburg.

Program for March: Marianne Henderson will present a slide show and samples of fiber arts from her trips to Southeast Asia. Hostesses: Shawn Clarke (savory) and Jane Gustafson (sweet).

Bash: Birdie Burton will host the bash on March 6. Please call Birdie at 757-564-8846, if you plan to attend or need directions

Events outside our Guild:

Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival, Howard County Fairgrounds, May 6-7. www.sheepandwool.org.

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

Website: If you would like to add something to the guild website members.cox.net/wswg please contact Dave Banks at dfbanks@earthlink.net .

March Birthday:

Peggy Counce

Officers:

President: Julie Colby

Vice President: Pam Franck Secretary: Jane Gustafson Treasurer: Ingrid Kross

Williamsburg Spinners and Weavers Guild February 2006 Minutes

President Julie Colby called the meeting to order at 10am and then announced that during the business meeting the bears would be dressed. Guest Linda Adamchak from Williamsburg was introduced and welcomed as a new member.

The January minutes were approved as printed in the Guild newsletter. The treasurer reported a balance of \$3,236.61.

Members in attendance: Julie Colby, Pam Franck, Nettie Cross, Ingrid Kross, David Banks, Virginia Banks, Shawn Clarke, Dolly Gaus, Selma Moore, Peggy Nacci, Birdie Burton and Jane Gustafson

Pam enlightened the new people about the bear project for Guatemala. She also brought handwoven pieces and yarn for members to use to dress the bears.

Pam received cards from Guatemala; the weavers in Guatemala wove a gift for each member in the Guild who sent them a handwoven sample. Each gift had a note, written in Spanish, which was translated by Jessie Kross. The pieces were both beautiful and colorful and ranged from small coin purses to wall hangings. A big thank you to the weavers in Guatemala.

Julie thanked Shawn Clarke for taking over the Guild's library. Knit One Felt Too, a new book for the library, arrived and was given to Shawn Clark to process. In addition, Shawn brought books for members to peruse on the subject of woven garments and craft ideas.

The hostesses for March will be Shawn Clarke [savory] and Jane Gustafson [sweet]. Julie thanked Birdie for savory and Jane for sweets for the February meeting.

The Bash will be held on Monday, March 6 at Peggy Counce's home. Call Peggy [757-345-0994] if you plan to attend.

Jan Hart presented the Guild with a copy about felting, which was given to David Banks who will put it on the Guild's website. In addition he will compile a slide presentation of the felting for one of our Guild meetings.

A report from Julie followed about the survey taken of programs for members. The results, in order of preference, are as follows: warping, felting, guest speaker, double weave, dye project, Goodwood loom, yarn exchanges, block weave, bound weave and spinning.

Birdie brought cards to be signed and sent to Cindy Newcomb and Melinda Hose. Julie will visit Mary Ann Philyaw, the immediate past president, and present her with the Jefferson Cup in appreciation for her service as Guild President.

The Fiber Festival schedule was presented along with the listing of members working on Wednesday [setup], Thursday [on your own], and Friday and Saturday [demonstration days].

Pam Franck gave a review of upcoming programs:

March – Mary Ann Henderson – Textile Presentation

April – Color and Weave exercise

May – Nettie Cross – "How to Spin Hemp"

June – Picnic in Matthews at Pam Franck's home

Show and Tell

Pam Frank – Chenille baby blanket and shawl

Nettie Cross – Handspun hemp

Peggy Nacci - Triangle shawl

Birdie Burton – Poncho for bear

Ingrid Kross – Norwegian knit sweater, modeled by her husband

Selma Moore – Overshot runner

Julie Colby – Two shawls - one using turquoise from Gladys Strong and the second one of natural colored wool.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Gustafson, Secretary