

Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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March, 2014

Monthly Meeting

Monday, March 17, 2014
10:00 am (9:30 am social time) to 1:00 pm
at **JCC Recreation Center**

Program

“The Internet for Knitters, Weavers and Spinners”
with Martha Hulse

Bash

Monday, March 3 at Marsha Rehkamp's
Contact Marsha for directions & to RSVP



WSWG
Minutes February 17, 2014
James City County Recreation Center

The meeting was called to order by President Sandi Petty at 10:05 am.

Sandi welcomed guests Ellen Rater, and Mike and Debbie Patrick.

Minutes:

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

Committee Reports:

Treasurer:

Ingrid Kross was unable to attend the meeting. Sandi noted that the check for \$250 had been sent to the HGA Fiber Trust.

Library:

Mary Lou Birns requested that members let her know who has the books and DVDs used at the Super Bash.

The book, *Double Two-Tie Unit Weaves* by C. Barrett and E. Smith has been donated to the Guild library.

HGA:

Registration is open for the Rhode Island Convergence, July 14-19. Check their website for details.

Website:

David Banks noted that the MAFA (Mid Atlantic Fiber Association) has its own website for the summer conference: MAFA-conference-2015.org

Workshops:

Bonnie Inouye's workshop, "Big Twills" will be Tuesday-Thursday, October 21-23. Kathy Kuhn will look into having the workshop at the Unitarian Church. Micki Pugh will make available the workshop preparation for potential participants. Bonnie will also do the program for the October 20th Guild meeting; it will be "Retrospecting".

Possible future workshop: tablet weaving with John Mullarkey.

Programs:

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) & demonstration of weaving tools- bobbins, bobbin winders and reed hooks.

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

August 18: Needlefelting with Micki Decker

September 15: TBA

October 20: "Retrospecting" with Bonnie Inouye

November 17: TBA

December 15: Holiday Potluck

Hospitality:

Snacks for March: Ingrid Kross, sweet; Judy Mooers, savory.

March Bash is 10 am to 2 pm on Monday the 3rd at Marsha Rehkamp's house. Please contact Marsha for directions and to let her know that you are coming.

Old Business:

Mid Atlantic Quilt Show:

The Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show will be Thursday, February 26-Saturday, March 1, 2014. Ingrid will send out reminders.

The Heathsville Tavern Spinners & Weavers Guild still has a couple of spots available for Elaine Bradley's weaving workshop. The cost is \$160; this includes Guild membership. Contact Sandi or Judy for more information.

New Business:

MAFA:

There will be a Guild Exhibit at the MAFA summer conference. The theme is "Favorite Fibers and What We Like To Do With Them". It was suggested that the Guild think about having a presence at this exhibit.

Sandi noted that MAFA awards grants to Guilds doing community projects. She

suggested someone could research educational possibilities in our communities.

Educational outreach suggestions included a one-day introduction to weaving demonstration through JCC Recreation and a presence at Art in Bloom. Kathy Kuhn will look into this.

Kathy Kuhn suggested that the Guild list meetings and events in the Virginia Gazette, Williamsburg's local newspaper. The suggestion was met with approval.

Charles Taylor Art Center:
The gallery, in Hampton, is hosting an exhibit, "Artworks by Hampton Roads Artist Groups" from May 3 through June 1. Members decided that the Guild should be represented with a piece of Micki Decker's jewelry and a woven garment by Sandi Petty.

Today's Program:

Sandi Petty explained methods for finishing warps and correcting errors.

Show and Tell:

Sandi Petty: Singles scarf; sampler

Judy Mooers: From the Madrona Winter Retreat: a fingerless glove from the "Twined Knitting" workshop and a sampler from the John Mullarkey "Texting with Tablet Weaving" Workshop

Natalie Canfield: Amulet bags; crocheted handspun shawl; clasped weft scarf

Barbara Frey: knitted handmade wool pincushion tatted trim

Marsha Rehkamp: Summer and winter placemats

Kathy Kuhn: crocheted jellyfish for baby's mobile

Mary Beth Hawn: knitted shawl; woven hand towels

Micki Pugh: summer and winter block weave sampler

Mike & Debbie Patrick: samplers from Barbara Gentry weaving workshop; jacket fabric

Jane Gustafson: hand knitted gloves and scarf given to her

Ellen Rater: fiber name tag; knitted vest

Respectfully submitted,
Marsha Rehkamp

Attendees:

David Banks, Virginia Banks, Mary Lou Birns, Natalie Canfield, Barbara Frey, Jane Gustafson, MaryBeth Hawn, Kathy Kuhn, Claudia Melgaard, Judy Mooers, Debbie Patrick, Mike Patrick, Sandi Petty, Micki Pugh, Marsha Rehkamp, Bev Thompson



For Sale:

Cherry wood weaving bench
\$225

36" Harrisville loom with reed & heddles;
4 harnesses, 6 treadles
\$800

Contact Bev Thompson for more information



Natalie's "Sugar Scrub" (so silk won't stick)

2 Parts sugar to 1 part oil
(Can also use salt or kosher salt; any kind of oil, including scented essential oils)

Use ¼ tsp to exfoliate hands;
rinse with warm water

Show and Tell



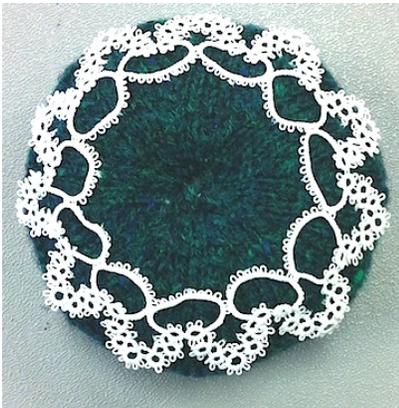
Kathy's jellyfish



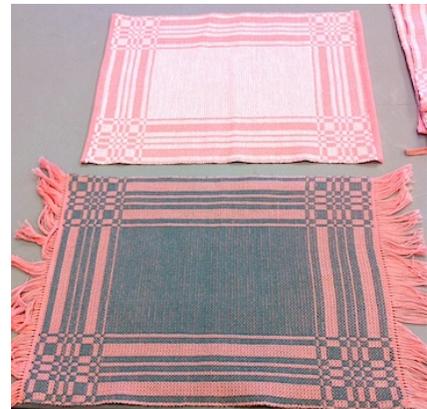
Micki P's
summer-
winter
block weave
sampler



Natalie's amulets
(instructions for heart amulet
available from Natalie)



Barbara's knitted pincushion
with tatted trim



Marsha's summer-winter
placemats



Check it out:

The Heathsville Tavern Weavers & Spinners Guild's blog
(see especially links to used equipment & items for sale)
<http://tavernspinnersandweavers.blogspot.com/>



Concerning Bonnie Inouye's October Workshop "Big Twills":

For the Big Twill, the looms need to be warped and the first sample woven before the workshop begins. (She will send detailed instructions and drafts.) The warp needs to be white or a pale color, cotton, either 5/2 or 8/2 if that sounds reasonable to your group. Weft will be 8/2 or similar, cotton, in a dark or bright color. You will keep your weft as you go around the room. Then your samples are color coded and easy to retrieve at the end of the workshop.

More information about Bonnie and her programs can be found at
<http://www.bonnieinouye.com>



Upcoming Fiber Events & Workshops

Monday, March 3, 10 am-2 pm

WSWG Bash at Marsha Rehkamp's. Bring lunch and project to work on. Contact Marsha for directions and to let her know you are coming.

Friday, January 17 to Friday, June 6, 2014,

Threads of silk and gold: Chinese textiles from the Qing Dynasty

Lora Robins Gallery of Design from Nature, University of Richmond

For more information:

<http://museums.richmond.edu/exhibitions/lora-robins-gallery/Threads-of-Silk-and-Gold.html>

February 27-March 2, 2014

Mid-Atlantic Quilt Festival

Hampton Roads Convention Center, Hampton, VA

Saturday, April 26, 10 am- 5pm

Powhatan's Festival of Fiber

3920 Marion Harland Lane, Powhatan, Va. For more information,

<http://www.powhatansfestivaloffiber.com/>.

March 8-22

"Scarf weaving for beginners" with Eric Collins & Kerry Hurley at the Hermitage Museum & Gardens, Newport, VA. contact the museum for more information:

www.thehermitagemuseum.org

WSWG 2014 Officers

President	Sandi Petty
Vice-President	Micki Pugh
Treasurer	Ingrid Kross
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