## WILLIAMSBURG SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD P.O. BOX 2086 WILLIAMSBURG, VA 23187 http://Williamsburgspinweave.org

## October 2007

Meeting: Monday, October 15, 10:00 a.m. (9:30 social time), in Room C in the James City County Recreation Center, 5301 Longhill Road, Williamsburg. Refreshments by Peggy Nacci (sweet) and Julie Colby (savory).

Program: Spinning Your Own Yarns by Judy Mooers. The program will provide an overview of the characteristics of fibers, structures of yarn, and color blending. Bring your spindles or wheels to try some of the different structures.

Bash: At the home of Peggy Counce. Call Peggy if you plan to attend and/or need directions.

Events outside our Guild: Virginia State Fair, Richmond, VA September 27-October 5. Fall Fiber Festival, Montpelier Estate, Orange Co., VA. October 6-7, 2007. www.fallfiberfestival.org Newport News Parks Festival, October 6-7, 2007. Greater Lanexa Studio Tour, Lanexa, VA, October 20-21, 2007. Sheep-to-shawl competition at Colonial Fiber Arts, Yorktown, VA, October 20, 2007. Harvest Faire, Mariners' Museum Park, Newport News, VA, October 19-21, 2007. Court Days and Colonial Arts Celebration, Heathsville, VA, October 20, 2007 Chesapeake Heritage Arts Festival, Chesapeake, VA November 3-4, 2007. Mid-Atlantic Quilt Show, Hampton, VA, Feb 21-24, 2008.

Website:

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

October Birthdays We have none on our membership list. Let us know if we have missed your birthday. Officers: President: Judy Mooers Vice President: Bob Hecker and Pam Franck Secretary: Linda Adamchak Treasurer: Ingrid Kross Williamsburg Spinners and Weavers Guild Minutes for Meeting September 17, 2007

The meeting was called to order by Judy Mooers at 10:00 a.m. Two guests were introduced: Debra O'Bier and Joan Phillips. Joan is Susan Phillips' mother.

Minutes of August meeting were approved as printed in the newsletter. Ingrid reported that the treasury has \$2146.97. \$3639.88

The bash will be at the home of Peggy Counce on October 1, 2007.

Refreshments for the October meeting will be provide by Peggy Nacci (sweet) and Julie Colby (savory).

Calendar of Events:

Oct. 6 & 7 – Fall Fiber Festival at Montpelier

Oct. 6& 7 – Newport News Parks Festival – Nettie and Bob are participating

Oct 20 – Fleece to shawl competion at Colonial Fiber Arts. Call the shop if you would like to participate.

Oct 20-21 – Lanexa studio tour

Sept. 25 to Oct. 5 – Virginia State Fair – Jerry is taking entered items on behalf of guild members.

Nov. 3 & 4 – Chesapeake Arts Festival

Feb. 21 – 24 Quilt Show. Ingrid suggested a wool fleece to shawl.

Committee Reports:

Library – Shawn brought some books she thought would be of interest on overshot. Hospitality – Julie reminded us that she and Selma are ready to pass the box onto other members. Julie will be gone in November and asks that someone else agree to start bringing the box in November. Birdie will check to see if we can keep our supplies in a cupboard in the meeting room.

Sunshine – Birdie sent a card to Jean Huneycutt.

Publicity – Peggy placed an announcement of our meeting in the local paper.

Programs – Pam reported the following schedule of programs for the rest of the year: October: Judy on spinning and fibers

November: Leslie Killeen's trunk show and discussion of complex weaves on 4 and 8 shafts

December . Holiday brunch and gift exchange. Suggested it be a small overshot project with name draft or a skein of handspun

January: Bob will do program on tartans

Old Business:

We continued discussion on our program for new weavers. Jerry has completed a draft of the resources directory. Judy has polled members for interest in mentoring and started a database of skills for weaving. Rosalie led a discussion on the weaver's kit.

The digital projector has arrived and will be used to support the program today.

New Business:

We will need to appoint a nominating committee at the next meeting. See Judy if you are willing to serve on the committee.

Ingrid has the form for subscriptions to Interweave publications. Each subscription is \$19.95/ year. Let Ingrid know if you would like to use the Guild connection for a reduced rate. It was noted that the on-line renewal rate is also \$19.95/year.

Dolly asked for suggestions on how to donate her 48-inch, 16-shaft AVL loom. She would also be willing to sell it.

Show and Tell:

Jerry brought two more rugs.

Julie had two scarves from the same warp, but using a different color of weft. Selma brought hand towels that she made to rescue a troubled warp.\ Beth brought a piece of wool insulation from a German building Peggy C. showed a baby blanket that she is knitting. Ingrid had several skeins of handspun yarn: 4 balls of handspun that was prepared during our demonstration at the Virginia Living History Museum, a skein of yarn from carbonized bamboo, linen yarn, and yarn from the Louet "Thunderstorm" roving. Pam had a set of chenille scarves that she wove from one warp. Judy showed a sweater that she is knitting from self-striping yarn.

Pam presented the second half of the name draft overshot program. She brought a woven sample of her name draft and name drafts were developed on the computer for Debra O'Bier and Jane Gustafson.

Respectfully Submitted, Judy Mooers for Linda Adamchak

Members in Attendance:

Jerry Smith, Julie Colby, Selma Moore, Virginia Banks, Dolly Gaus, Beth Palmer, Jane Gustafson, John Janson, Peggy Counce, Lou Ayers, Birdie Burton, Rosalie Brown, Joan Phillips, Shawn Clarke, Ingrid Kross, Debra O'Bier, Pam Franck, Judy Mooers