



## **Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild**

P.O. Box 2086  
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<http://williamsburgspinweave.org>

### **October, 2019**

#### **Monthly Meeting**

Monday, October 21

Social Time: 9:30-10:00 am

Business Meeting: 10:00 am

Program to follow

**James City County Recreation Center**

**5301 Longhill Rd, Williamsburg**

#### **Program**

Colonial Williamsburg presentation

#### **Snacks**

Sweet - Kathy

Savory - Natalie



## WSWG Minutes

**Meeting Date: September 16, 2019 /**  
10:00 am / WJCC Rec. Center

### Attendees

Katherine, Natalie, Ginger, Barb, Micki P, Dee, Claudia, Kathy K., Debbie, Kris, Linda A, Jane, Ingrid, Ellen, Goodie, Selma, Judy, Marsha, Tina, Linda C. Guests: Sara

### Agenda

**Sunshine:** both Liz and Janet were absent due to medical reasons; attendees agreed that we should send cards.

**Correspondence:** We received a letter of thanks for participation in Go Green Expo.

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Approved as published in the Newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** Balance at beginning of meeting \$ 3711.33. A general discussion was held concerning what we do with our money and how much of it we should have as a non-profit.

### Committee Reports:

Membership: Sandi believes the membership now stands at 41. New member packets are available. If you need a new member packet, please be in touch with Cindy.

Website: no report.

Newsletter: (Marsha): Nothing new to report. Marsha is still trying to track down a few errant email addresses.

Historian: (Judy) No report.

HGA: Convergence will be July 24-30, 2020 in Knoxville, but registration opens October 21. See the website *WeaveSpinDye.org*. Convergence includes a large market, fashion show and many classes. The weekend before (July 24 is Friday) is Complexity Seminars, sponsored by Complex Weavers. The seminars begin July 19 and go through July 22. See the website *Complex -Weavers.org*. The list of classes is nearly overwhelming.....

MAFA: No report. There is a rep meeting scheduled to be held by conference call.

Facebook: No report.

**Workshops and Programs:** Sandi has the spreadsheet of those who have signed up for the Next Steps in Weaving program in November. So far 14 weavers have signed up, so each must bring a loom warped with at least a 3 yard warp, so each weaver may take a sample home.

OCTOBER program: Speakers from Colonial Williamsburg.

NOVEMBER program: Ruurdje will present Asian fibers for study, including touching.

DECEMBER program: Presentation of challenge. 4 colors done anyway you want. Potluck luncheon after the meeting.

### New Business:

1. Our brochure needs reprinting. Sandi has will check prices but expects to order more instead of fewer. The price per piece is thus decreased, AND we

have been getting the word into the world and will need more copies.

2. Go Green for 2020 will be on Sept. 12. Consensus that we will participate.
3. Tavern Spinners will have a workshop featuring Jennifer Moore in Heathsville on March 10, 11 and 12. There is no opportunity for us to caboose the presenter as she is booked up for about the next year and a half. No cost has yet been determined.
4. Fall Fiber Fest is October 5 and 6 (Saturday and Sunday) in Montpelier Station, Virginia. Sandi urged everyone to attend and requested volunteers to help man the Skein & Garment Competition display. Montpelier Station is about a 2-hour drive - feel free to seek car pool companions.
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### Old Business

1. The Williamsburg Regional Library set up was successful and our show looks GREAT. We are scheduled to demo on September 19 and 26, and October 03, 10, 17, 24 and 31. Take down date has not yet been determined.
2. Go Green Expo at the Midtown Aquatics Center in Newport News was staffed by Cindy, Marsha, Claudia, Kris and Ingrid, and was well attended.
3. September 14 proved to be a good day for our Farmer's Market demo, which was very well attended. One interested market goer has appeared as a guest! Our spreading of the word seems to be working.
4. September 16 is our monthly meeting. The meeting will be at the WJC

Recreation Center on Longhill Road. Meeting begins at 10:00 a.m The building is open at 9:00 so feel free to come early to socialize if you wish. **All meetings for the rest of the calendar year are scheduled at this location.**

### Show and Tell

**Ginger** talked briefly about the Weaving Room at Crossnore School in Crossnore, North Carolina. This is from the website <https://www.romanticasheville.com/crossnore>

"The Weaving Room was created in 1913 to keep alive the art of hand-weaving and to give economic opportunity to women. Crossnore Weavers continues to design and produce beautifully hand-woven clothing, table linens, household decor, and baby items that are sold to people throughout the world. It's a working museum with a fascinating slice of Southern Appalachian history. See exhibits, try your hand on an old loom, and buy a beautiful souvenir."

Ginger is also looking for corrugated cardboard to make a large loom, but is not seeking a box. Any ideas??

**Jane** displayed a shawl from Peru. It clearly had a high cozy factor.

**Barb** produced (from scratch) her latest sock. A mate has been promised.

**Dee** had completed a superwash wool shawl and a hat. (Some of us are very productive.)

**Claudia** brought her Saori weave sample.

**Kathy K.** confessed to removing items from a national park and showed off various bits of bark and dried foliage that she intends to

weave into some baskets. She also gave information about Mountain Valley Weavers in Glenwood Springs, Colorado. See [www.mtnvalley.org](http://www.mtnvalley.org) for information. The website features the most unusual shopping method ....

**Linda A** brought a tote bag, dorset buttons and an inkle loom.

**Ingrid** showed off the results of sitting near Dee. Heavily influenced by the magic of Dee's tiny electric spinner, Ingrid ordered one as well, and brought it to show. Both Dee and Ingrid say the spinners make high quality fine yarn, are easy to use and very portable.

**Judy** had a shawl that took 3 skeins.

## PROGRAM

We conducted a multifaceted program where several members described methods of joining pin loom squares. Linda C and Tina had crocheted squares together using different stitches, and Linda C. showed some how she made loop stitches. Dee had braided her squares together using the edge loops directly, without adding any extra loops. Cindy's shawl featured knitting, while Kathy K's jacket showed the crochet joins as a design element. Meanwhile, Sandi gave a mini-class on how to read a weaving draft.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.



From our  
Williamsburg Public  
Library exhibit



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Jane's shawl from Peru

Ingrid's handmade inkle  
loom >

Claudia's Saori sample  
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Dee's latest shawl >



One of Kathy's Grand Canyon finds- &  
future pine needle basket adornment

Ingrid's tiny electric spinner  
(Dee has started something, here!) v



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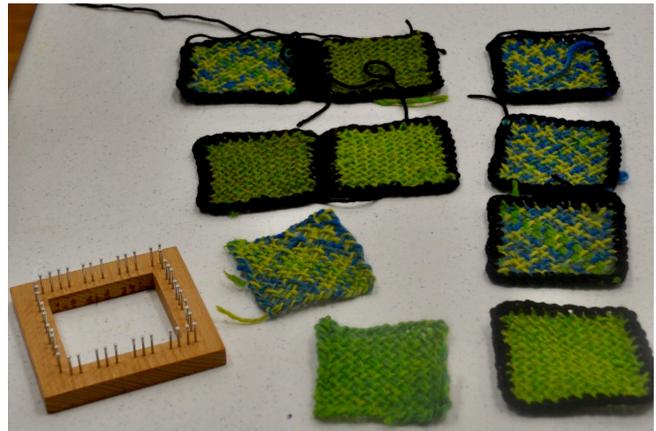
Barb's  
handknit.  
(The 1<sup>st</sup> of 2)



Judy's latest handspun ^



Katherine pin loom weaving ^



Crocheted edging on pin loom squares ^



Cindy's pin loom shawl with  
knitted joins  
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## WSWG Calendar

October 21:  
**Monthly Meeting**  
**At JCC Rec Center**

Program: Colonial  
Williamsburg  
Presentation

Snacks: Sweet – Kathy;  
Savory - Natalie

Nov 18

**Monthly Meeting**  
**At JCC Rec Center**

Program: “Sampling  
Southeastern Asian  
textiles culturally &  
historically” with  
Ruudje Laarhoven

Snacks: Sweet – Linda  
C; Savory - Liz

Dec. 16:

**Monthly Meeting:**  
**At JCC Rec Center**

Results of 2019  
Challenge & Holiday  
Pot Luck

### **2019 Challenge:**

Pick 4 colors of fiber &  
show how they interact

Results due at  
December meeting

## Upcoming Fiber Events:

September- October

### **WSWG Library Exhibit**

Williamsburg Public Library

**Take Down Date: TBA (Oct 31 or Nov 1)**

Saturday-Sunday, October 5-6

### **Fall Fiber Festival**

11395 Constitution Highway, Montpelier Station, VA 22957  
for more info <http://www.fallfiberfestival.org>

### **2019 Officers**

Kris Wessler – President  
Cindy French – Vice President  
Kathy Kuhn – Treasurer  
Linda Coppinger – Secretary

**Check out many more great photos of  
the September meeting**

**On our website: <http://williamsburgspinweave.org>**

**And be sure to check out our Facebook page!**

