



**Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers  
Guild**

P.O. Box 2086  
Williamsburg, VA 23187  
<http://williamsburgspinweave.org>

**September, 2016**

**Monthly Meeting**

Monday, September 19, 2016

10:00 am to 1:00 pm

(Social time 9:30-10:00am)

**James City County Recreation Center  
5301 Longhill Rd**

**Program**

“Bead Basics” with Sande from The Beadtender

**Hospitality:**

Jane, sweet; Judy, savory

**Library Exhibit Set-Up Day**

Wednesday, August 31, 10am

Williamsburg Public Library

515 Scotland St

Bring your items to exhibit!

If you can't come,

please contact Marsha to arrange pickup of your items  
ahead of time

**Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild  
Minutes August 14, 2016  
James County Public Library**

**Meeting called to order** by Marsha at 10:14 am  
Marsha introduced and welcomed a guest, Mary.

**Correspondence:**

MaryBeth has moved to Merrill's Inlet, SC. She would like to stay on the mailing list for the rest of the year.

Kevin Sullivan of Charles City has 4 large bags of alpaca roving. He would like a chance to show it. We discussed a day trip instead of a bash in Oct. or Nov.

Bill wants to vote for which workshop we choose if we have Melissa Dunning

**Minutes:** Accepted as written

**Treasurer's Report:** \$2,780.15. Will have an additional deposit of \$154.00 from sales of towels. For those weaving towels with the Guild's yarn, if you wish to keep the leftover yarn you can buy it from the Guild for \$10/lb. Natalie will take leftovers and make mixed warp towels for the guild.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership:** no change in membership

**Sunshine:** Barbara is improving from shoulder surgery. She can now drive.

**Website:** No new information.

**Historian:** no report

**Workshops:** Two workshop ideas were presented. Kathy had sent out information on Melissa Dunning's workshops. The group was most interested in the "Acadian Weaving of French Canada and Louisiana". It is a 2-day workshop. We would also be interested in her 1-hour program of "Wauking the Wool" for the whole guild for a reduced price since she would already be coming to do the workshop. We are looking at January. The second workshop discussed is one by Patsy

Zawistoski who is now living in Silver Spring, MD. She is a good spinner and instructor. She has workshops on plying, textured wool, synthetic and modern fibers among other things. <http://www.spinningguru.com/> Judy will get in touch with her.

**Programs:**

We are back in the Recreation Center in September

September: Bead Basics with Sande from Beadtenders

October: Spinning, Fall Fiber Festival Report

November: clay buttons with Ingrid and Micki P

December: potluck

**HGA:**

Convergence in July – Judy took beaming with dual beams. She reported that tensioning is an issue. It uses two sets of lease sticks and one has to release from both beams. She also took a workshop on weaving with a draw loom which uses 2 sets of harnesses to get more intricate patterning. Her third workshop was on tatting. She reported that the marketplace was really good with lots of looms available for people to try. The keynote speaker is in the nanotechnology business. He researches how to change cotton fibers at the molecular level so they can be used to do other things. One example is making conductive fibers that can be used to say charge one's smart phone.

His website is:

<http://nanotextiles.human.cornell.edu>

**MAFA:**

The website is up for the July 2017 conference.

**Hospitality :** No bash in September  
**September snacks:** Jane, sweet; Judy, savory

### Old Business

1. There will be a guild exhibit at the Williamsburg Public Library in September. The setup date will be August 31st. The exhibit will be 6 weeks. The “sunset” projects will be hung as well as items from other challenges. We need more items. Linda will make labels for the exhibits. There was a question as to whether we have the 2 locking cabinets for the exhibit. Marsha will check.
2. The Williamsburg Farmers Market will be Saturday October 8
3. Goodie, Ingrid and Marsha will be at the Portsmouth Makers Festival
4. A destash challenge will begin in January and will be due in December 2017. Bring destash items to the December meeting. The challenge is to incorporate some of your existing stash and some of Kathy’s fiber in your project.
5. The Tavern Spinners and Weavers will be holding a round robin workshop Nov. 11-13 using Pattie Graver’s book, “Next Steps in Weaving.” If there are spaces, WSWG members may take the workshop. All sample woven in the workshop will be kept at the Tavern in the studio as a guild resource.
6. The Tavern guild is judging the Skein and Garment competition at the Fall Fiber Festival. The deadline for entries is September 10. You can bring the entries to the August 31 hanging at the Williamsburg Library. Also, Judy will be in Williamsburg September 10 or you can contact Marsha and drop off entries with her.

### New Business:

1. We need a nominating committee. All current officers will not be available for office next year. We will talk about the committee at the September meeting.
2. The Hickory Neck Church wants to start a Fiber Festival to be held May 20, 2017 on Richmond Rd. The guild said they were interested in participating.
3. The question was raised if we should purchase the book, Next Steps in Weaving, for the guild library.
  - **Motion: The guild should purchase “Next Steps in Weaving” for the guild library.**

The motion was passed.

### Show & Tell

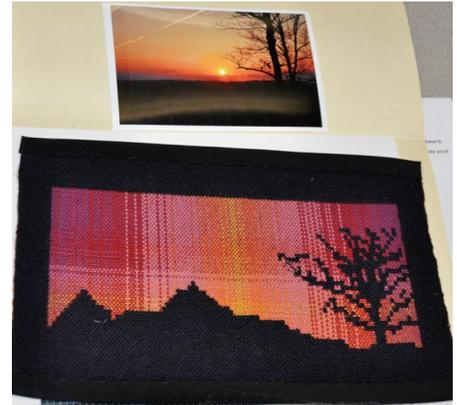
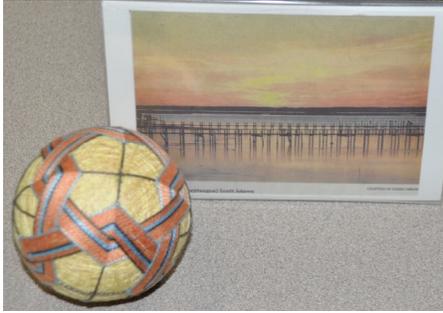
<b>Marsha</b>	piece weaving
<b>Janet</b>	sunset project
<b>Goodie</b>	sunset project
<b>Debbie</b>	sunset project
<b>Judy</b>	sunset project
<b>Sandi</b>	sunset project, fabric, clasped weft top
<b>Kathy</b>	sunset project
<b>Natalie</b>	Saori style weaving hats
<b>Ellen</b>	sunset project

### Program: Shirret with Cindy

Respectfully submitted,  
Micki Pugh

Members present: Jane, Virginia, Marsha, Micki P., Janet, Goodie, Debbie, Claudia, Kathy, Linda, Judy, Sandi, Natalie, Ellen, Cindy, and guest, Mary.

WSWG August 2016  
Sunset Challenge Results



WSWG  
August Show & Tell



Natalie's Saori hats.....



Modeled by Sandi



Sandi's cotton yardage



Cindy's Sherrit hot pads and flower pins



^ Back  
Sandi's clasped weft vest  
& Front



Ingrid & Goodie at Portsmouth MakersFest



## WSWG 2016 Calendar

### Sept 19:

Monthly meeting at  
**JCC Rec Center**  
"Bead Basics"  
Snacks: Jane, sweet;  
Judy, savory

### October 17:

Monthly meeting at  
**JCC Rec Center**  
Program: Spinning DVD &  
FFF Report  
Hospitality: Janet, sweet;  
Barbara, savory

### November 21:

Monthly meeting  
**JCC Rec Center**  
Program: Fimo clay  
buttons  
Snacks: Ellen, sweet;  
Cindy, savory

### December 19:

Monthly Meeting  
**JCC Rec Center**  
Holiday Potluck  
2017 Annual Dues due!

### Looking Ahead:

#### 2017 Guild Challenge

Begins in January  
"Destash"  
something made from  
your stash & a piece  
of Kathy's fabric  
stash  
Due December 2017

### Check it out:

Saori hat tutorials (see Natalie's hats in pictures):

<http://artweaverstudio.com.au/assets/uploads/No-Sew-Saori-Hat-Instructions.pdf>

And many Saori tutorials:

<http://curiousweaver.id.au/>

free ebook: "Sensational Towels, Napkins and Placemats" by the  
Pikes Peak Weavers. (check out Cathy Sterling's project!):

<http://pikespeakweavers.org/publications/>

## Upcoming Fiber Events

Wednesday, August 31, 10:00 am

### Library Exhibit Set Up Day:

Williamsburg Public Library

Bring your sunset challenge, recycled sweater challenge, anything  
else you can think of!

September 1- October 13:

### WSWG Exhibit

Williamsburg Public Library

Scotland St, Williamsburg, VA

September 10

**Deadline for entry, Fall Fiber Festival's Skein & Garment  
Competition.** For more info: [www.fallfiberfestival.org](http://www.fallfiberfestival.org)

Saturday & Sunday, October 1 & 2

### Fall Fiber Festival & Montpelier Sheep Dog Trials

At James Madison's Montpelier, 11407 Constitution Hwy,  
Montpelier Station, VA

For more info: [www.fallfiberfestival.org](http://www.fallfiberfestival.org)

Friday, October 14, 10:00

### Library Exhibit Take Down Day

Williamsburg Public Library

## WSWG 2016 Officers

President	Marsha Rehkamp
Vice-President	Ingrid Kross
Treasurer	Sandi Petty
Secretary	Micki Pugh