



## Williamsburg Spinners & Weavers Guild

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<http://williamsburgspinweave.org>

### ZOOM MEETING! December 21, 2020

#### Monthly Meeting

Monday,

Social Time: 9:50-10:00 am

Business Meeting: 10:00 am

*Program: Show something felted!*



# Next Meeting: January 18, 2021

## WSWG Minutes

**Meeting Date:** December 21, 2020/ 10:00 am / ZOOM video call conducted by Dave and Cindy. Special Thanks to MAFA for making the ZOOM program available to its member guilds.

### Attendees

Linda C., Debbie, Sandi, Rosemary, Cindy, Dave, Lisa, Kathy K., Kris, Ingrid, Dee, Catherine B., Jan, Marsha, Judith, Goodie, Liz, Claudia, Janet

Guests: None

### Agenda

**Guests: None**

**Correspondence:** Williamsburg Regional Library sent an effusive letter of gratitude for our contribution of yarn toward their Make and Take project bags.

**Minutes of Last Meeting:** Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the November meeting, as published in the Newsletter. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Balance at beginning of meeting \$ 3701.80. NOTE: Dues for 2021 are now due and payable. Please send checks to:

Williamsburg Spinners and Weavers Guild,  
P.O. Box 2086, Williamsburg VA 23187-2086.

If you joined and paid a year's worth of dues in October or November, you are all paid up for 2021.

### Committee Reports:

Membership: no new member since last month.

Website: Kathy will send a photo of the banner for the home page. Ideas for improvement are hereby solicited, and you had best start thinking, as our program for January will be all about improving the WEB page.

Newsletter: Janet requested more photos to add to the newsletter. She has asked before and is very grateful to those who contribute. But of course, we are the beneficiaries. What we really want is to look at the art we make, right? So, send photos of your show and tell.

Historian: No report

- HGA: Sandi has emailed the towel challenge booklet, which contains patterns and comments for every towel submitted. Amazing art from such a simple utilitarian bit of work. Sandi urges us all to consider financial assistance to HGA, as Convergence, canceled by COVID-19, was the main source of income. They have posted many excellent online classes, sign up for one!

MAFA: has posted many on line classes and prices have been reduced from the live offers. Daryl Lancaster is offering her class on making clothing from handwoven fabric, and the Central Virginia Guild is offering a spinning class.

Facebook: No report.

Workshops and Programs:

Cindy has the following programs lined up.

January, brainstorm the Website.

February, color and weave plain weave.

March, color and weave, log cabin.

April, spin in.

May, tips and tricks for any aspect of the craft. Share your favorite hack with Cindy and everybody can learn it.

Cindy is also looking at the possibility of a study group, in combination with the Heathsville guild, for the Green Book. More on that idea as it grows and matures. Like sourdough starter...

**New Business:** Cathy B. Announced that the Contemporary Art Center in Williamsburg is looking for teachers for online classes. Please contact her if you have a skill to impart.

Three ideas for the 2021 Challenge were presented: something inkle, something color and weave, or anything at all that helped you get through the COVID-19 siege, and a story to go with the object. The object must be a fiber work project - making and eating bourbon balls does not count.

## **Old Business**

Recently elected officers took over and will serve for 2021. Dave B as President, Cindy as VP (director of programs), Liz V. as Secretary, and Kathy K. as Treasurer (director of funds).

The Challenge was revealed. The felted projects included: Goodie, portrait of a cat in needle felting; Linda C., a cartoon chicken needle felted; Cathy B., a wet felted bag with a beaded front; Debby, a wet felted bag woven on a card board loom; Lisa, a garland of felted zombies; Janet, several bags; Sandi, a clock begun in 2012; and Liz, a bag with felted sheep.

Results of the towel exchange were presented. Janet received a salmon striped towel with bubbles in the weft, woven by Kathy; Kathy received a color and weave towel from Cindy; Cindy received a log cabin towel from Sandi; Sandi received a plaid towel from Jamie; and Ingrid received a plain weave towel from Janet. Fun work!

## **Show and Tell:**

**Ingrid** displayed her towel that goes in the exchange, and several finished denim rugs, made with a doubled carpet yarn warp and six pairs of blue jeans for weft.

**Kathy** showed off a baby blanket, with pictures of the recipients, and a cushion.

**Marsha** revealed her curtains, completed and hung where they belong, and she presented some seasonal ornaments of woven inkle.

**Rosemary** showed us some placemats and Christmas towels, and a cushion cover woven in krokbragd.

**Sandi** used some more Alpaca, this time a lace weight woven with Tencel, plus some Tencel and Mystery fiber. She also showed transparency woven Christmas stars in her window.

**Cindy** showed us three towels.

**Debbie** modeled her self-sourced Christmas gift, a Papillion shawl knitted by Judith. That shawl can dance!

**Claudia** displayed a scarf knitted by Dee.

**Janet** presented her felt painting accepted by HGA Smoky Mountain exhibit

## **PROGRAM**

Cindy demonstrated how to make small ornaments from inkle woven bands by folding the bands origami style. One series of folds resulted in a square, which Cindy locked in place by sewing one bead at the junction of all the edges. The pattern of the band created the festive look, and the squares could be hung on garlands or trees, or stuck on packages, or hung from ear lobes. A simple obi knot created a cone shape, which if repeated would curve into a circle, yielding an inkle band mini-wreath.



Awesome Inkle Band ornaments and Candy Cane towel weaving Cindy.





Amazing alpaca cocoon and special gifts Sandi.



Wonderful felt work Catherine.





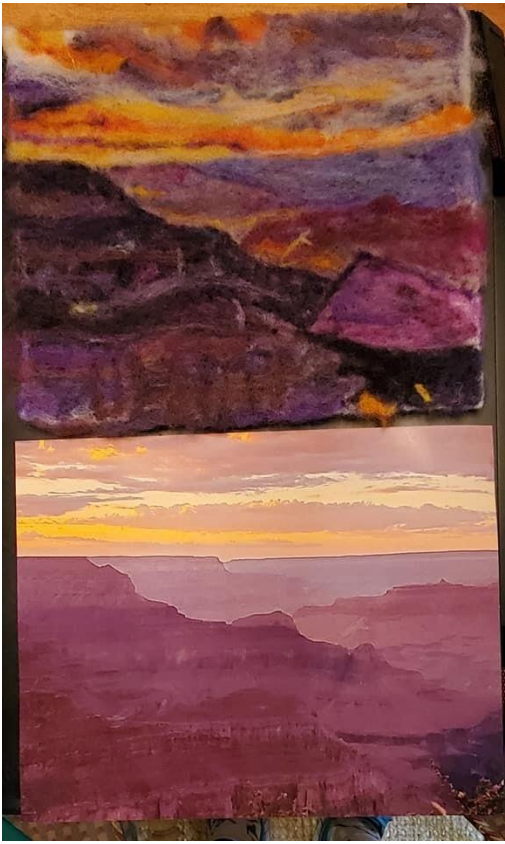
Working hard on that new home Marsha.



Delightful Felted characters Lisa.



One-of-a-kind scarf Dee. Now owned by Claudia.



Marvelous Felted Painting and pine-needle basket Kathy.



Who else would add feathers to their knitted Slippers Tina?



One of our former members, Mary Lou Birns passed away peacefully December 27, 2020. She will be missed. She was an accomplished spinner, weaver and basket maker. Here is a link to her obituary: <https://www.horancares.com/obituary/Mary-Birns>

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#### 2020 Officers

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

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

And be sure to check out our Facebook page! Williamsburg Spinners and Weavers Guild.



Careful of your time!

Did you like Claudia's felted dragonfly on the first page?