

Blue Ridge Fiber Guild July 23, 2022 Minutes

Location: Grace Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall

Members Present: Rhonda Gladden, Margie Cassan, Angelina Harrison, Jane Campbell, Betty Armistead, Susan Sharpe, Janeene Ross, Beth Reavis, Vicki Skyward, Kim Potter, Karen Lieberman (visitor) , Susan Payne, Hope Estepan, Mona Alderson, Sali Gill-Johnson, Jeanne Lawrence

Co-President Beth Reavis called the meeting to order and welcomed members who introduced themselves.

Janeene Ross provided the Treasurer's Report:

Beginning Balance:	\$ 1,684.18
Deposits:	\$ 73.20
Disbursements(Petty Cash)	\$ 60.00
Ending Balance:	\$ 1,697.38

There was no secretary's report and June minutes were approved.

Announcements/New Business

PSA/Listening Post: Vicki Skywark mentioned the local churches are sponsoring non-denominational "Listening Posts" on campus and are looking for volunteers. The 1-2 hour shifts are Tues/Thurs in Plemmons Student Union, and 11:30-1 Wednesdays in Trivette Dining Hall. Volunteers are there to simply listen/talk to students who stop by. Interested volunteers are welcome to contact Vicki at v.skywark@gmail.com.

Weaving: Betty Armistead announced that there is a weavers group that meets on Monday mornings starting at 9am and the Lois Harrell Senior Center in Boone All skill levels are welcome to attend. There is also a weavers group at the Cove Creek, Western Watauga Library Monday and Friday 10-12:30.

Knitting groups also meet at Cove Creek on Wednesdays at 9am, with Janeene Ross and at Watauga Arts Council on State Farm Road on Tu/Th 10:30-12 with Vicki Skywark.

Spinners group meets the 1st Sunday of each month at Cove Creek/Western Watauga, or Hickory Ridge/Horn in the West. Contact: Sandi Basel flyingfiberfarm@aol.com for more information.

Member featured: MissBabs Yarn's (Located right up the road near Mtn City, TN and offering "some of the yummiest yarns this side of the Mississippi") recent newsletter featured Ivy Campbell (daughter of Jane Campbell), who started coming with her mom to meetings and later

started working with Miss Babs several years and is now lead dyer. For more info about MissBabs, or to subscribe to the newsletter, visit www.missbabs.com or <https://missbabs.us7.list-manage.com/subscribe>.

Quilting: On-Line classes are available from the Modern Quilt Guild (MQG). Subscription/membership is \$35 and they offer a 2-week selection of on-line classes for \$ 95. www.modernquiltguild.com coming up in October.

Another resource for quilters is the Global Quilt Connection www.globalquiltconnection.com with events and on-line opportunities happening in July and beyond.

Edgewood Cottage Show: Blue Ridge Fiber Guild (bi-annual) show at the Edgewood Cottage, Blowing Rock, September 5-11, 2022, open 10-5 daily. Susan Sharpe (redwing@skybest.com) and Susan Payne smpnc1@gmail.com are coordinating this event. Members are needed to volunteer for shifts to welcome visitors, help sell work and demonstrate techniques. Those who were accepted into the Edgewood exhibit will meet 30 minutes prior to our August Guild meeting to plan this event.

August 20 meeting: ECO-PRINT Special Program at Cove Creek/Western Watauga Library Workshop will be outdoors, weather permitting. Mona Alderson offered several samples of Eco-Printing. She will be leading a workshop on Eco (plant) Pounding for the August meeting. This is a simple process that imparts color from plants onto the fabric, which can then be used for projects.

Consider the workshop as a fun experiment and not an opportunity to create a masterpiece. Participants will use in-mordanted fabric for the class. Plants that are not too “juicy” work best (Some great results come from Japanese Maple leaves, cosmos, marigold, but any plant material is worth trying.)

Cost for workshop is \$ 1.00 (not a typo!) and participants need to bring a flat headed hammer, and if available, a flat/smooth board between ½- 1” thick and approx 9x12 or 15x20” (you will probably be holding in your lap to hammer on) Mona will have extra boards as well. RSVP is appreciated but not mandatory, monabaquilts@gmail.com

After the business portion was adjourned, members exchanged small handmade “Christmas in July” gifts, feasted on all kinds of goodies, and shared their latest works in progress.

Minutes Prepared by Sali Gill-Johnson July 26, 2022

