

Jacksonville Weavers' Guild, Inc.

Jacksonville, Florida

April 2011

http://www.jaxweaversguild.org/

Next Meeting

April 9, 2011 10:00 am – 12:00 pm <u>Jacksonville Southside Regional Library</u>

Program: e-textiles !! :)
All are welcome!

Officers

President: Linda Schultz

Vice President: Jeanne Applegate

Secretary: Susan Wallace **Treasurer:** Lee Kessler

Past President: Lynette Holmes

Committees

Library: Barbara Wroten & Linda Schultz

Membership: Connie Geller **Newsletter:** Ann Stodola

April Program

Lisa Jamba just completed her master's degree thesis at UNF with a study of using e-textiles to control a device while also doing another task. In her preliminary research on ways that electronic devices were being incorporated into cloth and clothing, she found uses in art and craft projects.

Upcoming Programs

Keep checking the Guild website for up to date details.

May 14 - **Kumihimo Jewelry**: findings for a bracelet or necklace Bring some braids to finish; start braiding now on either a Maru Dai or a foam disk.

The May meeting will be at the Fort Caroline Community Center. The address is 4131 Ferber Road, Jacksonville, FL 32277. (Arlington on the river facing the Dames Point Bridge). The best way to get there for most is to go 9A and exit Merrill Road west as if you were heading to JU. Turn right on Hartsfield Road (Merrill Road Elementary School is on the corner) and go straight to Fort Caroline Road. At the light, turn left. Travel west on Fort Caroline to Rogero Road (2nd light). Turn right and go to end of street (river). Turn right on Ferber. The Community Center is on the left.

Hot Tip

WEBS <u>www.yarn.com</u> has a big sale starting April 1st. Many knitting and weaving yarns.

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Local Art Events

Gainesville Coral Reef

Sara Gonzalez and Chelsea from the Marston Science Library at the University of Florida in Gainesville were at the Florida Tropical Weavers' Guild Conference soliciting crocheted "corals" for the Gainesville Coral Reef which will "grow" in the library from April through October, 2011. This "reef" is a satellite of the worldwide Hyperbolic Crochet Coral Reef project highlighted in an earlier newsletter. Information about the reef and crochet directions for several coral shapes can be found at http://guides.uflib.ufl.edu/crochetreef. Donations of yarn, crochet hooks and money (to the Marston Science Library Exhibit Fund) are also being accepted. Contacts at the library are librarians Sara (srgonzalez@gmail.com) and Chelsea (dinsmore07@gmail.com).

News from Around the Web

Submitted by Susan Wallace

Tapestry artist James Koehler passed away in March. See photos of his tapestries at http://jameskoehler.com and click on "DVD" in the menu at the top under his name to view a short video of him creating a tapestry.

After trying, and discarding, the use of bamboo and acetate for "green" fabric, Oak Hall Cap and Gown has developed a process to use 100% post-consumer plastic to make fabric for graduation gowns from fiber spun from molten plastic pellets. It takes on average 23 bottles to make one gown. So far over 3.5 million plastic bottles have been recovered from landfills and made into gowns. More information is available at http://www.oakhalli.com/GreenWeaver3Rs.pdf and http://oakhalli.com/greenweavermovement.php.

Lexus has created an automated braiding machine to create carbon fiber tubes used in car parts. See http://textilesmithing.com/2011/02/04/lexus-3-d-weaving/ for a video of the machine. Lexus is using a braiding machine (that they are calling a "loom") with new materials and for a new purpose, but braiding machines are not new. See some of Makito Tada's beautiful and ornamental braids and a video of her automatic braiding machines at http://makikokumihimo.posterous.com/

For Sale

Grandma weaver moving! Must sell everything in my weaver's studio! Great basic set-up for beginner weaver. Everything you need to start weaving today! Great second loom!

I am moving and can't afford to take my beloved loom and weaving accessories with me. Everything sold as a package deal.

This sale includes:

36" Purrington 4Harness/6treadles floor Loom Weaving bench
36" Handmade Warping Board
12 reed
Bobbin winder
Yarn umbrella swift
Table Yarn ball winder
Bobbins
Boat Shuttles
Rag/Rug Shuttle

14" Harrisville Easy Weaver Table Top Loom with yarn kit Miscellaneous rolls of Maysville Cotton Warp LOTS, AND LOTS of Yarn for weaving, crochet, knitting Yarn weight scale

Miscellaneous weaving accessories

NOTICE: AVAILABLE ONLY FOR LOCAL PICK-UP!!!!!! No Delivery No Shipping!

Asking for all: \$950/OBO

Call 954-249-0442

Please help find a new home for this loom.

FOR SALE: 56" 12 harness Macomber in great condition

4 stainless steel reeds: 8, 10, 12, 15

Heel rest

Plain beam

- Sectional beam, 3/4 yard with 1 inch sections
- Tension box
- Homemade warping rack



This loom (B4E 848) and I have been together for many miles of yardage and projects. It was built for me in 1973 when Macomber was still in Saugus, Massachusetts. I need to downsize to a smaller loom, and will consider a trade-in. \$ 4700- bring a truck and 2 guys to pick it up from in Jacksonville Beach, FL Contact Connie c.geller@comcast.net (904) 249 1761

Minutes of the Jacksonville Weavers Guild

March 12, 2011 Southeast Regional Library, Jacksonville, Florida

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. Present were Linda Schultz, Jeanne Applegate, Nanette Miller, Sharon Williams, Judi Leatherberry, Lee Kessler, Donna Markowitz, and Lynette Holmes.

The minutes of Februrary 12, 2011 were approved as written - moved by Jeanne, seconded by Nan.

Treasurer's report - balance of \$677.84. Rent for the storage unit paid until March 19, 2011.

Old Business - Elemental Gallery and Art Walk on March 2nd. The venue worked well and the looms drew people into the gallery. Discussed having a few people from the JWG participate every Art Walk, which is the first Wednesday of every month from 5 to 9 p.m.

Treasurer - Donna has agreed to take over from Lee as treasurer

New business - Lynette Holmes, as past-president, will present a slate of officers for the April meeting.

Cecilia Dushey-Ward is looking for the JWG to participate in an Arts and Crafts Festival at Batram Springs school sometime during the week of May 2 to 6. Possible activities, such as braiding on the simple kumihimo cardboard discs, were discussed.

Tree Hill sent an invitation to participate in the Butterfly Festival. We elected not to participate this year.

A clothing designer contacted the guild to see if anyone was interested in producing handwoven fabric for clothing. Connie had discussed possible options with him.

Field trip with the Tallahassee Weavers to an African Weaving exhibit at the HARN museum in Gainesville is planned for March 31. We will meet at the museum at 11:30 a.m. Please contact Susan Wallace if you wish to attend.

Weaving equipment and looms for sale in Sunrise, Florida. Details to be sent to the newsletter. Discussed looms at Penney Farms. Discussed options for RAM.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40.

Show and Tell

Donna - 15 miniature overshot samples mounted and framed from Overshot is Hot!

Nan - cotton kitchen towels, felted soaps

Lynette - fabric painting and embellishment and painting of a friend's Colorado garden

Judi - pin weaving necklace in ocean colors

Notes taken by Judi Leadbetter. Submitted by Linda Schultz.