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GREAT COLORS BY THE YOUNGEST DYER



Photo by Mary Carmosino

Jessie, daughter of De Guilmette, is 11 years old, in 5th grade and attends St Mary's in Avon. She plays volleyball and basketball, participates in track and swimming too. She likes to spin on a great wheel and to weave. She is interested in all kinds of crafts. She especially likes dying, can't you tell? Hope the finished product makes it to Show and Tell along with the work of others too!

Meet our Members

By Mary Carmosino

Starting in the next issue I would like to feature, maybe a few at a time, the members of our guild.

There will be a short survey to fill out about yourself and you can add what ever you would like to share with us about your life and fabric addiction. Pictures will be optional but please share when it's your turn so we all can get to know each other a little bit better.

I can type and use my Word Tools to tidy up anyone's information, so don't be shy about submitting! We all have so many different interests; it will be fun to be surprised and learn more about each other.

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A special thanks to the organizers of Dye Day! It was really fun and there were some really fine colors.

THANK YOU!

April Minutes submitted by Sara Twining

Lorain County Spinners & Weavers Guild Minutes

The April 12, 2011 meeting began early with set-up for our annual dye-day at Lorain County Carlisle Park.

President Elizabeth Yasaki called the meeting to order.

Treasurer Dee Martin reported for the past three months. January started with \$3,914.87. Payouts for January included \$300.00 scholarship, \$750.00 Heifer International, and \$575.00 to Black Locust Farm for a new spinning wheel for the Guild, leaving \$2,553.37. February saw \$100.00 donation to the Heifer Fund- ending balance @2,653.37 including the \$100.00 of Heifer. March expenses included \$17.60 for stamps, \$16.53 for refreshment supplies, and \$72.92 for 2 DVDs leaving an ending balance of \$2464.04. April's ending balance was \$2496.04 of which \$100.00 was Heifer Fund.

May's program will be presented by Guild Member Michael Romanoski.

Beth Hines announced Natural Dye Day at her shop June 11, 2011 and will try silk and rust dying.

Newsletter Editor Mary Carmosino asked everyone to send any information to her that they would like to see included in future newsletters. Contact info on last page.

Demonstration Chair, Chris Strickely, reminded us of a commitment to demo at Senior Fair May 5th at 9am-2pm at the Lorain Co. Fairgrounds.

There were no old business announcements.

LOCO Guild members were featured in the Advocate Newspaper

Harrisville Design Workshop - see Betsy Bruce

Eastern Great Lakes Fiber Conference coming in October (almost full for reservations) [website: www.eglf.org/](http://www.eglf.org/)

WEBS has a sale in April and May: check it out

Reminder to those who are participating in the Brown Bag Challenge - due in November

New to library [Barn Guide to Sheep](#)

Delicious refreshment were then served and Dye Day began.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary Sara Twining

NOTE: Beth Hines shop will be closed on May 3rd.

Presentation for May's Meeting

The husband and wife team of Michael Romanoski and Erica Kuntz are the owners of Koru Fiber and Dairy in Huntington Township and LOCO members too! They keep French and Satin Angora rabbits, Pygora and Nigerian Dwarf goats, and Olde English Babydoll Southdown sheep.

Coming up at our May 10th meeting they will present information and discuss the livestock we raise and the fibers that they produce.



2011 Lorain Co. Senior Fair

Demonstrators are needed for the May 6th Sr. Fair at the (Wellington) Lorain Co. Fairgrounds, Time to set up is before 9:30 am, open from 10 am till 2 pm. Anyone interested in this Demo contact Chris Strekely ([330-416-8195](tel:330-416-8195)) or Marybeth Derikito ([440-647-2590](tel:440-647-2590)).

Member Info Suggestions
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Here is a list of ideas and questions you can use to tell us about yourself. Remember, everyone is different so just let loose and tell us about you!

- Is your interest in your fiber craft
- Mainly for fun, hobby, business or teaching others?
- What type of fiber do you use (i.e. natural, home grown, recycled, store bought)?
- Future plans involving your craft.
- Classes you have taken or would recommend for your interests.
- What was your first or biggest/smallest or most challenging project?
- Any particular person or event inspire you?
- Blog or website you could share.
- Where would you like to go, see or visit? (i.e. studio, factory, farm)
- Tell us something you do that we may not be aware of...

Please answer any all or just tell us what you want to about yourself. A picture would be nice so all can put a face with your name but not necessary. I'll have some forms at our next meeting.

More color to enjoy...
Compliments of Britt Friedman

Have you been to the show at Ginko Gallery? Seeing all the colors reminded me of our dye day at Carlisle last month. Britt Friedman was a painter, then a quilter, then a photographer and her works look like some of all of these. Hard to believe that this is fabric transformed from a photo of something natural. The pieces in the show have colors that I think of as fall, but in the shop area, up high, are her older works with refreshing spring colors. Don't miss these. They are more realistic with images of trees and water. My personal favorite is called Grasses IX. It has fine detail of grasses and the color is like a bright sunset. Although it is printed onto cloth in one piece it has color blocks that make it look like a quilt. Her work will be there until the end of May.

New Membership for May... Welcome!

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Fiber interests and talents include dye, knit and weave.

We have a LibraryThing account!!!

<http://www.librarything.com/>

name: LOCOLibrary password: l0c0library (Those are zeroes)

Our book collection is still in the process of being added to LibraryThing. Keep in mind that the site will only let you know whether the guild OWNS an item, not whether it is available to be borrowed.

2011 Upcoming Events

LOCO Guild Meetings held the second Tuesday of the month 7 PM
Carlisle Reservation 12882 Diagonal Road, LaGrange, Ohio 44050

**4/9 to 5/31 at Ginko Gallery - In The Minds Eye - An exhibition of work by
Britt Friedman**

**5/6 - Lorain County Senior Fair - (Wellington) Lorain Co. Fairgrounds,
Open from 10 am till 2 pm.**

**5/6-8 - 38th Annual Maryland Sheep & Wool Festival at 2210 Fairground Rd.,
West Friendship MD / Howard County Fairgrounds,
www.sheepandwool.org**

5/21-22 - Upper Valley Fiber Fest in Troy

5/28-29 - The Great Lakes Sheep and Wool Show in Wooster

**6/11 - Natural Dye Day and Rust on Silk Dying at "Ewe & Beth's Studio"
10717 LaGrange Rd. Elyria, OH 44035 Phone:(440)458-4049
9am to 3pm so bring a bag lunch and fiber to dye (#1). Will have silk.**

**6/24-25 - Woolfest at Lake Metropark Farmpark
8800 Euclid Chardon Road, Kirtland, OH**

6/25 - Sauder Village "Focus on Fiber Arts" in Archbold

**7/2, 3, 4 - Fine Arts Fair Invitational Event
Old Stone Sanctuary in Crestline, Ohio -Rt. 61
Saturday - 10:00 - 5:00 pm; Sunday - 1:00- 5:00 pm;
Monday - 10:00 - 5:00 pm**

**8/17 - 20 - Rug Hooking Week - Sauder Village, Archbold, Ohio
Exhibits, vendors, workshops - call 800-590-9755 for further info**

**8/4-7 - The Crooked River Fiber Fling in Peninsula
Website: www.fibercafe.wordpress.com**

**8/20-21 - Mid-Ohio Fiber Fair in Newark,
Website: www.midohiofiberfair.weebly.com**

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