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Request From A New Member

The Criation Station Alpaca Farm, owned by new member, Marcee L. Stephenson, has been invited to be one of the five stops on the Lorain County Fall Farm Tour. The date of the tour is Saturday, September 24th, from noon to 5:00 p.m. The Lorain County Farm Bureau puts on this event, and they estimate 300-500 folks attend each year, depending on the weather conditions.

Marcee is inquiring to see if there are any LOCO members who would like to demonstrate at this event. Spinning, dying, felting, weaving, carding, knitting, crocheting, or other fiber related activities, she would like to have demonstrated at the event. You wouldn't need to commit to the whole time, just a few hours.

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Joining Artisans Together

Holly Whiteside is looking to form a list of Ohio yarn, fabric, and fiber producers for knitters and other artisans who wish to support the Ohio economy. Anyone who knows of an Ohio yarn, textile, or fiber company (large or tiny) please send the name of the company(s) and their website or their address and phone number to Holly at: kilin81@hotmail.com or phone or text her on her cell at: [440-865-2676](tel:440-865-2676). The compiled information will be made available to LOCO members as well.

Thank you, Holly

Meet our Member Judy Keske

I entered the fiber world when I purchased my first alpacas in 1996.

My first goal was to learn to utilize their fiber by hand spinning for myself. Having purchased a wheel and video instructions I found anxiety and frustration *until* someone I met suggested joining LOCO! That was the beginning of my successful spinning.

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June Minutes submitted by Beth Hines/Sara Twining

Elizabeth called the meeting to order at 7:30 and a guest was introduced.

Dee reported that we have \$2,494.90 in the treasury. \$115.00 is Heifer Int.

Today's program is a Gabfest as our regular program Presenter is ill. Next month the program is Karen Morgan on the Fae Evans Workshop. (How she spent her Scholarship money) Sheryle will be reporting in September on her scholarship.

Etta reported that she sent six birthday cards and three get-well cards. Webmaster Donna reported all is good with our Internet site.

Ebony reported that our magazine subscriptions have elapsed. Julie moved, Judy seconded that we purchase (at reduced rate) Handwoven, Spin Off, Interweave Knit and Piece Works for the next year. Passed.

Etta moved, Holly seconded to that we raise our library budget to \$200.00 for next year and passed.

Mary moved, Donna seconded to donate \$100.00 to Ginko Gallery for housing our Guild Library (will go to the kittens I bet). Passed.

Laura W. will be our basket maker at the August 18 workshop at the Extension Office on Russia Road.

Beth Moved and Chris seconded that we continue to sponsor two \$150.00 scholarships for those members that demonstrate. Passed.

Chris reported that we have sign up for the three fairs: Cuyahoga, Media and Lorain. Pioneer days on September 14 & 15 at Birmingham.

Julie has the Ladybug at the meeting for someone to try spinning. Mary requested that Newsletter articles should be in her possession within ten days after the meeting so the deadline this month is June 25th. Everyone is encouraged to participate with input!

Lynn is collecting memberships now. Dues are \$20/member and \$15/Ads.

Elizabeth reported that the 2012 shawl will be alpaca and fine wool. Betty moved to buy and process the fibers. Guild approved. Donna has wool spun for Heifer and anyone can contact her to make something with it.

Pattie is taking orders for T-shirts, sweatshirts, totes etc. contact her to submit an order.

Marcee is having the L.C. Fall Farm Tour at her farm September 24. She needs spinners, weavers etc to demonstrate.

Meeting closed 8:10.

Respectfully submitted by Beth Hines (Thanks Beth!)

Dye Garden Update
From Betsy Bruce

Went to Mill Hollow last Thursday, not much to report-- there is a mystery "weed"- thought it was goldenrod but NOT.... Hollyhocks look good, are in bloom already and not yet devastated by Japanese beetles.

Meet our Member

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Along with spinning, I had to find something to do with the yarn.

So I learned to knit (somewhat), crochet and weave.

Now fiber has become my passion in life and I've left nursing behind. At present, I am a judge for our industries spin off competition and an apprentice, at the national level, for alpaca fleece judging.

Creating, welling, and educating keep me busy along with animal husbandry. Our farm, Slow and Easy Alpaca Farm, has been on the Lorain County Fall Farm Tour twice. This has helped to increase fiber interest and customer base. I never lack for something to do! If only I had a bit more time and energy!

Down time, or the need of it, finds me sitting by the pond with a fishing rod in hand. Much needed rest and relaxation helps to regroup and think about what to create next.

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What a great way to showcase the Guild as well as all the wonderful things you can do with natural fiber.

If interested, contact Marcee Stephenson at Marceels@aol.com or [440-774-2451](tel:440-774-2451).

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 13790 Quarry Rd
 Oberlin, OH 44074
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Come see or join in on the fun!

LOCO Guild Members will be demonstrating at the following Fairs this summer/fall! For more info contact Chris Streckely at (330) 416-8195 or cstrek49@yahoo.com

Medina County Fair Friday Aug 5 9- 3

Cuyahoga County Fair - Thurs Aug 11 11-3
 Friday Aug 12 6- 9

Lorain County Fair - Aug 28 9-3

Pioneer Days - Wed Sept 14 9:30 - 1
 Thurs Sept 15 9:30 - 1

Birmingham - Oct 1 and 2

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.

Cuyahoga Weavers Guild Fall Workshop with Joanne Tallarovic

Author of Rep Weave and Beyond, Joanne will teach a 3-day workshop called **New Rep Weave: Design, Theory and Techniques of 2, 3, 4, 6 & 8 Block**. This round-robin workshop is for weavers of ALL levels and expands and supplements her book. The workshop will be on all new projects that “will inspire your creative spirit and take a new and different approach to an old technique.”

Using the theory and technique of Scandinavian rep weave (also called Swedish ripsmatta) each workshop participant will create a notebook of new designs woven as 2-block on 2 or 4-shaft, 3-blocks woven on 4 and 8-shafts, 4-blocks woven on 4 and 8-shafts and 8-block woven on 8-shafts.

This is an excellent workshop for beginning thru advanced weavers.

Joanne will furnish worksheets, warping instructions and other important information six weeks prior to the workshop and looms must be dressed and ready for weaving the first morning. Threading patterns are established by the worksheet; however each student will design the treadling pattern as they weave each sample. Students are encouraged to use a variety of solid and printed fabrics in order to achieve effects beyond those normally associated with ripsmatta.

Each student will receive a notebook of new weave drafts used in the workshop. If you have a copy of Rep Weave and Beyond please bring it to class as the book is out-of-print and she does not have copies to sell. The workshop follows all procedures detailed in the book and it can be used as a textbook.

*Knowledge of profile and block drafts is helpful,
however, all drafts and drafting procedures will be covered in class*

Materials cost for the workshop will also be very low since the width of warp will only be 12” in the reed. The warp is 8/4 cotton carpet warp and the weft is cotton fabric cut into 1” wide strips with the grain. Since it does not have to be expensive fabric it can be purchased at Joanne’s using a 40% off coupon – both solids and patterned will work and Joanne suggests using both.

Joanne only takes 12 people in a workshop so there will be TWO dates available but the same material will be taught in both workshops. Because Joanne comes from Flagstaff, AZ and airfare is constantly changing the current cost workshop cost is \$165, however, after her ticket is purchased the difference will be refunded to participants.

A \$75 check received by July 29th reserves your space with balance due by Sept 30

Send checks to: Lynne Killgore, 37639 Arlington Dr., Willoughby, OH 44094

Questions?: killgoremichel@oh.rr.com

Workshop dates are below – please select one and return with your check

- ___ 1) Oct 21-23 (Friday-Sunday) from 9am-4pm at Hamlet Village Club House, Chagrin Falls.
- ___ 2) Oct 26-28 (Wednesday-Friday) from 9am-4pm at The Church of the Savior,
2537 Lee Road, Cleveland Heights

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

For Sale - \$300.00
LeClerc counterbalanced loom
Cloth apron; 34X36” base; weaves 32”
Contact Sara (440) 647-2795

More Looms For Sale

All three are in wonderful working condition and would make great workshop looms. Christmas in June or July!! What an opportunity....

1) 24" 8H Ashford Table Loom

<http://www.ashford.co.nz/newsite/weaving-wheels-loom/49/weaving/table-loom-8-shaft/moredetail.html>

\$575 is the asking price with pick-up from Oberlin OH or Seville OH. This is a steal!

Owner is Rosanna Ludwig <ludwigfarm@peoplepc.com>

Happens to be residing currently in Betsy Bruce's office at Oberlin College
betsy.bruce@oberlin.edu

Comes with homemade padded carrying case, directions and one sley hook.

2) 22" 8H/10T Harrisville Designs Floor Loom

<http://www.harrisville.com/proddetail.php?prod=L228A>

\$900 is the asking price with pick-up from Seville OH or Wadsworth OH.
Brand-new retails for \$1980

Ask about details on reed size.

Owner is Sally of Sally's Shop, 141 College St., Wadsworth OH 44281-1854
Tel: 330/334-1996

Loom is currently at Rosanna Ludwig's home. ludwigfarm@peoplepc.com

3) 22" 8H/10T Harrisville Designs Floor Loom

<http://www.harrisville.com/proddetail.php?prod=L228A>

\$900 is the asking price with pick-up from Strongsville OH.
Brand-new retails for \$1980

Owner is Rita Strube <irishweaver2@aol.com>

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

8/5 Wearable Art Fashion Show & Sale

WHERE: Days Inn & Suites Ballroom, Richfield Ohio

ENTRY FORM DUE: July 21, 2011 (submit form with \$10 entry fee)

DROP-OFF: July 21-24 at Peninsula Art Academy

Questions? Email us at wearable_art@fibercafe.org

8/11 TH - Kids' Day at the Sheep Barn, Cuyahoga Co. Fair Berea
time TBD contact Beth Hines if willing to help with kids' projects

hinessheep@aol.com

8/12 FRI - Sheep to Shawl Demonstration at the Cuyahoga Co. Fair, Berea
6:30-9:30p contact Beth Hines if you want to help demonstrate spinning or
weaving.

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

8/4-7 - The Crooked River Fiber Fling in Peninsula

Website: www.fibercafe.wordpress.com

8/18 *Weave a Large Tote Basket by Laura Weintamer* - Cost \$30.00

Class held at the Extension Office on Russia Road

Reservations by 8/10/11 for more info - Beth Hines (440)458-4049

8/20-21 - Mid-Ohio Fiber Fair in Newark,

Website: www.midohiofiberfair.weebly.com

8/28 SUN - Guild Demonstrations at the Lorain Co. Fair, Wellington
10:00a-

9/14-15 - Pioneer Craftsmen's Experience at Mill Hollow; Vermilion River Reserv

- spinning and weaving demonstrations for 4th grade classes

- will be weaving the 2nd Heifer Shawl at the MetroPark

- Karen Long and others demonstrating natural dyeing over a
wood fire for the 30th (or so) year

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