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Upcoming November Meeting - See Page 2!!!

The program for November is a 'wild' scarf. It's knit on the diagonal and uses up all kinds of odds and ends. We've done this one before, so bring your previously finished scarf if you still have it as inspiration for others. You will need size 9 knitting needles, and if you have any leftover yarn from previous projects {ha-ha} bring that along as well. Don't worry if you can't find anything, Elizabeth has a box FULL of bits and pieces.

We'll also be handing back our brown bag challenge and the items from the Smith's window display will be returned.



A peak at Celebrate Spinning and Weaving Week Window Display 2011

Karen not only helped set up the window display at Smith's but also demonstrated spinning on a beautiful fall afternoon with Pat Geisler.

Thanks to Smith's for the use of their window and to all members who kindly let us display some of their work.

A few tickets were sold for the Heifer Shawl Raffle and some questions were asked about possible sales of the works.

Dye Info from Etta Rowe

In a recent Wild Fibers Magazine (<http://www.wildfibersmagazine.com/>), there was an article about the discovery/development of red dyes. The book was The Perfect Red: Empire, Espionage, and the Quest for the Color of Desire, by Amy Butler Greenfield. This book was full of information about dyes and how they were used several hundred years ago. She followed the history of cochineal dye and its uses and commercialism over several centuries. This book is available in the Oberlin Public Library. Some of the chapters were fascinating. Check it out...

Important Message for LOCO MEMBERS

Dear members,

As of Wednesday, October 26th, there is no nominating committee nor interest expressed in serving on such. Therefore, there is no slate of new officers for 2012.

We need to seriously consider whether or not to continue the Guild according to the bylaws with officers and paid memberships.

If we do wish to continue, we need to find officers to serve starting in January 2012.

If we cannot find officers, as current president I will entertain a motion to dissolve the Guild as currently structured.

Please come prepared to discuss this serious matter at the upcoming November 8th meeting.

Elizabeth Yasaki
President

October 2011 Lorain County spinners and Weavers Guild

Feed America Potluck started the evening with President Elizabeth Yasaki Opening the business meeting shortly after 7PM. Karen Long made a motion that we take \$50 from the visiting speaker fund to add to the donations at the potluck. The motion was seconded by Sheryl Billman and the motion carried.

Elizabeth reminded us the Nominating Committee needed to form and present a slate of officers in November. She also passed out copies of the phone chain to verify our members or to be added to the list. Lynn Kopinski is working on it. Please contact her, if you are new, to see if you've been added to the phone chain. We use this if a meeting needs to be cancelled. Etta Rowe made a motion that the phone chain members phone numbers be put in the newsletter. Patti McAndrews seconded it and it passed.

Reminder: get info to Mary Carmosino by the last Saturday of the month for the next newsletter.

Dee Martin reported a beginning balance of \$3,475.68 with \$333 of it in Heifer Fund. Ending balance \$3,546.80 with \$419 in Heifer Fund. Be thinking about projects, speakers, workshops we could sponsor. Tonight's potluck donation was \$81 plus \$50 from the visiting speaker fund. After some discussion Elizabeth made a motion we give the \$131 to Oberlin Community Services which serves Oberlin and Southern Lorain county. It was seconded by Patti McAndrew and passed.

Beth Hines, Workshop Chair, reminded us of Betsy's Towel Workshop and reported some suggestion for Sally Vouriojianis on braided rugs from roving or old wool coat strips. Let Beth know if you're interested in LOCO hosting that workshop or if you know someone who you would like to do a spinning or weaving workshop.

Etta Rowe sent two cars for Sunshine.

Next months program will be learning to do a diagonal eyelash scarf. Look elsewhere in newsletter for details. Brown Bag projects are due at November meeting. Those present said yes to an ornament exchange in December. Bring one, take one home!

Let Elizabeth know if you'd like to do this: taking pictures of some of our events to send in by Internet.

Katie Farr has been on Roving reporter for Interweave.

Heifer - The leftover yarn for all the years have almost all been plied so are ready for us to dye in March. Be thinking about color schemes.

Etta Rowe reported on Birmingham Festival: Bigger space inside main tent; sold 68 raffle tickets, could and did sell stuff.

We held a \$1/ticket raffle for alpaca fleece: Beth Hines won it!

Karen Long reported on the FAVA display of Moroccan Rugs, Smith display by our guild and an Oberlin High School natural dye day - results on display at FAVA also.

ALERT ! ! ! Sell more Heifer raffle tickets! Get them from Beth Hines or Elizabeth Yasaki! Bring sold tickets and dollars to December meeting for the drawing.

Show and Tell: Elizabeth Yasaki - walnut dying and over dying and questions about a weaving loom she has. Nancy Kuhar - counted cross-stitch Christmas picture. Dee Martin - Boundweave Class at Chautauqua, NY samples. Lori Summerville - fingerless gloves. Kay Margioni - Merino Shawl. Chris Bruce - quilt squares. Sara Twinning - report on Katie Farr visits and health.

The program for the evening was by Janet Vizkelety. She showed and discussed picture from her Honduras Mission Trip. They raised \$17,000 ahead for a well to be dug for a village and helped lay the pipes for moving the water from the well to homes and to pay for household cisterns as needed. Thanks Janet!

Respectfully submitted,
LOCO Secretary,
Sara Twinning



2011 Upcoming Events

Upcoming LOCO Guild Meetings

November - We will be revisiting the diagonal knit scarf. If you have any small leftover bits of yarn, this is the perfect project for using them up! Bring a set of needles [any size that is appropriate for your yarns] and some 'bits and pieces' and we'll get it started at least. Don't worry if you can't find anything around the house {ha!}, Elizabeth has a box of stuff to share.

December - Our Holiday meeting {don't forget it's at the Wellington Metropark building on Jones Road} is where we will have the drawing for the Heifer project. We'll collect the last of the tickets and money that night, so it's not too late to sell a few more. Contact Beth Hines for additional tickets. We'll also have the drawing for our two scholarship awards. We'll need to vote on the slate of officers, plus lots of cookies and fellowship. Next year, we can look forward to our annual dye day [now moved to March due to repeated bad weather], hop into Heifer, and a general gab-fest to name a few.

WORKSHOPS AT LOCAL GUILDS

November 11-13 Western Reserve Spinners and Weavers Guild
Presents a 3 day workshop with Daryl Lancaster, Burton, Ohio.
Contact Nancy Curtiss ncurtiss@truthforlife.org

Dec 2-4 TAWG / Toledo Area Weavers' Guild "Heralding the Holidays" Sale at Toledo Botanical Garden in Stable Room of Conference Center.
Elmer Dr. off Holland-Sylvania / www.toledogardens.org

Feb 24 -26 Fiber Retreat at Milan Villa, Milan, OH. A weekend of spinning, felting, fiber and fun! Reservations due to Deb Yeagle. Cost \$100 for 2 nights

2012

HGA's annual *Small Expressions* exhibit. Entry deadline February 1, 2012, for US entries <http://www.weavespindye.org/pages/?p=HGASmallExpressions.html&loc=3-13-00&loc=1-61-00>

July 15-21 - Convergence 2012, Long Beach, CA
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