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August 12th meeting will be at the Carlisle Reservation at 7pm.

August Refreshments

Betsy Bruce, Judy Keske, and Nancy Kuhar

August Meeting Program: LOCO tries "Speed-Dating"

We'll set up a ring of tables with longer term members (perhaps start with 10+ years membership) on the inside and newer members on the outside. In five minutes, get answers to your questions in order to get to know folks better... and at the sound of the bell, move on to another person....

Come with some questions-- be ready to listen and respond.... (I recommend writing a list)....come ready to laugh and enjoy each other's company

Sample questions: How did you get involved with fiber arts?

What is/are your favorite medium/media? hobby? avocation?

What is your current project? future project? worst project? Silliest? Project you learned the most from?

What would you like to learn in the next year?

Do you raise fiber animals? what type? how many? for how long?

Share a story of a project/animal of which you are most proud?

What do you want me to remember about you in these few minutes?

UPCOMING DEMONSTRATIONS

This is a list of who has signed up so far for these demos. More volunteers would be wonderful.

The Medina Fair is Friday, August 1st, 9 am to 3 pm

Gina Talandis, Chris Strekely, Patti McAndrew, Beth Hines, Cheryl Lesure, and Sara Twining

The Cuyahoga Fair Kids Day, August 7th, 10 am to 3 pm

Sara Twining, Elizabeth Yasaki, Chris Strekely, Patti McAndrew, and Beth Hines.

Sheep to Shawl ay Cuyahoga, August 8th, 6 to 9 pm

Gina Talandis, Karen Long, Betsy Bruce, Elizabeth Yasaki, Beth Hines , and Betty Roll

Lorain Fair, August 24th, 9 am to 3 pm

Nancy Kuhar, Gina Talandis, Sara Twining, Elizabeth Yasaki, Patti Mc Andrew and Beth Hines.

President Sheryl Billman opened the meeting thanking Etta's sister again for the great program in May and for everyone sharing their talents and projects last month. She welcomed two guests: Kathy Spencer and Missy Merrill.

The minutes were approved as in the newsletter.

Treasurer Betsy Bruce reported a beginning balance of \$4104.90 with an ending balance of \$2901.75. She expressed concern that we lost \$385 on the Fae Evans workshop. Only 10 people paid and attended. We need to make sure to support the workshops that the guild sponsors. There were still 4 bags of the 36 fiber samples from the workshop for sale at \$50 a bag which will help offset the loss.

Sunshine Patti McAndrew sent 4 birthday cards and 2 get well cards. Gina reported on the newsletter. Please continue to send her items. Also, if anyone wants checkout calendar items from other guilds and organize that for our letter, please feel free to do so and give them to Gina. The website seems to be working well now.

Refreshments for August: Betsy Bruce, Judy Keske, and Nancy Kuhar.

Elizabeth Yasaki said the first Heifer shawl is done and beautiful. The second is on the loom for demos. If you need tickets to sell and please do, you can find them at the next demo at Medina Fair with Beth Hines in the sheep barn.

Workshop chair Nancy Kuhar said the Fae Evans workshop went well and was well appreciated by the attendees. Thanks to Beth Hines for hosting Fae while she was here.

Announcement: Lake Farm Park Wool Fest has probably had its last event. Not enough support.

Chris Strekely reminded us of demos coming up. Have you signed up yet? She also reminded us of the Winter Retreat and asked for a motion for the Guild to sponsor each guild member who attends the retreat at \$15 each. The motion was seconded by Anne Hauser. The vote was 7 for, 5 against, 3 abstained. The motion passed. Retreat is Feb 19,20,21,22. The Milan Inn can hold 10 comfortably.

See or call Equipment Chair Julie Bragg to borrow any guild equipment.

Membership Cheryl Lesure reported 58 members last year with 32 having paid at the time of the meeting.

Please send in your membership dues of \$20 to Cheryl so she can get going on the membership directory soon. Some discussion followed. Do we have a Membership booklet each year? Yes. How can we get new members info who join during the year? Could we do a pdf file of the Membership Directory to be sent only to members? Yes. And then print some for those who prefer it.

Old Business: Karen Long brought the Icelandic fleece she mentioned last meeting. It was sent home as samples for guild members.

Betsy Bruce brought info for the Annual Weaving Workshop. It will continue the Plain Weave Is Anything but Plain workshop we held several years ago. She needs signups by the August meeting along with a \$25 deposit which covers the notebook and any supplies. In September those who have signed up will need to let Betsy know what kind of looms are to be used and if anyone needs a loom for the workshop. Assignments from the book will be made then. Beginners are welcome. This is good chance to learn to weave since the weave structure is plain weave and the variety is in color and pattern and thickness of yarns. It will be the last weekend in October: 24, 25, 26, at the OSU Extension Office on Russia Road.

New Business: President Billman asked for a Nominating Committee to be set up: Gina Talandis, Chris Strekely, and Sara Twining. The slate of nominees will be presented in October. Ann Hauser donated books and video to the library.

SHOW and TELL:

Kathy Webb- 2 balls of alpaca spun and plied

Sara Twining- dyed warp chain and pound ball of rovings

Alexis Young (granddaughter of Sara) yellow sundress she sewed last year

Betsy Bruce- 2 chenille scarves and merino tencel hand dyed shawl

Paige Funkhouser- wolf fur yarn

Carolyn Borsini- hand woven panel for the coat she started weaving for and planning at Oct workshop

Ed Rowe- live a little try a color drive belt for your spinning wheel!

Missy- crocheted sweater

Chris Bruce- many crocheted scarves

Elizabeth Yasaki- Fae Evans Spinning Workshop 2014 samples, info about the animals giving the samples.

Refreshments were enjoyed followed by make it take it stations. Thank you to those sharing.

Respectfully submitted, LOCO secretary, Sara Twining



October Weaving Workshop

At the August meeting we'll continue to collect \$25 deposits (cash or check payable to LOCO) for the October Weaving Workshop, "Plain Weave is Anything BUT Plain". Betsy needs to order books in a timely fashion so assignments can be made at the September meeting. Don't miss out!

You can bring a dressed floor loom, table loom or rigid heddle loom for this workshop. Check with others if you're in need of a loom-- The Guild has at least two table looms available (contact Julie Bragg) and Betsy and perhaps others might be able to loan a loom short-term (a month or two).

MICHIGAN FIBER FESTIVAL August 13th - 17th, Allegan, Michigan A variety of Workshops full day and half day along with Exhibitions and Vendors. www.michiganfiberfestival.info

A WOOL GATHERING September 20 & 21, Yellow Springs, Ohio Demonstrations and Vendors, Held at Young's Jersey Dairy. It is the same weekend as the Springfield Antique Show Extravaganza.

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"ENTANGLED" FELTING EXHIBIT Thru February 16th, 2015, Kent, Ohio "Entangled: Fiber to Felt to Fashion, " an invitational exhibit highlighting felted materials is at the Kent State University Museum's Higbee Gallery. The show features over two dozen felted and nuno felted pieces by 14 artists from across the U. S. and Canada. Nuno felting differs from traditional felting in that the wool (or other fiber) is felted onto a substrate of different material, such as silk or nylon, resulting in lighter, more fluid texture. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, and free on Sunday. Parking is free. For more information, call 330-672-3450 or visit www.kent.edu/museum.

Monthly Spin and Knit Gathering

The meeting is every month on the last Sunday, from 1:30 to 4:00pm, at Huntington Township Hall. It is located on the southeast corner of the intersection of Routes 58 and 162. It provides a place for people to come and work on their fiber projects while talking about anything that comes to mind. Those who come really enjoy the relaxed atmosphere because there is no formal meeting involved. There is plenty of room for a lot of people. The windows are large and let in plenty of light. Bringing snacks to share is welcomed but not required. Entrance to the room is off the fire escape steps in the rear of the building, at the second floor level. There is also an elevator located on the north side of the building that opens directly into the room. The meeting is held every month unless it interferes with a holiday or township business. Etta Rowe sends out a reminder to the general LOCO email list about a week ahead of the date.

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