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**October 14<sup>th</sup> meeting will be at the Wellington Reservation at 6:30pm.**

### October Meeting Program:

Feed America potluck to start at 6:30PM. Please bring a dish to share, your table service, and donation to be given to a local food bank.

Grant Thompson will also be attending our October meeting to make a short presentation about the upcoming metro park levy. We have invited him to the potluck and he will present after dinner and before our fashion show.

Karen Long is bringing an information sheet to the October meeting for those who are interested in adopting a raptor. This would be a separate item from Heifer and a once a year expense. This would give another opportunity to help support our wonderful Metro parks and the work they do.

The Nominating Committee still needs to find someone to replace Sara Twining as secretary. Please consider volunteering to fill this slot. This will be discussed at the October meeting.

### UPCOMING DEMONSTRATIONS

Birmingham - Saturday October 4th 9am - 4pm Sunday - Oct 5 10:30am – 4pm  
It is a beautiful place to sit and weave and spin and chat. We sell a lot of raffle tickets there.

There is a demo show from 12 until 1:30ish in front of Smith's in Oberlin on Thursday October the 9<sup>th</sup>.

Mill Hollow is having a living history day in November and is looking for demonstrators.

### **A CHALLENGE TO THE MEMBERSHIP!**

**Let's reach the \$980.00 (well, \$1000.00) mark with raffle tickets this year!**

There are 48 paid members to date x \$20 worth of tickets each is the magic number of 980.

If we reach that amount by or at the December meeting, Betsy Bruce will donate an additional hand-woven woolen infinity shawl for the raffle. Just think of the number of people our funds can touch through Heifer International ([www.heifer.org/](http://www.heifer.org/)) and Women for Women International. ([www.womenforwomen.org/](http://www.womenforwomen.org/)) Get your raffle tickets from Karen Long at the meeting!

## LORAIN COUNTY SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD MINUTES

The September 9, 2014 meeting was called to order by Vice-president Karen Long. The minutes were accepted as amended with Karen Long's name spelled right. Betsy Bruce reported \$3325.64 in the treasury. We are now getting billed \$2 a month for a paper copy of the bank statement.

October workshop, "Plain Weave Is Anything But Plain" has 18 people signed up. Betsy gave out booklets and assignments with warps already wound to those at the meeting. See her with questions. Sunday, October 12, Gina is hosting a time for those who need help warping a ridged heddle loom for the workshop.

Our October program will be held at the Wellington Reservation. We're planning our Feed America potluck to start at 6:30PM. Please bring a large dish to share, your table service and donation to be given to a local food bank. That evening the park service has asked to present info about item on the November ballot to support the park system. We will also have a fashion show that evening. So bring at least something to show off; it does not have to be a wearable item. Sounds like a good, full evening.

Librarian Eboni brought up that it's time to renew our five magazine subscriptions. The group agreed for her to go ahead. Make sure you stop in at Ginko Gallery to use our abundant library. Members may take out any items. Demo chair Chris reminded us of Pioneer Experience at Mill Hollow in Sept. No one had signed up for Birmingham but Lori Summerfield has 6 wrist bands available for those from our guild to attend free as demonstrators.

The park service asked if we would consider a Spin and Weave demo at the Living History Day November 1 at the Bacon House at Mill Hollow Park. They will pay the guild \$50 if we participate. Contact Chis Strekely if you are willing to go.

Sunshine Patti McAndrew sent 5 birthday cards and one sympathy card to Julie Bragg's family on the passing of her father- in -law.

Equipment: the ladybug spinning wheel will be available in October. We now have another drum carder loaned to the guild.

Elizabeth Yasaki reported on the Heifer project. There is still wool to be spun for 2015 shawls. We are looking toward 2016: maybe silk/wool/alpaca blend. Would anyone like to donate or sell fiber toward this? Ann Hauser mentioned the park has an Adopt-a-Raptor program. We might consider donating to that as a guild as one of charities.

Betsy has issued challenge: if we as a guild sell 48 members x \$20 of shawl raffle tickets, she will donate another shawl for the raffle in December.

Old Business: Let Chris Strekely know soon if you want to participate in the Feb Retreat. You can choose one day, two days, three days, or only come during a day.

Mary Carmosino and Karen Long will do the Smith's in Oberlin window for National Spinning and Weaving Week in early October. Drop off marked items for display at Bead Paradise. Thursday Oct 9 come to spin in front of Smith's noon to 1 or 2. Bring a chair, something to spin and to spin on, and please, park behind the business.

Last month Cheryl Lesure suggested a getting- to- know- our- guild project aimed at younger potential members. This month Betsy suggested 3 day workshop-spread over several weeks. One day would be weaving a basket, another day possibly dying some yarn to use another day to weave straps for the basket. Think about it. There would need to be a minimal charge for the three days for supplies.

Marcee thanked Ann Hauser for taking over the refreshments for the rest of the year. Ann reminded us we used to bring our own cups to save our environment the waste of paper or Styrofoam. So bring your own cup.

Nominating Committee has almost filled the whole slate of officers and chairpersons for 2014 and 2015. The full slate will be presented at the October meeting for vote at the November meeting. The only position still open is Secretary. Sara Twining said she would sub for anyone filling the spot. It takes each of us doing what we can.

No New Business.

Show and Tell: Elizabeth Yasaki-twill towels; Holly Whiteside- "my first sweater" 30 years ago; Chris Strekely-fair entries-1)crocheted coaster-first place,2)doily-second place,3)crocheted pillow and kerchief each third place; Paige Funkhouser- wolf fur bracelet; Julie Bragg-fair entry-loom woven rug-blue ribbon and best of show at Lorain County Fair; Kathy Webb- gingham baby blanket and handspun and plied wool yarn; Mary Carmosino-cotton and linen towels and alpaca shawl; Ed Rowe- report on great wheel workshop.

Guests this evening were Sharon Cameron and Mitsuko Rusnak.

Delicious refreshments were enjoyed followed by a program on correcting knitting mistakes presented on the big screen by Holly Whiteside. Thank you, Holly for the adventure in technology. It worked!

Respectfully submitted, Sara Twining LOCO secretary





Mill Hollow - interested students and teachers. We having fun talking about doing what we love doing. Mill Hollow is more work than other demos, but I think most rewarding. The students and teachers are ready to listen. If you haven't been able to participate in Mill Hollow or other demos, I hope you will be able to in the future. There is so much to gain in exchange for a few hours' time. Thanks to Chris for keeping the demos on track. And thanks to Jan Cooper for supply the best of these photos of Mill Hollow.



Carolyn Borsini helped Karen Long do her annual natural dye demonstration this year. It is lots of work at the demo, not to mention all the prep time. The colors of the fibers are just beautiful. The students and teachers get a priceless lesson. I wanted to thank Betsy, for warping and transporting the loom, (I got to weave on it), and all the extra hauling.





Our own Holly W. put on last month's meeting demo. Several knitters told me that they learned valuable repair tricks. In addition, she figured out the technology she needed to display what she was doing on the large screen. Thanks Holly! We plan on using that in the future.

### **Help us celebrate National Weaving and Spinning week.**

Mary C. and Karen L. are putting the window in at Smith's in downtown Oberlin in late Sept, early Oct. We are looking for items to display in Smith's window that represent the LOCO Guild. We have put in roving, dyed yarns, tools, baskets, weavings and knit projects, and of course the Heifer Shawls for the raffle. There is a demo show from 12 until 1:30ish in front of Smith's in Oberlin on Thursday October the 9<sup>th</sup>.

They have been kind enough to sell the tickets there for us while the display is up for about a week.

Contact Mary or Karen for more info.

### **Rigid Heddle Prep for October Weaving Workshop (October 12).**

In prep for the October "Plain Weave Is Anything but Plain" workshop, there will be a rigid heddle warping demo and assistance. It will be at Gina's house on Sunday, 10/12/14, from 1 pm to 5 pm. I am hoping for a warm fall day, and we can work on the deck, or if it is bad weather, it is a small house still under construction but we'll make do. Any LOCO Guild member is also welcome to come. Even if you just want to hang and watch. (You might get put to work). If you have a rigid heddle loom you need to warp for the class bring it and your fiber. (And any parts to your loom you have). You don't have to wind off a warp first; we are going to go thru the direct warp onto the loom method.

If you want a preview, go on U-Tube and look at a video from Schacht:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=otYt5C4snuU&list=PLtM8kcZQhfSldDNJ4g5VMW0NPDiW8sHDE&index=2>

or this one from Ashford.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fa1WrHOTjxY&list=PLtM8kcZQhfSldDNJ4g5VMW0NPDiW8sHDE>

Watching prior to the 12<sup>th</sup> would be a good idea. You'll get an idea on the process.

If you plan to attend please email me: [Darzas@juno.com](mailto:Darzas@juno.com) by Oct. 9<sup>th</sup> and I will respond with directions.

### **Eye-candy in the Oberlin College Science Center first floor display case through mid-November**

There is an extremely colorful and thought-provoking (and humorous) quilt show hanging for your viewing pleasure. Ruta Marino (Cleveland Hts. artist and quilt maker) has shared her work in a show titled, "Riffing with the Masters", a collection of over a dozen quilts of varying sizes inspired by classical/modern art pieces. Note that all the fabric is food related.... intriguing, to say the least. - Betsy

### **"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](http://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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