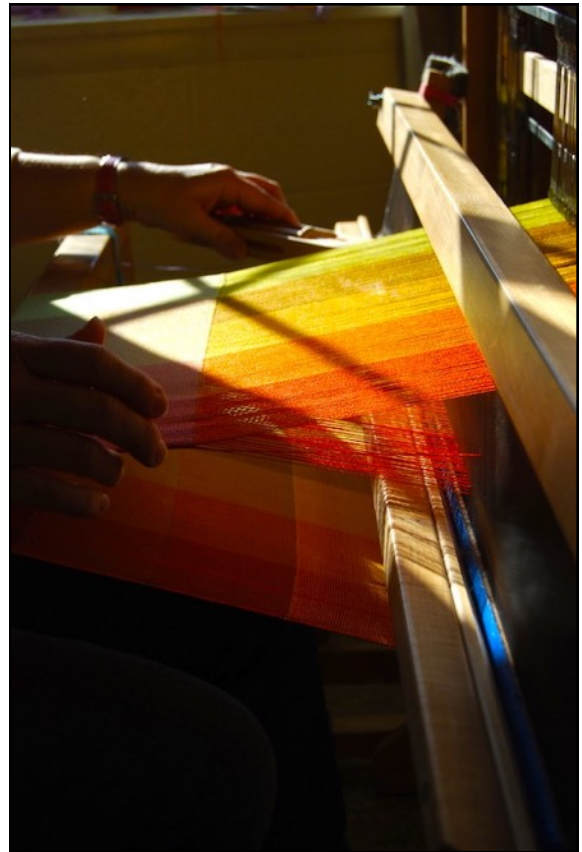




May 2016 LOCO News

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 10th
7:00 pm
Carlisle Reservation**

**Snacks: Sara Twining, Missy Merrill,
Alexis Young**



May Program

“One-Tank Trips”

**- to fiber and color destinations nearby.
by our own Etta Rowe**



Lorain County Spinning & Weaving Guild
April 12 , 2016
Carlisle Reservation

Opening

Annual “Dye Day” for the LOCO Spinning & Weaving Guild was called to order at 6:30 p.m. on April 12 at Carlisle Reservation. Guild President, Elizabeth Yasaki presided. Volunteers arrived early to protect tables and after brief announcements and Treasurer’s report, we got busy dying.

Approval of Minutes

Both March and these (April’s) minutes will need to be approved in May.

Reports

President — Elizabeth Yasaki — announcements, no formal report.

Vice President — Karen Long — **a huge thank you** to Karen for all of the work she put into collecting and preparing dyes for us to use. also, for Karen’s and Betsy Bruce’s impeccable coaching as we each strived for different colors.

Treasurer — Betsy Bruce reported we have over \$5,000 in bank account. This amount will diminish as soon as Betsy writes check to Bobbie Irwin.

Secretary — Carolyn Borsini/Eboni Johnson — no report.

Workshops — Beth Hines. Ed Rowe reported:

- (1) Bobbie Irwin’s Workshop: The Magic of Iridescence, was held April 23-24, at the Pittsfield Township Town Hall. **A HUGE thank you** to Ed for arranging such a fabulous developmental experience for the 19 of us who participated. Was such a privilege to immerse ourselves in colors & Iridescence with Bobbie, who has spent the past 14 years studying her craft. Can hardly wait for May’s Show ‘n Tell when we will be able to share our work!
- (2) On Saturday, May 14 the second annual 'Spin In' will be held at the Oberlin Public Library, 65 S. Main Street. Find out about spinning yarn from fleece. See a great wheel and a pendulum wheel in action. See antique and modern wheels including a Saxony wheel, a castle wheel, a traditional treadle wheel, maybe even a charka. **Bring your wheel and come spin as long as you like!** For questions, please contact Ed Rowe at erowe132@aol.com.

Demonstrations — Chris Strekely reported in March:

- (1) On Saturday, 6/18, June Teenth Day will be commemorated in downtown Oberlin. Please let Chris know when you know you will be participating. Her email is cjstrek1949@yahoo.com.
- (2) Please remember we have Elizabeth’s revised Flyers to be handed out at Presentations.

Newsletter — Gina Talandis — Please keep newsletter information flowing to Gina, especially photos you have taken.

Service Project Committee: Elizabeth Yasaki, Karen Long, Beth Hines, Betsy Bruce.

Does anyone have any fiber that has not been turned over to Karen or Betsy? You can drop yarn off to Karen, at Bead Paradise in Oberlin. If she is not there, o.k. to leave as long as it is clearly marked to Karen’s attention.

OLD BUSINESS —

1. Sara Twining reported that we can meet to socialize, spin, knit, etc. the last Sunday of most months (July, Sept, Oct, Nov). Location is Huntington Township School House; time 1:30 - 4.
4. Ann Hauser will host at her home — 17359 Pitts Rd., Wellington, OH 44090, in June.
2. Stacey Allen is coordinating fiber bus trips:
 1. May 6 & 7, 2016 to Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival. Registration deadline is April 1. Stacey can be reached at 216-206-1000 or sma@clevelandmetroparks.com.
 2. October 14 - 16, 2016 to New York Sheep & Wool Festival, Rhinebeck, New York. Cost - \$450. Also, contact Stacey.

NEW BUSINESS — no new business

Responding to last month's motion from Barb Enos, we dispensed with **SHOW & TELL** and got busy dying.

ADJOURNMENT to dye!

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Borsini

Matt's Spinach Quiche (Served at the Bobby Irwin class)

- 1 T. vegetable oil
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 (10 oz.) package frozen chopped spinach, thawed & drained
- OR
- 3 cups fresh spinach, rinsed & chopped
- 5 eggs, beaten
- 3 cups shredded Muenster Cheese
- 1/4 t. salt
- 1/8 t. black pepper

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Lightly grease a 9-inch pie pan.

Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add onions and cook, stirring occasionally, until onions are soft. Stir in spinach and continue cooking until excess moisture has evaporated.

In a large bowl, combine eggs, cheese, salt, and pepper. Add spinach mixture and stir to blend. Scoop into prepared pie pan.

Bake until eggs have set, about 30 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes before serving.



With a little help from my friends....

DYE DAY APRIL 2016





Shimmering Colors: The Magic of Iridescence

A Weekend With Bobbie Irwin

April, 2016

Reflection from Barb Enos

I still consider myself a novice weaver, weaving now for only three years. I have the pleasure of weaving, dyeing and socializing with local weavers and spinners and consider all of them my mentors.

On occasion we have the opportunity to weave beyond the circle of friends and invite a nationally known weaver to our area. What a “shimmering” experience we had with Bobbie Irwin. Bobbie resides in Colorado and made the trek to Ohio with her husband. Along the way they stopped in Detroit for a workshop and then western Ohio to visit family. Luckily for us that Bobbie had her car because she brought with her samples and samples of her weaving and samples of iridescent materials.

Bobbie shared her ten basic beliefs with us that ranged from the color wheel to structure. She had sample after sample of fabric and sample after sample of life long stories to share.

As a former teacher, when encouraging students to become thinkers in math, I would say, “Think like a mathematician.” Or in reading, “Think like an author.” So, when Bobbie began her presentation, it surprised me that an artist of color and an artist of weaving would think like a scientist. She graduated with a degree in geology and in life always thought like a scientist asking herself questions and using the scientific method to answer them. When she discovered iridescent colors while weaving, she approached her weaving as a scientist testing color combinations. And then she would think of another “what if” and off she was making another sampler.

That is exactly what she had us do for two days - making discoveries about colors. Four to Six colors warped on each loom and twenty-four colors of weft. The cones of colors were on display making rainbows on the table. Each one of us weaving to create color patterns. Once the fabric came off a loom we celebrated stepping out into the sun for a closer look at the iridescent colors. If you were a passerby on Route 58 you would have heard Ooh’s and Ahh’s and have seen us pointing to our favorite combinations. Who would have thought that golden yellow and “bubble gum pink” along with turquoise and fuchsia would make some beautiful iridescent colors! The fabric moved in the sun which made the colors “pop” and “shimmer”. Turning the fabric one way, the fabric showed orange. Turning it another, it showed purple. The surprise of iridescence!

Now, no way am I an expert on iridescence, I will leave that to Bobbie. But what an opportunity for me to have learned a new color concept in weaving, plus a new approach to weaving - thinking like a scientist as well as an artist. My sampler is now a permanent fixture in my daughter’s home and I have stored away my color samples for “yet another project”. It truly was a shimmering experience.



LORIAN COUNTY SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GUILD

SPIN IN

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016

10am to 4 pm

Oberlin Public Library Community Room, 65 South Main Street
Find out more about spinning yarn from fleece. See a great wheel in action.
See antique and modern wheels, including a Saxony wheel, a Castle wheel,
a traditional wheel, maybe even a Charka.

Questions? Please call Ed Rowe @ 216-269-5413

LAKE RIDGE ACADEMY COLONIAL DAY

MAY 19TH, 9:30am TO 1:00 pm

Please see Betsy if you can participate.

JUNETEENTH

Juneteenth, also known as Juneteenth Independence Day or Freedom Day, is a holiday that commemorates the announcement of the abolition of slavery in Texas in June 1865, and more generally the emancipation of African-American slaves throughout the Confederate South.

Celebrations will be in Oberlin at Tappan Park, June 18, 2016 10am to 4pm. We have been invited to demo spinning, weaving or any other fiber arts. Please let Chris know if you can attend, asap. You can call her at 330-416-8195 or email cjstrek1949@yahoo.com. We also meet for breakfast in Oberlin at a local restaurant that serves a good, early, and affordable breakfast before the demo.

Spinning at Huntington School the last Sunday of these months:

February 28, June 26, July 31, September 25, October 30, and November 27. 1;30 - 4:30 pm

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