

January 2019 LOCO¹ News

January meeting is at the Carlisle Reservation Visitor Center

Tuesday, Jan 8th, 7pm

Refreshments:

Elizabeth Yasaki, Jennifer Arthur, and Gina Talandis

Please remember to bring your cup.



January Program

Planning 2019 We will gather ideas for the guild direction for the next year, and discuss how to make it happen. Please come with ideas.

LOCO Lesson: (5:45pm) Chris Bruce - Connecting crochet, knitted or woven squares.

President Perspective

Happy New Year! Another year has gone by and I am ready to make some new resolutions. Last year I resolved to renovate my studio which did happen. I have room for my looms, jewelry desk and three custom made shelving units to hold my stash. I was also a risk taker and tried numerous new techniques such as double weave, shadow weave, double warp and designing my own block patterns. I was also inspired by a coral reef photo to dye and weave scarves.

At the LOCO level I believe our guild had a good year. Our membership stayed level and we have quite a few members participating in different aspects of the guild. Thank you to all the committee volunteers in 2018 and I am looking forward to working with returning and new committee members. We sponsored two weaving workshops and this year our Spin In included weaving, knitting and the community. We made new connections with FAVA which will continue in 2019. We received a grant from the Woolery and plan to use it in 2019. Our demonstration days were well attended with veteran and new members attending. Sales were up for our service project which we donated \$325 to SEPA; \$160 to Heifer; \$80 to Adopt a Native; and \$80 to Livestock Conservancy. We are still waiting to hear from the Lorain County Fair Board regarding our proposal for new entries. I will continue this push in January. The idea of LOCO Lessons was introduced in September and we had two successful pre-lessons on Weaving Hacks, and Magic Loop. I am looking forward to lessons this year.

We are an evolving and growing guild keeping our "well oiled" committees and projects as well as tweaking, improving and starting new projects with the guild. I am very proud to be part of the Lorain County Spinners and Weavers. I look forward to the second Tuesday of every month which has helped me grow as a weaver and has helped me make new friends. Thank you for supporting me as your president and for supporting our guild.

See you in January.

Barb Enos

NOTE: In January Chris Bruce will share her technique on connecting crochet, knitted or woven squares. Please come by 5:45 pm. Bring a project or just immerse yourself in the lesson

From Nancy Page:

I would like to invite everyone to Roc Day on Saturday, **January 5**. We will be at the Medina Presbyterian Church, 5020 Burgundy Bay Blvd. on route 18 in Medina. Party starts at 10:00 a.m goes to about Bring a dish to share and a gift wrapped and labeled for a: Spinner, Weaver, Dyer, Felter, Knitter, Crocheter, or Anyone if it is not specific. You may bring more then one gift, we have a raffle drawing, we draw tickets if we get through the ticket and we still have gifts we toss them back in and keep drawing tickets till the gifts are gone. We are also planning on having Drum Carders to make Kitchen Sink Yarns. So come visit, eat, craft, repeat.

LOCO Guild December 2018 Minutes

Lorain Count Spinners and Weavers Guild Minutes December 11, 2018

We met at the Wellington Reservation for our annual Christmas party and potluck. Delicious refreshments were consumed in holiday fashion.

Our meeting began with three presentations of former Scholarship winners: Missy Merrill had taken classes on long draw spinning and exotic fibers. Six hours of playing with fiber resulted in a gorgeous book of spun fibers. Irena Talandis studied more about bead weaving, buying patterns from Albuquerque and Smart beads. She not only has permission to use patterns but also submit patterns to these organizations. Chris Bruce shared two workshops with Sheryl Grant. This included Inkle Loom Weaving on her handmade loom at the Great Lakes Wool and Fiber Show and purchasing a pattern book and DVD.

The meeting was called to order by President Barb. Guests were recognized. Minutes were corrected with correct names of Barb and Nancy and approved: motion Jean, second Chris Bruce voice vote unanimous. Treasurer's report: We have around \$6000 including scholarship and raffle ticket moneys. After the accounts were figured these will be the donations from our Service Project Fund: SEPA- \$325.00, Heifer International- \$160.00, Adopt a Native Elder- \$80.00, Livestock Conservancy-\$80.00. Sunshine-Chris Bruce sent cards November - 3 birthdays, December 3 card so far, cards of thank you to Nancy for the Magic Loop LOCO lesson; Huntington Township for the rug loom; and to Laddie R's sister for a book for our library.

Julie Bragg in charge of equipment asked if each person with Guild equipment would send her an email or text so she can account for the equipment that is out on loan. Ann Hauser sent the refreshment sheet around to fill in blanks. Pat our librarian showed some new magazines.

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(Dec. Minutes)

New Business. Please check the phone tree in your membership booklet for who you would call if we call off a meeting. January will be an organizational and brainstorming meeting. Please come with ideas for:

1. 2019 challenge
2. Budget setting with Missy
3. Workshop ideas
4. Program ideas
5. Any other ideas so anyone can participate
6. Demonstration plan
7. Colors for next year's shawls.

2018 Service Project shawl winners: Kitty Dorenkoit, Mary Carmosino, and Carl Schlechter. Elaine Jameyson sold the most tickets: 222 and received a gift bag for her efforts. A total of \$857 worth of tickets were sold by our members, with \$600 going to the chosen charities. Betsy Bruce showed the shawl she just finished for next year's raffle.

Scholarships were drawn from the names of all who participated in demonstrations for the year. 109 names were in the pot. Chris Strekely, demo chair announced Karen Long and Ed Rowe were the winners for 2018. That was followed by the ornament exchange, and announcement of Betsy's upcoming trip presentation at Kendall. Jan 5 will be Roc Day at Medina Guild; all are welcome to join in the day of spinning and prizes and food. The LOCO Lesson for January will be at 5:30 before the meeting. Chris Bruce will show how to bind granny squares. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Sara Twining LOCO secretary



LETTER FROM GUATEMALA!

The Guild received this letter thru Betsy Bruce.

(Translation of the letter from Guatemala, ie. school in Copal AA.)

“The educational leaders of our community, along with the board of education, the parents of our middle school school students, the teachers, and the students want to thank you for the money which you have invested in our middle school curriculum for the year 2018. One of the most successful parts of our curriculum this past year was teaching our students about weaving. We were able to do this because with the money that you provided we were able to buy all of the materials that we needed to carry out this program. Art in general and weaving in particular are very important parts of our Mayan culture. With your help we were able to pass along the art of weaving to a new generation of weavers. The older women in the community delighted in being called on to teach our middle school students how to weave.

A community that promotes, values and passes along to its youth the most important parts of its culture is a community that has life!

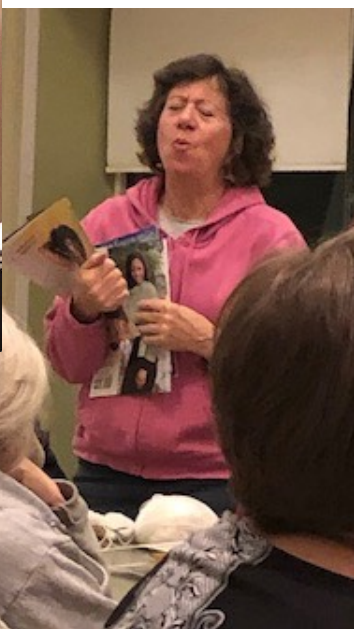
We hope that the weavers of Oberlin and Lorain County will continue to support this very important apprenticeship program in our middle school curriculum.

Sincerely,

The Board of Education, the teachers, and the students.”

I will email the original letter to each of you, there are many beautiful pictures of what our donations are helping teach, and post it on our website, (<http://locoguild.com>). Just as a reminder all the newsletters are also posted there.







An interesting site with mini - lessons about color...the potential for more classes, but interesting free mini video classes..

<https://www.warpandweave.com/color-mixing-weaving-mini-course/>
(thanks Ann)

Tuesdays with Beth Hines....

The location is Beth Hines' studio, and there are people who come most Tuesday's to work on their fiber art and basket making projects. Beth Makes a very nice lunch for all of us.and the cost is only \$5.

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