

August 2023 LOCO News (locoguild.com)

Next Meeting: August 8, 2023

Program: We have so many new members we would like to celebrate each other and get to know each other a bit better!

In August, we are going to get to know each other thru Show N' Tell!

Bring your favorite weaving, spinning, or other fiber related project. Bring the project that taught you something important while on your fiber journey. (Maybe because it was such a fi-

asco). Bring in the tool that you love the most. We can share learning, and laughs, and FIBER ARTS!



Fair forms/collection of fair forms and money. AND one more in house shawl raffle...\$1 for one ticket!

Business meeting

Location: Carlisle Reservation

Snacks provided by: Jean C., Jess D., Lynn B.

Bring your own Beverage.

Face masks available at the door if you want to wear one.

September is the big Basket Raffle. Look around your space and if there are any cones of fiber that you may never use, or extra tools, or other fiber related items, please bring them in to the August meeting and give them to Missy so we can prepare them for September.

Upcoming Meetings: 2023

September 12, 2023

Program: Fair Show and Tell, Raffle baskets for fundraiser.

LOCO Library

Barb will be out of town so there will be no books at the August meeting. If you have any books to return, please do so at the September meeting. If you have any requests for books or magazines, let Barb know and she can bring them at the September meeting. If you know of a good book that our library should own give the title to Jean Ohlenbusch.

Lorain County Fair

August 5th is the last date to turn in Open Class Entry forms. Any active (paid your dues) LOCO member who participates in Department 9 will receive a \$5.00 reimbursement from the guild after the fair.

Also, if you would like to demonstrate in the barn the dates are as follows: Monday - Quilting; Tuesday - Spinning and Weaving; Wednesday - Rug Hooking; Thursday - Handwork; Friday Knitting and Crocheting; Saturday sewing (bring your own machine). And our big LOCO demo day is Sunday under the pavilion. There is an ad in the premium book promoting our demo (we are not doing a sheep to shawl event).

Please note that the Needlework building will be available both Saturday and Sunday to check things in!

Many Thanks to Our Web Consultant!



Remember last summer where we did that thing called updating our website? Well, Megan Janes (Ann Davies daughter) was the consultant who helped to make it happen. Her fee was handmade kitchen towels which you all have seen in show and tell but I thought I would show you how happy she and her wife (Tina) are with the end product! Thanks Megan! (She's the one on the left!)

Yarn Bombing Sighting!

Have you ever heard of “Yarn Bombing” or seen it when you’ve been out and about? (Check out more about it on Wikipedia https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yarn_bombing) Ann D. saw these down in Middletown, Ohio. Anybody feel motivated?



LOCO Spinners and Weavers Guild 2023-2024 Challenge
Inspirational Piece with a Color Twist
This year's challenge is two-fold. Participants will receive an inspirational item to design a project. You must incorporate a light/dark color pattern in the project. The project will start May 2023 and end April 2024. Inspirational item will be passed out at the May meeting. If you cannot attend, item will be available any time after.



July 2023 Meeting Highlights:

LOCO Lesson: How to wind on 2 separate warp chains with Betsy B.

Show & Tell



Program: Vilija D. Sewing your handwoven into clothing



Found on the web:

From Ann D.:

Everyone knows how much I like talking about ergonomics and weaving and spinning. I shared with you Missy Graff Ballones "Wellness for Makers" book the last time I spoke at the guild. She has worked with CERF+ to put together a great video series about neck & shoulder pain, sitting and standing for artists. Although it is not spinning or weaving specific, there is still good information. Check it out at: <https://cerfplus.org/self-care-studio-practice/>

"CERF+ and [Wellness for Makers](#) have partnered to launch a DIY video series to promote artist health and wellness. Each video focuses on some of the common problems faced by artists with an active studio practice and includes tips that help relieve strain and reduce the risk of injury. The videos feature [Missy Graff Ballone](#), founder of [Wellness for Makers](#), licensed massage therapist, yoga instructor (RYT 500), and metalsmith. In each video, Missy meets an artist in their studio and offers practical self-care techniques that can be added to their daily studio routine. "

From Sara T.:

"Viking Textiles Show Women Had Tremendous Power" by Francine Russo, Scientific American, October 2022 (<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/viking-textiles-show-women-had-tremendous-power/>)

How many of us gather those special fiber or textiles when we are traveling? Have you ever thought about what happens to your own fiber work after you are gone? This article takes you back to Viking times and gets you thinking about women in history, fiber art in history and the value that it has had.

And also from Sara T:

A little dye goes a long way! "My niece was here from NM. She also is a fiber freak. She was dyeing lately and didn't realize you have to rinse a lot after dyeing. She washed the dyed articles in the washer. Later she washed her husband's white socks that have the copper in them. The socks came out pink. She rewashed. Each time she washed them the copper must have worked as a mordant. The socks got more and more red. I thought it might make an interesting tidbit in the newsletter. Shall we try using copper socks next time we dye? "

July 11, 2023 Minutes

The meeting was preceded by Betsy' LOCO Lesson on warping with two warp chains and began with our program by Vilija Deutschman, Sewing with Handwoven. She was entertaining, honest about her journey and delightfully informative. Her strong recommendation was for us to watch Daryl Lancaster You tube video. Her handout was very helpful and beautiful examples of her handwoven, sewn clothes will inspire us to great weaving and sewing.

We enjoyed delicious refreshments; then the business meeting. Minutes from June were approved as sent. No treasurer's report. Membership of \$20 is due. Send to Missy with your form. President Jean Crawford reminded us to check out the Artist Pages, send in membership and work toward the Guild Challenge for the year. There are still supplies for anyone wanting to enter the challenge or make a name tag.

Karen Long reported on Programs to come: August If you want Barb or Gina to take in your fair entries, bring them to the August meeting with the appropriate entry tags. Also bring in items for the basket raffle to be held at the September meeting. Also at that meeting, bring any items entered in the fair for Show and Tell. October meeting will be at the Wellington Reservation site.

Julie Bragg explained about equipment. Irena asked if members who sign up for refreshments would also list their contact info/ phone number. She will call to remind volunteers.

Ann Davies/ newsletter asked that we let her know if we aren't getting the newsletter. Send her ideas and your travel experiences.

Library /Barb and Jean O brought in Handwoven and Spin Off magazines from 2003.

Betsy /service project has the warp chains that we helped dye wound and ready for the shawl weaving at the fairs. We don't need any more fiber yet for future shawls.

Barb/Lorain Co Fair entry forms are due August 5; the projects must be at the fair with tags on August 20. Weavers and Spinners are asked to demonstrate during the week in barn and on Sunday August 27 at the pavilion. Please sign up for helping with taking in projects and helping move items during judging and then at the end of the fair to dismiss items.

Medina County Fair entry forms are due July 20. See www.medinaohiofair.com for book and details. Nancy Page gave details for demos throughout Medina County. Spinning and weaving demo at the Medina fair is August 4 10-3 in the sheep barn. Nancy also had voting memberships for the Great Lakes Fiber Show board. There will be a meeting of members July 20 in Amish country. There was no old or new business. Show and Tell follows.

Barb Enos: deflected double weave; pillow, paper yarn woven place mat:

Karen Bihn: LOCO Dye Day projects: spun yarn from rovings, shirts and socks and more

Sara Twining: spun and plied yarn from dye day rovings

Ben Klier: pot holder from weaving and yardage!

Stephen Page: items from Alaska trip

Nancy Page: items from Alaska trip

Jean Ohlenbush: deflected Ms and Os weaving

Jean Crawford: sjobpri scarf and huck lace scarf and MAFA trip details

Guests this evening were Jane Baker, Heidi Curtin, Jared Everman, and Becci Russell.

Respectfully submitted Sara Twining Secretary Pro tem

President's Perspective: August 2023

By Jean Crawford

Fair is almost here. Be sure to get your entries in. Entry deadline is August and you still have several weeks to finish your projects.

I have been engrossed in working on my double warp project. Having fun dyeing, putting colors in my wif's, and now to decide on set and start warping the loom. Decisions, decisions.

If you haven't done so already, think of signing up to demo at one of the county fairs. Demos are a fun way to show people your craft, get to know your fellow guild members better, and also see the fair. I will be out of town for Medina and Cuyahoga this year, but will be at Lorain County both days.

That said, I will also be out of town for our next meeting August 8, so Karen will graciously and capably be running the meeting for me. Thank you, Karen!!!

Remember to be collecting any of your no longer needed things for our raffle coming up. I have a box of stuff I am collecting.

See you all in August at the Lorain County Fair.

Medina Guild Updates: (Nancy Page)

Medina Guild is still on Summer Break, we will start Meeting again in September. But you are welcome to join us, to spin or craft at any of the events listed below or come craft at the Richfield Senior Center, 1st and 3rd Friday of the Month.

DEMONSTRATIONS

Sundays at the Farm-every Sunday, 10-2 at The Brunswick Historical Farm, 4613 Laurel Road, Brunswick, 44212. Let me know you are coming there are some special events and sometimes we cancel do to bad weather

Rose Hill Museum-every Sunday 2-4:30, at 27715 Lake Road, Bay Village, 44140. Let me know you are interested and I will put you in contact with the person in charge.

COUNTY FAIRS

Medina Fair, Friday August 4, 9 to 3, 720 W.Smith Road, Medina, 44256. We are in building #40-Sheep Barn, just inside gates 3 & 4. Please contact Beth Hines to get your name on the admissions list. If you come before 9 a.m. you may drive in and drop off your equipment, but you will need to carry it back out. You will need craft, chair, food and drink. You will also want a rug or ground covering. they use wood shavings and they are not fun to get out of the wool.

Cuyahoga Fair, August 10, 10-3, 19201 East Bagley Road, Middleburg Heights 44130, We are in building #23, toward the North end of the building. Please contact Beth Hines to get your name on the admissions list. You will want a wagon to bring in your equipment. If you can park close to Gate 5 you will have a shorter distance to walk. You will need craft, chair, food and drink. You will also want a rug or ground covering.

Lorain Fair, August 20-27, There are opportunities all week different crafts on different days in the needlework barn. I have not had the time to attend, but I can direct you to the person to contact. Spinning & Weaving, Gina Talandis

EVENTS

Marshallville Historical Days. Saturday, August 26, 10-4, at the Historical Cabin, This is a costume event, long skirt, apron, blouse. shawl, bonnet. There is not much shade. You can drop off your equipment, then please move your car, usually behind the Methodist Church. Lots of people to talk with, food trucks, old cars, and my favorite homemade ice cream. Please let me know if you are coming

Demonstrations: 2023

(Contact Gina T.)

Medina County Fair

Friday, August 4, 2023 9AM - 3PM

Sheep Building, #40,

720 Wear Smith Rd, Medina, OH 44256

In conjunction with Medina
Guild

see Nancy Page/Beth Hines about signing up.

Cuyahoga County Fair

Thursday, Aug 10, 2023 10AM-3PM

19201 East Bagley Rd.,

Middleburg Heights, OH 44130

Lorain County Fair

The Fair is Aug 21-28, 2023

23000 Fairgrounds Road, Wellington, OH 44090

Tuesday Aug 23, 2023 10AM - 3PM

Sunday Aug 28, 2023 10AM - 3PM

Birmingham Country Harvest of Antiques & Crafts

Sat Oct 7, 2023 9AM - 4PM

Sun Oct 8, 2023 10:30AM- 4PM

Please arrive 1 hour early to set up.

United Methodist Church

15018 South St., Birmingham, OH 44889

National Spinning & Weaving Week

Thur Oct 5, 2023 10am - 4pm

13 W. College St., Oberlin OH 44070

In front of Ben Franklin

Interesting things happening in our area:

Autumn Fiber Festival

Can you believe we are just 90 days away from the Autumn Fiber Festival? It's true. In case you haven't heard, the event will be held in Mansfield this year, in the Arts and Crafts Building at the Richland County Fairgrounds. We're excited about the new venue ... it's easy to get to, has plenty of parking, and there's lots for visitors to do in Richland County!

The dates are Saturday, October 21st from 10am-5pm and Sunday, October 22nd from 11am-4pm. Be sure to visit the [website](#) to see the list of vendors that will be coming. There will be fiber related demonstrations going on throughout the event, and fiber animals to see outside. Our vendors donate fiber items to be put in baskets to be given away to the lucky winners of a raffle. Proceeds benefit the 4-H club that helps with the show, and the Matthew 25 Outreach Center in Richland County. There will be food vendors so you can have a bite to eat while you're there. For Buckeye football fans, we plan to televise the OSU game! Unlike many shows, parking is free and so is admission. We hope you can come!

Again, I hope you will mark your calendars and set aside time for some fiber fun and shopping at the Autumn Fiber Festival!

(Julie Petty, Chairperson www.autumnfiberfestival.com)



Guild Leadership: 2023

President: Jean Crawford

Vice President: Sara Twining

Treasurer: Missy Merril

Secretary: Elaine Jameyson

Workshops:

Programs: Ann Davies, Jean Ohlenbusch, Karen Long, Gina Talandis

Library: Barb Enos & Jean Ohlenbusch

Demonstrations: Gina Talandis. Elizabeth Yasaki

Membership: Missy Merril

Sunshine: Christine Bruce

Guild Equipment: Julie Bragg

Refreshments: Irena Talandis

Historian: Ann Hauser

Newsletter/Website: Ann Davies

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Ed the Wheel Healer

Maker of Great Wheels

Mender of All Things Spinning

**Ed Rowe 45485 Hughes Rd. Oberlin, OH
44074 (440) 774-3210 (216) 269-5413**

Ginko Gallery

Liz Burgess

**19 S. Main Oberlin, OH 44074
(440) 774-3117**



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