



February 2025 LOCO News **(locoguild.com)**

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 11, 2025

7 pm: Business meeting, show and tell, President's review and Annual Guild Planning meeting. Come with your great ideas, feedback and ways to make the guild what you hope it to be! (This is the makeup time for the cancellation of our January meeting.)

Location: Carlisle Reservation

Snacks: If your last name starts with A, B or C please plan on bringing a snack to share! Thanks

If you wear your Name Tag and sign in at the meeting you will be entered into a drawing for a small but very useful prize.



There is always that one...

(Thanks Betsy B. for sharing!)

Upcoming Meetings: 2025

This portion of the newsletter is under construction by you! Come to the meeting and help us create programs that meet our memberships needs.

We need you!
(updated 2/2025)

Everyone loves snacks. We are changing how we enjoy snacks together in 2025. Maryann has graciously offered to make sure we have our snacking supplies like plates, napkins and such. BUT, we are making a rotating snack assignment based on everyone's last name in the alphabet. Everyone will have a chance to bring in a shareable twice a year. Here is the schedule by month so you can put it on your calendar for 2025.

Last Name Starts With:	Month #1:	Month #2:
A, B, C	February	July
D, E, F, G	March	August
H, I, J, K, L, M	April	September
N, O, P, Q, R	May	October
S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z	June	November

January Meeting Minutes

Meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather.

LOCO Library

Submitted by Barb E. and Jean O.

No updates at this time. We look forward to hearing everyone's feedback from the February meeting!

Demonstrations: 2025

(Contact Gina T.)

All skill levels are needed. This is a great way to watch other fiber artists work, maybe help someone or to learn, and just have fun. Come for a whole demo or for part of one. We meet other fibers artists and many of our members have gotten to know about us thru a demo.

Make sure you provide Gina with a list of the demonstrations you completed in 2024.

Watch here for demonstrations for 2025.

Natural Dye Study Group

Submitted by Barb E. and Karen L.

It seems like it's been a long winter and time to start adding dates to our calendar. A tentative date for the study group's Spring Dye Days will be Friday, April 25th and Saturday, April 26th. This is the weekend after Easter. Members of the Dye Study Group will be receiving an email regarding more information and taking an inventory of what dye material we saved since last fall. If you have questions, see Karen at our March meeting.

LOCO Spinners and Weavers Guild 2024-2025 Challenge



Complete an Unfinished Object (UFO) and/or Use Fiber From Your Stash.

Do you have a box of unfinished projects (UFO's) or a ton of fiber you need to use up? Finish a project or start a new one with fiber from your stash. Any fiber, any project.

Challenge begins in April 2024 and ends April 2025.

Be ready to tell the story of the project. When did you start the project? How did the project evolve? How do you feel about the project? Yarn? How old is the yarn and any story behind the fiber. And anything else you'd like to share.

Do you want to be really challenged? Swap a project or fiber with another member and finish it for that member!

April 2025 is coming up quickly! Join the fun before aliens take your UFO away!

Medina Guild News:

(Contact Nancy P.)

Our next meeting will be February 18, 2025 at 7:30 pm at the Medina Presbyterian Church. Our program will be Ann Davies from the Lorain County Spinners and Weavers Guild speaking on "How to make stuff without killing yourself: Ergonomics 101 for the maker in you."

<https://medinaspinweave.wordpress.com/>

Note: Speak with Nancy P. if you want information about the annual sheep shearing that will happen February 28 and March 1.

Happening in our Area:

February 8, 2025 (11 am-4 pm)

Wild and Woolly Festival: Cuyahoga Fairgrounds

February 21, 2025 FAVA Basic Felting Class:

<https://www.favagallery.org/classes/2025/02/21/basic-felting-221-15>

Praxis Workshop: All different kinds of classes are available including spinning, natural dyes, weaving and eco printing. Check it out at:

<https://www.praxisfiberworkshop.org/classes.html>



**Braids 2025:
Rocking Braids & Bands**

June 15-21, 2025
Cleveland, Ohio

Braids2025.com



ANNOUNCEMENT

Braids 2025: Rocking Braids & Bands is the sixth International conference on braids and narrow weaves and held jointly by the American Kumihimo Society and The Braid Society. The conference is scheduled for June 15-21, 2025 at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH.

Four full days of classes, daily keynote speakers, plus one day filled with a variety of field trips including behind the scenes tours at the Museum of Art.

Registration will remain open until the end of April 2025.

While some classes are full already, there are many open ones that appeal to a variety of students: from weavers, braiders, to lace makers, and just curious artists. We have classes on tablet weaving, inkle loom weaving, ply-split braiding, sprang, kumihimo (Madurai and Takadai), and a variety of other techniques such as lace making, temari ball embroidery, tassel making, designing garments with braids, creativity, and much more.

Do not miss this great opportunity to learn from international renowned teachers and scholars and meet kindred spirits from around the world.

Details on the registration and program are available on the American Kumihimo Society's website: braids2025.com. Or simply use the above QR code.

Officers & Appointed Positions: 2025-2026

President: Jean C

Vice President: Sara T

Treasurer: Missy M

Secretary: Carol D.

Workshops: Sheri Z, Barb E, Jean C.

Programs: Ann D, Jean O, Karen L, Gina T, Sheri Z, Vicki B

Library: Barb E & Jean O

Demonstrations: Gina T, Elizabeth Y

Membership: Missy M

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Guild Equipment: Julie B

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