

## July 2025 LOCO News

(locoguild.com)

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 8,2025

NO LOCO LESSON at 5:30 pm

7:00 pm Basket Raffle, Business meeting and show and tell.

**Location:** Carlisle Reservation

Snacks: Does your last name start with A-C? Your turn! Thank you in advance.

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.

If you have donations for the basket raffle, get them to Gina T. by Saturday, July 5, 2025.

#### **Upcoming Meetings: 2025**

LOCO lessons this year will focus on weaving and will start at 5:30 pm. Meetings start at 7 pm.

#### Projected Calendar for the year:

August: (Carlisle Reservation) LOCO Lesson: Winding your Warp or Warping your loom front to back or back to front. Program: Bring in your favorite fiber related book to share with the group! Presentation from the Natural Dye Study Group

September: (Carlisle Reservation) Program: Fair Show and Tell October: (Mill Hollow Reservation) Program: Make and Take Bags

November: (Carlisle Reservation) Program: No show and Tell. Member Sale

December: (Wellington Reservation) Program: POTLUCK (start at 6:30), Ornament Exchange, Shawl drawing

#### **June Meeting Minutes**

Submitted by Carole D.

June Meeting Minutes will be sent out in a separate email.

#### **Demonstrations: 2025**

#### Contact Betsy B. for details

All skill levels are welcome at the following demonstrations where you can watch other fiber artists in action, perhaps help someone learn, learn yourself, meet others, answer questions about your craft or the Guild or just have fun. Come for the whole event or part of one. Guild members who volunteer have their names entered for each occasion into a drawing for one of two yearly scholarships for expanding one's fiber knowledge. That's an incentive!

Sun., June 22, 2 pm-? Fleece Washing/Drying for Summer-long Fleece to Shawl culminating at the Lorain County Fair. Where: Missy M. house: 52392 Betts Rd., Wellington.

Before July 1 TBA: Washed Fleece preparation for Spinning (caring, flicking, rolags...)

July 1-July31: One month for spinning warp yarn for shawl project

August 1-10: Plying yarn for Shawl Warp

August 11 Warp winding and loom dressing for shawl demo at Lorain Co.Fair

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#### Continued!

Fri., Aug. 1, 2025 10am-3pm Medina County Fair, 720 Wear Smith Rd., Medina

TBA 11am-4pm Cuyahoga County Fair, Sheep Barn, Fairgrounds, 19201 East Bagley Rd., Middleburg Hts.

Lorain Country Fair, Fairgrounds, 23000 Fairgrounds Rd., Wellington Tues., Aug19 in the barn: your choice of craft Sun., Aug. 24 10am-3pm pavilion B - From Fiber to Shawl Demonstration—culminating event of summer-long project

Fri., Sept 5, 9-2 Historic Lyme Village Student Pioneer Day, 5001 OH 4, Bellevue, 44811. 15 minute sessions with 10-12, 4th graders, lunch provided, costume preferred. Please go to lymevillage.org and submit registration form by July 1st if interested in spinning or weaving. Rug loom available but highly recommended that if you want to demo on it, you go check it out before hand.

Sat-Sun; Sept. 27-28: Majestic Meadows Alpaca Farm, 4195 Abbeyville Rd., Medina

TBA Sept. Oberlin Historical Center, 73 1/2 S. Professor St., Oberlin

TBA Oct. Thurs. 11am-3pm National Spinning & Weaving Week in front of Ben Franklin's, 13 W. College St., Oberlin

#### **LOCO CHALLENGES: 2025-2026**

Fiber Bingo: See the next page or there will be a hard copy at the July meeting.

There are 24 activities you can participate in during the year: Use two different kinds of fiber; dye some fiber; create something that makes you happy; Design a project using monochromatic colors; design a holiday piece are some of the ideas on the card.

Choose as many squares as you want during the year. Any fiber craft is appropriate for the challenge. When you finish a project bring it in for show and tell or wait until April 2026 when you bring in your fiber bingo card.

Fiber Bingo cards will be available in June and then it will be included in July's newsletter.

Chain Reaction: We are also planning to bring back the Chain Reaction Challenge. Chain reaction is when 4 or 5 members make a team. The first member of each team receives an inspiration item and makes something using that item. (weaving, spinning, baskets, crochet, knit, beading) Then that item gets passed to the next person and that person is inspired by the project received. And so on and so on. We need at least 20 people to participate. Each member has 3 months to complete the project. Notify Barb Enos <a href="mailto:benos@oberlin.net">benos@oberlin.net</a> if you are interested. More information will be available at the July meeting.

#### LOCO 2025-2026 CHALLENGE - FIBER BINGO

Use two different types of fiber.	Design something to wear.	Finish an old piece.	Lead a presentation, workshop or LOCO Lesson.	Complete a fair project whether entering or not.  anyflip.com/pphfm/doem
Use a color you would not normally choose.	Design a project using monochromatic colors.	Create something that sparkles.	Show someone a technique or quick tip.	Design a holiday piece.
Use a different piece of equipment than normal.	Practice a new technique.	Rest Day	Create in the great outdoors.	Create something that makes you
Participate in a demonstration.	Use an old pattern or old magazine.	Create something from some fiber that someone else gifted.	Take inspiration from a piece made by a friend.	Upcycle a project. (example: shirt to vest)
Collaborate on a project.	Dye some fiber.	Your choice.	Take a class or workshop.	Keep a diary of your projects.

CHOOSE AS MANY SQUARES AS YOU WANT FROM JUNE 2025 TO APRIL 2026.

DO ANY FIBER CRAFT(S) – SPINNING, WEAVING, CHROCHETING, KNITTING, FELTING, ETC.

WHEN YOU FINISH A PROJECT, BRING IT IN FOR SHOW AND TELL OR WAIT UNTIL APRIL 2026 TO SHARE WITH YOUR BINGO CARD. HAVE FUN – GET BUSY

# 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 Month #1: Month #2:

With:

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 (Potluck-you October

get off easy!)

S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, June November

Z

#### June:

#### LOCO Lesson:

#### Show and Tell:















#### Placemat Exchange Group:

Submitted by Ann H. and Jean C.

<u>Summary of decisions made at the meeting for woven placemat</u> <u>exchange:</u>

Finished size of placemat 13.5 tall x 18 inches wide

Hems on short side (to the left and right as one sits at the table)

Hems to be woven with thinner yarn (10/2 or 16/2?); hems will be double rolled.

Colors: weaver's choice of 3 blues and optional minimal accent yarn of tan/linen color

Pattern is weavers choice but must be a twill draft

Weaving yarn is not required to be Brassard brand (i.e., Maysville is ok to use)

Number of placemats to be woven will be decided soon, depending on number of weavers involved. There may be two groups for the distribution at the exchange, which would require less placemats to be woven.

The exchange will be handled in such a way that hopefully no one should be left feeling like they didn't get as much of a choice as others.

It is acceptable to ask for advice and input from anyone else (such as sett, length of warp, amount of weft needed, etc.) hopefully not revealing too much about one's chosen draft and colors.

Reveal and exchange date to be in early to mid-Spring.

Participants as of June 29: Barb E, Betsy B, Jean B, Karen L, Heidi C,

#### **LOCO Library**

Submitted by Barb E. and Jean O.

Nothing new at this time. Summer is a great time to spend time reading! When was the last time you stopped in to FAVA to check out our library?

#### Fair Update

The Premium book and 2025 Open Class Entry Form is now available online or at the office. Google Lorain County Fair and you should easily find it and can print it. Entry fee is now \$40 but the Guild will reimburse any member who enters into the Needlework Barn \$5.00. Forms are due to office in Wellington by August 5th. You can also enter online which costs an extra \$5.00. Barb will have a few forms available at the July meeting. If you want Barb to take your form to fair office, you need to get it to her by July 23rd since she will be out of town in August. Make sure you use the 2025 Premium book when filling out your form since some entry numbers might have changed. Read pages 18-19 in fair book for directions for exhibitors if you have any other questions.

The entry form can be found here:

https://loraincountyfair.com/wp-content/uploads/entry\_form\_2025.pdf

The Premium Book that describes all of the various entries can be found here:

https://anyflip.com/pphfm/doem/

#### **Corrections to Meeting Minutes:**

We had a great discussion regarding how we archive our guild information during our last meeting. As a follow up to our history discussion, the leadership team, secretary and newsletter editor reviewed how we make corrections to the meeting minutes to provide accurate minutes. Roberts Rules of Order were reviewed and this is what we felt was the best way to move forward from here.

- Errors not related to content accuracy will be addressed through the secretary documenting "the minutes were approved with corrections".
- If an error that impacts the accuracy of the content is identified in the minutes already published in the newsletter, during a meeting, the secretary will record in the meeting minutes "the minutes were approved with corrections". The newsletter editor will then go back into the published newsletter and redline and date corrections and republish the corrected newletter on the website.

Any issues not discussed in the meeting are not a part of the official record. HOWEVER, if a member feels they need to be brought up to the guild, they can do so and would then be a part of that meetings minutes. This helps everyone to understand the importance for reading the minutes in the newsletter and discussing corrections in a timely manner.

**Workshop Committee Update:** 

Coming soon....see the attached flyer!



#### Lorain County Spinners and Weavers Guild Workshop Offering "Effective Use of Materials and Color" presented by Kathrin Weber

Kathrin Weber has been a full-time studio fiber artist since 1980. Her work revolves around dyeing, weaving and teaching. She has a fearless enjoyment in using hand-dyed color in her teaching, shop sales, and weaving. She enthusiastically encourages students to dive into color. No matter what her classes are officially entitled, they are ultimately about color, technique and weaving good fabric.

Saturday, October 4, 2025 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Zoom Format to begin at 1:15 pm - 2:45 pm After-discussion from 2:45 pm to 4:00 pm Cost: \$20 per person (tentative at this time)

Avon Library 37485 Harvest Drive, Avon, OH 44011

Do you have yarn in various colors, textures, weights, yarn types that you are not sure what to do with? Perhaps you have a lovely yarn that may not be strong enough for that warp you want to wind. Or your yarn is too fine or too big or the colors are too bright and they don't go together. Or, to be honest, the yarn you have been hoarding is just too expensive to use! How do you make a little go a long way?

This Zoom lecture with images will help you think of creative ways to plan and execute woven projects of mixed yarn types and colors that you might have thought would never go together technically or visually. Spend time with Kathrin thinking, "What if...?" To learn more about Kathrin, visit her website <a href="https://www.blazingshuttles.com/">https://www.blazingshuttles.com/</a>.

NOTE: Bring some of your favorite yarns, or yarns you don't know what to do with, to the workshop for discussion after the zoom presentation.

YES! Sign me up for the workshop on October 4, 2025 at the Avon Library.
Return form and money payable to LOCO Guild to Barb Enos.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone No \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ More information about workshop will follow.

Register by August 12, 2025. We will then open to other guilds.

Questions? Call one of the workshop members: Heidi C., Barb E., Sheri Z or Jean C.

#### Medina Guild News:

(Contact Nancy P.)

https://medinaspinweave.wordpress.com/

The Medina Guild is not meeting until September but that doesn't mean we do not have activities going on because it's July 4 we will not be meeting, but our third Friday at the Richfield Senior Center is on, come spin with us or craft from 11:30 to 2:30. If you want to come spin at the Medina fairground's on August 1, please let Nancy Page know so we can get your name to the fairgrounds otherwise you will have to pay to come in the gates also we are in the arts and crafts building this year so I need to know you're coming for parking.

#### Happening in our Area:

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

Eastern Great Lakes Fiber Conference. October 10-13, 2025. St. Bonadventure University, NY. Registration begins April 2, 2025. (EGLFC.org)

Western Reserve Spinners & Weavers Guild are putting on a 3 day workshop that will be focusing on Rep Weave with custom woven interiors April 10,11,12 of 2026. More information is available at: https://wrspinweave.org/workshop-announcement/

Here is a link to a free course through the Livestock Conservancy: <a href="https://livestockconservancy.teachable.com/l/products?">https://livestockconservancy.teachable.com/l/products?</a> sortKey=recommended&sortDirection=asc&page=1&authorId=1583432

#### **Great Lakes Fiber Show Update:**

The website is up and we are accepting proposals from instructors to teach at the 2026 fiber show. Please submit before August 31, 2025.

greatlakesfibershow.org

### For Sale

#### From Ann H:

Asking price is \$500. It is a Louet S51 double treadle. Spins fiber with no problems. 4 bobbins are included.





#### 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. Heidi C.

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

Vicki B, Heidi C.

Library: Barb E & Jean O

Demonstrations: Betsy B.

Membership: Missy M

Sunshine: Maryann K.

Guild Equipment: Julie B

Refreshments: Vicki B supplies

Historian: Ann H, Ben K

Newsletter/Website: Ann D

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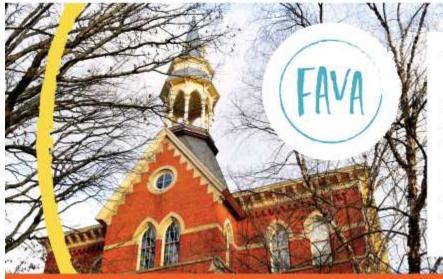
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