

# October 2025 LOCO News

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Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 14, 2025

Weavers Circle at 5:30 pm: No Weavers Circle this month.

7:00 pm Business meeting and show and tell. Program: Make and Take Bags. This should be a fun make and take so it's well worth the trip out to Mill Hollow. It will be pretty fall colors on the ride out too. See the next page for what to bring.

**Location: MILL HOLLOW RESERVATION** 

Snacks: Does your last name start with N, O, P, Q, or R? 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 for next year, get them to Missy M. Make and Take Bags.

This should be a fun make and take. We will have a bag for everyone to make.

Bring: Scissors, any items you would like to embellish (Light colored T-shirt, hats, bags, cotton will work best.) Bags will be cold water washable, mild detergent, do not bleach. Remove from wash promptly, air dry, iron on reverse side if needed. See the pictures below to see the different iron ons we will have available.





# 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

# **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:**

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

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

#### **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!

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

#### **Newsletter Archives**

The newsletter archives continue to be updated on the website. Take the time to check them out and let Ann H. know you have seen them! Great work Ann H.!

#### LOCO August 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Tonight's Program Event(s) was a book exchange/sale and a show and tell discussion on member's favorite books. Natural dye group presentation.

Jean opened the business meeting at 7:00 pm

No visitors or guests tonight

President: Jean asked that we look at the list of demo opportunities for the rest of the year.

Minutes from June meeting: Jean O moved to accept the June minutes and seconded by Karen.

Motion passed.

There were no July meeting minutes due to the Basket Raffle which netted \$700 to charity.

Treasurer: Missy - no report

Programs: Karen L discussed upcoming programs. September is a big Fair Show and Tell. October program is a make and take and November is a Member's Market Place where members can sell any fiber related products. October's Weaver's Circle meeting starting at 5:15 will be on warping.

Workshops: Barb discussed upcoming workshops. October 4 th Zoom. (see flyer). Also, in the works are two workshops with Susan Conover: Spinning flax and then weaving with the flax. Those who do not spin can use linen for weaving workshop. It was also suggested that a spinner and weaver collaborate. Barb also brough up the possibility of a standing workshop date of the first weekend in October so that members and other guilds know that is a set date of LOCO. More discussion is needed for this idea. Nancy mentioned that if October's first weekend is late it runs into other events. Something for the guild to think about.

Demonstrations: Betsy discussed current demos and there is still time to sign up to help at the Lorain County Fair. More demo opportunities will be in the September newsletter.

Sunshine: Mary Ann reported 5 birthdays in July, O in August.

Equipment: Julie no report

Refreshments: Mary Ann check your last name for meeting refreshments. Supplies are fine now.

Newsletter: Ann asked for all articles early for the next newsletter before August 28th. Discussion was about people updating on creating an Artist page. Ann K. can send information to members and Ann K. and Barb E. would be willing to help. Gina would be willing to take photos.

Library: Barb shared information regarding new 8#39; Crackle Weave8#39; and 2nd edition of Weft magazine All About Warps.

Historian: Ann is scanning previous newsletters and is done through 2020. 2021 now being done.

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#### LOCO August 12, 2025 Meeting Minutes (cont.)

Service Project: Elizabeth and organizing yarn and Betsy is weaving shawls. Karen asked members to bring in "drips and drabs" of fiber for future projects.

Medina Guild: Nancy had the summer off.

Sept. mtg will be a Show & Samp; Tell and several upcoming events include:

National Spinning week Oct. 6 spinning event at Buellers.

Old Business:

Fair Update: Barb shared some information regarding fair dates. Reminder about Wednesday demo in barn and then Betsy had information about Sunday Sheep to Shawl.

Chain Reaction: we need one or two more members to join is anyone is interested. Placemat Project: Ann H shared some updates and sent info. Out to participants. New Business

We need to decide by December which charities we want to donate for raffle sale monies: \$700 raffle money to go to charities - which ones and when? Sievers Loom relocation/sale, numerous repairs needed.

Karen L. moved and Ben for Jean C. To put loom on Facebook free. Motion passed.

Drum carder purchased by Jean. Does LOCO wish to purchase it for the \$300 she paid for it? Karen moved and Elizabeth Y. second for the guild to purchase a drum carder from Jean C. for \$300. Motion passed.

Vicky B. shared information regarding Exhibit & Samp; Sale of fiber art projects at the Stewart's Caring in Fairlawn, Ohio. She will bring us more information.

Great Lakes Fiber Show - looking for proposal(s) to teach a workshop in 2026. Contact Nancy Page if you are interested or you know someone who might be interested in teaching.

Meeting adjourned with no further business.

Show & amp; Tell

Vicky Bryg

**Ben Overshot Towels** 

Jean C Towel

Minutes respectfully submitted by Carole Doerr, Secretary

### LOCO September 9, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Jean opened the meeting.

No visitors or quests

Due to computer problems, minutes from the August meeting will be printed and approved in October along with September's minutes

Lorain County Fair participation:

Congratulations to all member participants and all awards won by members. Thank you to everyone who supported the fair in all capacities. Thank you to LOCO for providing/donating the best of show spinning/weaving plague.

Treasurer - Missy - No report

Programs - Karen - October meeting will be at the Carriage House in Vermilion Metroparks with a Make It/Take It program. The LOCO lesson will be "Dressing your loom" Workshops - Barb - Oct. 4th, Yarn & Samp; Color Coordination Zoom session @ Columbia Station Library, 1 - 4 pm, \$20/person. Bring your own yarn for discussion. Demos - Betsy - Discussed upcoming Demo events. If you hear/know of any other opportunities, let her know.

Lorain County Fair - Betsy - 23 LOCO (30%) members participated on the Sheep to Shawl project. All 23 volunteers were named, appreciated, and thanked for their time and efforts. The completed shawl was shown and plans will be to do a member only drawing for it at our December meeting.

Sunshine - Mary Ann - 5 birthdays in September

Refreshments - Mary Ann - Good on supplies

Equipment - Julie - No report Newsletter - Ann - No report

Library - Barb - Brought in several 2000 magazines. If you borrow current magazines/new books please return within 2 months

Historian - Ann & Ben - No report

Service - Elizabeth - Please continue to spin throughout the year so we can stay on top of yarn supply for 2026. Supplies for the service project come out of Guild funds. Dec. shawl raffle will include a Sunset and a second blue shawl.

Medina Guild - Nancy - discussed upcoming meetings and events. Thanked our Guild members for attending the Medina Fair. Celebrate National Spinning & Samp; Weaving week - October 6 - 12.

Old Business -

Sievers Loom to be posted on Facebook Marketplace for free

Chain Reaction has 3 teams and can use one more member

Bingo - a copy is in the newsletter. Bring your card to the October meeting.

New Business - none

Meeting closed with no more business to discuss Guild Member Lorain County Fair Show & Damp: Tell:

Barb E. - Many items and awards

Gina T. - Two items

Betsy - Many multiple class items and awards

Elaine - Table runner

Vicki B. - Multiple class items, dress and tote

Jean C. - Many items and awards including Best in Show

Karen - Several items

Mary Ann - variety of multiple class items and awards including a Best in Show

Sara T. - Variety of multiple class items

What a wonderful assortment of items and awards!

Show & amp; Tell

Betsy - two baby blankets

Ben Samp; Elizabeth - alpaca fiber and spun yarn

Minutes respectfully submitted by Carole Doerr

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

Fiber Bingo: See the next page or there will be a hard copy at the next meeting. (Check with Barb E.)

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.

# 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.

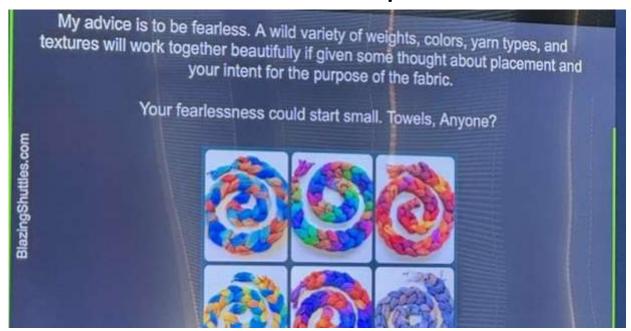
WHEN YOU FINISH A PROJECT, BRING IT IN FOR SHOW AND TELL OR WAIT UNTIL APRIL 2026 TO SHARE WITH YOUR BINGO CARD. HAVE FUN – GET BUSY

# September Meeting: Fair Entries and Prizes!





#### Kathrin Weber Workshop Via Zoom



On October 4, 2025, sixteen weavers participated in an inspiring day with Kathrin Weber via Zoom. Kathrin shared her expertise using numerous images of her work to help us see color

and yarn in a different way. All participants acquired ways of using thick and thin yarn together; how to dress a loom to accommodate the different yarns; and to think WHAT IF....

We viewed pieces that used left over warps which Kathrin called her "casserole" projects.

After the Zoom workshop, Sara shared her beautiful basket of hand spun yarn and the group brainstormed ways of using the different types of fiber. Ideas included sort by color, find out

the length of each, add commercial yarn and start with small projects. Jean brought in some dyed warps and the group again shared ways to use and make the dyed yarn go further by

adding thin yarn in the warp. Kathrin showed us ways to dress a loom from "front to back" and we shared ways in making her ideas accessible for all the "back to front" weavers.

We had conversation with friends and met some new ones that day.

Thank you to Kathrin Weber for a motivating day. Kathrin's website is www.blazingshuttles.com

**Workshop Committee** 

#### Medina Guild News:

(Contact Nancy P.)

The Medina Guild will meet October 21,2025. The program is going to be on the quilting arts. As always we will have a show and tell. Check with Nancy P. at the meeting if you would like a list of additional demonstrations through the Medina Guild you are welcome to participate in.

https://medinaspinweave.wordpress.com/

# Happening in our Area:

Praxis Workshop: 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/

#### For Sale:

Moving Soon!

Judy Keske 440-371-2469 or judykeske@yahoo.com

Must part with some of my equipment. I have a wheel and portable table top 4 shaft loom for sale.

LeClerc loom: In great shape. It's a table top but has a hand

made stand. 3 reeds, size 8-12-15

Multiple shuttles, quills, bobbins.

Asking 175. For all of above.

LeClerc Warping Board: 50.00

Ashford Elizabeth Wheel: Works very well! 4 bobbins and lazy

Kate. Asking 200.00

(Please see the email that was sent out this past week if you would like to see pictures of any of the above. There were a lot of great pictures!)

# 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

# The Hines Sheep Co.

Tom, Beth and Holly Hines 10735 LaGrange Road, Elyria, OH 44035 (440) 458-4049 Fleece of champion Columbias and Southdowns and Natural Sheep (black) Roving, skins yarn, freezer lamb, jerky.

By Appointment



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