Thoughts from the President

Summer is progressing towards fall and we’re looking forward to our regular meetings starting again. Our September meeting is always interesting because of our Big Show and Tell. I love seeing all that’s been accomplished over the summer. Make sure you bring your creations to share!

Speaking of Show and Tell, you’ll get to see some of the results from our Dye Day—how multiple mordants impacted dye colors. The annual June event was wonderful this year. We had a great turnout. So thanks again to Chris and Becky, to Holly for hosting us, and to all who pitched in to help.

And we have lots more events coming up, including a workshop scheduled even before our first meeting. September 9 is Eco Dyeing with Robbie Grodin. Then, in early October, some of us will be demonstrating our crafts at the Stan Hywet Manor House during Ohio Mart. We’ll have more information for all the volunteers at our meeting.

Plus Spinzilla week is approaching, too. Nancy will tell us all about it at the September meeting as well. Get your wheels and spindles ready!

Our fiber activities are gearing up, so read this newsletter thoroughly. There’s lots going on!

-- Karen Babb

Guild Calendar

**Monthly Meetings**
Are held on the third Tuesday of the month, September thru May.
Social time begins at 7:00 PM
Business meeting at 7:30 PM
Medina Presbyterian Church,
5020 Burgundy Bay Blvd.
(off Route 18)

**Afternoon Spinning**
August 4th 11:45 pm
Richfield Senior Center

**Evening Spinning**
August 24th 5:30 pm
Richfield Library

**Newsletter Deadline**
August 20th

**Afternoon Spinning**
September 1st 11:45 pm
Richfield Senior Center

**Eco Dyeing Workshop**
Robbie Grodin
September 9th 9am - 3pm

**Guild Meeting**
September 19th
The Big Show ‘n Tell

**Stan Hywet Demo Days**
October 5th-8th

**Basket Workshop**
Betsy Bruce
November 4th 9am - 3pm
DEMONSTRATIONS

We have a few Demonstrations and opportunities to promote our craft that are coming up. Most Sundays, through October 8th, you can join me at Brunswick Heritage Farm on Laurel Road in Brunswick. Times are 11-2.

Marshallville, Ohio, is the last one for August on the 26th 10-4, it is their Home Days Celebration. They prefer we dress, so it is long skirts and aprons, bonnets if you have one. If you want to bring your spouse, there is a car and tractor show. If you are coming let me know and I will give you further directions.

- Nancy Page

COUNTY FAIR TIME

There is spinning at the local county fairs. If you are available, please contact Beth Hines (440) 458-4049, to get on the list. If not on the list you have to pay, to get on the fairgrounds.

Medina County Fair
- Friday, August 4th, 9am to 3pm in the Sheep Shed

Cuyahoga County Fair
- Kids Day, Thursday, August 10th 11am to 3pm. And then Sheep to Shawl, Friday, Aug. 11th 6pm to 9pm. Both in the Sheep Barn.

Lorain County Fair
- Sunday, Aug 27 9am to 3pm.

RICHFIELD EVENING SPINNING

Please note that the week will vary for the next several months:
- June 22nd (4th Thursday)
- July 20th (3rd Thursday)
- August 24th (4th Thursday)

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

It is that time again. The renewal form is later in the newsletter. Please mark any address or phone number changes from what is in the current directory. After September 1st the membership fee is going up by $5.00 so DO IT NOW.

LIBRARY

MAFA’s conference was great, I picked up one new book, Martha Reeves “Weave Leno in-depth instructions for all levels, with 7 projects”. Bobbi Irwin, has a new book coming out this fall, she will send out notification when it is available, for purchase. I acquired one of Tom Knisely’s videos “Weaving with Rags” Making Rag Rugs and More. Tom very nicely signed it and the two that we had in our collection.

- Nancy Page

GREAT LAKES FIBER SHOW

Just to let you all know that the Great Lakes Fiber Show Committee was so happy with how smoothly the show came together. They showed their appreciation by donating $100.00 to the Guild. Thanks again to all for their time and support, in making this event a success.

SPINZILLA

Yes, it is time to start thinking of Spinzilla. Black Locust Farms Yarn Shop, is on board again as our sponsor. Spinzilla will be October 2 - 8. Registration will begin September 1st. I will have more information next month on how to sign up to be on board the Spinzilla Train.
Fiber Events Calendar

MICHIGAN FIBER FESTIVAL
August 18-20, Allegan, Michigan
A variety of Workshops both full day and half day along with exhibitions and over 100 vendors. Held at the Allegan County Fairgrounds
www.michiganfiberfestival.info

EASTERN GREAT LAKES FIBER CONFERENCE
October 6-9, Chautauqua NY
Chautauqua Institute, Chautauqua NY. Registration is underway. Most workshops still have openings.
http://eglfc.org/

A WOOL GATHERING
September 16 & 17, Yellow Springs, Ohio
Demonstrations and Vendors, Held at Young's Jersey Dairy. Same weekend at the Springfield Antique Show Extravaganza.
youngsdairy.com/wool-gathering/

AUTUMN FIBER FESTIVAL
October 14, 9-5, Ashland County Fairgrounds
Local fiber producers, craftsmen and artists will be brought together to display and sell their wares, demonstrate their skills and educate the visiting public about natural fibers and their importance to our community and culture. Ashland County Fairgrounds, Mozelle Hall, 2042 Claremont Ave., Ashland, Ohio. Free admission and free parking.
www.autumnfiberfestival.com

TINKUY 2017
Weaving the Past, Present & Future
November 8-11, 2017 Cusco, Peru
Beginning with a festive parade of weavers up the Avenida Sol through four days of presentations, demonstrations, and workshops, Tinkuy 2017 offers an unsurpassed experience in indigenous textiles of the Americas and beyond. Complete with keynote speakers, artisan presentations and demonstrations, cultural performances, a fashion show, a movie night, and spinning competitions.
www.tinkuy2017.textilescusco.org

CONVERGENCE
July 6, 2018, Reno, Nevada
A tentative schedule has been posted. Reserve the dates and keep checking back for details.
Medina S&W Guild is a member of HGA
www.weavespindye.org/convergence-2018

FIBER POLICE —
PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT
The Fiber Police are currently counting stitches and threads. All questions will be answered with LOUDER COUNTING until we are finished.
— Officer I. M. Worping
Announcing an Ecoprint Workshop

With Robbie Grodin

9-3 on Saturday, September 9, 2017

At the Alpaca Fiber Studio

151 Bell St., Chagrin Falls, OH

Explore the alchemy of water, eucalyptus and other plants, heat and metal to make unique prints on scarves (2-3 scarves). $95 (8 student minimum – 12 maximum) Lunch provided.

Please send your fee made out to Medina Spinning & Weaving Guild to: Claire Bourguet, 3615 Oak Road, Stow, OH 44224
Reed Basket Workshop

Instructor: Betsy Bruce
When: November 4, 2017, 9:00 to 3:00
Where: Richfield United Church of Christ
        4340 W. Streetsboro Road
        Richfield, Ohio 44286

Number of Participants: 10 Maximum
Registration Fee: $45 for Guild Member
                $70 for non Member

Materials Fee: approximately $30, payable to instructor

Participants will need to bring:
A basin for water, several old towels, 12 or more pinch type clothes pins, pencil, awl, sharp scissors, flat head screw driver, ruler or yard stick.
Webbing for handle can be hand woven or store bought 1 ½” x 120” in length

Cancellation Deadline is October 4, 2017

Send Registration Fee to:
Claire Bourguet, 3615 Oak Road, Stow, Ohio 44224
DISCOVERY YARN TOUR

10th Annual Discovery Yarn Tour starts Tuesday, September 5th and runs through Saturday, September 23rd. To take part you need to visit your favorite participating yarn store, beginning August 21, and purchase a Passport for $7.00. Then on September 5, start shopping, remember to get your Passport Stamped, to be eligible for prizes. (Many yarn shops sell roving, so stalk up for Spinzilla.) More details at:

www.yarndiscoverytour.com

SPIES WHO KNIT

www.interweave.com/article/weaving/knitting-war-spies-history/

WOOLERY

Support the Guild by shopping at the Woolery in Kentucky via the link on our web site or

www.woolery.com/Store/pc/home.asp?idaffiliate=27

They will donate up to 5% of the guild’s members total purchases to our guild.