

I hope those of you that were able to stay for the movie enjoyed it and the popcorn. I enjoyed learning some of the history of knitting in a fun way. The popcorn was again from Campbell's PopCorn Shop, in Lakewood. If you have any movie suggestions for next year, pleases let the program people know, remember it has to be an hour or less and have something to do with our craft.

I so enjoyed the meeting before the movie, I really try to give you the information that I have, so when I do not have all the information or get it wrong speak up. I do not think I have ever heard so many people speak up, it was great. The next four months will be busy, There is so much going on festival, workshops, contest, and crafting get togethers. So if I do not have the information, raise a hand jump up, yell it out.

Carol has a great program planned with the Rust Belt Fiber Shed in February, I hope some of you are will to help them with their Flax and dye garden. I just know everyone is working on "Something on your Head" for our challenge project, due in April. I have seen a few items and they are great, very inspiring.(Maybe I will make something this year).

I just received my Fiber from Australia and I cannot wait to start spinning.

It is the beginning of a new year so we are off to a running start. Let's see if we can keep up.

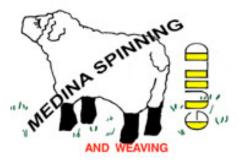
-- Nancy Page

#### **WOOLERY**

Support the Guild by shopping at the Woolery 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.





### **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

February Ist 11:45 pm **Richfield Senior Center** 

**Board Meeting** February 14th

**Guild Meeting** February 19th **Fibershed Presentation** 

**Newsletter Deadline** February 24th

**Evening Spinning** February 28th 5:30 pm **Richfield Library** 

**Guild Meeting** March 19th Fiber Relocation

Card Weaving Workshop March 23rd **Richfield United Church of Christ** 

**Spring Retreat** April 27th 10-3 Furnace Run Metro Park

#### LIBRARY

Hurray! Becky is gradually taking control of the Library. So please send book suggestions and or questions to Becky.

- Nancy Page

#### FLEECE JUDGING CLASS

Fleece Judging Class starts January 28, at 5:00. We will be in the Hickory Room, of the Brunswick Public Library, on Route 303. If you need a copy of the study guide let me know. We still have room for two more students.

- Nancy Page

#### CARD WEAVING WORKSHOP

This will be an introduction to card or tablet weaving. Card weaving can produce bands of fabric for belts, shoulder straps, decorative edging for clothes and may other uses. Patterns can range for simple geometrics to images or words.

It can be done with very minimal equipment, a set of cards, a small shuttle and a method of maintaining tension. The simplest way of keeping tension is a back-strap loom. Other simple looms such as an inkle loom, frame loom or a small table loom can be used.

#### FLEECE JUDGING CLASS

Our first class was really great, Dave Lewis is an excellent teacher. One of our assignments is to attend a sheep shearing. If you or you know of someone in the area, that is having their sheep sheared before March 24, please let me know. Many have seen one but a few have not, or in my case not for a few years.

- Nancy Page

BASIL TOMATO SOUP WITH ORZO

Prep: 15 min. Cook: 25 min. Makes: 16 servings (4-1/2 qt.)

large onion, chopped
 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cup butter, cubed
 garlic cloves, minced
 cans (28 oz. each) crushed tomatoes

 (I used 2 cans tomato sauce and 1 petite diced)
 carton (32 oz.) chicken broth
 cup loosely packed basil leaves (chopped)
 Tbsp. sugar
 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp. pepper
 <sup>-1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> cups uncooked orzo pasta
 cup heavy whipping cream
 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> cup grated Romano cheese

1. In a Dutch oven, sauté onion in butter for 3 minutes. Add garlic; cook for 1-2 minutes longer or until onion is tender. Stir in the tomatoes, broth, basil, sugar and pepper. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 15 minutes.

2. Meanwhile, cook the orzo according to package directions; drain. Add orzo and cream to soup; heat through (do not boil). Sprinkle servings with cheese.

-Dianna Phillips

#### DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please add to your directory Rhonda Losh 683 Carolyn Dr Brunswick OH 44212 <u>rshoebox@gmail.com</u> (330) 421-4114

#### HALE FARM & VILLAGE *Blanket Project*

I tell my visitors to the Hale Farm weaving room, that some of the pieces that I make are put into the Market Place Museum Store, but many are placed in the buildings to make those buildings look like a home when they visit.

I am always looking, on my walking tours of the Hale Farm buildings, for a floor that needs a rug or a kitchen that needs a towel or two, a window that needs a curtain or a bed that needs a blanket.

In the Goldsmith House, just off the kitchen, you will find a small room, set up as a hired-help bedroom. Here is where I found a bed that needed a blanket and asked the Medina Spinning & Weaving Guild to help with the project.

My blanket inspiration came from the book OF COVERLETS the legacies, the weavers by Sadye Tune Wilson and Doris Finch Kennedy. Weaver Mary Ann Alexander Parks from Lincoln County, Tennessee, wove a blanket for her son, Benjamin N. Parks in the 1890's. The blanket was described as plain weave, with weft bands(stripes) of rose-orange near the top hem. The picture also showed a row of cross-stitch along the top hem.

We gave out gallon-size bags of wool roving to guild members who would like to participate, each with a handspun sample yarn to match. Our guild spinners were Karen Babb, Cris Voorhees, Claire Bourquet, Laura Enoch, Nancy Page, Elaine Hicks, Diana Phillips, Jeanne Weber, and Vicky Bryg and we began with a Spin-In Day, held in the lower-level room of the Hale House.

Visitors could watch and talk to the guild spinners that day, with their many different types of spinning wheels and stories.

I warped the 4-Harness loom with purchased 8/2 un-mercerized natural colored cotton at 16 ends per inch in a 8 dent reed. The 36" width had 546 ends and was 4 yards in length. This allowed a blanket of 72" and a 20 inch sample piece that stays in the weaving room display. I enlarged the picture of the blanket to help determine the stripe

pattern. Several skeins of the handspun wool was dyed in our Hale House dye site with Madder Root for the described rose-orange color of the stripe.

I wove the blanket during the 2018 season and look forward to "making the bed", in the little bedroom just off the kitchen in the Goldsmith House, with a new blanket next Spring.

-becky monegan

#### WHAT HAVE I DONE?

I made a "flicker" like Elizabeth's. It's not a comb (teeth are too small,) and it's not a card (not enough teeth.) I don't see anything like it in other Etsy shops or at The Woolery. I heard that they were popular for sheep-to-shawls before drum carders were widely available.



Now, I'm thinking of adding it to TotaLoom's Etsy shop, but I'm wondering:

Does anyone use them very much? Would \$20 be too much, too little, or just right? The small cards sold at the Woolery run \$23.50.

Please let me know what you think by email -ronwphillips@gmail.com

— Ron Phillips

#### MSWG Guild Meeting Minutes for January 17, 2019, Called to order at 7:25 pm.

#### Reports

- 1. **Minutes** December minutes submitted by Dianna Phillips via newsletter. Moved (Elaine) and seconded (Linda) that minutes be approved; passed unanimously.
- 2. **Treasurers Report** Nancy reported that the spring 2019 donation of \$150 and \$25 for carpet cleaning has been sent to the church.
- 3. Programs/Meetings Carol & Stephen reported
  - 1. Roc Day was a success. Rhonda Losh and Kim Barkfelt have agreed to host Roc Day 2020.
  - 2. February Presentation will be by Rust Belt Fiber Shed. Jess and Sarah will be talking about the Flax Project and how the Guild could be involved, as well as their natural dye garden.
  - 3. March Fiber Relocation
  - 4. April Annual Business meeting, Scholarship presentations, Challenge presentation, Board Elections
    - 1. Workshop Chair positions is still open.
  - 5. May Fashion Show
- 4. Workshops Paula Smead
  - 1. March 23, 2019 Card Weaving, presented by Stephen. 3 people have paid 2-3 have expressed interest. Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> it will open to other guilds, March 1<sup>st</sup> id deadline. Question about the supplies needed 8/2 cotton, 3-5 colors are needed.
  - 2. Guild Retreat 4/27/19 Furnace Run Metro Park, 10am to 3 pm. \$5 registration
  - 3. October 26, 2019 9 am to 1 pm. Continuous thread weaving presented by Ron Phillips.
- 5. Newsletter Stephen reported articles must be submitted by 1/20/2019.
- 6. Library Becky encouraged members to check out books and highlighted "60 Scarves" as the featured book of the month.

#### 7. Additional items:

- 1. Fleece Judging Class 1<sup>st</sup> meeting is January 28, at Brunswick Library. Money for instructor can be paid the first meeting.
- Wild & Wooly Fiber Arts Event at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds, 2/9/19 from 11-5. Cost is \$5 - <u>https://allevents.in/middleburg%20heights/wild-and-wooly-fiber-arts-event/</u> 160981617869431
- 3. Great Lakes Fiber Festival update by Nancy Kilkenny. Workshops are on the website: <u>https://greatlakesfibershow.com/workshops/</u> Registration opens March 1, 2019.
- 4. Woolery 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Weave-off. <u>https://woolery.com/woolery-weave-off</u>
- 5. Shave 'em to save 'em launching soon from the Livestock Conservancy https://livestockconservancy.org/index.php/involved/internal/SE2

Show and tell followed by the movie and popcorn ended the evening. Respectfully submitted: Dianna Phillips, Secretary

#### **Fiber Events Calendar**

## CLEVELAND METROPARKS WILD & WOOLY

February 9, 11-4, Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds Join us for shopping, socializing and stitching.We will have 19 different vendors for you to shop from and a food truck will be on site. Bring your own mug and receive free coffee!

Pre-pay for your by February 6 and receive an extra raffle ticket. Otherwise tickets are available at the door. \$5 admission Call 216-206-1000 to register!

For more information please email <u>sma@clevelandmetroparks.com</u>

www.cuyfair.com/fairgrounds/grounds-eventcalendar

#### FAVA WORKSHOPS

Multiple dates, Oberlin, Ohio February 9 & 10, Wet Felted Scarves February 9, The Art of Crochet April 26-28, Carpet Bag Weaving See website for more information. www.favagallery.org

#### MARKET DAY AND FIBER FAIR March 23, 9-4, Bowling Green, Ohio

Black Swamp Spinners Guild invite you and your fiber friends to join us at our annual Market Day. We will be showcasing the finest fiber vendors the Great Lakes States have to offer!

Admission: \$1 Location: Junior Fair Building, Wood County Fair Grounds, Bowling Green, Ohio

www.blackswampspinnersguild.org

#### NEEDLE LACE WORKSHOP

March 30-31, Chagrin Falls, Ohio

Victoria Ong will teach a weekend class on needle lace in Chagrin Falls, March 30-31<sup>st</sup>. Contact Katherine Dunlevey via email <u>dunlevey1155@windstream.net</u> for details and registration forms.

#### NUNO-FELTED DRESS WORKSHOP April 22-24, 2019, Detroit, Michigan

Detroit Fiber Works is hosting Master Felter Charity van der Meer. The workshop will focus on designing and making a nuno-felted, silk and merino wool flared A-line dress.

www.detroitfiberworks.com/Workshops

## WOOLERY WEAVE-OFF April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The Woolery is having a Weave-Off. Weave a dish towel with Bluegrass Mills cotton to compete for prizes in four separate categories. Here's the thing though, you don't get your towel back, because we're donating them all to the local women's shelter.

Grand Prize Winners in each category will get Spectrum Packs of our BGM 6/2 — that's 21, one-pound cones of yarn in a whole array of colors! Second and Third Place Winners in each category will get \$50 Woolery gift cards.

The Bluegrass Mills cotton will be on sale at 25% off through February  $15^{\text{th}}$ .

woolery.com/woolery-weave-off

Regional Conferences with many three day workshops to choose from. A great way to learn new techniques and meet other spinners and weavers.

MIDWEST WEAVERS CONFERENCE 2019 June 20-22, 2019, Grinnell, Iowa www.midwestweavers.org/conference

#### MID-ATLANTIC FIBER ASSOCIATION June 27-30, 2019, Millersville, PA mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2019

EASTERN GREAT LAKES FIBER October 12–14, 2019, Chautauqua, NY eglfc.org

# Card Weaving Workshop

Instructor: Stephen Page

When: March 23, 2019 Time: 9:00 to 3:00

Where: Richfield United Church of Christ 4340 W. Streetsboro Rd. Richfield, Ohio 44286

Registration Fee (includes set of cards): \$45 for Guild Members Open to non-Members after February 1st \$70 Cancellation Deadline is March 1, 2019 Participants will need to bring:

- Inkle, Card or Frame Loom or other support
- 8/2 Cotton Yarn
- Small Stick Shuttle
- Scissors

Card Weaving Workshop Registration		
NAME		
ADDRESS		
CITY	STATE	_ZIP
EMAIL	TEL	
\$45 for members (Open now) / \$70 non-members (Open after February 1st)		
Make all checks payable to Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild and mail to:		
Claire Bourguet, 3615 Oak Road, Stow, Ohio 44224		
* Please indicate the name of the workshop on memo line of your check.		