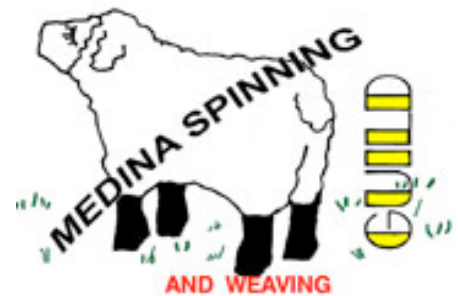


The Woolly Pages



PRESIDENTS NEWS

Well, this is an exciting time! We all get to stay home with our loved ones and craft, garden, clean, veg out with our favorite movies or binge watch the T. V, series we have been wanting to catch up on. Personally we moved some things to the garage so Stephen can have his office back to work from home. I do hope everyone has what they need to stay busy no matter in what craft medium you are working.

I was sorry to have to cancel the March Meeting, Fiber Relocation is one of my favorites, oh heck most of the meetings are my favorite because I get to be with you all.

We do not know when this virus will be over, so for right now until the "Stay at home" rule is to lifted on April 6, or the 12, depending on who you listen to. We are planing on having an April Guild Meeting on the 21st. This meeting is our yearly business meeting. At this meeting we address problems and any changes to our By-Laws. This year I have not thought of any changes or received any thing requiring changes to the By-Laws from any member. We do have to vote on a new President and Secretary. For which we will have nominations. Read your membership book for requirements. The President has to have served on the Board. I also have to draw the two Scholarship Winners for The Great Lakes Fiber Show and the Challenge presentations. With this being the only matters of business to take care of, we thought you all might like to have Fiber Relocation. I know it will be a lot to cram in to a meeting but hey let us try to have a great two months before summer break.

We are continuing to monitor developments and working on contingence plans. If your immune system makes it unsafe for you to be in a large group please STAY HOME. Each of you are very important, not just to the guild but to your family.

- Nancy Page

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

April 3rd 11:45 am
Richfield UCC

Board Meeting

April 9th 7:00 pm

Evening Spinning

April 16th 5:30 pm
Richfield Library

Spring Retreat

April 18th Cancelled

Guild Meeting

April 21st

Newsletter Deadline

April 26th

Guild Meeting

May 19th

Dye Day 2020

September 26th

PROGRAMS

Fiber Relocation is moved to April's meeting

A great time to take stock in your stash. What do you have that you will not use? What do you need? One person's unused stash is another one's treasure. Always a fun time.

April is the guild challenge.

Be sure to be working on your projects. April will be here before we know it.

- Jean Crawford

SPRING RETREAT

April 18, 2020, 9:00 to 3:00

The retreat has been cancelled as the park has closed the shelter.

GREAT LAKES FIBER FESTIVAL

I will have sign up sheets for workshop assistants, welcome/check in table, set up and clean up crew at the next meeting. There will also be a sheet for you to let me know if you will be selling, demonstrating or both at our booth. More information to come as we get closer to May.

Nancy Page

LIBRARY NEWS

As Guild Librarian, the library magazines come to my address. How lucky I am right now to be stuck at home with the new issue of PLY (Issue 28 Spring 2020). The magazine has been around for 7 years with Jacey Boggs Faulkner as the publisher/director/editor in Chief. This issue is titled: fur. The fibers discussed are exotic (sea otter, wolf, chinchilla, possum, mountain goat) and common place (domestic cat, dog, rabbit). It will be ready for take-out when we meet again.

- Becky Monegan

DYE DAY 2020

Yellow-to-Green, Saturday, September 26

Our annual Dye Day will be experimenting with four yellow dyes: Marigold flowers, Yellow

Onion Skins, Goldenrod and Osage Orange wood chips. We will dye two skeins with each yellow dye and then top dye one skein with Indigo for a green. You will need 8 skeins, 50 yards each, for the Yellow-to-Green project. Also bring 2 skeins, 50 yards each, for dipping in Indigo for blue.

Dye Day will be held at the home of Hollie Krenz, 16100 Cowley Rd., Grafton, 44044 on Saturday, September 26.

Grow and Collect Our Dye Day Plant Material

With a later date for Dye Day, we can take advantage of a summer's growing season to collect Marigold flowers, Yellow Onion Skins and Goldenrod flowers. If you have some extra garden space, plant some Marigolds and clip the blossoms and freeze. Collect the outer yellow skins of your cooking onions. Let them air dry. Then the first of August, be on the lookout for Goldenrod to start blooming. The best color comes from these early blooms. Clip the flowers and freeze. I save the plastic sleeves that our newspaper comes in and it is perfect for stuffing with flowers to freeze.

- Becky Monegan

DEMONSTRATIONS

At this time Granger Township Bicentennial is still on Saturday, June 27, 12:30 to 3:30. I would like a good showing for this event.

Medina County Fair, Medina County Fair Grounds, Friday, August 7, 9:00 to 3:00.

Medina County Agricultural Day, Medina County Fair Grounds Friday, September 25, 10:00 - 1:00. Lunch and T-Shirt will be provided. Need at least 4 members, more would be great. There will be two areas, one with Alpacas, the other with sheep.

There will be other demos that I hope you all will come and participate. These are ones that we will be receiving compensation for the Guild. So please either sign up at the meetings or email Nancy Page at nancy2page@gmail.com.

- Nancy Page

GREAT LAKES FIBER FESTIVAL

As of today 3-22-2020, The Great Lakes Fiber Show is still on schedule. I need to have members at the check in desk, Saturday Morning, Afternoon and Sunday Morning. Sunday Classes are all day, so I do not need afternoon check in people. I do need to have teacher assistants for three of the classes. Felted Flowers, Picnic/Market Basket, and Steeks Unstuck, If you If you have signed up for a Sunday Class, we do need a bit of help with the clean up and putting the classrooms back in order. Please let me know if you are willing to help out.

GLF BOOTH

We have our usual booth space, sort of. It had been requested and our wish has been granted we now have a total of 3 spaces to fill. So that will add 5' to each space for selling and demonstrating. To that end please contact me about selling your items and signing up to demonstrate.

With the cancellation of Black Swamp and Lake Farm Park, we should have a great turn out this year. If we cancel, I will see you at Ashland in October.

SPINGO

For those of you that need another project. Spin Together has put together Spingo. It runs to the end of the month. You can find out more at the website and print out a spingo/bingo card <http://www.spintogether.org/spingo-spin-together-bingo/> There is also a link to a video that demonstrates some of the more unfamiliar spinning techniques

ONLINE READING

The Woolery has a blog post on “Why you shouldn't knit that chunky roving blanket you saw on Pinterest.”

woolery.com/blog/dont-knit-that-chunky-roving-blanket-on-pinterest/

LOOM FOR SALE

Glimakra Countermarch Loom that is 44” Wide and has 8 harnesses. It includes a warping Mill, raddle, yarn swift and winding stations and some reeds plus shuttles. it also has a spool holder, a bobbin winder, the warping sticks and extra clips and heddles, along with rug shuttles and boat shuttles.

It is 30 years old and in excellent condition. I would like to sell this as a whole lot and would prefer \$2000.00.

Call Ms. Betty Kintzel at 440-838-8770.



Fiber Events Calendar

INTERWEAVE YARN FEST — RESCHEDULED

August 28-31, 2020, Loveland, Colorado

Explore your passion for fiber crafts, hone your skills, and enjoy one-on-one instruction with leading artists at Interweave Yarn Fest. This retreat-style experience gives you access to a huge range of workshops, a Marketplace stocked with fibers and tools from around the world, and many opportunities to form new friendships with other enthusiasts.

interweaveyarnfest.com

CONVERGENCE 2020

July 24-30, 2020, Knoxville, Tennessee

The national conference put on by the Handweavers Guild of America. A large range of seminars and workshops on weaving, spinning and related crafts. Multiple exhibitions and other activities. A preliminary schedule available. Registration opened October 1st so many sessions and workshops are filling up. Medina S&W Guild is a member of HGA

www.weavespindye.org/convergence

SPIN OFF AUTUMN RETREAT (SOAR) 2020

September 17-22, 2020, Boulder, Colorado

Spend four days expanding your skills and deepening your passion for spinning in one of America's most beautiful places, the Colorado Chautauqua in Boulder. All accommodations, breakfasts, lunches, dinners, classes, materials fees, and evening events are included. Limit of 65 attendees.

www.spinoffretreat.com

CLASSES AT HARRISVILLE

Various Dates, Harrisville, NH

Harrisville Designs has their 2020 schedule of class available on their website. Topics cover weaving, spinning, felting, knitting and more.

harrisville.com/collections/2020-workshops-and-classes

Introduction to Sprang

An ancient technique for today's handweaver

October 17-18, 2020

9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Richfield Fellowship Hall
3909 Broadview Rd.
Richfield, OH 44286

World-renowned instructor Carol James joins the Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild for a two-day workshop on **Sprang**, an ancient handweaving technique that uses your fingers to create a very elastic interlinking stitch. Carol will teach you her amazing way to create two rows of cloth for every one row worked.

Participants receive an introduction to the basic stitch on a frame with ready-to-go warp focusing on the use of the fingers to create the structure. Once the basic stitch is mastered, she will introduce other stitches, pattern reading and adaptations for garments.

Carol has examined the very extensive collection of textiles at the Kelsey Museum, has written patterns for many of the designs, and made replicas of some of them, which she will share that weekend.

Workshop fee: \$200 members, \$225 non-members

Open to members exclusively now until June 1, 2020, then open to non-members.

Skill level: suitable for all levels from beginner to advanced. Must have good use of the fingers and reasonable eyesight.

Materials fee (paid directly to instructor on the first day of the workshop): \$45; includes materials for 3 warps and a frame loom to take home.



Carol James is a world-recognized teacher in Sprang. She has spent the past 20 years rediscovering textile forms that had been considered lost, resurrecting these ancient techniques and making them accessible to everyone through her publications, books and workshops.

Registration:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Cancellation policy: Full refund if instructor cancels the class or 60 days prior to workshop. After 60 days, a full refund will be given only if another student can take your place. If another student cannot take your place, you will get a 50% refund. No refunds 30 days prior to class date.

Make all checks payable to Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild and mail to:
Linda White, 1107 Schocalog Rd., Akron, OH 44320

For more information about the workshop, contact Nancy Kilkenny at nancy.kilkenny28@gmail.com or 440-623-4774

