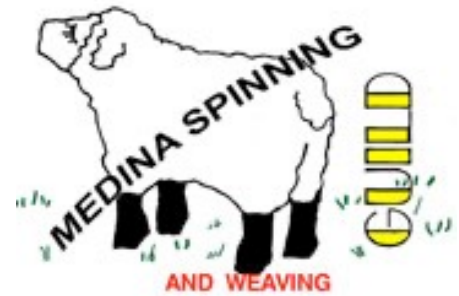


The Woolly Pages



PRESIDENTS LETTER

I hope everyone enjoyed the Clemens and Clemens video on Drum Carding. I felt the information was good, I should have watched it all the way through to make note of how much was a sales pitch. I am really interested in the plastic wrap for the batts. I was thinking maybe freezer paper? We did test the video out on the board to see if it would run okay, and it did for the five of us, the other thing is for me to be really quiet. I thought when the tape was running it was okay to move about till we got the text that the noise was coming through then when we tried to mute it we shut the sound down. We will be aware of these problem for future videos. Please be aware that this like life is a work in progress and we are learning as we go.

I would like to know for future videos, did you like having it at the end of the meeting, so if you were not interested you could tune out? Many of you said as you were not spinners you were going to tune out. Please contact Jean if you have future ideas or see videos that you think might be interesting to the group.

Along that line, the local PBS station. I think WVIZ, have a show on Friday's that is called Applause, runs about 30 minutes. On October 16th they showed the South American Weavers that many of us have purchased items from. I do not know if you can find it, in various show archives but you might find it interesting. It was on in the last 10 minutes of the show.

I would like to ask everyone to be safe and careful as we head in to fall and winter. Cuyahoga is approaching purple status, Lorain and Summit was also on their way there. So get your craft supplies in so you can stay in and safe. We want can keep seeing the wonderful art work that you all do. I want to keep seeing you all at the Zoom meetings.

Cheers
- Nancy Page

Monthly Meetings

Currently via Zoom.
Details will be emailed.
Held on the third Tuesday of the month, September thru May starting at 7:00 PM (When we resume)
Medina Presbyterian Church, 5020 Burgundy Bay Blvd.

Guild Calendar

Spin-In Meeting

November 3rd 7 pm
Online gathering

Board Meeting

November 12th 7 pm

Guild Meeting

November 17th 7 pm
Will be online.

Newsletter Deadline

November 22nd

Spin-In Meeting

December 1st 7 pm
Online gathering

Fiber Lecture Series

December 9th 7 pm
See flyer for details.

Guild Meeting

December 15th 7 pm
Will be online.

ZOOM MEETINGS

We will be having a Zoom Spin in on November 3rd. This is not a guild meeting. This is a time for you to just tune in and share your news. While we call it a “Spin In” It is not just for spinners. We sit talk and show pictures, exchange recipes, etc. It is basically that social time before the Guild meeting where we catch up with each other. So if you have a better term tune in on November 3rd and let us know.

The Guild Meeting will be on November 17th. Remember to get your Challenge Project pictures in and regular show and tell pictures in to Stephen by November 16th so he can get it set up.

DEMONSTRATIONS

The spin in at Ben Franklin in Oberlin was great. Many thanks to Krista Long, Karen Long’s sister, for allowing us to be out front, showing Knitting, Weaving and Spinning. We all kept our social distance, wore mask and had a great time.

-Nancy

LIBRARY NEWS

In July, my plan was to enjoy picking up books for our guild library at Convergence in Knoxville, Tennessee. With those plans postponed for two years, I hope you can help by sending me ideas of books/publications for our guild library. summitbluebird@sbcglobal.net

-becky

FIBER LECTURE SERIES

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- Nancy Kilkenny

A NEW HALE FARM SERVICE PROJECT

Through the years, our guild has donated many hours in helping Hale Farm & Village with different textile projects. A recent, very generous donation of wool fabric by guild member Rosie Brown to Hale Farm, along with the disruption of the farm's usual textile production due to COVID-19 has led me to asking if any of you would like to participate in helping prepare Rose's fabric for new rugs in the spinning room at the Hale House. If you would like to help in cutting fabric into strips with a rag cutter or rotary cutter and sewing strips together contact me by e-mail summitbluebird@sbcglobal.net or phone 330-920-1448

Becky Monegan

COMMUNITY SERVICE UPDATE

Get involved in a Community Service project! Make a blanket that will be donated to Summa Health in Akron. Blankets should be made from machine washable & dry-able materials – so cotton or acrylic yarns are best. There is no set size for the blankets, but please make them for babies or toddlers – so between 36” and 45” wide by 38” x 45” long makes a generous blanket. Any pattern, knitted, crocheted or woven is fine. Please wash them in mild soap and dry in the dryer so they are ready to be delivered. If you are participating in this community service project, hold on to your finished projects until spring, when we’ll have another Trunk event or be able to gather as a group and I’ll pick them up at that time. Enjoy! Contact Dianna Phillips (330/606-3930 – much2knit@hotmail.com) for more information.

- Dianna Phillips

DRUM CARDER VIDEO

If you would like to see the video on drum carding that was shown during the October meeting it is available on YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1K3c6JJpKRk>

- Jean Crawford

Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild Meeting Minutes for October 20, 2020

Meeting Start: 7:00 pm via ZOOM Meeting End: 8:55 pm

Present: 21 members attending, including Board members.

- **Minutes** – September Board – moved by Linda to accept, 2nd by Jon; minutes approved.
 - **Treasurer** – Linda – Balances as of 10/15/2020
 - Checking: \$3,445.07
 - Savings: \$2,052.86
 - Membership: 52 members total
 - We have paid the deposit (\$280) to the church for using the hall for a workshop; checks have cleared; This is on hold. (to clarify for Vicki B)
 - **Programs** – Jean
 - October – Show on carding - Link to the video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K3c6JJpKRk>
 - November – show and tell of finished Item(s) from last year's challenge
 - December – Please make to show and tell at December's meeting an ornament that is fiber related.
 - **Workshops** – Nancy K.
 - Sprang workshop has been put on hold; We are still booked for April, but will wait for COVID19 info before it is firm.
 - Susan Conover - offering lectures, and one- and two-day on-line workshops. Suggest combined programs with LOCO – which has already paid for a workshop with her. Nancy K will work with LOCO program committee to make the decision regarding which workshop/talk would be best for us.
 - Care and Feeding of Handwoven Linens
 - Fiber Burn Tests plus the Yarn Balance
 - Understanding North American drafts
 - Jennifer Moore, Half Day Workshops (4 hours):
 - All parts of the Mathemagical Design, 1/2 day Zoom workshop. No looms. Includes colored pencils, graph paper, calculator. Cost is \$400 for a half day class with a \$10 materials fee. Not sure if this is viable because of the length and people getting tired of virtual engagement.
 - **Newsletter** – Stephen
 - Articles due October 25, 2020
 - Directory update – ready in November.
 - **Service Project** – Dianna
 - Most programs that accept articles are now accepting donations. 2nd article about our community service opportunities will be in the newsletter. There is also a page of programs we support on our FaceBook group page.
 - Wool cloth donated by Rosie Brown to Hale Farm. Guild volunteers will prepare the wool for use in a rag rug.
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- **LOCO** update: having Zoom meetings; 20 in attendance. Programming is around articles that could have been entered in the County Fair with membership voting and selecting the winner of each type of project. Weaving project in September. Spinning project in October, Knitting & Crocheting projects in November. Check out the website for additional information or to join LOCO.
 - **Demonstrations:** Ben Franklin was good. . . 9 people showed up – 2 weavers, 1 knitter, and 6 spinners. There is a lot of chatter on Face Book and Twitter of the Ben Franklin page.
 - **Sunshine** – Gail – card sent to Sharon Triffon, in sympathy at the death of her husband.
 - **Library** – Becky
 - Requested input for desired books and publications that the Guild would like purchased.
 - **Equipment** – N/A
 - **Historian** – N/A
- Meeting was followed by show and tell and the video program on using a drum carder.

FOR FREE

Magazines, Books & Pamphlets:

- Working with the Wool (how to make a Navajo rug)
- Navajo Weaving – Technique and its History
- Shuttle-Craft book of American Hand weaving
- Hand Spinning
- The Art of Weaving
- 2 Spin Off magazines
- Indulgent Knits – pamphlet
- Natural Dyes and Home Dyeing
- Sweater Design Workbook
- Designing with the Wool - Advanced Techniques in Navajo Weaving
- National Geographic – Large article about Wool Fabric of History.

Miscellaneous:

- 2 small hand carders
- drop spindle shuttle
- VCR of 1998 Midwest fashion show Atlanta Georgia
- Little over 1/2 lb. onion skins for dyeing
- 4 bags of wool

Contact for more details 330-696-7000

hollysa@roadrunner.com. Located in Wadsworth Ohio.

SUPPORT THE GUILD

WOOLERY

Support the Guild by shopping the Woolery via the link on our web site or www.woolery.com?aff=16

The Woolery will donate up to 5% of guild members' total purchases to our guild.

HALCYON YARN

We joined the Guild Rewards Program at Halcyon Yarns. That means the Guild will receive back a bit of the money you spend.

To participate:

1. Go to halcyonyarn.com/guild/
2. Find Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild and click on it.
3. Order your stuff.

- Holly Aughenbaugh



FREE Fiber Lecture Series!

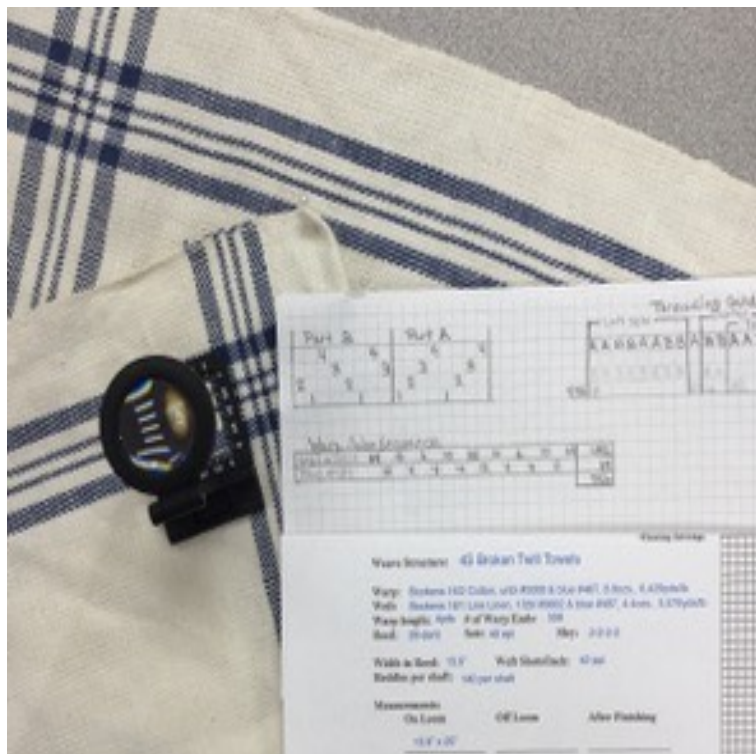
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December 8, 2020 at 7 p.m.

Understanding Loom Actions in Relationship to Drafts aka the differences between North American and European weaving drafts

Many North American hand-weavers have been indoctrinated into the weaving world of jack loom actions. But wait what about counterbalance and countermarch actions? And of course, there is the confusion of the weaving draft itself. Is the draft written for jack, counterbalance or countermarch looms?

During this one-hour introduction to understanding these different loom actions and how weaving drafts are written, Susan will shed some significant light! This is a lecture that all weavers, regardless of experience level, will gain more knowledge than imaginable.



Jan 19, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Fiber Burn Tests plus the Yarn Balance

If you have some yarns in your stash that are not readily identifiable, you may be able to ascertain their fiber contents by safely performing a burn test. Susan will burn cotton, linen, rayon, wool, silk and nylon. The Yarn Balance (aka the McMorran Balance) is a handy device to measure the approximate yards per pound of a chosen yarn.

Feb 9, 2021 at 7 p.m.

Fiber Properties

Let's explore fiber properties which include absorbency, chemical reactions, elasticity, light resistance, resilience, strength and warmth. Susan will focus on wool, silk, linen, cotton and rayon.

Details:

- Each lecture is on a Tuesday night at 7 p.m. Susan will utilize PowerPoint presentations including short videos, drawings, and charts.
- A pdf of the handouts and a Zoom link will be sent to each member about a week before the talk.
- The lectures are approximately 45 minutes with another 15 minutes of question and answer time.
- If you cannot join the LIVE lecture, a YouTube video will be made available for 7 days afterward. Video or audio recording of the live talk is strictly prohibited.

Questions:

Contact Workshops Chair Nancy Kilkenny
(nancy.kilkenny28@gmail.com)