The Wooly Pages

"It's spring again, it's spring again, time to dance and sing again." These words (and the tune) from a 1950's kid's song (The Teddy Bear Polka) always pop into my head, and often out of my mouth, as we start to experience all the wonders of spring! One of the "wonders" I'm anticipating is our May meeting with the the Spike Nielsen Annual Fashion Show. Please bring your beautiful finished items to the May meeting so we can share in your creativity! It is always a treat to see what everyone has been working on.

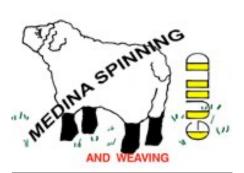
The Guild is very active through the summer – check out all the demo opportunities, and please take advantage of joining those who are attending to show the public that spinning and weaving is alive and well. It is also the best way to make great friends in the Guild!

I will be at the Great Lake Fiber Show volunteering and spinning in the Guild booth, to begin the summer, and at the "end" of summer, I plan to be part of the Sheep-to-Shawl event at the Medina County Fair in August. In between those two are SO MANY demo opportunities that I'd love to be at! Hope you see you at several events!

- Dianna Phillips

There are Fashion Show entry forms later in the newsletter. Make as many copies as you need and provide some details on what you enjoyed or found challenging about the project.

There is also the membership renewal form for next year. You may bring it along with a check to the May meeting or mail it.



Monthly Meetings

Held on the third Tuesday of the month, September thru May starting at 7:00 PM Medina Presbyterian Church, 5020 Burgundy Bay Blvd. (off Route 18)

Guild Calendar

Fiber Relocation

May 1st 2 - 4 **Buckeye Woods Park**

Afternoon Spinning

May 6th 11:30 am Richfield Senior Center

Guild Board Meeting

May 12th 7 pm

Guild Meeting

May 17th Spike Neilson Memorial **Fashion Show**

Newsletter Deadline

May 22nd

Evening Spinning

May 26th 5:30 pm Richfield Library

Great Lakes Fiber Show

May 28th & 29th Wooster, Ohio

Dye Day

September 17th 9 am

LIBRARY NEWS

New Books

"Vanishing Fleece, Adventures in American Wool" by Clara Parkes has been donated to our guild library. Pick it up to read and tell us what she does with a 676-pound bale of scoured Saxon Merino wool.

"Only the Clothes on Her Back" by Laura F. Edwards. Clothing and the hidden history of power in the 19th century United States.

Downsizing the Magazine Archives

The guild board has agreed that our magazine archives have outgrown most members storage space and given me the ok to sell issues from before 2000. Watch for these magazine packs at future meetings and Fiber Relocations.

- becky

LIBRARY DISPLAYS

We are going to have 2 library shows in September and October and the Highland and Lodi library in Medina. Let's have a sign up sheet so we can get an idea of what we will have to display. It will be a great opportunity to showcase our guild. Perhaps during the summer we can meet to collect items if you are unable to bring them to the library on set up days. I am open to suggestions on how to organize this!!! My email is ljendre@gmail.com, phone 541-778-1297 or text me with ideas!!! Thanks.

- Laurie Jendre

DYE DAY 2022

We are hoping that the third time is the charm for our annual Dye Day that has been cancelled the last two years. Keep your fingers crossed for good-luck.

Mark your calendars: Dye Day, Saturday, September 17 9:00 am until the pots are washed. The workshop will be held in Hollie Krenz's family barn in Grafton.

Dye colors: Cochineal, Madder, Indigo, Yellow(to be determined) top-dyed with Indigo for green. You will need: Six skeins, 50 yards in length

- becky, Cris & Hollie

GREAT LAKES FIBER FESTIVAL

Booth

Come to demo and share at the booth, Bring a project and a chair. There are food trucks, and I will have water, If you want to sell, please let me know so your name can be added to my square reader. Items for sale must have your name and price. This is so sales can be recorded.

Volunteers

Thank you all for stepping up you all are the best. I will be sending out reminders of what you volunteered for soon.

- Nancy Page

MEDINA - SHEEP TO SHAWL

August 5, 10 to 2, If you arrive before 9 am, you can drive up and drop off your equipment, then go park. At the Medina Fair, we will be demonstrating preparing washed wool for weaving a scarf or shawl by showing the different methods of carding, combing, drum carding, then spinning the fiber, Then winding on to the bobbins for weaving. This is to show the process to make a garment. We will have a speaker, to tell them about the shearing and washing and to explain what we are doing. So If you just want to come spin, knit, crochet, weave on your own that is okay too. You do need to get your name to Beth Hines or Nancy Page to get admitted to the fair grounds for free.

LORAIN- COUNTY SHEEP TO SHAWL

August 28, 10 to 3. The same demonstration is planned for the Lorain County Fair in Wellington. If you arrive before 9 am. you can drive up and drop off you equipment, then go park. It would be wonderful if members of the Medina Guild could assemble a group to also demonstrate there. Right now there are two groups, signed up. It would be great to have a third group. This is not a competition, it is a of showing different methods to get to the same goal. We hope to have finished the work on the Medina Fair Shawl to show at this demonstration. For entry to the Lorain County Fair

Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild Meeting Minutes for April 19, 2022 meeting Meeting Start: 7:30 pm in person at the church

- Minutes of previous meeting: motion to approve Jean Crawford; second Jan Pesek; all in favor.
- Treasurer's report: Nancy P.
 - Checking: \$4549.25
 - Savings: \$2054.13.
 - 72 members.
- Programs: Jon L.
 - The May meeting will be the Fashion show. The forms to describe your submissions are on the front table. Rosanna asked for one additional model. There are now 5 volunteers.
 - Barbara Cabral will be attending with some items that will be displayed at Convergence.
 - We will also hold the raffles for the guild scholarships and the Great Lakes scholarships.
 - Dianna asked for suggestion for a fiber related charity to receive a donation of the raffle proceeds.
 - Jon asked for suggestions for programs for next year. A mentoring program was suggested.
 - Fiber Relocation will be Sunday May 1 at Buckeye Woods park from 2 to 4 pm.
 - The spring retreat will be at Krabill Lodge this Saturday. Bring projects, food to share, a place setting.
- Workshops: Jean C.
 - Jean recapped the Double Weave workshop which went very well. There are beautiful samples in Show and Tell
- Library: Becky M. There are several new magazines and books.
- Newsletter: Stephen P. Date for submission is Sunday April 24.
- Sheep to Shawl: Barb Enos.
 - Dates: Medina Fair. August 5th from 10 am to 2 pm
 - Lorain Fair. August 28 from 11 am to 3 pm.
 - These are demonstrations, not competitions, but there will be teams.
 - The plan for the Medina Fair is to demonstrate all the steps from shorn fleece to shawl. Rosanna will be the weaver. The goal is to have the demo going non-stop during the time slot. We will take the result to the Lorain Fair.
 - Nancy Page and Beth Hines are the "go-to" people for Medina. Give one of them your name to get in free.
 - The July 12 LOCO program will focus on the Lorain Fair demo.
- Community Service. Dianna P. Hats and mittens for Ukrainian refugees. Baby Blankets that must be a minimum of 25 inches on a side.
- Demonstrations. Nancy Page.
 - Nancy described the demonstrations that are coming up.
 - The Guild has a busy summer and fall of demonstrations. Nancy is coordinating. The schedule will be in the newsletter, on the website and on Facebook.
 - Sign up sheets are on the front table.

- Library showcases. Laurie Jendre is coordinating.
 - Our fall spin in will be at the Highland Library on November 5 to coincide with our display.
 - Please be generous with sharing your handmade items for the display as the guild will have two displays simultaneously at two libraries at the same time as the textile show at Ohio Mart at Stan Hywet.
- Dye Day. Becky Monegan.
 - September 17 at Holly K's farm. 9 am to 2 or 3 pm. 6 skeins each 50 yards in length. See the newsletter for more details. Beck and Chris have planned cochineal, madder some yellow and indigo. Will use an alum mordant.
- Wheel Raffle. Becky. We will be raffling a donated signed Country Craftsman spinning wheel at the May meeting.
- The business meeting was followed by scholarship presentations by Mardi Gauer and Jill Griffins. Mardi used her scholarship to do a comparative study of different types of silk. She had many beautiful and informative samples to show us. Jill used her scholarship to learn to spin after becoming the owner of a Canadian production wheel. We laughed as we remembered that we were all beginners once.
- The scholarship presentations were followed by a lavish show and tell including examples from the Double Weave workshop.

— Claire Bourguet

Dear Guild Members one and all;

I would like to take this time to express my gratitude to the guild for allowing me to borrow the guild's table loom to participate in our Deflected Double Weave workshop on the 25th & 26th of March. Not only did it allow me to fully participate in the full two days of activities, but it also gave me experience working with a lever table loom. I think I prefer treadles over levers, but it got the job done and it's back where it 'lives' with Denise Smith! Mission accomplished! The workshop was fantastic and I learned a lot about not only the weave structure, but also the fulling/washing process. Who knew Tencel would shrink? Interesting stuff! Again, thank you very much for the opportunity.

Sincerely, Jon Lilley

SUPPORT THE GUILD

When you order from the Woolery or Halcyon Yarns the Guild receives a rebate.

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.

WIN A COUNTRY CRAFTSMAN WHEEL

Purchase a \$3 raffle ticket at our May meeting and you could go home with a Country Craftsman spinning wheel. The wheel was donated several years ago and plans were delayed to raffle it off because of the pandemic. The wheel is signed: The Country Craftsman / Littleton, MA./ J. Rooney The guild membership will decide which organization, from your suggestions, will receive the raffle proceeds.

From 1969 to 1971, Jerome Rooney made spinning wheels for display. He was not aware that people were spinning and that there was a market for dependable, functioning wheels. Upon learning of this, he visited the Museum of American Textile History in North Andover, Maine. The curator of the museum provided Rooney the opportunity to see their large collection of spinning wheels, many of which were is storage. After much measuring, comparing and design work, the Country Craftsman spinning wheel was born.

- becky



HEARTS AND HARMONY

June 5th 12 noon to 5 pm

Brunswick Historical Farm, 4613 Laurel Road, Brunswick, Oh 44212

Come enjoy a relaxing time, with music and company, there will be a ceremony of remembrance and a butterfly release. As we remember family and friends that we have lost over the past 2 years.

LOOMS FOR SALE

I am downsizing and have two looms I would like to sell. One is a LeClerc Dorothy 4 harness table loom (\$350). The second is Harrisville 4 harness 36" floor loom (\$800). I also have a bench to sell (\$75). I will deliver within 50 miles of Rocky River. Is it possible to post this info to your members?

Thanks for your help.

Linda Turk <u>linda091250@icloud.com</u> 40-263-4115

WOOLERY WEAVE-OFF 2022

The 2022 Woolery Weave-Off has begun. Entries must be postmarked by May 20th, 2022.

What you need to do: 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. We donate all the towels we receive to a local area women's shelter, because women in crisis need the special energy that handwoven textiles provide, too!

Full details at woolery.com/woolery-weave-off

DEMONSTRATIONS & GATHERINGS

I would like everyone to take a look at the demo list either here in the newsletter or on the website for any updates. If you can help, that will be wonderful. Demonstration are great fun and I learn so much from fellow members. IF you are unsure about what is needed drop me a line. I will post more information as I get it. Below are the demonstrations that we need people to show their fiber. Please let me know if you are coming, so I know who to contact if there are any changes.

See details on next page.

- Nancy Page

2022 DEMONSTRATION SCHEDULE

MONTH	DATE	TIME	ORGANIZATION	WHERE		Contact
May	28	10-5	Great Lakes Fiber Show	Wayne County Fairgrounds	199 Vanover St., Wooster, Ohio 44691	Nancy
	29	10-4	Great Lakes Fiber Show	Wayne County Fairgrounds	199 Vanover St., Wooster, Ohio 44691	Nancy
June	5	12-5	Hearts & Harmo- ny	Brunswick Histori- cal Farm	4613 Laurel Road, Brunswick Ohio 44212	Nancy
	18	?	Juneteenth	Oberlin	Tappan Square, Oberlin, Ohio LOC 44074	
July	9	2-5	Home Days	Broadview Heights	9543 Broadview Rd., Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147	Nancy
August	5	9-3	Sheep to Shawl	Medina County Fair Ground	343-499 Fair Road, Medina, Ohio 44256	Nancy
	11	10-3	Cuyahoga Fair	Cuyahoga Fair Grounds	19201 E. Bagley Rd., Middle- burg Heights, Ohio 44130	Nancy
	12	6-9	Cuyahoga Fair	Cuyahoga Fair Grounds	19201 E. Bagley Rd., Middle- burg Heights, Ohio 44130	Nancy
	20	12-11	Streetsboro Bi- centennial	Streetsboro City Park	8990 Kirby Lane, Streetsboro, Ohio	?
	21	11-9	Streetsboro Bi- centennial	Streetsboro City Park	8990 Kirby Lane, Streetsboro, Ohio	?
	27	10-4	Marshallville Historical Days	Marshalville	Marshallville Historical Cabin	Nancy
	28	11-3	Sheep to Shawl	Lorain County Fair Grounds	23000 Fairgrounds Road, Wellington, Ohio 44090	Barb

DEMONSTRATIONS

Juneteenth Celebration in Oberlin, on Saturday, June 18, will be at the Old Gas House. Address is 291 S. Main Street. This is the site of the Underground Railroad Museum in Oberlin. Show up about 10a., not sure how long we will be there but we always have a great time with our sister guild.

The following two are costumed - long skirt, blouse and apron.

Streetsboro Bicentennial, August, 20 & 21. I am still looking for members to demonstrate Starting about 11a. both days. I would like to have a member be the goto person and about 3 or 4 demonstrators. Spinning, Weaving, etc. as long as it is fiber. Also if someone has a tent that would be good, for our ever changing weather.

Weymouth, September 17, I have had one person say that she would demo, but it would be nice if she had some company. So if you are not going to Dye Day, think about spending the day in original county seat of Medina, and it is a double treat if you like garage sailing. Demo is inside the Weymouth Preservation Society Building. Set up between 8 & 9a. done by 2p.

Case-Barlow Farm in Hudson, Sept 18, I still need members willing to demonstrate. While it would be nice to have an explanation of dyeing, we will take any fiber artist - spinning, weaving, crochet, knitting, etc.. I still need to confirm start time.

OSU-Ag Day is September 23, at the Medina Fair Grounds. This is an all day project, Start time is @ 9 am we will be showing 3rd grade school kids how to spin and weave. They will be coming through in groups of about 30. If you are interested I need to know by May 10th. I will need your name and T-shirt size, shirts are men sizes. They will provide the shirt and lunch. I will keep you up to date as more info becomes available.

STAN HYWET'S TEXTILE ART SHOW

We currently have available slots—both morning and afternoon—for our demo and display area at the Stan Hywet Textile Arts and Artisans event. The show runs concurrently with Ohio Mart October 6 through 9, 2022. It was lots of fun and very well attended last time!

The event will again be held in the Manor House Auditorium. Display tables and chairs will be provided. Last time, we were given passes that we distributed to each participant prior to the show. The passes cover both the show and Ohio Mart. We are expecting the same this year.

The show is open from 10:00 to 4:00 Thursday through Sunday. Our shifts will run 9:30-1:00 (morning) and 12:30 to 4:00 (afternoon). Three demonstrators per shift is ideal (2 works, 4 is too crowded). The shift overlap allows enough time to get settled and ready to demonstrate when your shift begins. Plan to visit Ohio Mart before or after your shift. It's great!

The demonstrator's parking is a little ways from the Manor House, so they will have a golf cart to help get equipment to the Auditorium. The Auditorium is down a flight of steps and there is a service elevator for those who need it.

We are NOT permitted to sell anything. This is demonstration and display only. So bring whatever equipment/supplies you plan to use, plus some hand spun yarn and/or finished projects for the display table during your shift. If you have a small loom, you can bring that to demonstrate as well. But please be aware, our area is not big enough for equipment that is much larger than a spinning wheel.

To sign up, or if you have any questions, please contact me at kjeanbabb@gmail.com or (216) 702-0233. I'll need your preferred date(s) and also a phone number where you can be reached to discuss optional dates/times in case your choice is not available.

I hope you will be able to participate! Karen Babb

FIBER EVENTS

WEAVING AND SPINNING CLASSES

Praxis Fiber Workshop in Waterloo District of Cleveland has upcoming multi-week introductory weaving and spinning workshops www.praxisfiberworkshop.org

Conover Workshops in Parkman, Ohio has week long introductory weaving and spinning workshops <u>conoverworkshops.com</u>

GREAT LAKES FIBER SHOW

May 28 & 29, 2022, Wooster Ohio

Workshop Registration opens March 1st. The competitions have been expanded to include spindle, wheel or e-spun skein and knitted or crocheted garments.

We have an outstanding lineup of workshops this year.

Saturday

Introduction to Ridged Heddle Weaving Discovering Shibori w/Indigo Dyeing Weave a Napkin or Cracker Basket Whorl Away: Spindle Styles & Spinning Techniques

Rug Hooking: 3D Pumpkins

Sunday

Fiber Blending for Spinning
Choosing a Handspinning Fleece
Felted Friends & Fauna
Intro to Fair Isle Knitting
Weave Shoelaces using Kumihimo Techniques

The website has been having some growing pains. Please keep trying as our web master fixes the problems..

greatlakesfibershow.org

CONVERGENCE 2022

July 14-21, 2022, 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. See the website for exhibition entry dates. Registration is now open. Medina S&W Guild is a member of HGA

www.weavespindye.org/convergence

RHINEBECK SHEEP FESTIVAL BUS TRIP October 14-16, 2022

From \$650 per person based on double occupancy. Included: Comfortable charter bus from Cleveland area (east side & west side locations) to Rhinebeck NY for the New York Sheep Festival; gourmet box lunch (Fri.); sit down dinner (Fri. & Sat.); admission to the festival Sat. & Sun.; 2 nights hotel (double occupancy)

We will leave the west side at 8 a.m., making a stop on the east side to pick up additional people. We will return late in the evening on Sunday.

Registration will begin at the Wild & Wooly Fiber Expo on February 12, 2022 between 1 and 3 p.m. at the Cuyahoga County Fairgrounds. After Feb. 12 and until Sept. 1 (or full), you can register by email. A \$100 deposit is due at the time of registration to confirm your spot. Balance is due by September 1st.

We will follow the Health Department's requirements about masks at the time of the trip.

Contact Stacy Allen stacallen@outlook.com

FASHION SHOW FORM

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