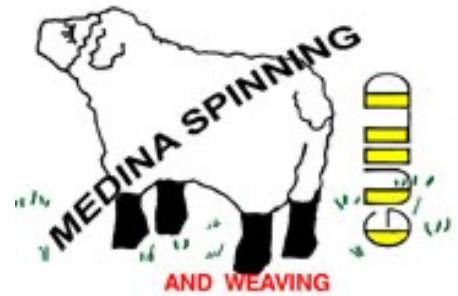


The Woolly Pages



FROM THE PRESIDENT

I believe that was the best turnout for our January meeting in my memory! The “Button Lady” of Medina was a hit! If you were at the meeting you probably heard the announcement that our Dye Day Coordinators, Chris Voorhees and Becky Monegan, have decided to “retire”. As President, I want to offer my heartfelt thanks to Chris and Becky, who have led our Dye Day Workshops for as many years as I’ve can remember. It’s been an honor to work with you both and a real joy learning from you.

The dictionary defines a trapeze as:

- A short horizontal bar suspended from two parallel ropes, used for gymnastic exercises or for acrobatic stunts.
- A cable rigged to support a sailor in hiking out on a racing yacht.
- An article of women's clothing, such as a jacket, dress, or coat, that is cut so as to hang down from the shoulders and swing out and away around the hips and legs.

I don’t think Jean will be doing gymnastic exercises nor swinging from a cable on a yacht at our February meeting, but she is going to be demonstrating how to warp a loom using a trapeze. Come join her and learn from one of our best!

Lots of things are happening for our Guild – elections in April, a hunt for our next Dyeing Workshop Chair person(s), and of course the Spike Neilson Fashion Show in May. We are already gearing up for summer demo’s as well. Come and be part of the fun!

- Dianna Phillips

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

Afternoon Spinning

February 3rd 11:30 am
 Richfield Senior Center

Guild Meeting

February 21st

Evening Spinning

February 23rd 5:30 pm
 Richfield Library

Newsletter Deadline

February 26th

Kumihimo Workshop

February 25th [full]

Spinning Gradient Yarns

March 18th [full]

Jan Pesek Memorial Spin-In

March 19th
 Brunswick Library

Guild Meeting

March 21st

TREASURER REPORT

Checking \$6,070.11

Savings \$2,154.29

Number of Members #79

- Nancy Page

JAN PESEK MEMORIAL

Workshop and Spin In

The Jan Pesek Memorial Spinning Workshop "Gradient Yarns - A Spinner's Study In Shifting Shades with Kate Larsen" is full. It will be held March 18, 2023 at the Brunswick Library from 10 AM to 4:30 PM. We will plan to take Kate to dinner Saturday night.

Then the following day, Sunday March 19th, from 1:00 to 4:30 will be open spinning at the library. Please contact Nancy Page to sign up. nancy2page@gmail.com.

- Jean Crawford

GUILD CHALLENGE

If you are a knitter or crocheter, this challenge is easy! Ravelry (www.ravelry.com) has many, many patterns for toys for you to make for our Guild Challenge (due at the April meeting)! If you use a pin loom, there are some really cute ideas out there on the web. If you want to felt a toy, I think this little sheep is a cutie!

But, since I'm not a weaver, my ongoing thoughts have been, "what could a weaver make?" Please – blow me away with your creations in April!



Needle Felted Sheep

Is this a Corgi or a Fox?

DYE DAY

After about 25 years as the guild Dye Day Coordinators, Cris and Becky are going to hand off the planning, dye material and dye pots to other guild members.

We have enjoyed experimenting with natural dyes, synthetic dyes and eco dyes over the years and trying to dye skeins of yarn, warp threads, sock blanks, and silk caps.

We could not have held successful dye days without our hosts over the years (the Rankins, Terry Loyer, Denise Smith and Hollie Krenz), who let us invade their sheds, garages and barns for a day, not to mention the storing of the guild's dye equipment.

Dye Day is a great guild event and we hope a new team of members will step up to continue the fun.

- Cris Voorhees and becky monegan

DYE DAY COORDINATORS

Be Part of the New Team

At our January meeting, Tina, a new member, enthusiastic volunteered to be part of the new Dye Day team. But a few more members who have experienced Dye Day are needed. Chris and I would like to have a short meeting before the start of our February 21st guild meeting to explain our planning process and give out an inventory of the guild's Dye Day equipment and supplies to help the new team off in their planning. If possible, please be at the church at 6:00 pm on February 21.

If you would like to be part of the Dye Day planning team please contact Becky at summitbluebird@sbcglobal.net or Cris at crispins314@yahoo.com

GUILD LIBRARY

The Guild Library is housed in a small white cabinet at the Medina Presbyterian Church. Members can check out books, magazines, DVD's and videos at the monthly guild meetings. Each item has a library card to sign and date. It is suggested that magazines are returned after one month and books after two months so other members can enjoy them. We have books on spinning, weaving, felting, dyeing, knitting and rug hooking. At the present we subscribe to eight magazines: *Interweave Knits*, *Handwoven*, *Spin-Off*, *Rug Hooking*, *Piecework*, *Shuttle Spindle & Dyepot*, *Little Looms* and *PLY*.

In 2022 the guild board members gave the approval to downsize the archived magazines, which were housed at my home. With your help I have downsized about 278 magazine issues, some dating back to 1979.

If you hear of any great books for our library, contact me at summitbluebird@sbcglobal.net.

- becky monegan

SCHOLARSHIPS

Rules state you cannot participate if you have received a scholarship in the previous 3 years.

- Great Lakes Fiber Show Scholarship – two \$50 scholarships are available towards a class at this show. To apply, please send the name of the class you want to attend to Dianna Phillips by April 14. Awarded at the April Meeting.

- Guild “Further Your Fiber Knowledge” Scholarship – two \$100 scholarships are available – awarded at the May meeting. If you win this scholarship, you will need to prepare a short (15 minute) presentation about what you learned. To apply, send a description of your intent of learning to Dianna Phillips, no later than May 12. If you have won the Guild Scholarship in the last five (5) years you are not eligible. Those who have won in the past 5 years are: 2018 - Barb Enos, Dianna Phillip. 2019 - Laura Enoch, Vicky Bryg. 2020 - Mardi Gauer, Elizabeth Yasaki, 2021 - Paula Smead, Jill Griffiths. 2022 - Ron Phillips, Jean Crawford.

DEMONSTRATIONS

Great Lakes Fiber Show Booth & Volunteers. May 27 & 28. I will start having sign up sheets at the March meeting.

- Nancy Page

THANK YOU NOTE

I received a thank you note from Karen Babb.

- Dianna

Dear Dianna,

Thanks to you, the Board, and the Guild members for the beautiful flowers you sent. I received them Friday shortly after returning from our 3rd Friday gathering at the Senior Center. That was the first chance in almost 3 months for me to go somewhere other than doctors offices, hospitals, and my son's house. I was able to go because I had a week off from chemo and that gave me enough energy to do it. I will be back to chemo on Monday.

The flowers and note are a beautiful reminder of all the wonderful members who have offered to help me in various ways. Fiber work is helping me to get through this. And, without the Guild, it would never have become so big a part of my life.

Thank you again and please pass my appreciation on to everyone!

Karen

Medina Spinning and Weaving Guild Meeting Minutes – January 17, 2023

Program: The meeting started with a presentation by Emily Illson, the button lady from Medina. She talked about her interest in collecting buttons; the history of buttons; and passed around examples from her collection. She has an open house at her home every few months and would welcome us to visit her. The presentation was followed by Show and Tell.

Business Meeting

Minutes of the previous meeting. All approved.

Treasurer: Nancy P. Checking - \$6015.11; Savings - \$2154.29; # of Members – 76. Several new members joined as a result of ROC day.

Workshops: Jean C.

- Linda White - kumihimo braid shoelaces on February 25, 2023.
- Kate Larson – spinning workshop March 18.
- Both workshops are full. Both are at the Brunswick Library. There is also an open spin on March 19 at the Brunswick Library.
- Possible upcoming workshops are punch needle embroidery, a carding workshop, and spinning wheel maintenance.

Programs –

- February – Jean Crawford: Warping with a Trapeze
- March – Scholarship presentations
- April – Annual business meeting and elections. Open positions will be Program Chair, Workshop Chair and Secretary.
- May – Fashion show

Newsletter: Stephen P. The deadline for articles is January 22.

Community service: Dianna P. We continue to accept hats, mittens, and baby blankets.

Library: Becky. As there are new members, Becky introduced the library.

LOCO report: Barb Enos. Jean Crawford will be the new president of LOCO.

Other business

- Purchase of Jan Pesek’s drum carder. Karen made a motion to purchase the drum carder for the guild equipment collection. Rosanna second. Price \$400. All in favor.
 - After many years, Becky and Cris have decided to retire from running dye day. We will need a new team of volunteers. Start thinking about helping with this activity.
 - Dianna asked for suggestions for a recipient organization for our raffle proceeds. She has suggested the “Socially Responsible Sweat Shop” in Kent. Other suggestions are welcome. We must decide in March.
 - Claire reminded guild members about the annual Guild scholarships and the Great Lakes Fiber show scholarships.
 - There are two Guild scholarships of \$100 each. Apply to any Board member. Explain how you will use the funds. You must make a brief presentation about your project the following year.
 - There are two Great Lakes scholarships of \$50 each. Must be used for a workshop at the Great Lakes Fiber Show. Apply to any Board member.
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FIBER EVENTS**WILD AND WOOLY***February 11, 2023, Berea, Ohio*

\$5.00 admission. 30+ vendors and open knitting. Cuyahoga Fair Grounds, 164 Eastland Road, Berea, OH 44017.

www.facebook.com/WildandWoolyExpo

SHEEP SHEARING*March 4, 2023, Paris Ohio*

Diane Schrader will be having a shearing day, on March 4th, starting at 9 am. Freshly shorn fleeces will be available to purchase or just come to experience a shearing day. 2330 Freedmont Road S.E., Paris OH 44669. Email questions to dschrader001@yahoo.com.

MARKET DAY & FIBER FEST*March 25, 2023, Bowling Green, OH*

Sponsored by the Black Swamp Spinner's Guild. Featuring spinning & weaving supplies, yarn, roving, fleeces, exotic fibers, books & dyes, hand crafted items. 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, \$1.00 admission.

Junior Fair Building at the Wood County Fairgrounds, 13800 W. Poe Road, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402.

blackswampspinnerguild.com

INTERWEAVE YARN FEST*April 12-15, 2023, Loveland, CO*

Interweave Yarn Fest is the premier event for crochet, knitting, spinning, weaving, and more! It features workshops and a shopping marketplace perfect for creating and discovering new inspiration.

Later this year Yarn Fest will be in Milwaukee, WI and then Lancaster, PA.

www.interweave.com/yarnfest

GREAT LAKES FIBER SHOW*May 27 & 28, 2023, Wooster, Ohio*

Workshops are listed on the website. sign up starts in March. Wayne County Fairgrounds, 199 Vanover Street, Wooster, Ohio 44691

www.greatlakesfibershow.org

MAFA CONFERENCE 2023*June 22-25, 2023, Millersville, PA*

The Mid-Atlantic Fiber Association Conference will again be held at Millersville University. Workshop list is currently available. Registration will open in February 2023.

mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2023

EASTERN GREAT LAKES*October 6-9, 2023, Chautauqua, NY*

Plan now to attend the biennial EGLFC. Six workshops are offered along with a fashion show and marketplace

Conference registration starts April 1st, 2023

<https://eglfc.org>

HGA BOOKMARK EXCHANGE

Sometimes it's fun to have a small project that provides quick warping, easy weaving, and great satisfaction. The Handweavers Guild of America, Inc. (HGA) invites you to participate in the 2023 Handwoven Bookmark Exchange.

Versatile bookmarks can be completed on a table loom, rigid heddle loom, inkle loom, or tapestry loom. There are no yarn restrictions, nor is there a minimum width or length. The only requirement is to weave four bookmarks and in exchange, you will receive four different bookmarks with instructions to recreate each one.

weavespindye.org/textileexchangesandrentals

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.

FOR SALE*Baby Wolf with AVL Baby Dobby*

8 shaft, 26" weaving width. Has AVL mechanical dobbie. Includes bench, accessories and original treadles.

Ellen Moore, 330-925-2708

Cambridge Loom

4 shaft, 45" Cambridge loom (from 1949). Pictures available. In Hinckley.

Sonya Dooling, sporter309@gmail.com

Louet Spring II Loom – 110 cm 8 shaft

The loom is nearly new with only 5 projects under its belt. It has 8 shafts and 10 treadles and has a 43.25 weaving width.

The loom has: 10 dent stainless steel reed, 12 dent stainless steel reed, 2 lease sticks, Tie up sticks, 16 warp sticks, The standard number of heddles, treadle cords, tools and instructions that came with it.

PRICE: \$6,000.00, Pick up in Cleveland Heights, OH.

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