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The President's Corner

Our April meeting was very well attended. Sally Rickel, Guild member, presented an informative program on "Long Stitch Embroidery" a fiber art from Australia. She showcased many beautiful finished pieces she had produced.

As most of you know, we are having "socks" made from 50 lbs of last years wool by Zeilinger Wool Company in Michigan. We will have about 300 pair of ladies and men's socks to sell. Some socks will arrive by Heritage Days, the rest to follow. One of our members, Mary Wise, suggested we find a "catchy" name for our socks. As it turns

out it may be a great selling idea. If you come up with one please let us know.

The winner will receive a free pair of socks. We will have to label our socks to sell them in the gift shop.

Speaking of wool, our new fleece has arrived, fresh from our sheep, housed at the Farm. We have 12 gorgeous fleeces to sell. The price is \$5.00 a pound for color and \$4.00 a pound for white. We also have one goat fleece, which will be sold for \$10.00. If you are interested in a fleece, please let me know, the fleece is at the work area if you would like to see it.

With warmer weather here, Guild members will be demonstrating at various events. Don't forget to sign up for the events and help out.

Donna

May Meeting

The May meeting will be held on May 6th at the Visitor's Center at 7:00 pm.

The speaker will be Cynthia Cunningham Cort who is a textile historian living in Granville, Ohio. She has conducted fieldwork on textiles in several locales in India, and worked in museums in Massachusetts and Ohio. She will present a slide/film presentation about Patola, double ikat weaving. It should be pretty interesting.

The members who signed up to bring refreshments are: Carmella Ireland,

Annie Rozell, Ruth Moody, Kathy Yockey, Joann Williams, and Brenda McCammon.

May Birthdays

May 4th – Marilyn Katz
May 8th – Marie Bilsing
May 8th – Jane Sargent
May 9th – David Whisler
May 12th – Janice Watson
May 20th – Don Flor
May 22nd – Iva Mahler
May 25th – Eva More
May 26th – Geri Oke
May 29th – Donna Richert
May 30th – Rebecca Langley
May 31st – Beverly Willis
Happy Birthday!

May Calendar

May 6th – Guild Meeting – 7:00 pm
May 12th – Board Meeting – 1:00 pm
May 17th – Knit In – 10:00 – 4:00
May 18th – Spinning Group – 1:30 – 4:00 pm
May 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th – Work area – 11:00 – 4:00 pm

Malabar May Events

**May 2 – 4 – Mohican Wildlife Weekend – Many activities about wildlife, nature, birds and history of the Mohican Area
**May 3rd – Beekeeping workshop – Learn beekeeping basics and visit live beehive
**May 3rd – Wildlife Barn Dance – live music and caller. Beginners welcome
**May 17th & 28th – Spring Plowing Days – Draft horse plowing skills and contests
**May 17th – Volunteer Meeting – 10:00 am – Visitor's Center



Spinning Group

The Spinning Group will meet on May 18th at Linda Nowakowski's home from 1:30 until 4:00. Please note it will be the 3rd Sunday in May instead of the 2nd Sunday because of Mother's Day. Linda's address is: 2233 Co. Rd. 2175, Perrysville, Ohio and if you need directions you can call Linda at 419-368-3107. We thank Linda and her family for allowing this group to use her home.

Upcoming Events

**June 25th – June 28th – Convergence 2008 Tampa Bay. For information call 678-730-0010 or www.weavespindye.org
**May 10th – Upper Valley Festival – Troy, Ohio – www.ewetopia.net/UpperValleyFiberFestival.htm
**May 16 – June 2nd – Focus Fibers 2008 – Cleveland State Univ. Art Gallery.
**May 24th & 25th – Great Lakes Fiber Show at the Wayne County Fairgrounds in Wooster, Ohio. Fiber related supplies and fiber arts; workshops; fleece show and sale; Angora goat show; sheep show and sale. Contact Linda Reichert at 330-264-9665 or don47linda@valkyrie.net
**June 28th – Focus on Fiber Arts – Sauder Village – 10:00 – 5:00
**June 6th & 7th – Hoosier Hills Fiberarts Festival – Franklin, Indiana – www.hfiberfest.com

Guild Scholarships

We will be offering two \$250.00 scholarships for the fiber arts for members only. A membership in our Guild includes any family member living in your house. To apply, you will have to submit a 100-word essay stating

how you will use the monies relating to fiber arts and where you would like to go (ie show or confirm classes). The deadline has been extended until the end of April. (Even though this is the May newsletter we know you are getting it before the end of April) Once you learn the skill, you will be required to give a program for the Guild at a meeting showing what you learned. The Board will consider all essays. Turn in your essay to Donna Gower by snail mail or e-mail Marianne Privette. These addresses are on the front page of the newsletter.

Heritage Days Sale

We would like to give members an opportunity to donate handmade items to the Guild, which will be sold at Heritage Days in September. We will also be selling our handmade rugs made at the work area. This will be a nice way for members to showcase their talents to the public. Michelle Whisler is taking care of this project. If you need further information or want to give your donated items to her, you can contact her at 419-883-2972. Thanks Michelle, for taking care of this project.

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For Sale

**The Guild has sweatshirts for sale. The sweatshirts are priced at \$12.00 and you can call Carol Rahall at 419-756-2344 if you are interested.

**50" Harrisville loom, 8 harness – 10 treadles, 16 dent reed, 3 boat shuttles – 15" temple - \$1000.00. Contact Eva More at 740-694-1575 if interested.

Knit In

The Knit In will be held on May 17th from 10:00 until 4:00. We will have a covered dish for lunch to share. Bring your own table service. Coffee and tea will be provided. The address is the community room at Morchester Villa on Middle Bellville Road. This is the apartment complex that Betsy Rush lives in. You will park in the visitor parking area that is marked. We will give further information on this at the May Guild Meeting. It should be a fun day and you can come even if you don't knit.

Thank Ewe

**Thank ewe to Carol Rahall for the donation of a copier/scanner for the work area. It is greatly appreciated.

** We received this thank ewe card for the donation of care quilts:
To the Malabar Farm Guild:
Our heartfelt thanks for the lovely quilts.
We are so grateful to be the recipient of

your craft, and we assure you that each of these beautiful quilts will find a home with one of the families we serve. We are sure they will be treasured and well used! Thank you – New Directions Staff

We Need Ewe

There will be a booth at the Great Lakes Fiber Arts Show in Wooster that will be shared by our Guild and the Wooster Guild. We will need people to demo at that booth. Think about it and sign up at the May Guild Meeting.

Sunshine Corner

Charlie Lermond has notified us that he has put his wife, Martha, into the nursing home part of the complex where he lives. They would appreciate members sending them cards. Their address is: Charlie & Martha Lermond
One Country Lane, E211
Brookville, Ohio 45309
Our thoughts are with Charlie and Martha during this time.

New Online Odds & Ends

www.weavezine.com
www.eloomanation.com

Potluck Lunch May 12th

We will be having a just for fun covered dish lunch on May 12th at our Monday workday. This is something we used to do in the past and thought it would be fun to try it again. Bring a covered dish to share and your own table service.

Upcoming Demos

**May 3rd (10:00 – 5:00) & 4th (12:00 – 5:00) – Grist Mill
**May 3rd & 4th – Mohican Outdoor School

Let Donna know at the next Guild Meeting if you are interested in working at these events.

Quaker's Best Oatmeal Cookies

One and one fourth cup margarine (or butter flavor Crisco)
Three fourth cup firmly packed brown sugar
One half cup granulated sugar
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla
One and one half cup flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1 teaspoon salt (optional)
1 teaspoon cinnamon (optional)
One fourth teaspoon nutmeg
3 cups Quaker Oats Quik or old fashioned oats uncooked
Heat oven to 375°
Beat together margarine, & sugars until light and fluffy
Beat in egg and vanilla
Combine flour, soda, salt & spices and add to margarine mixture mixing well
Stir in oats and drop by teaspoonful to an ungreased cookie sheet
Bake for 8 to 9 minutes for chewy or 10 to 11 minutes for crispy cookies
Cool 1 minute on cookie sheet and then remove to cooling rack
Store in tightly covered container
Makes 4 and one half dozen cookies

Marie Bilsing

Baby Lambs

As of press time we currently have 12 baby lambs at the farm. Stop by and check them out. They are just too cute.

Quilting News

Did you know that we have a member who owns a long arm quilting machine and does quilting for people? She is Michele Mayton and you can call her at 419-529-6589 if you have a quilt that

needs some finishing touches. She carries Hobbs 80/20 96" batting or you can provide your own. She also has a variety of thread or you can provide your own. What a great way to finish some of those quilting projects you have stuck back in a box in the closet.

Mother's Day

(Author Unknown)

It's a long, long time and a weary way
From the hills of youth and the yesterday,
From bending trees and the games we
played,
And the bubbling stream where we used to
wade
And the old rope swing, and the blue above,
And the father's laugh and the mother's
love.
It's a long, long way and the dust lies deep
On the winding road, and we're nearing
sleep;
But ever and ever we look back there
Where the woods are green & the skies are
fair,
And the old rope swing and the glad days
are,
And we grieve and wish it were not so far.
We wish indeed it were not so far
To the curving stream and the sandy bar,
And the stones where the grayfish lurked
and hid,
And the shallow stretch where the water
slid
Like a lace-edged curtain, and cattails
stood-
It were not so far to the wind-stirred
wood.
But it is, it is far to the yesterday,
And the tracks in the dust all point one
way.
From youth they come down the
winding track,
And never a footprint wanders back
To the blossomed ways where songs
were sung
That we can't forget, when the world
was young

To the mother love and the father
squeeze,
And the purple nights and the waiting
knees
Where we perch & harked to twice-told
tales,
And our eyes grew round; and oh, the
jeweled
Sails of fancy only can waft us back
Down the stream of time to the youth we
lack.
So we're wearing a lovely rose today
To the mother love of the yesterday,
And the father – loving – above our
heart,
And our eyes dim with the tears that start
Unbidden – and years in the future –
thus
Shall our children wear a rose for us.
Courtesy Algonquin Guild

Happy Birthday Eva More!

One of our members will be celebrating an important day this month. Her talents are many. Over the years she has helped us in numerous ways. Whether it's making baskets, braided rugs, ABC quilts, knitting projects, caning, she is able to teach and show how to do them. She is always willing to listen to your problems, not judgmental but caring. If you need help on a project, you need only to ask. Often, the little things she does to help someone go unnoticed because that is the way she wants it. We are so fortunate to have her as a member and hope she will be around for many years to come. She is an inspiration to us all.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY, EVA!

Happy Memorial Day