

**BLACK SWAMP SPINNERS GUILD
SPIN A GRAM**

JUNE 2012 NEWSLETTER

The Black Swamp Spinners Guild meets September to May on the second Tuesday of the month from 10:00am–3pm at the Wood County Historical Center (13660 County Home Rd Bowling Green, OH 43402).

Please come join us!

Our website is: <http://www.blackswampspinnersguild.org/>



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Well as another guild season comes to an end we can look forward to a summer and then the fall full of fiber events.

We just went to Woolly Knob and have committed to the third Tuesday in October for our annual fall trip.

Hopefully if you have not come yet you will make it to one or these excursions as they are awesome.

Our Patsey spin-in is full and now we are just counting down the days until the potluck on Friday night at 5 pm and the Saturday workshop.

For Christmas we are doing the tree at the historical society in mittens and caps. If they become life size they will be donated to the Cherry Street Mission to give warmth to the homeless and needy.

Dye day is the 14th of July. Contact Susan or myself for more information.

Our dye garden was planted last week and there is some weeding to be done soon. So if you have a spare hour it is the furthest in the back at the 577 Foundation in Perrysburg.

I am trying to get Chad Hagen to come next June to do a three day dying and scarf making workshop for the guild..

Market Day Vendor Deadline is June 30 so all vendors who have not committed need to do so.

We are going to have a color, card and spin study group for next year with our May meeting being carding fibers that we have dyed and prepared thru out the year. We are purchasing 5 or 6 kinds of raw sheep fleece to wash, card, dye and share it finding out the properties of each.

If you are interested in participating let me know.

Have a great spring into summer and we hope to see you at one of our upcoming events.

The September meeting will be working on mittens, etc for the Christmas project in addition to starting of fleeces.

Deb

Guild Communication

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June Newsletter Deadline is:
Thursday, June 21, 2012.
Send items to:
BSSGNews@yahoo.com

Bird House Pod Workshop

A bird house pod workshop is planned for Deb Yeagle's house July 21 from 9-4. Cost \$55 plus \$15 supply fee. Lunch, morning snack and beverages are included. Limit is 15 persons and the outside fiber will be llama fleece. Wrens love this house and use the outside to create the inside. Contact Deb or Tina to register.

Milan Fiber Retreat

Join us for our 2nd fiber retreat at the wonderful Milan Villa. Reservations are limited to the first 20 and then a waiting list. You must pay your \$25 dollar deposit to hold your reservation. Balance is due by the December 2012 meeting. Late payments will incur a \$25 extra charge. Contact Tina.

7/14 and 10/6/2012 "Natural Dye Days"... See registration form

Please consider signing up for the summer and fall 'Natural Dye Workshops. The dye garden is in at 577 with onions, Hopi Red Dye and sunflowers for the fall dyeing thanks to help from Donna and Ruth. Please feel free to visit the BSSG Dye Garden at the 577 Foundation in Perrysburg at 577 E. Front St. any day from 9-5 to view 50 gardens and buildings (577foundation.org). We are next to the dome at the far left/south side. We will also use the three years growth of madder root still growing at Mary Lou Clinghan's. It will be harvested in late August, dried, chipped, then soaked for a month before dyeing. In July we will dye with exotic dyestuffs for a wide color range. You can bring your own yarn or buy some very nice plyed yarns from the guild. We will be skeining yarn and making sample charts the week before each workshop. Contact Susan Cayton with questions.

Learn To Spin 101 Workshop... November 10, 2012.-see registration form

Is our annual event for new or returning beginning spinners. If you would like to attend or bring your wheels and know-how to help please contact Ruth Steinacker or Susan Cayton.

Summer Demos and Sales...

We will not put up our tent for the June Heritage Days at the Wood County Historical Center but you can still come and spin on a porch or in the shade. The 10'x10' white art fair tent with sides and weights is available to members only for weekend events for a small fee. It is being stored at Deb Yeagle's. We have been invited to attend the 20th Black Swamp Arts Festival in Bowling Green from 10 am to 6 pm. again to demo and sell on Saturday, September the 8th. They are providing a 20'x20' tent with 8 tables and chairs. It is very well attended and the location in right downtown across from Ben Franklin and Grounds for Thought. You must however notify Susan Cayton by 9/1 with an inventory sheet of handmade fiber items you wish to sell. Parking passes are limited so you could carpool with another member and spin half the day and shop the other half! Set-up will be from 8-9:30 a.m. The Toledo Area Weavers' Guild will be use the same space on Sunday the 9th from 11-5. A great way to promote the guilds

Membership Year and Dues

Dues of \$25 are due April 1 and are payable anytime. Send to Tina. The membership year is changing due to contact difficulty during the summer months. Our year will run April 1 through March 31. If you wish a snail mailed newsletter you need to pay an additional \$10 to cover postage and printing. Contact Tina or Wendy.

2012 BSSG Upcoming Events / Other Area Opportunities

www.blackswampspinnersguild.org

- 6/1-2 **BSSG Spinning Workshop with Patsy Z.** Friday: Tweak your spinning after potluck. Saturday: "Learn to Spin Your Own Hand-Painted Roving"
- 6/2-3 577 Foundation's "Fiber Arts Show" at the 577 Foundation, 577 E. Front St., Perrysburg, invitational exhibit and demos. www.577foundation.org
- 6/9-10 WCHC Wood County "Heritage Days" food, fun, 10-5 both days.
- 6/23 "Focus on Fiber Day" at Sauder's Village in Archbold. Vendor \$20 for 8' table. Contact: register by 5/21, Andi Erskorn...erbskorn@saudervillage.org
- 7/10-12 MLH Workshops at Hope College, Holland MI...www.mlhguild.org
- 7/14 **BSSG Summer Natural Dye Day** at 577 Foundation in Perrysburg. Exotic dyestuffs of brazilwood, logwood, weld, annetto or henna.
- 7/21 BSSG Workshop at Deb Yeagles: "Bird Nest Pod" with felted llama fiber with Susan Higgs \$\$\$
- 7/15-21 HGA Convergence in Long Beach, CA for workshops, classes, juried shows, gallery exhibits, tours, lectures, and vendors. www.weavespindye.com
- 8/15-19 Michigan Fiber Festival Inc., Allegan MI, for vendors, workshops, animals mffestival@sbcglobal.net or www.michiganfiberfestival.info
- 8/18-19 Mid Ohio Fiber Fair at OSU in Newark, Reece Center, <http://ohiofiberfair.weekbly.com>
- 9/8 **BSSG at Black Swamp Arts Festival: Demo and Sale in B.G., 9/1 inventory deadline...tent, tables, & chairs provided...** www.blackswamparts.org
- 9/11 **BSSG Meeting at WCHC:** Hostess; Sue Nailor, Program; hats & mittens for WCHC holiday tree with K. Trautlein
- 9/15-16 Wool Gathering / Midwest Festival of Fibers at Youngs Jersey Dairy, Yellow Springs, OH at Young's Dairy
- 10/6 **BSSG Fall Natural Dye Day** at D. Yeagles. Use locally grown dyestuffs of onion skins, sunflowers, madder root, hollyhocks 9-5
- 10/9 **BSSG Meeting at WCHC:** Hostess; K. Trautlein, Program; "Prefelt weaving" with D. Yeagle
- 10/21-27 SOAR-Spin-Off Autumn Retreat at Granlibakken Resort, Tahoe City, CA www.interweavesoar.com
- 10/27-28 Fiber Expo near Ann Arbor at Washtenaw County Fairgrounds. www.fiberexpo.com
- 11/10 **BSSG "Learn to Spin Workshop"** Center Township Fire Hall, BG 10-4 Hostess; D. Yeagle, Chairwomen; Susan Cayton & Ruth Steinacker
- 11/13 **BSSG Meeting at WCHC:** Hostess; S. Cayton, Program; "Knitting with Handspun Yarn" with Lee Miller
- 11/30-12/2 TAWG at Toledo Botanical Gardens for "Heralding the Holiday" for guild sales
- 12/8-21 **BSSG at WCHC "Home for the Holidays"**, silent auction, museum decorated.
- 12/11 **BSSG Meeting at WCHC:** "Holiday Potluck" & tour of decorated rooms.



What: BSSG 2012 "NATURAL DYE WORKSHOPS"

When: Saturday, July 14 (9-5) & Saturday, October 6, (9-5)

Where: 7/14 at 577 Foundation, 577 E. Front St. in Perrysburg, OH, 43551 and
10/6 at Deb Yeagles, 2882 CR 82, Lindsey, OH 43422 (near Fremont)

Who: Instructor, Susan Cayton (retired art teacher and local fiber artist)
24477 Dixie Hwy., Perrysburg, OH 43551 / 419-874-5633 or caytonsj@juno.com

Why: To learn how to grow, care for, and use plants and exotic dyestuffs for dyeing protein fibers in skeins with mordants on wool & blends, of mohair, alpaca, llama, angora or silk fibers.

With: 7/14 Exotic dyestuffs of Weld, Brazilwood, Logwood, Annetto or Henna
10/6 Local dyestuffs of Hollyhocks, Sunflowers, Onion skins & Madder Root

Cost: \$20 for members each day.

Registration Deadlines: 6/30, & 9/22 Cancellation Dates: 7/7th & 9/29, 2012

Supplies to be brought by participants: Wear old clothes, hat, bug spray, sunscreen, sturdy shoes, apron, heavy duty rubber gloves, old towels, bucket, OPT. 8 -1/2 oz. / I yd skeins of protein fibers, commercial or handspun of 1-2 ply wool or blends or wool with alpaca, mohair, silk, angora or llama, scoured & tied loosely in four places...bring wet in zip lock bag, two for each dyepot.. Some may be used for overdyeing also. Guild will have yarn for sale too. Dyestuffs may be donated., collected or grown or purchased for 4 gal. pots, 1/ 2 to 1 lb. of yarn per pot.

Receive: Dye charts, recipes and view displays, books, projects ideas, gardens

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BSSG 2012 Natural Dye Day Workshops:

Cost: 7/14 \$20 members only _____
10/6 \$20 members only _____

Please send your Check # _____ for total of \$ _____ to:

Guild contact person : Tina Stellhorn, V-P & Program Chairman

Address: 4208 Evansport Rd., Defiance, OH 43512

Phone #: 419-428-0303 E-Mail: BSSG001@yahoo.com

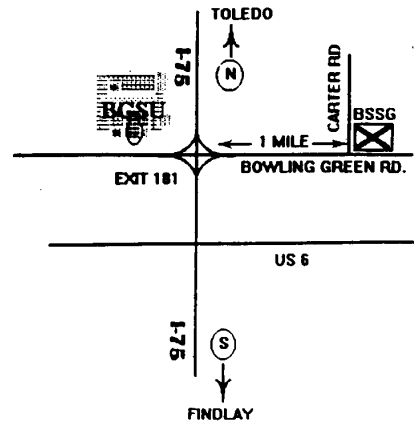
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Yes or No (circle one) I have a garden space available or these flowers growing...

Yes or No (circle one) I can come to help with BSSG dye garden at 577 a few times.



"LEARN TO SPIN: 101".November 10, 2012

Do you want to learn to spin your own yarn?
 Do you have a spindle or spinning wheel and want to learn how to use it?
 Do you have a fiber animal with lots of fiber and want to spin it?

Then please join the Black Swamp Spinners' Guild members on Saturday, November 10th from 10- 4 at the Center Township Fire Hall at the corner of Bowling Green Rd. E. (Wooster St.) and Carter Rd. just one mile east of Meijer and I-75, exit #181.

You will learn how to prepare fibers, use a wooden drop spindle, and try many different makes of spinning wheels. There will be several displays with handspun samples, hand-dyed skeins, knitted, woven and felted items, and many books and magazines to view.

Bring your own sack lunch, beverages and snacks will be provided.
 You will receive a bag of fibers, a spindle and a packet of handouts.

Registration deadline is October 27th with limited enrollment.
 Please contact: Susan Cayton at 419-874-5633 for caytonsj@juno.com
 Cost is \$45 for members or \$70 for non-members (includes 2012-13 membership).

**Mail to: BSSG c/o Tina Stellhorn, (V-P & Program Chairman
 4208 Evansport Rd., Defiance, OH 43512e-mail:
 BSSG001@yahoo.com**

Learn To Spin 101: 11/10/12 Registration Form:

Name _____

Address

Phone _____

E-Mail _____

(Cost \$45 for members or \$70 for non-members---for 2012-13 membership)

Cash _____ **or Check #** _____ **Date Rec.** _____

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