

**BLACK SWAMP SPINNERS GUILD  
(AND FIBER ARTS)  
SPIN A GRAM**

**APRIL 2017 NEWSLETTER**

The Black Swamp Spinners Guild (and Fiber Arts) meets September to May on the second Tuesday of the month from 10:00am–3pm at Red, White & Brew in Elmore. Please come join us!

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



**Location of Red, White and Brew**

366 Rice St, Elmore, OH 43416  
From US20 take State Route 51 North and follow the sharp right turn into Elmore. The Red, White & Brew is on the south side of Rice Street at the red light.

**Officers:**

President	Deb Yeagle	419-665-2697
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Hi all BSSG 503C members,

Spring is here and the flowers are popping up,

Market day went very well. WTOL gave us a space on their Fri. am show, live and they came to our event, WOW! U had it put in Right Size Life website Perrysburg. Look it up if you like meals for two, events etc.

The bad thing that happened is the Toledo Edison repair cost us probably 140 people or more as our count was 560 and the last two years it was 700. I feel they should have moved our signs or told us to do that. I did not dawn on me until we picked them up by the locked gate. I am calling them today.

We had several vendor say they did not do well and a loss of customers could do that plus it looks bad as we advertised 4 not 2(or whenever they closed the gate).

Looking forward to Susan's program and our celebration in June.

**God bless,**

*Deb Yeagle*

### **-Spinning Warm Thoughts-**

Members to keep in our thoughts and prayers;  
Jane Schreiner and Sandy Hayden.  
Please continue to remember all members in your thoughts and prayers during the  
spring season.

### **-Program Ideas & Membership Dues-**

Kris is busy pulling the next program booklet together. Carol Perry( treasurer) needs your dues and membership form by this week to include you in the new book. Kris needs ideas for monthly programs for the coming year as well as any workshops you think would benefit guild members. You can email Kris at BSSGNews@ gmail.com or [beebeacre@gmail.com](mailto:beebeacre@gmail.com)

### **-40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner-**

We are having an anniversary dinner on Tuesday, June 13 to celebrate our 40<sup>th</sup> year as a guild. After the dinner we will enjoy time to visit and spin or work on projects. Please plan to join us. We will have all the details in the next newsletter along with reservation information.

### **-BSSG Website-**

Our website has a member's only section that requires a username and password to access. If you would like access to this section, please contact the webmaster with the username and password you would like. The web address is on this page. Visit the site and click on contact us to reach the webmaster. Thank you.

### **-Facebook-**

[www.facebook.com/blackswampspinnerguild](http://www.facebook.com/blackswampspinnerguild)

Take the time to share the page on your wall and tell friends about us! This is a chance to show our friends and loved ones all the fun we are having and hopefully entice a few new friends to join us.

Don't have a facebook page? Want to try it but just don't know how? Email me at [BSSGNews@gmail.com](mailto:BSSGNews@gmail.com) and I can give you some tips. Ask me at a meeting and I will walk you through the process.

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## **Editor**

Fiber Friends,

I had such fun at our annual fiber festival and I'm already excited to get to work on next year's event!

For ease of travel to our April meeting please be aware of construction starting in Fremont closing Rt. 20 from Perrysburg thru Stony Ridge for a month or so. You may you may need to take the turnpike to avoid traffic.

Thanks,

*Melissa Mohney*

## **-Inventory-**

We have found some of our guild supplies but a few things are still at large and I need your help. I have a short list of what I know we have and I'm asking you to email me if you have any items on my list or if you know of any items I've forgotten. Once I have collected the information I will keep a running tab of our supplies and the list will be available upon request.

2 blending boards:

1 spinning wheel: Melissa Mohney

1 drum carter: Melissa Mohney

1 triangular loom:

1 ridged heddle loom:

1 tent: Deb Yeagle

1 floor loom:

## **Minutes –March 2017 –**

This editor has no minutes to report. March gathering was unofficial due to attendance and weather.

## **-April meeting-**

"Silk Fusion"with Susan Cayton. Please bring 12" x 24" piece of muslin or old sheeting, a 12" ruler, a pencil, scissors, a long basting needle and thread, some small beads and some a few yards of felt able ribbon or yarn. The wool and silk will provided.

Also, we plan to discuss the option of classes by Amy Tyler. We originally spoke about this during Februarys meeting and a few weeks ago I sent out a news flash with attachments including class descriptions, resume, and events listings for fiber instructor

Amy Tyler of Stone Sock Fibers. I have included them again so that we all have a chance to review them and cut time on discussion.

### **-Market Day 2017-**

Market Day 2017 is now history and was a successful day! We had a great deal of help all day long and the crowd was fairly steady. The vendors had colorful booths with skillfully crafted displays. Everyone appeared to have a good time as we saw smiles, greetings and lots of full bags leaving the venue. We want to thank everyone from Tina, our vendor chair, the vendors, the two Boy Scout troops and to every member and friend that helped in some way be it large or small. Hosting such an event requires and benefits from the help of everyone as there are many things that need to be done. Again **THANK YOU** to each and every person!

### **-Market Day 2018-**

It is never too early to think about the next Market Day. If you wish to help with the advance work please let Kris know. Please put Saturday, March 24, 2018 on your calendar.

### **-Market Day Future Plans (2019)-**

The committee will meet on April 22 and/or 23 at 2 pm to review the survey, buyer questionnaire and compile information from other fiber festivals to compare with for the May meeting report.. If any member would like to attend please come and join us at the home of Susan Cayton. Please RSVP [419-324-5902](tel:419-324-5902). You can come either day to help make recommendations for the next market day committee to consider about the future of our fiber fair in 2019 and beyond.. It is very important that all members answer the survey so if you have not done yet you can bring it to the April meeting or mail it in. Thanks to everyone for their participation.

You may see a photo of the new proposed building at [www.woodcounty-fair.com](http://www.woodcounty-fair.com)

### **-Fiber Arts Spinning Class-**

Fiber Arts Spinning Class will be held April 29, 2017 9:30-4:30 at Ft. Meigs, 29100 W. River Rd. (Rt. 65), Perrysburg, Ohio. Students will be learning how to spin on a hand spindle and various types of wheels. Class size is limited to ten and will cost \$50.00. Contact her: 419-874-4121. [www.fortmeigs.org](http://www.fortmeigs.org) Instructor is Susan Cayton and is asking

for a few BSSG members to attend, bring a wheel, and promote our guild.

### **-Guild Needs/ Volunteer Needed-**

At this time we have many roles that are not filled and many of the officers are doing more than one job weather in an official capacity or as needed. As it is fast approaching time to vote for the coming year's officers I would like to remind members that working together to fill these positions would help the group as a whole. Not everyone can do **everything** but everyone can do **something and every little bit helps**.

Other then a officers positions there is always a need for you to participate by: **attending when able, volunteering to do a job, offering a ride to another member, suggesting programs and ideas for us to consider**. Let any officer know what you are willing to contribute to make us a better guild. PLEASE VOLENTEER! THANKS!

### **Coming Events for BSSG - 2017**

4/8-9	Fiber Expo – Ann Arbor, Michigan <a href="http://www.fiberexpo.com">www.fiberexpo.com</a>
<b>4/11</b>	<b>BSSG April Meeting</b>
4/14-15	Fiber Event Greencastle, Indiana
5/2	TAWG-Stitched Shibori with Lynn Buri
5/ 6-7	Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival, Friendship, MD
<b>5/9</b>	<b>BSSG May Meeting</b>
5/21/2017	Upper Valley Fiber Fest, Miami County Fairgrounds, Troy, OH (just north of Dayton off I-75)
5/27-28	Great Lakes Fiber Show Wooster, Ohio
6/1	Midwest weavers conference "textiles at the crossroads"
6/2-7	MLH Michigan League of Handweavers Conventions, Hope College, Holland, Michigan <a href="http://www.MLHguild.org">www.MLHguild.org</a>
6/3-4	Mid-Ohio Fiber Fair, Worthington, OH
6/6	TAWG-twinning with fabric or yarn-Chris East
6/9-11	577 FIBER for workshops at the 577 Foundation in Perrysburg, Ohio ( <a href="http://www.fiber577">www.fiber577</a> for upcoming information soon)
6/12-17	Midwest Weavers, Indianapolis, Indiana <a href="http://www.midwestweavers.org">www.midwestweavers.org</a>
<b>6/13</b>	<b>BSSG 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary party</b>
8/16-20	Michigan Fiber Festival, Allegan, MI
<b>9/11</b>	<b>BSSG September meeting</b>
9/16-17	A Wool Gathering, Young's Dairy Farm, Yellow Springs, Ohio <a href="http://youngsdairy.com">youngsdairy.com</a>

9/29-10/1	Sauder Village Fiber Festival, Archbold, OH
<b>10/9</b>	<b>BSSG October meeting</b>
10/14/2017	Autumn Fiber Festival, Ashland County Fairgrounds, 9-5
10/21-22	Fiber Expo Fall Show, Ann Arbor, MI
11/2	Tinkuy Weaving Conference
<b>11/13</b>	<b>BSSG November meeting</b>
<b>12/11</b>	<b>BSSG December meeting</b>

**Please contact the newsletter editor with any editions /corrections to the Newsletter/calendar or if you know of a name we should include in Spinning Warm Thoughts at [BSSGNews@gmail.com](mailto:BSSGNews@gmail.com) *Deadline is April 24, 2017.* Any information received after this date will be posted in a later edition.**