

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

JANUARY 2018 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
Vice-President/ Corr. secretary	Kris Beebe beebeacre@gmail.com	(740)454-8855
Secretary/news editor	Melissa Mohney	(567)315-3320
Treasurer	Carol Perry	(419)533-5608

Fiber friends,

As you may have heard by now the brew has closed up shop as of January 1st and will not be serving food. With permission from the owner we will still meet but without the lunch service for this January meeting. I will bring our new Keurig machine with coffee and hot chocolate pods and a dozen donuts. The village inn will be open and we can all place orders for lunch there or bring a lunch. We will discuss future location options at the meeting.

Please do not plan to be at the brew until 10am as the owner will be unlocking the building at that time and I would not want our members to wait in the cold.

God bless,

Deb Yeagle

-Spinning Warm Thoughts-

Please keep Ruth Hasselman and her family in your prayers. Her mother in law Pauline passed away.

Please keep Carol Perry and her family in your thoughts and prayers as they mourn her father's passing.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me. Psalm 51:10

-January meeting-

Jan Ryan is leading us in a 'back to basics' class. Bring your wheel and some fiber. Jan will lead us in a discussion and practice of s and z spinning and how it affects the finished product.

-February meeting-

Mug cozy's with Carol Perry. Ask at the January meeting for a copy of the pattern if you want to get a jump start. You will need 98yds extra fine merino yarn, size 7 needles, and 1(1 1/2) button.

-Spinning Workshop- Amy Tyler – June 2-3, 2018-

Amy Tyler is coming to our guild to teach. This is a great opportunity to expand your knowledge of spinning. A form is attached to this email for sign up and we will vote for the classes we intend to take at our January meeting. Space is limited to 15 and it is first come first serve so if you plan to attend get your information and 25 dollar deposit in as soon as possible.

We have narrowed the classes down to "blending color at the wheel" "spinning with commercial yarn" "spinning marl yarn" "plying this way and that" "spinning energized singles" and "variations on long draw" **Please visit her website - <http://www.stonesockfibers.com>** and be prepared to vote.

-Annual Winter Retreat – February 23-25, 2018-

Our retreat weekend is coming up the end of February. Currently we have both houses reserved at the Beacon in Lorain, right across the street from Lake Erie! We still have room for seven or so with one per bed, sofa-bed or futon! We can take more if we share some of the full, queen and king beds. The felting machine will be there all weekend for you to use. You will need to bring fiber or let us know that you wish to purchase bats. We have had learning opportunities in the past that have included weaving, dyeing, knitting, crocheting, spinning and wet and dry felting. If you have a desire for something please let us know. We like to give time to do your own projects also. This is a perfect opportunity to get to know each other, have a girl's weekend and enjoy your fiber hobbies. We eat out Friday noon before we arrive at the Beacon and then maybe Saturday noon. The rest of the meals are prepared by teams with the menu still being planned. The smaller house has bath and rooms on the main floor, the larger house has those things on the second floor. There are steps to get into the houses and we eat in the larger house as we are more familiar with the kitchen there. Oh, the cost for the weekend is \$85 plus a food item to be determined (like a snack, dessert, fruit or veggies) once the menu is finalized. A deposit of \$25 will hold your spot with the balance due to Carol Perry by the February meeting.

If you have questions, just ask Kris Beebe, co-chair of the retreat with Deb Y.

-Inventory-

This is a completed list of all our supplies known to me and the persons who have them. At any time if these items change hands or if you would like an item and need help finding it please email the BSSGnews@gmail.com for assistance.

- 1 blending boards: Melissa Mohny
- 1 spinning wheel: Melissa Mohny
- 1 drum carter: Melissa Mohny
- 1 triangular loom: Colleen Maher
- 1 ridged heddle loom: Deb Yeagle
- 1 tent: Deb Yeagle
- 1 floor loom: Colleen Maher
- 1 warping board: Colleen Maher
- 1 sample board: Susan Cayton

-Minutes –Dec. 2017 –

-Deb Yeagle called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

Committee reports-

Treasury (Carol Perry)-no report read due to treasurers absence.

Secretary (Melissa Mohny)- read November minutes. Approved as presented (no additions or corrections)

Auditing-n/a

Market day (Tina Stellhorn)-no report

Webmaster (Karen Trautlein)-no report

Program (Kris Beebe)-needs class suggestions for next booklet.

Old business-

-Kris speaks about retreat. Feb 23-25 will cost approximately \$85.00 per person. 6 spaces available (additional 7 spaces with sofas and futon). Bring a dish to share and your own drinks. Kris has created the menu for communal meals. Suggested projects for Friday and Saturday night are gloves, hat, scarf or shawl. Any suggestions can be submitted to Kris via email.

-general discussion of Amy Tyler workshop. June 2-3 max 15 people(\$25 deposit). First come, first serve. Amy will stay with Deb Yeagle. Group will vote on classes at January meeting. Classes suggested are "blending color at the wheel" "spinning with commercial yarn" "spinning marl yarn" "plying this way and that" "spinning energized singles" and "variations on long draw"

New business-

-Red White and Brew is closed as of January first. The January meeting will still be at the brew but we will need to come to that meeting prepared with suggestions for new locations.

-Deb asked the guild if we would like to buy a Keurig coffee machine and k-cups. Shirley motioned, Karen second and motion passed with a majority vote.

Fiber fest-

-Melissa Mohny asked the guild if they would like to have troop#337 help at our 2018 fiber festival. Karen motioned we donate 100 dollars for their assistance Shirley second and motion carried with a majority vote.

-Kris Beebe will advertise in the "country register"

-Karen motioned for a \$400 publicity budget. Wendy seconded and motion carried with a majority vote.

-Deb Yeagle closed meeting at 11:15am. Motion by Lori second by Wendy

-BSSG Website--Facebook-

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.

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 and I can give you some tips. Ask me at a meeting and I will walk you through the process.

-Coming Events for BSSG – 2017-

1/9	BSSG January meeting (red white and brew)
1/9	BSSG evening meet up (grounds for thought)
2/9-11	Sauder Village Knitting & Fiber Arts retreat
2/13	BSSG February meeting (location to be determined)
2/13	BSSG evening meet up (grounds for thought)
2/23-25	BSSG retreat
3/13	BSSG March meeting (location to be determined)
3/13	BSSG evening meet up (grounds for thought)
3/24	BSSG Market day and fiber festival
4/10	BSSG April meeting (location to be determined)
4/10	BSSG evening meet up (grounds for thought)
5/8	BSSG May meeting (location to be determined)
5/8	BSSG evening meet up (grounds for thought)
6/2-3	Amy Tyler workshop
6/9-10	577 Arts workshops at 577 foundation (call for instructors)
9/28-29	Fiber Fest at Sauder Village, Archbold, Ohio

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 **Deadline is Jan 28, 2017. Any information received after this date will be posted in a later edition.**