

HOOKER HAPPENINGS

Crooked River Rug Hookers

April 2023



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Welcome April! **HAPPY EASTER** 😊

I think our February weather was better than the weather we have had in March. I live just 2 blocks from beautiful Lake Erie, so our temperature is usually 5\* - 10\* colder than just a half mile south. I am getting anxious to go play in the dirt and smell the freshly mowed grass. It is so nice to see daffodils blooming and the hyacinth emerging. Ah, spring!!!

Happy Hooking.  
Lauren

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President's Musings

YEA

The calendar says it is officially spring!

We are going to get started on our Sampler this month. Like I said before I thought you just pulled loops up so I am really excited about this addition to our meetings. If you did not save Heidi's diagram of the sampler layout, one can be found further down in the newsletter. If you have a method you would like to teach let us know. Beading will be the first technique shown.

I really loved the display in the library showcase. I loved looking at it and I talked to many friends that live in the area and they had stopped in to see it. I went to take pictures on March 22, and while I was there a little boy came over to the showcase and just kept patting the glass and looking at all the colors. Who knows. In a few years he may be able to hold a hook. It really brought back the sense of wonder that we all have experienced and want to share with others.

ELECTIONS

I asked at the last meeting for volunteers to be on a committee to recruit members to be on the board. I know we all just want to come work on our rugs and go home, but we do have to have a board in order to maintain our guild standing. We have been meeting after the business meeting at the library and online if we feel the need to discuss more issues. We are not asking you to drive somewhere, just come and be part of maintaining the organization of a craft we love. So contact one of the current board members if you would like to help or to be on the board.

FIBER SHOWS

There are two major Fiber Shows that are coming up. The first is the Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival. It is held every year the first weekend of May. I have never had the pleasure to attend . . . always too busy.

The Great Lakes Sheep and Wool Festival is at the Wayne County Fairgrounds in Wooster, Ohio, May 27 & 28, Memorial Day Weekend. So if you want to escape your family for a few hours come on down. I have been involved with this show for a great many years. There are five show barns of fiber artists. I have a booth, where if you bring a chair, I can always make room for you to come and hook.

I will have sign up sheets at the next meetings where you can let me know if you are coming and if you would like to help. There are workshops in various fiber techniques. Registration started in March and you can find more information at <https://www.greatlakesfibershow.org>

Cheers,

Nancy

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## MEETING DATES ~

April 26

May 24 - member garage sale

June 28

July 26

August 23

### Snacks

Please continue to help Nancy Weitendorf by bringing treats to the meetings. Email Nancy at [n.weitendorf0709@gmail.com](mailto:n.weitendorf0709@gmail.com).

### Meeting Raffle

President Nancy continues to need items for the raffle at the meetings, so as you look through your stash, think of donating to the raffle. No items donated = no raffle.

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A "special stitches sampler" will begin at the April meeting. It will be a continuing project. Every month or so, a member will teach a hooking technique that can be used to embellish your project. Each member who wants to participate needs to bring their preferred backing with the blocks laid out.

Special Stitches Sampler

TOTAL backing width is 26 inches wide by 16 inches tall. Any backing: linen, Monk's cloth, rug warp.

Drawn grid is 18 inches wide by 8 inches tall; divide into twelve (12) rectangles, side by side; each rectangle is 3 inches wide by 4 inches tall.

Each section is 3 inches wide by 4 inches tall					

Not to scale.

At the April meeting, Rita Thomas will present the beading technique. Please bring at least two worms in contrasting colors in the cut of your choice.

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## SAVE THE DATES

Connie's Spring HOOK-IN - **FILLED**

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Great Lakes Fiber Show, May 27 & 28, 2023, 199 Vanover Street, Wooster, Ohio, 44691 Sat 10-5, Sun 10-4. Free Admission.

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Harvest Ridge Hook In

**Saturday August 26**

Holmes County Fairgrounds

Registration form is posted on the Harvest Ridge Hook In page on Facebook.



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Hooktoberfest is **September 23**. It is not too early to start planning your raffle basket donation or door prize table mat (approximately 8" x 8"). Sunflowers are also being hooked for each table. Springs are available at our guild meetings.

PLEASE!!! To date we only have 2 sunflowers and 4 hooked mats for door prizes. They are always very well received by the attendees.

Please label your mats!!! It is always fun to know who took the time to hook your prize 😊

Registration form will be emailed to all members. Please do not share with non-members until May 1.

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Ft. Laurens Rugcrafters Autumn Hook In

**October 14**

Registration form can be found at the end of this newsletter.

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Classes for 2023 include:

May 3 and 10 - Sibyl Osicka -- CLASS IS FULL

PLEASE NOTE: If you wish to be put on the wait list, email education co-chairs Linda or Mary. Do not send a check at this time.

June 6, 7, 8 - Nola Heidbreder

Day 1 of class is finishing techniques. Class fee is \$40.

Days 2 & 3 - These days cannot be split. Open class format, *Gee's Bend*, and/or *Hit or Miss*. Class fee is \$80.

So...if you wish to attend all three days, total class fee is \$120.

Time is running out to sign up. Registration will close in a couple of weeks.

July 12-13 - Jo Wick

Class on making a pencil pouch purse. Class fee is \$50 and a supply fee which includes the pattern and pencil pouch, payable to Jo on the first day of class is \$25. No wool is included.

September 21 - 22 - Linda Powell

Footstool class. Cost of the class is \$70. The footstool cost is \$100 plus an \$82 charge for the pattern and handouts. Wool purchased from Linda is additional.

All class fees and registration forms are now to be sent to:

Kim Hirt

1504 Superior St.

Genoa, OH 43430

Please put the teacher name on the memo section of your check.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Linda Waitrovich at ljrwaitro@gmail.com or

Mary O'Donnell at odonnelldesigns@yahoo.com

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CRRH has agreed to purchase hooking related books for Porter Library. Their current inventory is very slim. If you have a favorite book, please email title to Maureen at [maureenmcbride@me.com](mailto:maureenmcbride@me.com). The library cannot accept books ~ they **MUST** purchase them in order to add to their inventory.

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A couple reminders...

Porter Library collects pop tabs to benefit Ronald McDonald house.

President Nancy will gladly accept your empty pill bottles. One of the vendors at the Brunswick Farmers Market works with a Girl Scout troop who collects them for Doctors Without Borders. Please remove labels before bringing them.

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**Our current officers ~**

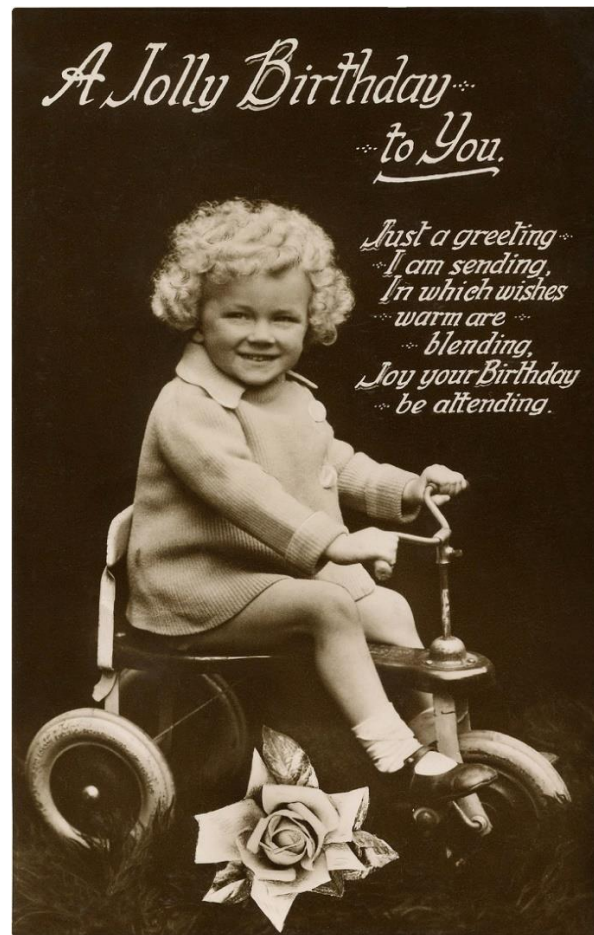
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Happiest of birthdays to our April birthday hookers  
3<sup>rd</sup> - Doreen Butler  
25<sup>th</sup> - Heidi Kramer

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Fort Laurens Rugcrafters

Autumn Hook In

Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023

10 AM to 4 PM

Kidron Community Park
4434 Kidron Road, Kidron, OH

Reservations: \$30/person includes morning coffee, pastries, beverages, lunch, dessert, shopping, raffles and auction.

Doors open at 9:30 am



Scheduled Vendors:

Amy's Attic
Basket Treasures
Connie Bradley
The Wooly Horse
More to come



Make checks payable to Fort Laurens Rugcrafters
Deadline for registration is Sept. 25. No refunds.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Lunch Choice (mark one)

Shredded BBQ Chicken Sliders with pasta salad, chips and dessert

Hickory Smoked Pulled Pork Sliders with pasta salad, chips and dessert

Garden salad, chips and dessert

Mail to: Jennifer Grahovac, 7001 Lattasburg Road, Wooster, OH 44691 (440-539-6533)

Your cancelled check is your registration confirmation