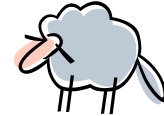


WOOL GATHERINGS...



The Monthly Newsletter of the Golden Fleece Spinners' Society

The mission of the Society is to preserve and perpetuate the art of hand spinning; to promote interest in spinning by educating the public through demonstrations, lectures, displays, and news/social media; and to provide instruction and social life in spinning for its members.

Next Meeting: Saturday December 15, 2017, 10:00 AM
Grace Episcopal Church
Baldwinsville, NY

Holiday Pajama Party and Open Spin

Hostess: Joyce Lock, Treats: Linda Lupole, Christina Rotondo

Wear your pajamas and bring treats to share with the group if you are so inclined. Bring your handmade ornaments from the November meeting for Show and Tell.

Remember to bring your lunch and coffee mug.

NOVEMBER MEETING

President Jill Robinson called the business meeting to order.

Meeting Hostess

We need hostesses for the 2018/2019 meetings, see the signup sheet.

Treasurer's Report \$5644.12 balance

Membership

Members were reminded to pay their annual dues by this meeting. Welcome to new members Jayshri Prasad and Ceaira Detlor.

Fiber Frolic 2019

Thirteen vendors have sent in applications for the thirteen spaces.

Bus Trip to 2020 Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival

Members' response indicates this will not be a guild trip, those interested in attending will need to make their own arrangements.

Empire Alpaca Show Spinning Demonstration

Joyce Lock reported the demonstrations went well on Saturday November 10th and participants received some nice alpaca fiber or yarn. Since the vendors and alpaca farmers packing up late morning on Sunday, we contacted the afternoon demonstrators and told not to come in. Next year we will demonstrate Friday afternoon and all day Saturday, but not on Sunday. Next year we will be located away from the door so it will be warmer.

2019 Fiber Conferences

Lynda DeLallo asked if the guild was interested in joining the Mid-Atlantic Fiber Association (MAFA). The cost is \$60 for a two year membership. The guild wants more information such as what are the guild responsibilities? Are there benefits for guild members for the July 2019 conference in Millersport, PA? Lynda will investigate and report back to the guild.

Joyce Lock gave details about the Eastern Great Lakes Fiber Conference (EGLFC) to be held Columbus Day weekend 2019 at the Chautauqua Institution. Kate Larson will be giving a three day spinning workshop. Meg Welsh told the guild about the New England Weaving Seminar (NEWS) to be held July 2019 in North Hampton, MA.

Northeast Handspinners Association (NHA) Gathering

Guild members reported on their experience at The Gathering held earlier in the month in Nashua, NH. Pat Henley will be a New York State representative. The NHA 2019 Open House will be in West Hartford, CT, while the 2020 Gathering will be in Danvers, MA. Both will be held the first weekend in November.

Yarn Donations

The Onondaga County Public Central Library is still looking for donations of yarn and needles to use in their knitting classes. You can drop items off at any library (they will transport them to the Central branch).

For Sale

See Linda Bishop-Surbeck (magikalfibers@yahoo.com)

Saori WX60 loom for sale \$1200 firm. Has a built in bobbin winder, will include boat shuttle and a few bobbins. Folds when not in use.

Events for your Calendar (* indicates events we provide spinning demonstrations)

April 13-14, 2019	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center*
May 4-5, 2019	Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival
May TBD, 2019	Shepherd's Wool Market, Rush, NY
June 8-9, 2019	CNY Fiber Festival, Bouckville, NY*

2018-2019 Calendar and Program Plan (at the Church Unless Otherwise Noted)

September 22, 2018	Annual Welcome to New Members, Luncheon, Market Day
October 27, 2018	Mini classes: Spinning from the Fold and Navajo Plying
November 17, 2018	Knitting Holiday Ornaments, Market Day
December 15, 2018	Holiday Pajama Party
January 19, 2019	Annual Roc Day Celebration
February 16, 2019	Care and Feeding of your Wheel with Linda Miller
March 16, 2019	Annual Auction
April 13-14, 2019	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center
April 20, 2019	Open Spin and Market Day
May 18, 2019	Skirting a Fleece with a NYS Fair Fleece Judge
June 15, 2019	Annual Picnic
July 20, 2019	Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park
August 17, 2019	Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park
August 24-25, 2019	Guild Weekend at the NYS Fair Wool Center

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