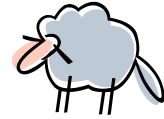


# WOOL GATHERINGS...



## ***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.*

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**Next Meetings:                    Saturday October 27, 2018, 10:00 AM**  
**Grace Episcopal Church**  
**Baldwinsville, NY**

**Mini classes: Spinning from the Fold and Navajo Plying**  
Bring your coffee mug and bag lunch

*Hostess: Joyce Lock, Treats: Jill Robinson, Sue Jones*

If you haven't yet paid your dues for the 2018-2019 program year, please send your \$20 payment and current contact information to Sue Jones. Checks should be made out to the "Golden Fleece Spinners' Society" and mailed to Sue at 404 Sixth St, Liverpool, NY 13088.

### **SEPTEMBER 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** \$5497.02 balance

### **Membership**

Members were reminded to pay their 2018/2019 dues by the November meeting.

### **New York State Fair Fiber Competition Winners**

Congratulations to Joyce Lock, Susan Keating and Julie Mattina for winning the Golden Fleece Spinners' Society awards. The guild's Fleece to Shawl Team Choice Award was split between first place team Warped Women and second place team Ginger's Ewes.

### **Spinning Demonstrations**

The guild voted to again be a \$50 sponsor of the CNY Fiber Producers, the group hosts the June CNY Fiber Arts Festival in Bouckville. We will also pay the additional \$5 fee for electricity. Since they don't supply extension cords, we will need to bring a 50 foot extension cord to plug in fans, etc.

The guild has been invited to demonstrate at the Empire Alpaca Show being held November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> on the NYS Fairgrounds. If you didn't have a chance to sign up at the meeting or have questions, contact Joyce Lock ([joycelock3@gmail.com](mailto:joycelock3@gmail.com), 315.380.7340).

### **Bus Trip to 2020 Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival**

The guild is investigating a bus trip to the May 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> 2020 festival. We'd leave Friday night and come home Sunday. Since the bus will cost \$4760, not including the driver tip and accommodations for two nights, we'd need a significant commitment from guild members. A non-refundable fee would be required when participants sign up.

The guild would reserve a block of rooms and participants would be responsible for paying for their own rooms. If we stay further away from the festival, rooms are cheaper and more available. The suggestion was made to reserve a block of rooms now and determine how we get there later.

There is also the option of carpooling, the drive is six hours. A decision on the bus needs to be made by the end of the year. More discussion to follow.

### **Craftsy Classes**

The guild purchased the Beginning Spinning class by Amy King last year. There are seven sessions, each 20 to 40 minutes long. We are trying to figure out how individuals can view the sessions at home. One idea is to create a password for the month for that person. At the end of the month Angela would change the password and another member would be able to watch the class. Angela will investigate removing the guild debit card number from the our Craftsy account.

### **Yarn Donations**

The Onondaga County Public Central Library is 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) or bring them to the next two guild meetings. Clean out that yarn stash!

### **Woolery Guild Rewards Program**

The Woolery has a guild rewards program where they will annually pay an eligible guild 5% of guild members purchases. The guild voted to join the program. Joyce will submit the application after getting any needed information from Angela.

### **Guild Programs**

Jill reviewed the upcoming guild programs for the year. The May program will be presented by the fleece judge for the NYS Fair. He has several topics we can choose from – how to pick out a fleece, how to skirt a fleece, etc.

### **Fiber Frolic 2019**

The frolic will be held April 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Since a second day was added, we will need more volunteers and better utilize them over the two days.

## For Sale

See Lorraine Savidge (315-468-2404, lsavidge@bluefrog.com)

Ashford Traveler Double Treadle Spinning Wheel. Finished maple, comes with jumbo flyer and two extra jumbo bobbins. If purchased new, the cost is over \$1000 including tax. Sale Price: \$650 including lessons.

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

October 20-21, 2018	NYS Sheep and Wool Festival, Rhinebeck, NY
November 2-4, 2018	Northeast Handspinners Association Gathering, Nashua, NH
November 3-4, 2018	Fiber Festival of New England, Big E Expo Center
November 10-11, 2018	Empire Alpaca Show, NYS Fair Grounds*
April 13-14, 2019	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center*
April TBD, 2019	Yarn Cupboard Retreat & Market
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 and Exchange of Ornaments
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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