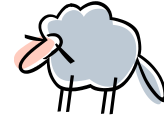


WOOL GATHERINGS...



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 February 16, 2019, 10:00 AM
Grace Episcopal Church
Baldwinsville, NY

Care and Feeding of Your Wheel with Linda Miller

Hostess: Gail Roemer, Treats: Gail Roemer, Nicole Massenzio

Linda Miller will show us how to care for our beloved spinning wheels.

Start thinking about donations for March auction. Each member is asked to contribute two items which can be yarn, fiber, knitting, spinning and weaving books, eggs, plants, fiber equipment, basically things that are spinning, knitting and weaving-related. We have already received some contributions from Ginger's stash.

JANUARY 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 \$5714.12 balance

Membership

Welcome new member Karen Patch.

Programs

In May, NYS Fair Fleece judge Ken Wolfe will show us what to look for when buying a fleece. He may also demonstrate skirting a fleece if there is time. He will have white Corriedale fleeces for sale, these are 15+ pounds at \$20 a pound.

Melissa Turner will be the auctioneer at the March guild auction.

Fall 2019 Bus Trip

Options are a bus trip to Rhinebeck in October 2019 or to the New England Fiber Festival in Springfield, MA the first weekend in November. The latter also includes a trip to Webs in Northampton, MA. Note that this is also the same weekend as the NHA Open House. If we go to Rhinebeck, Angela Mann volunteered to organize the bus trip.

Fiber Frolic

Signup sheets are available for the two days of the frolic. Volunteers are needed for setup, takedown, vendor helpers, raffle ticket sales and spinning demonstrations. For each shift, we need two wheel spinners and one drop spindle spinner in the demonstration space in the vendor room.

Michelle Clark isn't available to bring the Story Loom this year, but would loan it. Since concerns were expressed about setting up, storing and being responsible for the loom, the suggestion was made to have another type of loom in the same place. Angela will loan her rigid heddle loom (if someone would warp it) and Linda Miller said the small table loom at the Wool Center is available.

Jill Robinson will remind the vendors that the guild helpers are available to give them breaks as needed.

Demonstrations

Linda Brust was contacted by Nancy Webber, the supervisor of the Agriculture Museum at the NYS Fairgrounds. She is looking for spinning demonstrators during the Farm Show February 21st - 23rd (Thursday – Saturday). Linda put out a signup sheet. Contact Linda if interested at spinayarn22@gmail.com.

For Sale

Contact 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.

Contact Jody Gates at xwvwx@yahoo.com or **Jill Robinson** at jillr1751@gmail.com.

Harrisville 36", 4 harness/4 treadle 10 dent floor loom purchased new as a kit in 1982. Assembled but never used. It weighs approximately 60 lbs. In very good condition, the leather on the harnesses is still supple. The reed looks like there may be rust, but I can't feel any - it may be discoloration. Does not have top loom tray. Warping board included. Asking \$600.00 for loom and warping board.

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

February 21-23, 2019	Farm Show at NYS Fairgrounds*
April 13-14, 2019	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center*
May 4-5, 2019	Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival
May 11, 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	Choosing 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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