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, September 19, 2020, 10:00 AM

Welcome New Members Wegman's Good Dog Park Area of Onondaga Lake Park 49 Cold Springs Trail, Liverpool, NY

We'll try to find a shady spot convenient to the parking lot and near the bathroom, look for spinning wheels. Bring your own lunch and beverage, chair, wheel, rug for under your wheel, face mask, bug spray, etc. We'll set up six feet apart and abide by COVID-19 social distancing guidelines. In case of inclement weather, we will meet virtually via Zoom.

Note the change of location to Wegman's Good Dog Park (off Route 370, west of John Glenn Boulevard) to avoid the noise of the Thruway that we've experienced at our previous summer spinins. The bathrooms are now open at the Dog Park.

Concurrently, Val Bechteler or Angela Mann will be hosting a Zoom meeting as we've regularly been doing on Saturday mornings. Thank you to Angela and Val Bechteler for hosting these Zoom meetings. If you haven't joined our virtual meetings yet because you aren't comfortable using Zoom, contact Angela or Val for a trial run. You can even participate in the Zoom meeting on your landline phone with just audio.

Message from President Jill Robinson: Guild Meetings for Fall 2020

We are not able yet to let you know how meetings will go for the rest of the year. At this point, the church has authorized 15 people to meet in the building or 25 people to meet in the parking lot, all with social distancing and with extensive clean up procedures following the meeting. If the weather permits, we will meet in the park at the Good Dog Park for September and maybe October, as long as we have under 50 people and can be socially distanced. After that, it appears that we will be limited to Zoom until there is a vaccine and groups are allowed to gather once more. If we must resort to Zoom until things open up again, please join us. It is wonderful to get to see people in our community, even if virtually. Thankfully, we have our fiber habits to keep us occupied. Anyone who has run out, please contact me - I have more than enough to share!

Membership

To keep your active member status for the 2020-2021 guild year, dues are to be paid by the September meeting. Since we couldn't hold in person meetings for March through June due to the pandemic, dues for the 2020-2021 year are reduced to \$15. However, if you want to pay the

standard \$20 membership fee, the extra \$5 will be donated to a fiber related non-profit that has been impacted by COVID-19. Suggestions for a deserving non-profit are welcome and the guild will select one when we next meet. You can mail your check made out to the "Golden Fleece Spinners' Society" to Sue Jones at 404 Sixth St, Liverpool, NY 13088. Please include any contact information changes.

Guild Officer Elections for 2020-2022

We will be holding officer elections at the September meeting. The slate of nominees is:

President – Jill Robinson

Vice President - Nicole Massenzio

Treasurer - Angela Mann

Recording Secretary – Meg Welch

Corresponding Secretary – Joyce Lock

AUGUST MEETING

There was no August business meeting.

Treasurer's Report \$5,485.04 balance

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

None at this time

Proposed 2020-2021 Calendar and Programs (at the church unless otherwise noted)

September 19, 2020 Welcome to New Members at Onondaga Lake Park
October 17, 2020 Heritage Breed Study: Oxford at Onondaga Lake Park

November 21, 2020 Charity Knit and Crochet

December 19, 2020 Holiday Party

January 16, 2021 Roc Day Celebration

February 20, 2021 TBD

March 20, 2021 Guild Auction

April TBD, 2021 Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center

April TBD, 2021 TBD

May 15, 2021 Basket Making June 19, 2021 Guild Picnic

July 17, 2021 Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park August 21, 2021 Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park

August TBD, 2021 Guild Weekend at NYS Fair Wool Center

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