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 June 19th, 2021, 10:00 AM

Annual Auction

Bring your bag lunch and beverage

The meeting this month is our annual fund raising auction with auctioneer Christina Rotondo. Each member is asked to **contribute at least 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. Since we missed last year's auction due to the pandemic, there should be a lot of items so bring your cash or checkbook to join in the fun. **Plan on arriving early** in order to display your donations and get a good view of all the items prior to the start of the auction. **Masks and social distancing will be required** per the church.

Breed Study

The East Friesian fiber will be distributed to members at the meeting. If you don't plan on attending the meeting, contact Jill Robinson to make other distribution arrangements.

Membership Dues

Sue Jones will be collecting membership dues for the 2021/2022 guild year. See the details in the following May meeting minutes.

MAY MEETING

Recording Secretary Meg Welch provided the following meeting minutes.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM or shortly after by President Jill Robinson.

- 1. Treasurer's report: the current balance is \$3939.13.
- 2. Bouckville: the CNY Fiber Arts Festival, June 12-13, 2021, is allowing two demonstrators from our guild at any given time. At this time all four three hour slots

are filled, but if anyone else is interested in demonstrating, we may be able to rotate you in for an hour or so.

- 3. Guild Auction: Will be held at the Church. Masks will be required for all as we do not wish to make any assumptions about vaccination status.
- 4. Jill hopes to have the East Friesian fiber for the next breed study bagged and ready for distribution at the June meeting.
- 5. Dues for the 2021-2022 meeting year will once again be \$20 for an individual and \$30 for a family consisting of an adult member and family members under 21. Sue Jones will begin collecting the dues at the June meeting, or members may mail a check made out to Golden Fleece Spinners' Society to:

Sue Jones 404 Sixth St Liverpool, NY 13088

If you would like to pay your dues electronically you can send them to Angela Mann:

- PayPal
- Venmo
- Zelle

Once received, Angela will let Sue know via email that you are paid in full. Please include any changes to your contact information.

- 6. We are anticipating having future speakers on spinning and fiber topics in the coming year. They may be Zoom presentations.
- 7. Scrappy socks: a few more members showed some beautiful scrappy projects, including mitts.
- 8. There was a reminder of the Shepherd's Wool Market in Rush next weekend (May 22) in the church parking lot, there will be no bathroom access.
- 9. Laureen Whitney is looking for scraps of yarn dyed with natural materials (plants, onion skins, nuts, bark, etc) to show to children and let them touch it. Anyone wishing to contribute, please put the yarn in a ziploc bag with a note indicating the dye material used.

The meeting was then adjourned, followed by Show and Tell and an inspiring and informative presentation by the featured speaker Deb Robson on Zoom on the importance of Breed Specific Wools.

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

June 12-13, 2021 *CNY Fiber Arts Festival, Bouckville, NY

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: Make & More, Warners, NY

November 21, 2020 Charity Knit and Crochet via Zoom

December 19, 2020 Holiday Party via Zoom

January 16, 2021 Roc Day Celebration via Zoom

February 20, 2021 Color In Spinning with Carolyn Greenwood via Zoom

March 20, 2021 Zoom Meeting April 17, 2021 Zoom Meeting

May 15, 2021 Breed Specific Wools with Deborah Robson via Zoom

June 19, 2021 Annual Auction

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

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