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 17th, 2023, 10:00 AM Grace Episcopal Church Baldwinsville, NY

Annual Guild Picnic and Market Day

Hostess: Jill Robinson; Treats: Sue Jones

Bring a dish to pass, your table setting and a beverage. As a special treat there will be all the fixings for **Make Your Own Sundae**.

For **Market Day**, members bring items to sell - fiber related, food, plants, etc. Non-members may also bring items but need to pay a \$20 fee to the guild.

Sue Jones will be collecting **membership dues** for the 2023-2024 guild year that starts in September: \$20 for an individual and \$30 for a family consisting of an adult member and family members under 21. Dues must be paid by the November meeting to remain a member of the guild. If you won't be at the meeting, mail a check made out to the Golden Fleece Spinners' Society to:

Sue Jones 404 Sixth St Liverpool, NY 13088

If you would like to pay your dues electronically, send them via PayPal to goldenfleecespinners@gmail.com. Select "Sending to a Friend" so that the transfer is free. Otherwise, you will be responsible for paying the PayPal fee so that the guild gets the full amount. Once received, Treasurer Angela Mann will let Sue know via email that you are paid in full. Please include any changes to your contact information.

MAY MEETING

President Jill Robinson called the meeting to order at 10:20 AM.

She welcomed new members Jennifer Blanchard, Jules Heller, and Sherry Webb, and visitors.

Members were directed to sign up for treats and hostessing.

The Treasurer, Angela Mann, reported a Guild balance of \$6,763.63.

Jill reminded everyone of the importance of keeping tetanus shots up to date now that show and fleece season is upon us.

The **CNY Fiber** show demonstrator signup sheet is full, but you can sign up to be an alternate.

NYS Fair Wool Center: Linda Miller won't start processing until June. She will be organizing the building on Sundays from 12 to 4 pm until then.

There is a signup sheet for demonstrators at the **Golden Harvest Festival** at Beaver Lake in September.

There was some discussion of a **Bus Trip** last meeting. Anyone interested in organizing a trip should see Angela. She will be happy to share information and experience from previous trips.

Everson Museum's Festival of Trees: We will need 50 to 150 ornaments and garlands to decorate the tree. Please start thinking about what you will be making.

Jill is looking for a NYS Cheviot fleece source for the next Heritage Breed Study.

June Picnic meeting will be held at the Church, inside or out depending on the weather, etc.

<u>Announcements</u>

Sue Jones attended Kate Pelkey's Spin In in Fairhaven and reported a very favorable experience. She said Kate is looking to repeat the Spin In on the 3rd Friday of the month throughout the summer. For more information contact Kate at otterlakefarmfiber@gmail.com.

Eastern Great Lakes Fiber Conference (October 6 to 9 at Chautauqua Institution) registration is open www.eglfc.org.

Christine Tartaro told us that the Twisted Stitches knitting guild will be having a guest speaker on the history of knitting and will be opening the meeting to all. She will send specifics in an all-quild email.

Linda Brust modeled another version of official guild clothing and has price lists. She will put another order in as soon as enough people put in for any item to meet the vendor's minimums.

Elizabeth Wilcox let members know about a fiber event planned for June 18 in Ithaca in concert with the local market day. She will email details to all Guild members.

The meeting closed at 10:50, followed by Show and Tell.

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

August 26-27, 2023 Fiber Arts Weekend, Farmers Museum, Cooperstown, NY

2022-2023 Calendar and Programs (at the church unless otherwise noted)

September 17, 2022	Welcome to New Members, Luncheon, Market Day
October 22, 2022	Ornament Making for Everson Museum of Art Festival of
	Trees
November 19, 2022	Charity Knit and Crochet

December 17, 2022 Holiday Party

January 21, 2023 Roc Day Celebration

February 18, 2023 Yoga for Crafters and Mindful Making with Val Bechteler,

Zoom Meeting

Guild Auction March 18, 2023

April 15, 2023 Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center

April 22, 2023 Open Spin May 20, 2023 Open Spin June 17, 2023 **Guild Picnic**

July 15, 2023 Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park August 19, 2023

August 26-27, 2023 Guild Weekend at the NYS Fair Wool Center

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