



WOOL GATHERINGS...

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 19th, 2026, 10:00 AM

**Grace Episcopal Church
Baldwinsville, NY**

Welcome to New Members, Pot-Luck Lunch and Market Day

Hostess and Treats: Officers

For the **Pot-Luck Lunch**, bring a dish to pass along with your table setting.

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.

Remember to bring items for **Show and Tell** – it's a chance to share what you crafted over the summer or submitted to the NYS Fair competitions. Congratulations to NYS Fair prize winners Elaine Salvetti, Angela Mann and Nicole Massenzio.

Membership dues for the 2026-2027 guild year will be collected at the meeting: \$20 for an individual and \$30 for a family consisting of an adult member and family members under 21. 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 goldenfleece spinners@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.

Collection of handknits by the Schweinfurth Art Center: They want to receive the donations by September 30. Donations can be brought to the September guild meeting, and we will get them to the Schweinfurth. See information below.

Auburn businesswoman Melody Smith Johnson, owner of Divine Coverings, LLC and Melody's Coworking Space, is organizing her 7th Annual My Hands Warm Your Heart – For Women by Women giveaway, and she needs your help!

She is looking for donations of new handmade hats, gloves, and scarves that she can bedazzle and give to women in need. Last year, artisans connected to the Schweinfurth Art Center made more than 200 pieces, which were bedazzled and given away in just a few hours at the Auburn Rescue Mission shelter last November.

Please drop off completed hats, gloves, and scarves at the Schweinfurth by Sept. 30, 2026. Johnson and other volunteers from the Auburn community will add beads, glass diamonds, and other embellishments to the knitwear before giving it away.

AUGUST MEETING

There was no business meeting.

Announcements

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

September 12, 2026	Fall Yarn and Fiber Day at Spinners Hill, Bainbridge, NY
September 12, 2026	Little Lakes Fiber Fair, Hemlock, NY
September 12-13, 2026	Golden Harvest Festival, Beaver Lake Nature Center, Baldwinsville, NY*
September 12-13, 2026	Endless Mountains Fiber Festival, New Milford, NY
September 19-20, 2026	Adirondacks Wool and Arts Festival , Greenwich, NY
September 26, 2026	WNY Fiber Arts Festival , East Aurora, NY
October 3-4, 2026	Vermont Sheep & Wool Festival , Tunbridge Fairgrounds, VT
October 10-11, 2026	Little York Fall Fiber Arts Festival , Preble, NY
October 17-18, 2026	New York Sheep and Wool Festival , Rhinebeck, NY
November 7-8, 2026	Fiber Festival of New England , West Springfield, MA
January 9, 2027	Black Sheep Handspinners Guild Roc Day , Lansing, NY
February 13, 2027	Tina Turner Knits Fiber Arts Festival , Henrietta, NY
April 24, 2027	Connecticut Sheep and Wool Festival, North Haven, CT
May 1-2, 2027	Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival , West Friendship, MD
May 8, 2027	Shepherds Wool Market, Rush, NY
May 8-9, 2027	New Hampshire Sheep and Wool Festival, Deerfield, NH
May 17-18, 2027	Central Pennsylvania Fiber Festival, Hughesville, PA
June 5-6, 2027	CNY Fiber Arts Festival , Herkimer County Fairgrounds, NY*

2026-2027 Calendar and Program Plan (at the church unless otherwise noted)

September 19, 2026	Welcome to New Members, Luncheon, Market Day
October 24, 2026	Open Spin
November 21, 2026	Charity Knit and Crochet
December 19, 2026	Holiday Party
January 16, 2027	Roc Day Celebration
February 20, 2027	Open Spin
March 20, 2027	Guild Auction
April 10, 2027	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center
April 17, 2027	Spring Clean Your Spinning Wheel
May 15, 2027	Open Spin
June 19, 2027	Guild Picnic
July 17, 2027	Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park
August 21, 2027	Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park

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