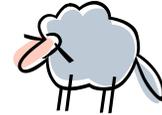


# WOOL GATHERINGS...



## ***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 October 23rd, 2021, 10:00 AM**  
**Grace Episcopal Church**  
**Baldwinsville, NY**

**Breed Study: Columbia**

*Hostess: Joyce Lock, Treats: Nicole Massenzio, TBD*

Note, this meeting is the **fourth Saturday of the month, October 23<sup>rd</sup>** in order not to conflict with the New York Sheep and Wool Festival in Rhinebeck, NY.

An online survey of guild members was conducted to determine if we should meet in-person in the church or virtually via Zoom, with the majority in favor of meeting in-person. **Masks and social distancing will be required** for our meeting inside the church.

The next fiber in our Breed Study is Columbia, it was distributed at the September meeting. If you haven't gotten your fiber yet, it will be available at the October meeting. We'll be spinning it and discussing our findings at the meeting.

### **Membership Dues**

Dues for the 2021-2022 meeting year are \$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 maintain active member status. 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, send them via PayPal to [goldenfleece spinners@gmail.com](mailto:goldenfleece spinners@gmail.com). **Select "send money to a friend" so that the transfer is free.** Otherwise, if you use the option for paying for products/services then PayPal charges a fee, and the guild won't get 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.

## **SEPTEMBER MEETING**

Vice President Nicole Massenzio called the meeting to order.

This in person meeting took place in the parking lot of Grace Episcopal Church. The usual repast of dishes brought by members was waived this year due to Covid concerns. Mosquitos, however, dined quite well on the brave attendees.

Nicole Massenzio opened the meeting for President Jill Robinson with a hearty welcome, especially to new members and visitors. She explained the name tags, which were not available at the time.

Members were reminded to sign up to act as host/hostess and/or to bring treats.

Treasurers Report: we have a balance of \$6,032.12. Using the PayPal account for payment of dues works very well.

All members were reminded that dues must be paid no later than the November meeting. Sue Jones has a list of those not yet paid and is taking payments.

Nicole asked for a report on the guild demonstration at the Beaver Lake Golden Harvest Festival. Members who attended reported favorably, although attendance at the event was reduced because of the Covid Epidemic.

Next Spring's Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake is to be a guild member vendor driven event with invitations extended to three nonmembers who have participated in the past. The vendors themselves will be doing the bulk of the work, but guild members will be solicited to volunteer help at the time of the event.

The State Fair will be down to a more manageable 13 days next year starting on August 24, 2022.

Members reported on their experience with the East Friesian wool samples.

The next breed study will be Columbia. Joyce Lock passed out three ounce samples to the members in attendance who were interested.

Everyone was reminded that the October meeting will be the fourth Saturday, 10/23/2021, because of the conflict with the NYS Sheep and Wool Festival.

The program schedule for the year was reviewed. Meetings will be at the Church unless otherwise noted.

The meeting was then followed by amazing displays of members' work over the last year in the Show and Tell.

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

October 16-17, 2021	NYS Sheep and Wool Festival, Rhinebeck, NY
October 29-31, 2021	Empire Alpaca Showtacular, NYS Fair Grounds
November 6, 2021	Northeast Handspinners Association Open House, Belfast, Maine
November 6-7, 2021	Fiber Festival of New England, Big E Expo Center, West Springfield, MA
April 30, 2022	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center*
May 7-8, 2022	Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival
June 11-12, 2022	CNY Fiber Festival, Bouckville, NY*

**2021-2022 Calendar and Program Plan** (at the Church Unless Otherwise Noted)

September 18, 2021	Welcome to New Members, Luncheon, Market Day
October 23, 2021	Heritage Breed Study: Columbia
November 20, 2021	Charity Knit and Crochet
December 18, 2021	Holiday Party
January 15, 2022	Roc Day Celebration
February 19, 2022	Open Spin
March 19, 2022	Guild Auction
April 16, 2022	Open Spin, Market Day
April 30, 2022	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center
May 21, 2022	Open Spin
June 18, 2022	Guild Picnic
July 16, 2022	Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park
August 20, 2022	Open Spin, Onondaga Lake Park
August 27-28, 2022	Guild Weekend at the NYS Fair Wool Center

Newsletter Editor: Joyce Lock ([joycelock3@gmail.com](mailto:joycelock3@gmail.com))

Ravelry Group: <http://www.ravelry.com/groups/golden-fleece-spinners-society>

Twitter: @GoldenFleece1

Website: <http://goldenfleecespinnerssociety.org/>

Email: [goldenfleecespinners@gmail.com](mailto:goldenfleecespinners@gmail.com),

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/GoldenFleeceSpinnersSociety>

---