

Guild Newsletter September 2021

The September guild meeting will be at Springside Farm, Fabius, NY. Future meeting locations will be discussed at the meeting. If we have enough attendees our program will be **Breed Bingo**. More info on that appears below.

Treasurer's Report: Current balance is \$896.19. Raquel wrote a check for the amount of \$26.84 to Joyce as reimbursement for the guild's website. The website is <https://cherryvalleycountryspinners.org>.

Old Business:

- Stephanie wasn't able to get in touch with the Ag. Museum to ask about opportunities to demonstrate there.
- Pauli got a thank you note from Wonderer's Rest for the donation of the proceeds from the sale of Catherine Jones' fiber related items at Bouckville. Pauli suggested having a rummage sale at each CNY Fiber Festival.

New Business:

- As of Aug 25th, the Little York Fiber Festival is on for October 9 – 10, 2021.
- The Everson Museum of Art in Syracuse, is looking for folks to demonstrate/teach fiber related arts at its AbStranded: Fiber and Abstraction in Contemporary Art exhibition on September 18th. The person that Kirsten was in contact with is no longer with the Everson and her replacement has not responded to Kirsten. Therefore we will not be participating in this event.
- The Empire Alpaca show at the NYS Fair Grounds is currently on for Saturday, Oct 30th. They have listened to the concerns from last year and plan to make changes for the comfort of the demonstrators and also for the demonstrators to be closer to the vendors. This year it will be in the Dairy Barn from 9 AM – 5 PM, although vendors and demonstrators can start setting up at 8AM. No parking pass is needed, but you must bring your own chair. New member Sarah is our contact point. We would demonstrate Friday and Saturday.
- Mary Ellen Wall-Stearn is a weaver who has 3 pounds of alpaca she needs spun up into a fine yarn. She will pay to have this done. Anyone interested can contact her at 315-559-9145

Breed Bingo: We have played this game once before and had a lot of fun doing it. The way it works is there will be "bingo" cards for \$1 each and you can get as many cards as you like. The funds collected will go to the guild. The cards have squares with different sheep breeds and some of their characteristics. No two cards are alike. Chips with the breed names are pulled from a box and called out. The first person who has 5 breed names in a row (horizontal, vertical, or diagonally) gets to pick out any fiber related article (fiber, books, tools, nick-nacks) that have been donated by guild members. This is a great way to do a little de-stashing and help the guild at the same time. I only ask that you bring \$1 bills, since it will be difficult to make change.