

Cherry Valley Country Spinners & Fiber Artists

March 2023 Newsletter

Next Meeting: Thursday March 9th, 2023, 10:00 AM
Cazenovia Library, Cazenovia, NY

***Three Bags Full* DVD with Judith MacKenzie**

We gather at 10:00am and start the business meeting at 10:30am. After the business meeting and Show and Tell, we'll watch the DVD, *Three Bags Full* with Judith MacKenzie. She offers a personal tour of the Estes Wool Market in Estes Park, Colorado with lots of information on different sheep breeds and choosing a fleece (the do's and don'ts). If you are so inclined, bring a treat to share and your coffee mug.

Membership Dues

Dues for 2023 are \$20 and are being collected now. To maintain your active member status, bring your payment to the guild meeting or mail a check made out to Raquel Huckans to the Membership Coordinator by the March meeting:

Joyce Lock
212 Hurlburt Rd
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FEBRUARY BUSINESS MEETING

President Kirsten Weyter called the meeting to order, ten people were in attendance.

Treasurer's Report - balance of \$1261.92.

Committee Reports

Membership: Raquel is collecting 2023 membership fees, fourteen members have paid. The \$20 fee is due by the March meeting in order to be included in the membership listing that is published in April.

Library: Judy will put the remaining books on LibraryThing. Members can access a list of library holdings by simply clicking on <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/CVSG/>; no need to log in. Judy printed a list of the items in our guild library.

Program: For the March program we'll watch a fiber related DVD, Marguerite will look for one. The April program will be on Silk, presented by Nancy Morey; she'll bring samples and items to purchase. The May meeting will be stuffing envelopes and updating signs for the CNY Fiber Arts Festival.

Newsletter: Jeanne Oliver volunteered to provide a Bio for the March newsletter.

Old Business

New Business

Announcements

MEMBER BIO: Jeanne Oliver

Where do I begin? Probably sewing stuffed animals with my sister, cousins and a friend. We sold them at a church bazaar. At about the same time my mom taught me to knit. My grandmother taught my sister and I to crochet. It was difficult for me because my mom, grandmother, and sister were left-handed. Therefore my sister picked it up faster! Not one of us realized the problem at the time. Not so easy living in a left- and right-handed world sometimes. So for a few years I crocheted backwards. Then when my first daughter was born, I stopped crocheting. When I decided to pick it up again, I taught myself to crochet the right way! No pun intended. I then found different places to sell my products. During a Fourth of July celebration a man saw what I made and asked if I would like to put my items in his shop. I ended up really good friends with his mom and started painting with her every week. I did a few craft fairs in Massachusetts with my family when I lived there.

Then I turned forty and decided I wanted sheep. Just before we moved to New York I bought two Oxfords from a dairy farmer. He bought them from a sheep farmer from New York! Who knew!!! Well, we moved to New York like Noah's Ark the day after Christmas 1992. We had dogs, cats, bunnies, fish and sheep, with four daughters. It was quite an experience, but a good one. That started our hobby farm. We love our animals.

When I moved here, I called the 4-H office and tried to get contacts in the area for sheep and spinning. They did give me several people. Most of the people unfortunately were not real helpful. I did end up going to Sunny Bixby's to learn to spin. The problem was I did not have the money at the time to buy a spinning wheel. I did not know about the Cherry Valley Spinners Guild at the time. When I did find out I was working and could not attend the meetings. When I retired, Peg Lewis started going to spinners guild and asked me if I wanted to go. Peg and I met every week to knit and crochet projects together. We started off working on projects we wanted to finish.

After the first spinners guild meeting I enjoyed it so much I decided to join. I love the group of ladies and the little tips to help improve my craft. Meeting Paulie has brought me back to what I started in Massachusetts, selling crafts and enjoying the camaraderie which I share with all of you.

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

April 15, 2023	CNY Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center, Baldwinsville, NY
June 10-11, 2023	CNY Fiber Arts Festival , Bouckville, NY*
August 26-27, 2023	Fiber Arts Weekend at Farmers Museum, Cooperstown, NY

2022-2023 Guild Calendar and Programs

January 12, 2023	Roc Day Celebration
February 9, 2023	Open Spin
March 9, 2023	<i>Three Bags Full</i> DVD
April 13, 2023	Silk with Nancy Morey
May 11, 2023	Envelope Stuffing for CNY Fiber Festival
June 8, 2023	Guild Picnic
July 13, 2023	Open Spin
August 10, 2023	Open Spin
August 24, 2023	Guild Day at the NYS Fair Wool Center
September 14, 2023	TBD
October 12, 2023	Tapestry Weaving with Donna Movsovich
November 9, 2023	TBD
December 14, 2023	Holiday Party

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