

Cherry Valley Country Spinners & Fiber Artists

January 2025 Newsletter

Next Meeting: Thursday January 9th, 2025, 11:00 AM
Home of Raquel Huckans
2007 Syosset Dr, Cazenovia, NY

Roc Day Potluck Luncheon

Note the January meeting will be at the home of Raquel Huckans and will start at 11:00am. Bring a dish to pass for the Roc Day Potluck Luncheon; please park on the street and carpool. For Show and Tell please bring any fiber related items you received over the holidays or treated yourself to.

Directions to Raquel's home from Rt 20 in Cazenovia:

Coming from the east on Rt 20, turn left onto Lincklaen St. Turn left onto Syosset Dr. Raquel's home is on the left.

Coming from the west on Rt 20, turn right onto Lincklaen St. Turn left onto Syosset Dr. Raquel's home is on the left.

For those unfamiliar with Roc Day, according to Wikipedia

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Distaff_Day:

Distaff Day, also called **Roc Day** or **Rock Day**, is 7 January, the day after the feast of the [Epiphany](#). It is also known as **Saint Distaff's Day**, one of the many unofficial holidays in Catholic nations.

The [distaff](#), or roc, used in spinning was the medieval symbol of women's work. In many European cultural traditions, women resumed their household work after the [twelve days of Christmas](#). Women of all classes would spend their evenings spinning on the wheel. During the day, they would carry a [drop spindle](#) with them. Spinning was the only means of turning raw wool, cotton or flax into thread, which could then be woven into cloth.

Membership Dues

Dues for 2025 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 Cherry Valley Country Spinners to the Membership Coordinator:

Joyce Lock
212 Hurlburt Rd
Syracuse, NY 13224

DECEMBER BUSINESS MEETING

President Marguerite Hickernell called the meeting to order with thirteen people in attendance.

Treasurer's Report - balance of \$1869.75.

Committee Reports

Program: The January program is our annual Roc Day Potluck at Raquel's home. Bring a dish to pass. In February, we'll be back at the Community Room in the Cazenovia Library. We'll play a knitting game called "Last Knitter Standing". July will be Dyeing Day at Springside Farm in Fabius. Members are also interested in a Dorset Button program, but someone needs to lead it.

Old Business

Members voted to give the Cazenovia Library \$100 a year, no longer dependent on the number of times we meet in the Community Room. Marguerite will send a check to the library for \$100.

New Business

Membership: Annual \$20 dues will be collected at the January meeting.

Announcements

[Black Sheep Handspinners Guild Roc Day](#) in Lansing is January 11th.

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

January 11, 2025	Black Sheep Handspinners Guild Roc Day , Lansing, NY
February 16, 2025	Tina Turner Knits Fiber Arts Festival , Henrietta, NY
April 26, 2025	Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center , Baldwinsville NY
April 26, 2025	Connecticut Sheep & Wool Fiber Festival , North Haven, CT
May 3, 2025	Syracuse Maker Faire , NYS Fairgrounds, Syracuse, NY
May 3-4, 2025	Maryland Sheep & Wool Festival , West Friendship, MD
May 10, 2025	Shepherd's Wool Market , Rush, NY
May 10-11, 2025	New Hampshire Sheep and Wool Festival , Deerfield, NH
May 17-18, 2025	Central Pennsylvania Fiber Festival , Hughesville, PA
May 24-25, 2025	Massachusetts Sheep & Wool Show , Cummington, Ma
June 7-8, 2025	CNY Fiber Arts Festival* , Herkimer County Fairgrounds, NY

2025 Guild Calendar and Programs

January 9, 2025	Roc Day Celebration
February 13, 2025	Last Knitter Standing Game
March 13, 2025	Open Spin
April 10, 2025	Open Spin
May 8, 2025	Envelope Stuffing for CNY Fiber Festival
June 12, 2025	Guild Picnic
July 10, 2025	Dye Day
August 21, 2025	Guild Day at the NYS Fair Wool Center
September 11, 2025	Open Spin
October 9, 2025	Open Spin
November 13, 2025	Open Spin
December 11, 2025	Holiday Party

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