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Black Sheep Handspinners Guild Newsletter

Message from the President

Dear Fellow Spinners,

A new year is beginning and with it many new projects and ideas and challenges. But first of all, Roc Day is coming. If you know a good place, hang up one of our Roc Day posters. And of course, come, bring family and a dish to pass and celebrate! I'm looking very much forward to admire all the different neck warmers for our competition.

I'm hoping very much to see you all January 11th,

Angelika

Guild Business News

The next guild meeting will be on Saturday, January 11, 2020 at All Saints Church Parish Hall, Route 34B, in Lansing, NY. Our Annual Roc Day celebration will happen on that day. More information on this event is within this newsletter.

The Guild meets on the second Saturday of every month. Exceptions are possible. See location changes in the latest newsletter.

Name Change for Roc Day Event

It was decided to rename the paper bag raffle 'Ellie's Raffle', since it was her effort and work that got the raffle started and working. It was also suggested we'd donate a prize at the State Fair in honor of Ellie May. We will discuss this idea further at our February meeting.

Old News

Guild Meeting Location
All members are asked to be on the lookout for an alternative potential meeting location in a reasonable price range. It must have adequate parking.

Membership fees are due in January
Because of increased rent, we voted to increase membership fee to $25 yearly starting January 2020.

If you know of folks who would like to join, please have them contact Louise Henrie and pay dues at: henrielm6@aol.com.
Address List

We put together a list featuring, names, email addresses, and telephone numbers. This list is available in printed form at guild meetings or by request to Secretary, Wayne Harbert at weh2@cornell.edu or phone 607-564-9328.

Guild Officers

President  Angelika St.Laurent
Vice President  Sue Quick
Secretary  Wayne Harbert
Treasurer  Louise Henrie
Newsletter  Suzanne Schwartz
Workshops  Marcia Weinert
Webmaster  Rosane Mordt
Roc-Day Coordinator  Yvonne LaMontagne
Upcoming Fiber Events, Craft Fairs and Workshops

Roc Day

Our annual Roc Day celebration will be held on Saturday, January 11, 2020.

Help Needed for Publicity: All members are asked to print out a poster or two (the pdf-file will be sent along with this newsletter) and hang them somewhere visible.

Spinning and Knitting/Crochet Challenge: Anne Furman and Alison Morris have prepared a neck warmer project for the 2020 Roc Day Competition. If you have signed up for the competition, remember that Roc Day is less than two weeks away! Hand in your project by 10:30 AM on Roc Day.

Ellie’s Raffle: If you have something to donate to this year’s raffle, please bring it either on Friday, January 10, while we are setting up (4:30 PM - 6 PM) or contact Lynne Anguish directly to arrange a meeting to bring items to her house (Snyder Hill Road). Since it takes a while to properly display all items for the paper bag raffle, we won’t be able to include items brought later than 9 AM on Roc Day. (Late items will be quite happily included in the paper bag raffle of 2021.)

Volunteers: If you would like to volunteer for any of the unclaimed spots on the Volunteer List, please contact Yvonne LaMontagne: yvonnemarie999@gmail.com or (607) 272-3204.
Roc Day Flyer

Roc Day 2020
Saturday, January 11
10:00 - 4:00

Celebrate a New Year of Spinning and Fiber Arts!

Vendors
Dish To Pass Lunch
Spinning Circle
Paper Bag Raffle
Neck Warmer Contest
Demonstrations:
  Exotic Spinning Wheels
  Card Weaving
  Spinning - 1529 Wheel
  Chain Mail
  Local Fiber
Workshops:
  Fiber Tools
  Spindle Spinning

All Saints Church Parish Hall
347 Ridge Road
(Corner of 34B & Myers Rd)
Lansing, NY

Parking behind the church

Brought to you by:
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Roc Day 2020 Spinning and Knitting/Crochet Challenge

Spin 3.5 oz of Targee wool roving to create yarn. Spinning techniques are your choice – any gauge, any ply, any technique. Use the yarn you spin to knit or crochet a neck warmer (can’t be a scarf or a shawlette). You may choose the pattern. Use only the fiber provided with no dyeing or additions of any kind. It is not necessary to use all the fiber. It is necessary to use only the fiber provided.

10:30 deadline for neck warmers to go into the judged contest. Anything entered after the deadline will be entered into the popular choice judging.

Contact person for this event is Anne Furman: ahfurman@yahoo.com or 607-387-4141.

Roc Day 2020 Schedule

Doors Open
10:00-4:00 Spinning Circle, Vendors

All Day
Demonstration: Exotic Wheels (Wayne Harbert)

10:30 - 11:30 Workshop: Fiber Tools with Marjorie

10:30 Last chance to hand in your project for the competition for formal judging

11:30 Demonstration: Historical Hand spinning with Lois Spinning on Anna Codde’s 1529 Spinning Wheel

11:30 - 12:30 Workshop: Drop Spindle Spinning with Rosane, Marjorie, and Suzanne

11:30 - 1:30 Dish-to-pass luncheon

12:00 Demonstration: Local Fibers

12:30 Demonstration: Chain Mail with Beth

1:00 Demonstration: Card Weaving with Rachel

1:00 Sale of tickets for Ellie’s Raffle ends
2:00  Presentation to the winners of Ellie’s raffle. You or your designee must be present to win

2:30  Prizes awarded to winners of the Neck Warmer Competition

4:00  Celebration ends for this year--we hope to see you next year!
Vendors for ROC Day 2020

Mary Miller, Dear Mary Handspun and Handwoven - Hand-woven and hand-spun towels and scarves, hand-knit socks from my hand-spun yarns, hand-spun skeins, from cobweb to chunky weight, from dyers such as Hello Yarn, Southern Cross, and Spunky Eclectic.

Karey Solomon, Graceful Arts Fiber Studio - Dyed roving, hand-dyed sock yarns, knitting, crocheting, and tatting supplies.


Holly Partridge, Peartree Farm - Teesdale fleeces and locks, other breeds to include Wensleydale.

Lisa Merian, Spinner’s Hill - Hand-dyed roving, fiber blends, batts, and yarns. Also fiber arts supplies.

Susan Sarabasha, Susan’s Spinning Bunny - Hand-dyed fibers and yarns, spindles, patterns, kits, and accessories.

Margaret Flowers, Trinity Farm - Icelandic and Shetland fleece, rovings, and hand-spun yarns, hand-made sheep-milk soaps, original needle-felted creations.

Heather Warren, Lochan Mor Farm - Roving, yarns, hand dyed locks and raw fleeces from Angora goats, Leicester Longwools, Romeldale CVMs and Romney sheep.
### Volunteer Schedule for 11 January, 2020

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<td>10:45-11:45 Kay Stickane</td>
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<td>11:45-12:45 Jeanette Sweeney, Susan Shilliff</td>
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### Kitchen - Anne Furman

1. Anne Furman
2. Susan Cerretani (607-423-5957)
3. Sue Quick (9 - 11)
4. Sandy Barry (2 - 3)
5. 
6. 

### Floaters - Yvonne LaMontagne

10-11
11-12 Vickie Marsted
12-1 Ronda Porras (262-0638)

### Competition: Alison Morris

### Competition Table

1. Alison Morris
2. Marie Bryhan
3. Anne Furman

### Clean-Up 4 - 6:30 pm - Yvonne LaMontagne

1. Yvonne LaMontagne
2. Angelika St.Laurent
3. Sharon Gombas
4. Wayne Harbert
5. Lynne Anguish
6. A. J. Restbergs
Blacksheep Handspinner's Guild Winter Retreat 2020

February 21\textsuperscript{nd} to February 23\textsuperscript{rd}

Price of $183.75 includes - Shared Room w/shower, 4 meals and linens. The cost includes meals: Saturday breakfast, lunch, dinner, and Sunday breakfast. We bring our dish to pass, goodies and drinks (wine) etc. for Friday night. (We always have more than enough.)

A non-refundable deposit of $25 is required to hold your spot. Please pay your deposit to Kat by February 1, 2020.

New Members welcome!

Special Dietary needs can accommodated if Kat is notified at least one week in advance.

No walk-ins are allowed. You MUST Sign Up and Pay in advance to attend.

Contact:
Kat Thomas: katiris2@yahoo.com or (607) 345-7919
1554 E River Rd
Cortland NY 13045

Pay with check, cash or PayPal. Non-Refundable Deposit Required.

It's a fun event held at Casowasco Camp & Retreat Center. We stay in Galilee.
Galilee

Galilee is the renovated, former summer home of the Case Family. The history of the building melds beautifully with hotel-style accommodations, creating an ideal place for groups to meet. This is the building most guests equate with Casowasco because of its history, location on the lake, and beauty.

The Rusty Best Memorial Library features an unmatched view of Owasco Lake and a cozy place to enjoy a book. Galilee also has a large living room that is typically used as the main meeting area for groups. The 2nd Floor has seen the most work and has become one of the most luxurious place to stay on site. Almost all of the bedrooms feature their own full baths and a beautiful view.

Galilee includes 12 bedrooms, 10 bathrooms, and 9 showers to accommodate up to 29 guests. Pillows and blankets are included with each room. The building features a piano, kitchenette, two gas fireplaces, and two covered porches. The larger porch has been updated for extended use in colder seasons with a transparent vinyl enclosure and propane patio heater. The campfire circle is located a short distance off the south porch, along the shore of Owasco Lake.

History

The history of Galilee is part of its unique charm. The building we now call Galilee was the former summer home of Theodore and Gertrude Case. Built in 1896 and uniquely designed to fit the contour of the shoreline, it quickly became the centerpiece of the Case estate. The rail road that runs along the property dropped off many famous guests during those years - including an alleged visit by Mr. Walt Disney.

After the purchase of the property in 1946, Galilee began to undergo what would be several changes, all with the intent of making the building into a retreat facility. In the late 70’s, it was almost closed for lack of funds to make the upgrades - but through volunteer work and an aggressive fund raising campaign, Galilee survived. Recent history has been very good to the facility. A large gift given by Peg Shields in the name of her parents, the Vetters, has enabled a massive renovation - insuring that this beautiful piece of history will be used for many years to come.
General Announcements

Knitters/Crocheters Needed!

The Boutique at The Cancer Resource Center is running very low of handmade knitted winter hats which are so needed and very much appreciated by our clients.

We are reaching out to you for your "loving hands" support. Can you help us? For more information contact rocio@crcfl.net or Jyl Dowd jyl@crcfl.net.

Thank you!!

To Place an Ad

The cost for ads is $5.00 per month for non-members. Current members may submit one business-card sized classified ad per month for free. Send a check made out to BSHG to our treasurer, Louise Henrie, 417 2nd Street, Ithaca, NY 14850. Send the ad in digital form to the newsletter editor, choonja43@gmail.com.
Vendors

**Trinity Farm**
Registered Shetland and Icelandic Sheep
Handspun Yarns, Carded Fiber, Well-Shorn Fleece
Margaret G. Flowers  Matthew W. Dietzert
Aurora, NY 13026
www.trinityfarm.net
315-246-1178  mflowers@wells.edu

**Spinning Bunny**
Hand Dyed Fiber & Yarn
Hand Crafted Spindles & Stools
Patterns, Kits, Accessories
www.spinningbunny.com
www.etsy.com/shop/spinningbunny
607-227-1216
311B Tupper Rd, W. Danby, NY 14883

**Handmade Glass Whorls**
Buttons, Pins & Beads by Isinglass Design
Glass whorls for medieval & viking inspired spindles
Beads, felted puppets and scarves now at Ithacamide
www.glassbead.etsy.com
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**Lady Llama Fiber Co.**
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falldaylamb@gmail.com
Shop: www.ladylamafibercouzetsy.com

**Chemung Valley Fiber Arts Guild**
Dedicated to Preserving & Teaching the Art of Handspinning and other Fiber Arts.
http://chemungvalleyguild.wordpress.com/

**Felted Flora**
Hand Knit & Felted Designs by Renato Brenner
FeltedFlora@att.net.com
www.etsy.com/shop/feltedflora

**Undeniably Loopy**
Award-Winning Design & Instruction
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Name ____________________________________________
Address ____________________________________________
Email (Print Neatly) ________________________________________
Phone # ________________________________________________

This information will be shared with registered guild members. If you wish to remain anonymous, please let Louise Henrie know.

Please list your wheel(s)
__________________________________________________________

Do you spindle spin? Yes or No (circle)
Do you Knit? Weave? Crochet? Dye? (Natural or Chemical?):
Would you be willing to share your skills with other members (ie: teach beginners, present a meeting topic, demo to the public, etc?)
If you raise fiber animals, please list them here__________________________________________________________

We need your help on committee(s). If you would like to volunteer, let our president, Angelika St.Laurent know!!!

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