



July Meeting Where?

The second Saturday of each month at Varna Community Center on Rt. 366. Bring lunch a cup too. We start at 11:00, end at 3:00.

What's doing?

Spin-n-chat, & show-n-tell. Constructive thoughts and discussion on objectives of Market Day.

Minutes June Meeting

Market Day plans are going well. The food vender will be Coyote Loco. The menu will include vegetarian as well as a lamb and chicken dish.

Valery Rockney will have two dye pots available, brazilwood-reds, and onionskins-yellow. If you would like to dye something bring a skein-no loose wool.

The Market Day emphasis is to be 1st on having an enjoyable day and 2nd to interest others, and exhibit our crafts.

We will have signs that show events, times and locations for beginning spinners, felting and dyeing demonstrations and hands on areas.

Set up time will be 8:00 am. Helpers welcome.

Samples of yarn and knitted articles will be on display. If you would like to exhibit anything bring it along.

So far there are ten vendors, many are taking two spaces. A majority of the vendors are contributing to the Chinese auction. It was decided to print the Chinese raffle tickets in a different color than the afghan tickets.

We still need people to sign up for different activities. Sign up at the quilt table when you arrive.

Phone Squad-should we re-establish? There were problems with the Johnson Art Museum tour which was cancelled at the last minute. If anyone isn't notified, the problem translates into lost time and extra mileage.

Show and tell although short was rewarding. Kathy Halton showed us her granddaughters beautiful "fair isle" type sweater in white, pink and green. It didn't seem to take to long for such a nice handknit.

Another beautiful sweater was Nancy Demjaneck's handknit mohair sweater. She has enough left to make one for her daughter too.

MOM

Meet our member secretary to BSHG Rickie McClure. While I sometimes feel like a westerner trapped in Central New York, I will always be beholdin' to this part of the count for introducing me to the joy of spinning.

I met and married my husband Peter in California, but we didn't stay there long. We spent the next 10 years moving from one part of the country to another. Along the way we had two children. Sara is only 15, but sometimes I wonder who ^{the} mother is. Harper is 12 and I wonder if he will live long enough to grow up to be anyone's parent.

Most of my days are filled with working as a Case Manager for ARC in Cortland County and playing chauffeur for Sara and Harper. When I have the chance I like to hike, cross country ski and garden.

Future plans include becoming more proficient at knitting and getting a masters in computer science as well as retiring somewhere in the Santo de Cristo mountain range.

Membership

Addition to membership list;

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NewsNote

The New York State Fair Booklet is out. If you havn't received one call;

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In Europe the handspindle was the only tool for spinning yarn until the early Renaissance, when the spinning wheel appeared. Simple spindles produced all the thread, yarns, and cordage for household use, for commerce and for war, for at least 9,000 years. The handspindle met all these human needs; Clothing, household linens, uniforms for the armies, cloth wrapping and cordage for packages, trappings for animals and rugs and tapestries, sails for all ships. Were it not for the spindle Europe would have gone naked until the thirteenth century.

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Calendar

- July 8 BSHG regular mtg.
- 6-13 Convergence Minneapolis, MN
- 21-23 Eastern Great Lakes Fiber Conference
Genesee State College
- Aug 14 Cooperstown Farmer's Museum spin-in
9:00-5:00 car pool planned
- Sept 10 BSHG mtg and garage sale and beginner
help
- 10-11 Central New York Sheep and Fiber
Festival Otsego County Fair Grounds
Morris NY. Vendors deadline Sept 6
- Oct 8 BSHG mtg shoe and tell from State Fair
- 16-23 SOAR '94 Welches, OR
Rheinbeck Sheep and Wool Festival
- Nov 12 BSHG mtg wool combs Marie Bryhan and
Kay Stickane
- 4-6 North East Handspinners Assoc.
gathering '94 at Jiminy Peak Conf.
center Hancock, MA
- Dec 10 BSHG mtg Silk for Life- Ideas
Nancy Demjanec and Anne Furman