



NEWSLETTER

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Message from the President

Dear Fellow Spinners,

It's September, but it isn't quite fall, yet. So, for our next meeting on September 9th, 11am-3pm, we will still be meeting outdoors at the Brooktondale Community Center (524 Valley Road, Brooktondale.)

During the first two hours of the meeting, there'll be a Farmer's Market, as well. We'll get to snack on fresh fruit and baked goods, while listening to live-music. The formal part of the meeting will start at 1pm, when it gets quieter and we'd be more easily able to hear each other.

We do have a lot to plan and talk about: Roc-Day 2024 is just a few months away and it is time to start planning. Also, it's time to elect new officers.

If any member would like to take up a new position in the guild, please, let us know.

Hope to see you on Saturday,
Angelika



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Guild News

Guild Meeting

The next Guild meeting will be Saturday, September 7, 11-3 PM. We will meet outside the Brooktondale Community Center. We are under an awning in back of the building; not the pavillion where we met last year.

Address: 524 Valley Rd., Brooktondale

New Members

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 of names, email addresses, and telephone numbers for guild members. This list is available in printed form at guild meetings or by request to Secretary, Roberta Sibley at robertainez@yahoo.com.

Guild Officers

President	Angelika St. Laurent
Vice President	Sue Quick
Secretary	Roberta Sibley
Treasurer	Louise Henrie
Newsletter	Rachael Skye
Workshops	Marianne Pelletier
Webmaster	Rosane Mordt
Roc Day Coordinator	Yvonne LaMontagne



Guild Dues

For all members who have not yet paid dues, they are \$25 for the year of 2023. Please pay at a meeting, send your check for \$25 to: Louise Henrie, 417 2nd Street, Ithaca, NY 14850, or now you may send money via Venmo to Black-Sheep-NY

Guild Meeting Location

All members are asked to be on the lookout for a new guild meeting location in a reasonable price range. It must have adequate parking.

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: rachael.siems.skye@gmail.com.

2024 Retreat Announcement

Summer is here! As we enjoy the warm weather and all that it brings, we also need to start thinking about the 2024 Black Sheep Annual Retreat. The retreat will be the weekend of February 23 through 25 at Casowasco Retreat Center. Those who have gone in past years can tell you what a great time this is. With a minimum of 18 people registered, it will cost \$159 per person. This fee includes lodging (the entire Galilee Lodge for our group) and meals Saturday and breakfast Sunday.

If you are planning on attending, please get us your deposit of \$100 by November 15th. You can: mail a check written out to Black Sheep spinning guild to: Sarah Davis 26 Curtis Road, Ithaca NY 14850, or you can Venmo to "Black-Sheep-NY". If you Venmo, please put "retreat" in the comment.

We will accept payments toward the retreat at any time if you want to spread it out. Final payment is due to Casowasco on February 5th. Please contact Kylie Spooner, Sarah Davis or Anna Murray-Bartels with any questions.



Officer Positions & Planning

The September meeting business will be largely concerned with two topics: starting preparation for the 2024 Roc Day festivities, and holding new officer elections for the 2024 year. Please come prepared to discuss and ready to volunteer - all help is welcome!

If you'd like to volunteer but are unable to come or to be elected In Abstentia, contact Angelika or the editor at rachael.siems.skye@gmail.com and we'll take down your name.

October: Pygora Goats Visit

We have a special plan for the upcoming October meeting! Pygora goats, a breed which is a mix of Angora and Pygmy, will be visiting, and their keeper will have their fiber for sale. More information upcoming in October!





Obituary

Rev. Daisy Kirkpatrick passed away peacefully at Hospicare of Ithaca on August 17, 2023, after a protracted illness. She was born Marguerite on Dec. 25, 1944, in Holyoke, MA, to her mother, soprano Hope Miller Kirkpatrick (1907–1991), the daughter of New York City financier Gardiner Hope Miller (1872–1954) and Emma Achelis (1886–1965). Her father, pianist John Kirkpatrick Jr. (1905–1992), son of John Kirkpatrick Sr., of the New York City jewelry firm Thomas Kirkpatrick & Sons, named his daughter in honor of his mother Marguerite “Daisy” Haviland (1876–1959).

Daisy held an abiding love of animals and especially horses throughout her life. In 6th grade, guided by Cornell University Poultry Department Professor Ari van Tienhoven, she won first prize in a local science fair for her demonstration of chicken embryo development. After graduating from St Mary’s School, Peekskill, in 1961, she briefly studied zoology but then found employment as a technical assistant in various scientific and analytical laboratories, including the Poultry Department. She would later obtain a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics in 1987 from Cornell. Daisy thereafter worked for Cornell University Grounds Department, M & E Engineering in Santa Fe, NM, and then opened her own business, Applied Data Designs. Finally in her later years, she worked for Ross’ business, Hygear Suspension in Lansing.

An accomplished artist, Daisy not only studied painting in oil, acrylic, and water colors, but also in encaustic. Ultimately, she spent many years under the tutelage of Russian icon painter Vladislav Andrejev at the Prosopon School of Iconology in Whitney Point. A highly-skilled craftswoman, she was especially talented in the fiber arts and once was an avid member of the Black Sheep Handspinners and Seven Valley Weavers Guilds.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to Hospicare, Ithaca.

To order memorial trees or send flowers to the family in memory of Daisy Kirkpatrick, please visit our flower store.

Please read the full obituary at:

<https://www.lansingfuneralhome.com/obituaries/daisy-kirkpatrick>



2023 State Fair

Thank you to all the Guild members who volunteered at the Wool Center this year, demonstrating spinning to the hundreds of thousands of people who attend the State Fair. Linda puts a lot of great work into making the Wool Center a pleasant place to be. I got to go for the first time today, and had a ton of fun there. I taught several small children how to use a drop-spindle, so we may be finding future spinners! If you have any pictures or stories, please send them in for us to admire.





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New Member's Form

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Address _____

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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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Our newsletter is distributed electronically. If this is a problem, please contact Rachael Skye (734) 476-0634. Please fill this out and either bring it to a meeting, mail it with your check for \$25 to: Louise Henrie, 417 2nd Street, Ithaca, NY 14850, or send via Venmo to Black-Sheep-NY.

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