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Message from the President

Dear Fellow Spinners,

It has been warming up a little lately. There is a chance, that for our next meeting on June 12th, we won't need our winter coats. We will meet again in the pavilion behind the Brooktondale Community Center, from 11am-3pm. The address is 524-526 Valley Road, Brooktondale, NY 14817. The first two hours of our meeting coincide with the Brooktondale Farmers' Market. There might be a chance some customers will walk up and ask about what we are doing, which feels like a great opportunity to share our love for spinning.

Considering that the outdoors temperatures are less forbidding now and that Sunday the 13th is the second day of the Central New Fiber Arts Festival, there will be no zoom meeting on the 13th. Guild members, who are interested in attending the CNY Fiber Arts Festival and would like to carpool, please make yourself heard.

Hope to see you soon,

Angelika

[location of the Brooktondale Community Center on Google Maps](#)



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Guild News

The next meeting will be on Saturday, June 12th, at the Brooktondale Community Center.

522-526, Valley Road, Brooktondale, NY

Central NY Fiber Arts Festival

The Central NY Fiber Arts Festival will happen this year in-person, in a somewhat reduced version. There won't be classes and some of the other usual attraction. But there will the fleece sale and many vendors, among them some of our guild members. The CNY Fiber Arts Festival will take place on June 12th and 13th from 10am-4pm on the Butternut Hill Campground in Bouckville, NY. A group from the Guild is planning on going; reach out if you want to go along! For more information see their website: <https://cnyfiberarts.org/>

MAFA News

A forward from the official MAFA newsletter:

Registration for MAFA 2021 is still open!

Click on the **Register Now** button on the MAFA Conference website: mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2021/registration-2021/ or use this link to go to the Cvent registration page: cvent.me/34w50D.

SAVE THE DATES: The Attendee Hub opens June 15th. Orientation sessions are scheduled for Thursday June 17th at 7 p.m. Eastern, and Saturday June 19th at 4 p.m. Eastern. Details will be emailed to all conference attendees.



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Download the updated conference brochure and schedule

We have added our vendor and sponsor lists, new class and lecture sessions, and event details: mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2021/.

Join us for Trivia Night on Saturday June 26th!

Drop-in starts at 7 p.m. and Trivia starts at 7:30 p.m. Eastern.

Gather your friends or play solo, and test your fiber trivia knowledge! Host Jen Weber (MAFA instructor) will guide us as we wind our way through twenty fun fibery facts, ranging from fairly straightforward to totally twisted and warped! In this action-packed event, each team will score points for correct answers, and the top scoring teams will win great prizes. This event is included with the MAFA Conference Pass, and everyone is welcome to join us and play along as our twenty teams compete to see whose brains contain the most trivial of fiber knowledge.

Pick your teammates (and a clever team name) and **sign up by June 15th!** Find all the details and enter here: mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2021/schedule-2021/trivia/.

The 2021 Conference Marketplace has gone virtual!

Visit our virtual marketplace for vendors selling yarn, fiber, tools, books, equipment, and other items that complement the weaving, spinning and dyeing classes taught during the Conference. Over a dozen vendors will have virtual “booths” so be sure to drop by to visit them. Find our vendor list and Marketplace info here: mafafiber.org/conferences/mafa2021/marketplace-2021/.

The Marketplace will also have fiber arts demonstrations, mini-lectures, and author talks on Saturday and Sunday. (Demos will be recorded in case you are in class.) Find the demos schedule on the Marketplace page.



NEW - MAFA 2021 Shop!

Shop for swag with the MAFA 2021 or MAFA logo! All items are print-on-demand on Redbubble, and include: mugs, travel mugs, water bottles, aprons, tote bags, note pads, pouches (great for notions), t-shirts, sweatshirts, and stickers.

Sales of MAFA logo items help support our educational programs, fellowships, and guild grants. [Visit the swag shop here.](#)



Shop Now

Visit the [MAFA Conference website](#) for more information.
Follow us on social media for updates - find those links below.
Questions? Email help@mafafiber.org

We look forward to seeing you at MAFA 2021!
Margaret Briggs
MAFA 2021 Conference Chair



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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.

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, Wayne Harbert at weh2@cornell.edu or phone [607-564-9328](tel:607-564-9328) .

Guild Officers

President	Angelika St.Laurent
Vice President	Sue Quick
Secretary	Wayne Harbert
Treasurer	Louise Henrie
Newsletter	Rachael Skye
Workshops	Position Open
Webmaster	Rosane Mordt
Roc-Day Coordinator	Yvonne LaMontagne



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General Announcements

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.

Stories From The Guild

While we're scattered, I've been collecting stories from our members. You can send stories to the email chat threads being sent around, post them to our Ravelry group, and check out the Facebook page. If you want help finding these groups or if you have a story to feature, email me at rachael.siems.skye@gmail.com

Best,
Rachael

Angelika

Trying to Spin a Bubble Crepe

Back in 2017, we invited Sarah Anderson, author of [The Spinner's Book of Yarn Design](#), to teach us for weekend how to draft and ply. Among other things, she taught us how to spin bubble crepe. A yarn in which two thin plies wrap themselves in opposite direction around a thick central ply. The resulting yarn looks a bit like a string of pearls or bubbles.



Right after the workshop I decided I absolutely had to spin such a yarn and it only took a few years of maturing in my bucket list, before I got around to it. I started out spinning a thick colored single in z-direction from Romney locks, I combed and dyed for it. Realizing my single wasn't remotely as thick as I wanted it, I chain plied it (s). The next step was to spin a thin single in the same direction as the chain ply (s). I choose a very light moorit fleece I had sitting around, and simply flicked the locks open before spinning. I had to ply with twice the amount of twist than I'd have to achieve a balanced yarn, creating a very tightly overplied yarn (I went a bit overboard in that step and sometimes added more than the necessary twist unfortunately.)

The last two steps were now to spin another thin single in the same direction as my overplied yarn (z). Finally, I had to ply the single and the overplied yarn again in the opposite direction, adding just the amount of twist necessary for the two thin plies to cross each other evenly and the thick ply to 'pop'. Sarah Anderson warned us during her class that it is easy to over ply at this step, so I did it on the hand spindle for more control.

All in all, I'm quite happy with my result. Even though, in a few stretches, I overdid and as a result the thick colored center didn't pop into a nice bubble, but stayed kind of crinkly.





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New Member's Form

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.

Roc Day Programming Newsletter

Membership Website

Outreach Treasurer

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 or mail it with your check for \$25 to: Louise Henrie, 417 2nd Street, Ithaca, NY 14850