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Message from the President

Dear Fellow Spinners,

Fall is coming to an end and the time we could meet outdoors as well. As I'm writing this, we are still in the process to rent the Parish Hall of the All Saints Church in Lansing for our next meeting, November 14th. The church has changed their schedule and will need the room in the afternoon. Therefore, we have to move our meeting time an hour earlier. If all works out, we will have a socially distanced in-person meeting on November 14th, in All Saints Parish Hall from 10am-2pm. Please, check your email on Saturday the 14th, before you go. If Covid-19 cases continue to raise in the area, we might have to cancel the in-person meeting.

In any case, we will have a zoom meeting on Sunday, November 15th, from 12pm to 2pm.

Stay healthy and keep spinning,

Angelika

Sunday Meeting ID: 813 7965 1147

Passcode: 288645.

Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81379651147?pwd=QUpjSTFncVczc1lLbVhvUDVhcHIWdz09>



Guild News

The next meeting will be on Saturday, November 14th, at the Parish Hall of All Saint's Church, 347 Ridge Rd, Lansing. The Guild meets on the second Saturday of every month. Exceptions are possible.

Roc Day Contest

Spin any yarn in any ply using the 3 ounces of the 3 primary-colored rovings being given out, which you may blend with a drum carder, hand cards, a blending board, or other blending technique. You may create any gauge yarn. Use only the fiber from the provided rovings with no additions of other fibers or embellishments. It is not necessary to use all the fiber.

Unblended fiber from the rovings may be used to create yarn for up to 50% of the mittens.

Using your yarn(s) knit and/or crochet a pair of mittens, adult or child sized, with or without fingers. The deadline for turning in your mittens to the judging table is 10:30 on Roc Day. There will be two judgments: one people's choice and one by judges.

This was interesting to organize as choosing the three primary colors from websites with appropriate rovings was done at a Zoom meeting. With input from those with good eyes for colors and the hope that the website colors were accurate, we have good primary colors for the contest. Packets for the contest were given out last guild meeting. If you have questions because the directions left out something important to you, or if you are interested in a contest packet and cannot attend the next meeting, please contact me at: ahfurman@yahoo.com.

The Fiber content is:

Pacific Wool and Fiber

100% Merino Wool
from Great Britain

Red # 1836

Blue # 3023

Yellow # 1842





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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.

Ad Renewal

If you've had a business card in the newsletter for the last year, I would appreciate confirmation that you still want that ad to be run. Email your confirmation along with any updates to the editor, rachael.siems.skye@gmail.com. Ads will not be removed from the newsletter without further notice.



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

For my own part, I am working on the Roc Day contest, so there's no updates from me!

Best,
Rachael

October Meeting

October 10th was a perfect day to be outside. We met on the hillside behind the Varna Community Center. There were about 15 of us with some coming and going. We were all wearing masks and practicing social distancing.





Thank you to Anne and new member Mihajlo for pictures from the meeting!





Shelly Marino

Shelly has some updates from September and October:

I spent 3 days in September washing (well, more like soaking, as I use Eucalan) all that I had spun in the last year. We're talkin' pounds here. I think it was more than I'd spun in the last 20 years, resulting from combination of lockdown and myriad zoom sessions. Here are the latest additions to the collection.

The first is from a sample set of different colorways of Bambino, an 85% merino, 15% bamboo blend. I split each of the eight 25g colorways in half (by eye, so this was approximate), and spun a bobbin of each group of 8 in the same color order, then plied the contents of the bobbins together to get a continuous yarn that primarily featured the separate colorways as 2-ply, but with areas of transition that included one strand of one colorway and one strand of the next one. Very soft, but not sure what to do with it. Suggestions for 300yd/200gr in various murks? Small shawl? Anyone have the eyelet shawl pattern that was used as a Guild project?



The next one, a blend of 70% BFL/30% kid mohair, may be the most glorious prep I have ever spun despite the fact that it is has no silk (!) and is plain off-white. This nearly spun itself, and gave me the courage to confront my nemesis, a mid-weight singles. I just finished steaming it. I may try Marcia Weinert's Scolosaur cowl, but will need to adapt it quite a bit as my singles is considerably heavier than hers.





This is from a pack of 10x25g merino top in a collection of colors that World of Wool calls Spring Blossom. Not quite a rainbow, but very spring-like. I split each color in approximate half, decided on a color order and spun half on each of two bobbins, then plied. The inside gold on the first skein continues on the outside of the second skein. The true colors are much more appealing than my lousy photographs indicate.



The last spinning to share is some silk that my friend Abby gave me, as she doesn't like to spin straight silk. I found it difficult to spin coats & clarks, but it sure does shine

Finally, some interesting dyeing articles to share. It reminds me of wool-dyeing demos we used to do with KoolAid. An onlooker said, "Oh, dyeing with KoolAid? That must mean it's a safe dye," to which Joan Johnston replied, "Well, I consider KoolAid an unsafe drink." So maybe these plant-gene-based dyes might be safer?



Color from yeast:

A spinoff from Israel's Weizmann Institute, startup Phytolon has developed natural food coloring by fermenting yeast. The process involves extracting the gene that determines the color of a certain plant and using it to generate a strain of baker yeast, which is then fermented.

<https://agfundernews.com/shana-tova-israels-phytolon-ferments-its-way-toward-a-technicolor-of-food-with-4-1m-funding.html>

<https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/Article/2019/02/28/Startup-Phytolon-is-fine-turning-novel-technology-that-could-make-natural-colors-more-cost-effective>

<https://wis-wander.weizmann.ac.il/life-sciences/all-natural-color>



Arija Restbergs

I've started a new project. I finally pulled my small weaving loom out and started using it again. I'm making a Latvian folk belt. I've made them in the past. This is what it will look like when I'm done, but I have a long way to go - I have 6" done but 6 ft to finish. I have also taught my Girl Scouts many years ago to weave by tying to a post or each other.

This is similar to what Rachael was show us at Roc-Day - The only difference is using cards and the use of a mini heddle.





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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



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Zoom Details

Angelika St.Laurent is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Angelika St.Laurent's Zoom Meeting

Time: Nov 15, 2020 12:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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