

# ***Cherry Valley Country Spinners & Fiber Artists***

## ***December 2022 Newsletter***

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**Next Meeting:**            **Thursday December 8th, 2022, 10:00 AM**  
                                 **Cazenovia Library, Cazenovia, NY**

### **Holiday Potluck Luncheon**

#### **Viewing of *Alfred and Jacobina* DVD**

We gather at 10:00am and start the business meeting at 10:30am. Bring a dish to pass for the Holiday Potluck Luncheon along with your own place setting. Bring an extension cord if you need one for your potluck dish.

For a bit of fun for those that are interested, we'll hold a secret elf grab bag. The gift should be a small token of friendship less than ten dollars. It doesn't have to be fiber related, it can be something handmade or anything you'd like to give (a small tin of cookies, a jar of jam, an ornament, etc). Numbers will be drawn from a hat to select a gift and you can swap your gift with someone else if you like.

#### **NOVEMBER BUSINESS MEETING**

President Kirsten Weyter called the meeting to order. Fifteen members and four guests were present.

**Treasurer's Report** – balance of \$1209.91.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Newsletter:** Sara Mitchell volunteered to write her Bio for the newsletter.

#### **Old Business**

**Afghan Raffle:** \$1082 worth of raffle tickets were sold, this includes sales from the CNY Fiber Arts Festival, Guild Day at the NYS Fair Wool Center, Weaving Weekend at the Farmers Museum in Cooperstown, School Days event at Lorenzo State Park, Empire Alpaca Extravaganza and sales by individual guild members. Many thanks to Kirsten, Marguerite and Larry, Roxanne, Raquel and Judy for selling tickets; and to Jayshri for assembling the handcrafted squares into an afghan.

The winning ticket was drawn by Gigi Redmond from Caz Cares; the guild donated \$1050 to this local charity. Paula Christ purchased the winning ticket at Caz Cares. She was able to come to the library during the meeting to receive the afghan. See the

Photo Gallery page of the guild website <https://cherryvalleycountyspinners.org/photo-gallery>.

## **New Business**

## **Announcements**

The meeting was followed by the Designing with the Fibonacci Sequence program and Show and Tell.

### **MEMBER BIO: Sara Mitchell**

My name is Sara Mitchell and I'm quite a newcomer to your spinners/fiber arts group. My friend Cindy and I saw an article about you a year ago, but we're both busy and time went by. Then, for the first time, we attended the fiber arts festival in Bouckville this year. We were happy with to find you there and promptly signed up on the spot!!

My mother and grandmother were both accomplished in many fiber arts although neither was a spinner ... that was my great grandmother. I still have a family yarn winder that I have no idea how to use. I don't remember learning to knit although I remember wooden needles with red knobs. By my teen years was sewing my own clothes.

Knitting has always been my go-to relaxation method. I'm especially fond of the Irish style sweaters and afghans I've created over the years. I'm currently working to complete afghans for my grandchildren which are the same as one I created for their parents when they were married and still use today. It was my daughter-in-law's suggestion. She will give them when they marry if I'm not there.

I am a Cazenovia native, married to my husband of 50 years. He puts up with my "she who dies with the most yarn or fabric wins" attitude. We are grandparents to six ranging in age from 19 to 9 years old.

In addition to knitting, I continue to sew having most recently dabbled in quilting. I enjoy it but knitting and sewing clothing is more forgiving!

I've already learned so much from your group and look forward to being a member well into the future. Thank you all for being so welcoming!!!

**Events for your Calendar** (\* indicates events we provide spinning demonstrations)

**2022 Guild Calendar and Programs**

January 13, 2022	Roc Day Celebration
February 10, 2022	Wool Carding
March 10, 2022	Throwback Thursday
April 14, 2022	Angora Rabbits with Joan Hastings
May 12, 2022	Envelope Stuffing for CNY Fiber Festival
June 9, 2022	Guild Picnic
July 14, 2022	Open Spin
August 11, 2022	Open Spin
August 25, 2022	Guild Day at the NYS Fair Wool Center
September 8, 2022	Open Spin
October 13, 2022	Spinning Wheel Day
November 10, 2022	Design Using a Fibonacci Sequence
December 8, 2022	Holiday Party and Viewing of <i>Alfred and Jacobina</i> DVD

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