

Cherry Valley Country Spinners & Fiber Artists

April 2023 Newsletter

Next Meeting: **Thursday April 13th, 2023, 10:00 AM**
 Cazenovia Library, Cazenovia, NY

Silk with Nancy Morey

We gather at 10:00am and start the business meeting at 10:30am. After the business meeting and Show and Tell, Nancy Morey will give a program on the many forms of silk now available to fiber artists, from cocoons to yarns, and their uses. Discussions about dyeing and blending with other fibers will also be included if there is time and interest.

If you are so inclined, bring a treat to share and your coffee mug.

MARCH BUSINESS MEETING

President Kirsten Weyerter called the meeting to order, twelve people were in attendance.

Treasurer's Report - balance of \$1361.92.

Committee Reports

Membership: Raquel is collecting 2023 membership fees; seventeen members have paid. The \$20 fee is due by this meeting in order to be included in the membership listing that is published in April. Joyce will contact members who have yet to pay their membership dues.

Library: Judy put the remaining books on LibraryThing. Members can access a list of library holdings by simply clicking on <https://www.librarything.com/catalog/CVSG/>; no need to log in. Judy suggested selling the unwanted books in our library to raise funds for the guild treasury.

Program: The April program will be on silk, presented by Nancy Morey; she'll bring samples and items to purchase. Her fee is \$200 - \$175 for the program plus \$25 for travel expenses. Kirsten will look into getting an article about this program in the Cazenovia Eagle News. Discussion was held on inviting other guilds to this program, the consensus was not to charge a fee for this program, but to invite the Golden Fleece Spinners' Society and Spiral Spinners guild. Joyce will invite Golden Fleece, Kirsten will invite Spiral Spinners.

The May meeting will be stuffing envelopes and updating signs for the CNY Fiber Arts Festival. The October meeting will be an introduction to tapestry weaving by Donna Movsovich. Her fee is yet to be determined.

Meeting Location: Gwen reserved the Cazenovia Community Room through July. Depending on the program, some meetings may be held at Springside Farm.

Newsletter: Paulie will supply a Bio for the April newsletter.

Old Business

New Business

Announcements

MEMBER BIO: Paulie Drexler

And just like Jeannie, where to begin?

My dearest aunt crocheted endless quantities of afghans, typical granny squares in traditional Portuguese colors (LOTS of black borders!). I learned to knit in college, taught by my dorm mates, and proceeded to knit my way through my Bachelor's degree. It helped me focus on the lecture and kept my mind from wandering. When I transferred to Cornell, one of my part-time student jobs was taking care of a tiny flock of research sheep right there on campus, and that's where I fell in love (with sheep and Ed, although not at the same time, lol!).

Living on a farm gives you lots of latitude when it comes to animals, but not so much with time. I gave up all fiber arts for a long period. The sheep, the alpacas and the goats were one thing – time to sit and knit was another. I remember moving furniture around one day with my youngest daughter, then 19, and found my entire stash of knitting needles in the bottom of a drawer. "THERE they are! I thought I'd lost them!" She looked at me in amazement – "You know how to use those?" That was in 2004. I haven't stopped knitting since. Kids are grown, the farm has changed, and I can indulge, especially now that we are wintering in Florida. I am still getting used to the concept of "home" being in 2 places. Free time is such a luxury.

I am not kidding when I say that Cherry Valley Guild kept me sane during Covid. To have like-minded friends, that trusted each other to keep everyone safe, that encourages everyone to try their best, that functions as a sounding board when I'm stuck, and inspires me to try new things – this is priceless. I miss all of you, but time has flown and I'll be back in NY before I know it! Looking forward to it!

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

April 15, 2023	CNY Fiber Frolic at Beaver Lake Nature Center, Baldwinsville, NY
May 13, 2023	Shepherds Wool Market , Rush, NY
June 10-11, 2023	CNY Fiber Arts Festival , Bouckville, NY*
August 26-27, 2023	Fiber Arts Weekend at Farmers Museum, Cooperstown, NY
October 14-15, 2023	Fall Fiber Arts Festival , Preble, NY

2022-2023 Guild Calendar and Programs

January 12, 2023	Roc Day Celebration
February 9, 2023	Open Spin
March 9, 2023	<i>Three Bags Full</i> DVD
April 13, 2023	Silk with Nancy Morey
May 11, 2023	Envelope Stuffing for CNY Fiber Festival
June 8, 2023	Guild Picnic
July 13, 2023	Open Spin
August 10, 2023	Open Spin
August 24, 2023	Guild Day at the NYS Fair Wool Center
September 14, 2023	TBD
October 12, 2023	Tapestry Weaving with Donna Movsovich
November 9, 2023	TBD
December 14, 2023	Holiday Party

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