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David and Doreen Clark Demonstrated their Gearhart Knitting Machine at the 2007 Hemlock Fiber Festival. David is tying on home spun yarn after setting up with scrap yarn. Note the spinning wheel in left background.

The Gearhart machines were designed to clamp on a small table or on a stand that was sold separately. The Clark's table is just right for the task. The bobbin winder is mounted next to the machine, and other items, including the operator's manual, are within easy reach.



***From
the
Editor***



This was a very busy summer for lea and me. So much so that this newsletter is about two months late. I hope to be on time for future issues.

The GVSMC had some great meetings in September and October. On September 15 and 16, several of our members participated in the Hemlock Fiber Festival. Carol Bonczek, the Clarks and Haucks demonstrated sock machines for a very well attended festival. Sue Williamson was nearby with the Rochester Weaving Guild, and Sherry Wheatley in the same room with a magnificent demonstration of silk worms.

Organizers of the festival were very helpful in providing a space inside with tables and chairs. They expressed sincere appreciation for our being there to show our hobbies.

Thank you to the Festival committee for inviting us and thank you GVSMC members for helping to advertise our sock machine club to the public.

I hope we can have a presence every year at fiber festivals in the region, as it connects us with so many people who enjoy seeing these historic machines. We do need more of our members to participate so the same members are not demonstrating every year.

We had the October meeting in a one-room school house at Pittsford, NY. Thanks to Carol Bonczek for locating this historic facility. It stands on the site where the first school house in Monroe County was erected in 1794.

The school house will be available for some of our future meetings.

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Up Coming Events; 2007

November 10 Meeting at home of Lisa Harvey

December 8 Meeting at David and Doreen Clark's

Upcoming Events; 2008

January 12 meeting; Vicki Montagu

May 24, 25 Memorial Day Sunday;

Babcock House Museum Somerset Old Fashion Farm Festival. This event is scheduled regularly for Memorial Day weekends.

Somerset Town Historian, Lorraine Wayner.

June 22-26, 2008 CSMSA Conference

Tenth Year, Nashville, IN

July; Cuba, WNY Alpaca Breeders Fiber Fest

Contact Debby Filer

July Letchworth Park

September 20-21, 2008 Hemlock Fiber Festival

Contact: Linda Hodgkins

Oct. 6,7,8 Eastern Great Lakes Fiber Fest (near Buffalo)

Carol Bonczek
Hemlock Fiber Festival

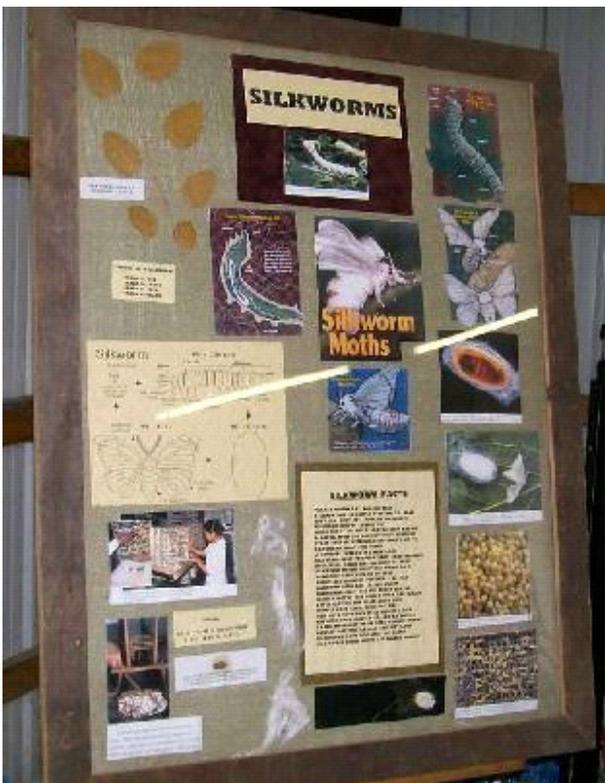


Carol attached legs
to her barstool to
make it more stable

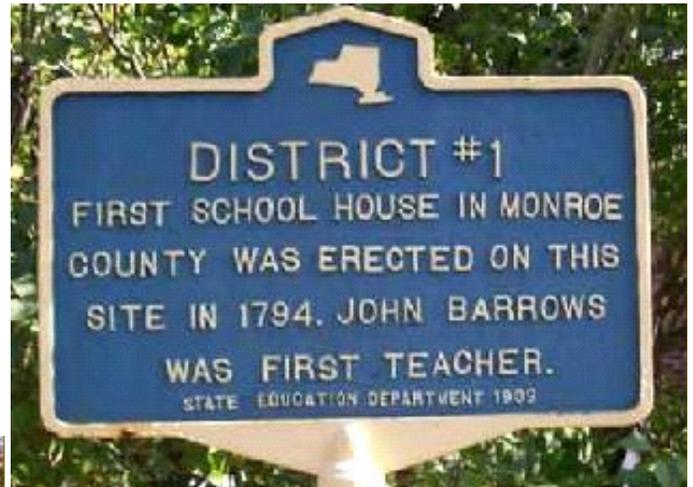
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sock machine display
Hemlock fiber Festival



Sherry Wheatley setup her popular silk worm display at the Hemlock Fiber Festival. One can see from these pictures, Sherry has devoted plenty of time and talent to put this fine educational arrangement into such an informative display.



The October meeting was at this historic one-room school house. It turned out to be a perfect facility for our knitting day. The room was well lighted and warm, with kitchen and bathroom in a small addition to the original structure. The pictures show better than words how attractive the room was appointed. Nine adults and two children attended the meeting. There is plenty of room for our entire club here



Below Left to right: Kris Williamson, Sue Williamson, Carol Bonczek, Vicki Montagu, Lynn Sanger, Diane Seely, Lea Hauck, Lisa Harvey
Front: Elise Williamson and Bella Towne
Behind camera: Fred Hauck



More photos of the grand meeting we had at the District # 1 Schoolhouse, October, 2007. The only fixed furniture in the room is the piano, leaving most of the space open for tables and chairs. One can see in the pictures, there is ample room for a large group of knitters. The building is warm, comfortable and well lighted, making it inviting for a variety of social activities.



Fred's setup with three machines on a homemade table.



Kris relaxed with a hand knitting project, While Sue spins



Vicki brought her Auto Knitter purchased from David Waldner of Manitoba, Canada.



Carol gave instruction to a guest, Lynn Sanger

**GVSMC Meeting
November 10, 07**

All GVSMC members are invited to attend our November 10 meeting at the home of Lisa Harvey.

Lisa Harvey
200 Elmhurst Dr.
Orchard Park, NY
14127-2917 US
716-662-4884

Directions; From East Aurora, go west on 20A to Buffalo St. (Rts 240 and 277) , then south to Elmhurst Dr. If people are coming on 90 they would take that to route 219, get off at Route 20A Orchard Park exit, make right and take it to South Buffalo Street (Middle of Town) make a right and make a right onto Elmhurst Dr. The Harvey house sits way back off the road and has a split rail fence. It has a HUGE front yard and is the only one like it on the street.

Let Lisa know you are coming and what you are going to bring to eat so she can plan accordingly.
See you all there.
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**GVSMC Meeting
December 8, 07**

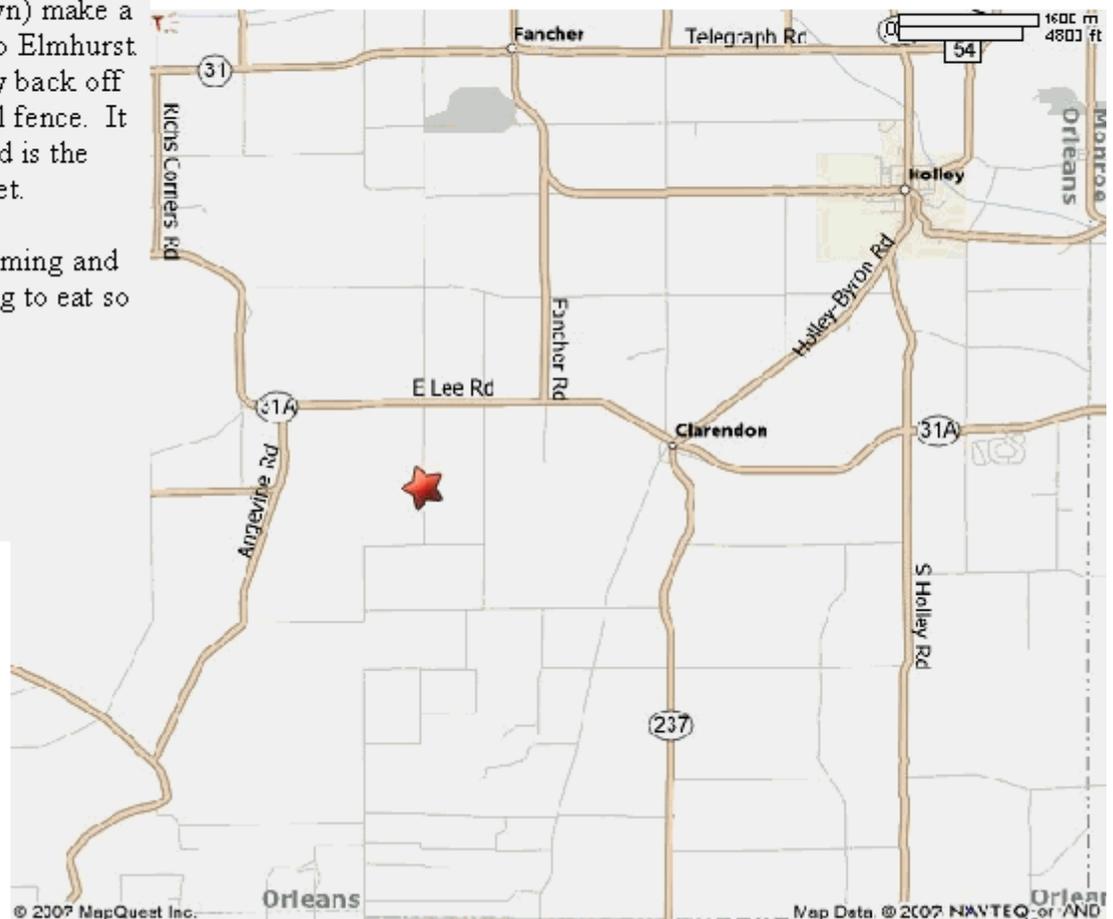
The December 8 meeting is planned at home of David and Doreen Clark.

A map is here for your guidance. Go west from Clarendon on 31A (E. Lee Rd.)

4518 Hindsburg Rd
Holley, NY 14470
585-638-6159
msdoreen@localnet.com

Please contact Doreen to indicate attendance and discuss what dish you wish to share.

Thanks to all



Officers

President	Donna Mellander
Vice President	
Secretary	Carol Bonczek
Treasurer	Lesley Darling

The *Genesee Valley Sock Machine Club*, (GVSMC) was founded in January 2006.

The purposes of this club shall be:

SECTION 1 To provide an organization for owners and operators of antique knitting machines or sock machines.

SECTION 2 To encourage the preservation, restoration, and use of antique knitting machines.

SECTION 3 To aid in the education of members and the public about the history of antique knitting machines through shared teaching experiences and demonstrations at various fiber arts shows and festivals or at regular meetings planned by the members.

SECTION 4 The club shall be non-commercial, non-sectarian, and non-partisan.

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