

GreenTown received a very nice donation of a Spin-X clothes spinner from Arthur Edelstein, company president and CEO. To see how well the unit performs, we enlisted the help of self-professed laundry geek Mia Enfield, a Greensburg resident who has been taking the unit for a test drive the past several months. Here is her testimonial:

For years I have dreamed of owning a Spin-X laundry spinner. Most people dream of new cars or big houses, but not me. I am a laundry geek . . . with a fancy for hand (non-electric) washing and drying. The Spin-X, although it is electric, is THE top laundry product in the universe. Place wet (clean) clothes into the spinner, close the lid, and in three minutes your clothes will be nearly dry, which translates into less drying time either in the dryer or on the clothesline. Depending on the type of fabric, some clothes come out dry enough to wear immediately.

The Spin-X spins the washed wet laundry so fast, the excess water pours out of a spout on the side - which I catch in an old ice cream pail and use to water my young almond trees. Not only does it shorten drying time, but clothes come out cleaner, as excess laundry soap is also removed during spinning.

Out of curiosity, I measured the amount of water which was extracted from various loads of laundry. (These were washed in a Whirlpool front load super-capacity washing machine.)

- * queen-size fitted sheet - 1-1/4 cup water extracted
- * a load of various t-shirts and socks - 2-3/4 cups
- * 2 pairs teen boy's jeans and 1 pair little boy's jeans - 3-1/4 cups

This is only the beginning! As stated above, the measurements were taken following a wash cycle in my Whirlpool washer. My favorite method of washing, however, is to use the Wonder Wash clothes washer. it is my top choice because it uses no electricity yet gets clothes cleaner than any other method I have tried. One load washed in the Wonder Wash always produces a full or nearly full one-gallon pail of water.

The Spin-X simplifies laundry so much - and I do LOTS of laundry at my house with a teenaged daughter and three boys. For myself, at the end of each day I soak my clothes that I wear in the Wonder Wash on the bathroom counter while I shower, crank the handle a few times when I get out, then let the laundry drain while I towel off. Before I leave the bathroom, I fill the Wonder Wash again with clean water to rinse my load and give it a crank or two. After dressing, I return to crank a couple more times then let it drain. Laundry goes to the Spin-X for three minutes, then to the drying rack. In the morning my clothes are clean and dry. Because I do laundry daily, no piles of dirty laundry (or the mountains I previously had) accumulate. My boys follow the same routine, and as a side benefit they require fewer changes of clothes.

Looking back at the example loads cited above, you can imagine how short the drying time is in an electric dryer, which translates into huge savings in your monthly utility bill. Like me, you may find that you have no need of an electric dryer at all.

I absolutely LOVE the Spin-X laundry spinner. It is made from heavy-duty stainless steel, is small enough to fit in the corner of my bathroom, and saves this single mom loads of money (pun absolutely intended). Thank you, Spin-X makers - you're my hero!