

# News for Ewes

**June 2025 Volume XXV Number 6** The Rochester Knitting Guild is an organization to promote interest, appreciation, and skill in knitting.

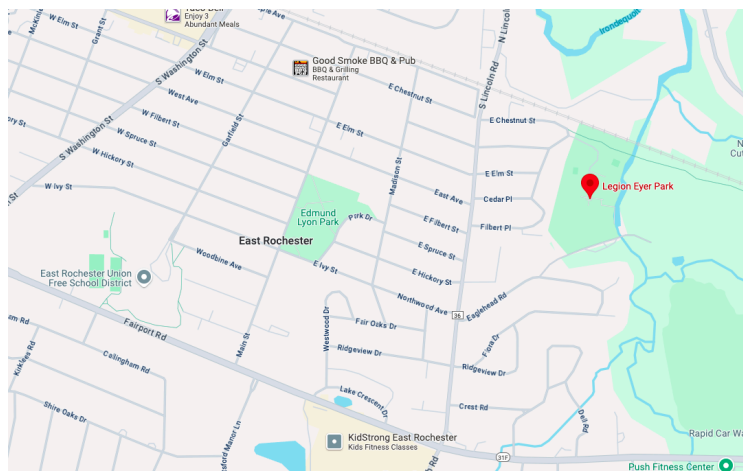
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## President's Message

Thank you so much for being part of our guild this year. Our meetings, speakers, and events are all made possible by our generous board members who give their time to create the best experience possible. I hope everyone enjoyed the yarn and notions auction. It was a huge success! Special thanks to Pat B. and Heather L. for leading the way with their excellent organizational skills. I look forward to seeing some of those fibers turned into show and tell items for next season. See you at the June 9 picnic!

*Ingrid Lembach*  
President



## Upcoming Meetings

### All Hands Meetings

June 9<sup>th</sup> (picnic)

September 8<sup>th</sup>

October 13<sup>th</sup>

November 10<sup>th</sup> (shop night)

Doors open at 6:30

meeting starts at 7:00

Temple B'rith Kodesh event space,  
2131 Elmwood Avenue, Rochester,  
NY 14618

### Board Meetings

June 16<sup>th</sup>

7:00 via Zoom

Link upon request

## JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL PICNIC ON JUNE 9th!

**Where: Quinzi Lodge, 100 Eyer Park, East Rochester, NY 14445**

**What: Our year end picnic held at a lodge with indoor and outdoor space - dogs are welcome**

**When: 6:30pm-9:00pm**

Refreshments: meat and veggie hot dogs will be provided along with buns and condiments. Tableware and water to drink will also be provided.

Guild members are encouraged to bring a dish to pass based on your last name, A–L: side dishes, M–Z desserts. You are welcome to bring your own nonalcoholic drinks

The guild will provide plates, napkins, and utensils.

Feel free to bring friends and family, and chairs to sit outside, weather permitting!

Answer this poll so that we know how many hot dogs to purchase if you have not already done so.:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScpNnzWVq4zPQUu7jqZhccTgvVJrm4OJfzNB205iZD8hrIzg/viewform?usp=header>

The entrance to Legion Eyer park is in a residential neighborhood off E. Chestnut st. The park itself sits below street level.

## Help Needed: Workshops/Guest Speaker coordinator

After many years of excellence our workshop/guest speaker coordinators are stepping down. If you are interested in taking over this volunteer board position, please contact Guild president Ingrid ASAP at [president@rochesterknitting.org](mailto:president@rochesterknitting.org). This is a great position for a team.

## Discord

Thanks to our new publicity coordinator, Rachel, the Guild now has a Discord server of our very own.

“Why should I care?” you say. You should care because Discord is a terrific way to communicate with other guild members outside of meetings. This is a place where you chat, share photos and other media, ask questions talk to Others (like on the phone) and bond with other guild members outside of meetings. The best part is that it's free! (do not pay for this service unless you really know what you are getting into)

Our Discord server will be open to all for a tryout period over the summer break. A password will be added this fall when the new season gets going.

To learn more about Discord check out this video that is for parents of tweens but explains Discord and its caveats well. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CJ1CMGXznFw>

Discord's Basics page has a lot of information about their services: <https://support.discord.com/hc/en-us/categories/115000217151-Discord-Basics>

To use the Guild's server you need to click this invitation <https://discord.gg/J5UMgQ3rZ4>

## New Sit & Stitch

The Victor Farmington Library Has added a new opportunity to Stitch with others in our community

*Steady Stitchers Needlework Group*  
Tuesdays from 11:00AM-1:00PM  
Victor Farmington Library  
14 West Main St.  
Victor, NY 14512  
585-924-2637

For further details: <https://victorfarmingtonlibrary.libcal.com/event/14126111>

## Guild Notes

- *Election Results:* The Guild's 2025–2026 board is now in place, and because everyone ran unopposed you already know who won each office. If you need a reminder, check out the list of officers later in this newsletter. The changes to our bylaws were passed with a landslide result.
- *Friends are welcome:* The June meeting is open to all! Bring your friends, family, significant others, acquaintances, coworkers, and anyone else you know to join us for the picnic. Quinzi Lodge is located in the beautiful Legion Eyer park. This park borders Irondequoit Creek and has indoor and outdoor spaces galore that include a playground and ballfields/courts.
- *Share!:* Show us your projects! Send photos of your works in progress and finished projects for work-in-progress Wednesday and finished Friday on the Guild's social media accounts. Send photos and pattern titles to Marcie Shapiro at [director2year@rochesterknitting.org](mailto:director2year@rochesterknitting.org)





## Tips from the Help Table

### *Grommets: the Hole Solution*

Every so often, I just have to felt something. I love to see the giant, floppy bag turn into a compact, sturdy bag. I usually knit a separate handle so that I can easily replace it or adjust its length. That means I have to knit holes along the top of the bag. It didn't take long to discover that the holes were susceptible to wear, and I would have to stitch a reinforcement to keep the holes from tearing. The problem is abrasion—the strap wears away at the hole (and the hole wears away at the strap).

Fortunately, there's a simple fix: grommets. A grommet is a two-piece eyelet placed in the hole to strengthen and protect against wear. One piece is a grommet washer; the other is a washer with a neck. It requires a grommeting tool consisting mainly of a die and an anvil to set the grommet.

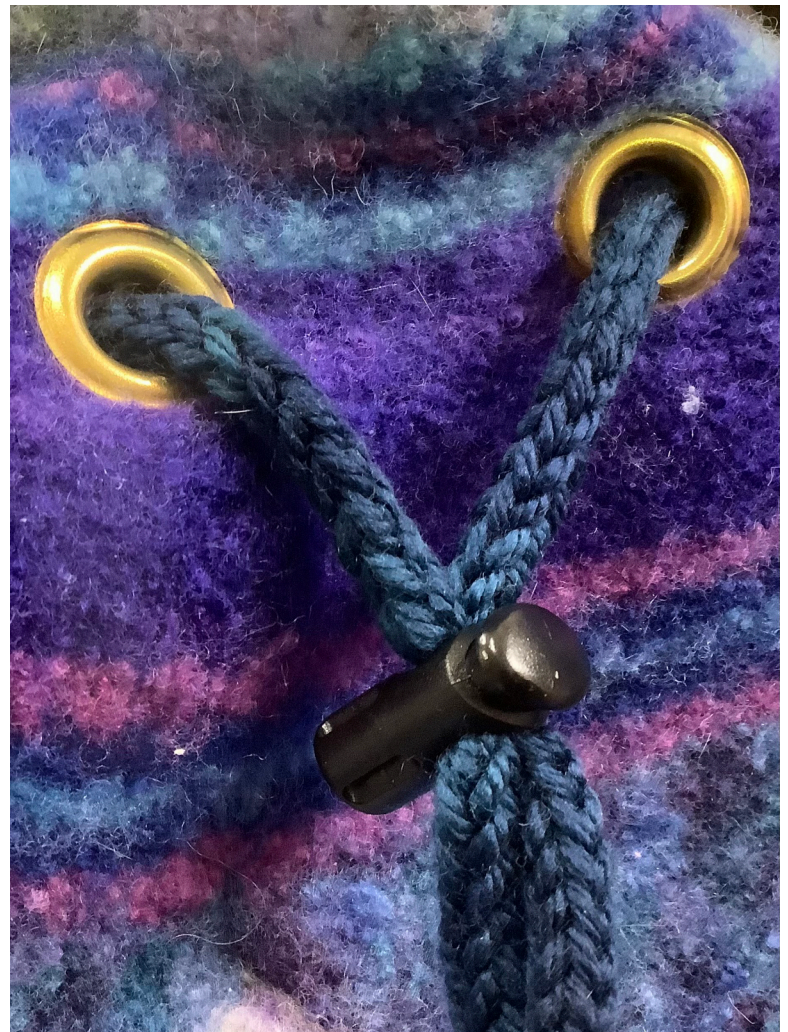
Other than the grommets themselves, the only other tool you need is a hammer.

For your purposes, you can find a variety of grommets and setting tools and craft stores like Michaels. For smaller holes, there are decorative grommets in shapes like stars and flowers. For plain ring grommets, you can find silver and brass-toned ones in sizes like 3/8" and 5/8". Each diameter and shape of the grommet requires its own size setting tool, but ring grommets come in standard sizes, so if you always use one size grommet, it can be of any brand, and your tool will work.

Look on-line to find good videos for grommet setting.

Grommets: they are the whole hole solution.

*Debby Abrahams*  
*Help Table*





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716-771-4515

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