

News for Ewes

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The Rochester Knitting Guild is an organization in Rochester, NY that exists to promote learning fiber arts like knitting and crochet, to provide a social context for fiber enthusiasts, and to encourage the public to learn to explore new fiber crafts and techniques!



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President's Message

Warmer temps are making their way to us, and with them we get to enjoy handmade tops and tanks. I hope you have some great adventures this summer. Start them off by attending our June 8 picnic!

Thank you so much to our volunteers and board members who helped out this year. Mark your calendars for our fall opening of the Rochester Knitting Guild, Monday, September 28, 2026.

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Thanks
Ingrid Lembach



Vice Presidents

We would like to thank everyone who helped with this year's programs and hope to expand that support into a programming committee next year. Any amount of help with behind the scenes planning and organizing for next year's programs will be appreciated. All backgrounds and skill levels are welcome. Please reach out to vicepresident@rochesterknitting.org if you are interested in being part of the team!

Anna Powell and Sharah Blankenship
Vice Presidents

Guild Picnic

The Guild picnic is back! This strictly social event will be back at at Quinzi Lodge in Legion Eyer park on June 8th. We're returning to this location because it has terrific indoor and outdoor spaces. Feel free to bring a chair to sit outside or keep an eye on the buffet inside The Guild will provide hot dogs (veggie and traditional), rolls, condiments, paper products and ice water. We are asking attendees to bring a side dish (last name N through Z or a dessert Last Name A through M) The person that brought the deviled eggs last year is exempt from the last name situation. Some board members really want to see those eggs again. Dinner starts at 6:30

Remember to fill out the registration form emailed to you on May 31st so that we can purchase enough food and supplies. If you receive a paper copy of this newsletter, We've already counted you.

Upcoming Meetings

All Hands Meetings

June 8th (picnic)

September 28th

October 12th

November 9th

December 14th

meeting starts at 7:00

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

Board Meetings

TBA

7:00 via Zoom

Link upon request



Community Knitting and Auction

Thank you to all who donated items to Community Knitting this year. Last week I was able to drop off 53 lap blankets and 11 shawls to Meals on Wheels for the Warmest Wishes Holiday Drive happening later in 2026. I have bags of baby items ready to go to Strong Hospital in the next week. And I have bags of child and adult hats, scarves & mittens that I've collected over the last 3 months waiting for when groups start looking for these items in the fall. As wonderful as all these items are, I need to point out that only 29 of our approximately 175 members donated items to Community Knitting during the 2025-26 season. I would love to see that number grow in the 2026-27 season. Please consider making something to donate. I can find a home for any item you donate. Lap blankets are a larger investment in time, but needed by both Meals on Wheels and more recently the Wilmot Cancer Center. Blankets approximately 3'x4' in acrylic are preferred, but all blankets are accepted. And congratulations to Lynne Blum and Elaine Richardson. Lynne and Elaine were this year's winners of a \$25 gift certificate to the member shop of their choice. Each item donated gets you a ticket to the yearly May raffle, so please consider knitting something over the summer and bring it to me at the September meeting.

A huge thank you to all the members and guests that attended our yarn and tool auction in May. I hope everyone had fun looking at all the wonderful items and engaging in bidding wars with your friends. Thanks to your generous donations and bidding, we were able to bring in \$2,752 for the Guild! This is our biggest fundraiser for the Guild, and all the money goes to supporting our Guild operations. Thank you again!!!

Pat Butterfield



Guild Notes

- A giant congratulations goes out to guild member and Crafting for Good shop owner Sheryl Byers for receiving a coveted ESL Heart of Services award recently! See either Ch13 or Ch 10 for the presentation. Congratulations to Sheryl for the recognition of all of her hard work and dedication!
- *September Meeting:* The first meeting of our new season will be September 28th. Our typical meeting day conflicts with the high holidays celebrated by our hosts this year. Please check the dates for our fall meetings on the first page of this newsletter.
- *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
- *Upcoming Fiber Events:* The Fairport Fiber Festival is August 15th and the CNY Fiber Arts Festival is June 6th and 7th at Herkimer County Fairgrounds. The WNY Fiber Arts festival is September 26th in East Aurora.

Membership

Greetings, valued Rochester Knitting Guild members! You are the power that keeps the guild alive. Consider volunteering for one of our committees this coming year; it's a great way to meet people and make new friends, as well as getting an inside view to how the guild operates, and sharing your own ideas for how to make it better.

Registration for next year will open in August. Register online and pay by Venmo, or print and mail the registration form with your payment. Registering before the first meeting helps us and helps you, avoiding long lines and getting us quickly to the fun planned for starting our new year.

Also, please remember to keep your name badge (and try to remember where you put it). We issue new membership cards every year, but reuse the badges.

Have a wonderful summer, everyone. We'll see you in September! (and hopefully at the guild picnic on June 8th)

Joan Fernbach



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