

# Black Sheep Handspinners Guild Newsletter

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The Black Sheep meet from 11am-3pm on the second Saturday of the month at the Varna Community Center on Route 366 in Varna, New York. Exceptions are the months of December, July, and August when we meet in member's homes.

## January 12th Meeting Roc Day

**10:30 – Doors Open**

**10:30 – 4:00 – Spin-In**

**11:00 – Spinning Contest**

**11:15 - ? - Dish to Pass luncheon**

**11:30 & 1:15 -- Kid's Corner** – Come learn about spinning, weaving and sewing!

Vote for your favorite craft. *(Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.)*

**1:30 – 2:15 – Daina Taimina, our guest speaker.**

**Mathematical Sculpting with Crochet**

**2:30 – Spinning Contest**

**3:00 – Raffle Drawings**

**4:00 – Doors Close**

Check out the attached flyer for more information on Roc Day. The committee has worked very hard on this event which gets bigger and better every year. Please take some time to remember what could might be added, deleted, or changed over the next few years.

## 10,000 Drawings of Sheep

Amazon's Mechanical Turk    Artificial  
Artificial Intelligence

Where do people get these ideas from? Some must be students in search of a cheap research paper, but the others are really fantastic. Here is the link to The Sheep Market which is 10,000 different drawings of sheep on one page. Really! Created by workers on the Mechanical Turk: <http://www.thesheepmarket.com/>

Link to the Mechanical Turk :  
<http://www.mturk.com/mturk/welcome>



Jean Burr has a flax wheel for sale. You can contact her at:  
[jlburr@frontiernet.net](mailto:jlburr@frontiernet.net).

**UPCOMING:**

January 12, 2008 – Roc Day at the Varna Community Center

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