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Give Fleece a Chance at the Homeplace Sheep Shearing and Wool Week

Land Between the Lakes , Ky./Tenn. - April 2, 2018 - The Homeplace 1850s Working Farm at Land Between the Lakes hosts 5 days of programs dedicated to working with wool Saturday, April 14 - Wednesday, April 18. Visitors are invited to get some hands-on experience and lend a hand preparing the new fleeces for spinning into yarn.

“The sheep are ready to shed their wool from the past year and that means new fleeces to wash, tease, card, spin, and dye,” said Cindy Earls, Homeplace Lead Interpreter. “We will show each step it takes to process our sheep's raw wool into yarn, which we as the 1850 farm women did, knit or weave into clothing during our Give Fleece A Chance Wool Week Challenge.”

Invited artist, Gary Larson, will give Homeplace sheep their haircut for the year, 1850's style, on Sheep Shearing Day Saturday, April 14, 10am-12pm and 1-3pm.

Programs included with regular admission: ages 13 and up \$5; ages 5-12 \$3; ages 4 and under are free. Fourth grade students can go to <https://www.everykidinapark.gov/>, get their free Every Kid in a Park pass, and get their family in for free.

Sheep Shearing Day Saturday, April 14, Program Schedule:

- 11am-3pm – Give Fleece a Chance: This the way we wash the wool
- 10am-12pm & 1-3pm – Going to the “Baa-bar Shop”: Spring Sheep Shearing
- 12-1pm – Meet and Greet with Sheep

Wool Week: Give Fleece a Chance 11am-3pm Program Schedule:

- Sat, April 14 | This is the Way we Wash our Wool
- Sun, April 15 | The Rainbow Connection – Natural Dye
- Mon, April 16 | We can Work It Out – Carding Wool
- Tue, April 17 | Let the Spinning Wheel Turn – Making Yarn
- Wed, April 18 | We Can Ply, We Can Ply, We Can Ply! – Twisting Yarn



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