



North Coast Knitters Guild

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The Guild Meeting

Tuesday, March 3, 2009 12:30pm

San Dieguito United Methodist Church
Assembly Room ~ 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas

POTLUCK AND PRESENTATION ON MARIKO'S KNITTING PILGRIMAGE TO JAPAN

Potluck: We will have our Annual Pot Luck Luncheon which was moved from July to March of this year. If everyone can bring a main dish or salad to feed 6 or so, that would be great. Desserts will be provided.

Program: After the potluck, Mariko Nonaka will give a short report on her recent knitting-related trip to Japan.

✦ THINGS TO DO IN MARCH:

- Arrive at **12:30** for the monthly meeting –do not enter the room early unless you are setting up for the meeting.
- Bring your food item for the Potluck!
- Bring your knitting creations for sharing.
- Bring your check if interested in participating in the Workshops.
- Bring your charity items.
- Remember to turn off your cell phone.

✦ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE-BARBARA LEVIN

My yarn stash now exceeds the amount I could knit in two lifetimes. This is NOT related to the fact I was once treasurer of this guild.

As we wade into the new financial year, it's a good time to take a look at how we raise and spend money. To my great regret, after reviewing this list I've been forced to cancel both the corporate jet and that secret board retreat at the Maui Ritz-Carlton.

Last year, 260 members paid \$20 in dues – a total of \$5,200. Just renting meeting rooms and sending out the newsletter consumed almost all of those dues.! Here's last year's breakdown of major expenses:

- San Dieguito United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, \$125 a month for 11 months = \$1375.

- Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center for Knit@Nite, \$80 a month for 12 months = \$960.
- Liability insurance (we can't rent a room without it) = \$725.
- Printing and mailing newsletters (postage will go up in May) = \$1489.
- Printing member directory = \$260.
- Speakers' fees (we pay \$150 per meeting; does not include out-of-town teachers like Melissa Leapman) for 7 meetings = \$1050.
- Web site expenses = \$251.
- Miscellaneous (including bank fees, library supplies, San Diego County Fair prizes, gift to Mesa College fashion program, tip to church custodian) = \$586.

That adds up to about \$6,700, or \$1,500 more than the dues brought in. Oops!

Thank goodness for yarn lust – our collective urge to buy more yarn. The Members' yarn sale and the holiday luncheon raffle brought in almost \$2,200. This finances a lot of little luxuries – from sending get-well and condolence cards to buying tableware, soft drinks and desserts for the potluck.

The extra cash also gives us the financial leeway to bring in nationally known teachers. The cost of hiring one of these speakers usually runs around \$3,000, much of which is paid for upfront. We pay for transportation, meals, motel rooms, teaching fees and a fee to speak at the meeting. We aim to subsidize all these expenses with the workshop fees paid by members, but that doesn't always work out. Last year, Melissa Leapman generated a \$142 profit but we lost \$540 on Judy Pascale.

With the cost of everything going up, North Coast Knitters has been able to hold the line on dues for several years, thanks to an active membership and that aforementioned yarn lust. Keep up the good work!
Barbara Levin

Note to February Meeting Attendees:

Mar Gee Farr lost a pair of glasses.....

They are tortoise with pink ear pieces, prescription glasses. She was sitting in the middle of the meeting, toward the back on the right side of the aisle. She has been looking everywhere. If found please contact her. Thanks! 630-624-6634 (cell) 858-756-0304 (home)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Tuesday, April 7: In-House Program: Fashion Show on coats and jackets. Yarn sale from TootsieP.

We still need a few more jackets and coats for the April program. If you have knitted either garment, please call Sara Stolz (858-748-4124) so that you can share with the members. It does not have to be a recent garment and it does not matter if it has been shown before. Not everyone goes to the Holiday Luncheon, and we have many new members who have not seen all of the things made by our fabulous knitters. Don't want to model yourself? Not to worry, we will find a model.

Look in your closets, drawers, plastic storage boxes--we know you have something that would be perfect for the fashion show. Call Sara!

May: Guest Speaker is Susanna Hansson.

She is coming from Seattle to lead workshops and is an expert on Bohus knitting. She will also be holding interesting workshops on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday morning, prior to our meeting. You can sign up for her Workshops at the March meeting, or mail your check to: Colleen Davis, 530 Stratford Dr. Encinitas, CA 92024.

Sun, May 3-Great Beginnings Class: Learn different types of cast-ons such as long-tail, crochet chain, tubular cast-on and a picot cast-on. This class is suitable for advanced beginners and intermediate knitters with an interest in technique and detail. Homework: None
Cost: \$35, Time: 9am to 12 noon, Place: TBD

Mon, May 4- Bohus Stickning: This workshop includes a slide presentation and discussion of the Bohus Stickning industry. The hands on portion will be using fine yarns and small needles, explaining the use of color and purl stitches on the right side of the fabric. This class is suitable for intermediate to advanced knitters with an interest in the history and culture of knitting. A kit is required for this class.
Homework: None Cost: \$70, Kit: \$22
Time: 9am to 4pm, Place: Methodist Church annex

Tues, May 5- Japanese Short Rows: This is another form of short row technique. It is slightly more challenging to learn but is the most polished form of short rows. This class is suitable for advanced beginners and up. Cost: \$35,
Time: 9am-12 noon, Place: Methodist Church annex, Homework: Knit two swatches.

To learn more about this exquisite form of Swedish knitting (Bohas), you can ask your local library for

Wendy Keele's book, "Poems of Color," or go to some of the following websites:

<http://www.oneofsusannas.com/bohusclass.htm>
(Sussana Hanson's site).

<http://www.knitty.com/ISSUEwinter08/FEATtexturize.php>
(using Bohus techniques to add texture to your knitting).

<http://www.solsilke.se/> (Solveig Gustafasson is a Swedish hand-dyer who sells Bohus sweater kits. Click on the link "Bohus Stickning." Check prices and availability by sending an email through the link "Kontaka mig.")

<http://www.shopswedish.com/bohusknitting.html> (hat and scarf kits from the Swedish Institute gift shop in Minneapolis).

"Poems of Color" is available at this link and also at Schoolhouse Press (www.schoolhousepress.com).

✦ FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES

North Coast Knitters' Guild
General Membership Meeting
Tuesday, February 3, 2009 - 12:30 p.m.
Barbara Levin presiding
127 members and guests present

President Barbara Levin opened the meeting by welcoming new members and guests (including her own mother). Barbara announced that Dr. Shawn Robek, last month's presenter, will be returning to conduct an exercise class. A handout was available at the back table. Colleen Davis announced changes to the programming schedule. Japanese designer, Mr. Hirose, will not be our guest speaker in March due to economic factors. Guild member Mariko Nonaka will be our substitute speaker, discussing her recent trip to Japan where she met with Mr. Hirose and learned about the latest fashion trends. The potluck lunch will continue as planned with the guild providing all paper goods, utensils, drinks and desserts. Please bring a dish to share. Sara Stolz reminded members of the April in house fashion show on coats and jackets and urged members to submit and model garments. A sign up sheet was passed around. Colleen announced that Susanna Hanson, our scheduled speaker in May, will be arriving the Sunday before our meeting to conduct an afternoon workshop. Susanna will also be conducting an all day workshop on Monday and a morning workshop on Tuesday. Jo Ellen Gould spoke about the success of the recent knitting retreat in Temecula and announced that the next retreat will be in Montecito at La Casa de Maria, May 18-21, 2009. Susan Ludwig discussed Members Teaching Members workshops, noting the great expertise among our own members. In April Colleen Davis will be teaching a 3 hour workshop on short rows and 3-needle bind-off. At some later date,

Masumi Aycock, by popular demand, will demonstrate how to unravel and wash yarn from outdated garments for re-use. Barbara Levin suggested that a "sweater workshop" be held for members who have never knitted a pullover or cardigan. Sandy Smith announced that the first pattern reading and finishing class will be held at the church on Tuesday, March 10th. Members with knitting problems are urged to attend this free class. Marsha Wensky announced the need for baby chemo caps, red scarves, and helmet liners (natural fibers only). Sandy Smith and Liz Knapp described their experiences at the recent TNNA convention in San Diego. They noted the presence of several new designers, lots of knitting books, yarn made from natural products such as corn and milk and square needles which prevent yarn from slipping off. Colleen Davis reminded members of her in-house program in June. "The Challenge" will be a fashion show based on garments knitted from eco-friendly, "green", and non-traditional fibers. Colleen displayed several garments made from these materials.

Our guest speaker, Leora Raikin, was introduced by Barbara Levin. Leora is a native of Capetown, South Africa, She now lives and works in Los Angeles and is the author of "Safari Through African Folklore Embroidery". She was assisted in her presentation by her good friend, guild member Annette Friedlin. According to Leora, there is no such thing as a wrong color, stitches do not need to be perfect, and no two designs ever look the same. African folklore embroidery is an expression of both cultural and fiber art. Tribal women are inspired by their environment to create unique designs that depict their own particular life experiences. Scenes of native flora, fauna and sea life are incorporated into their work and are often embellished with beads, buttons and yarn. Hand craft skills are passed down through generations of tribal women and constitute their greatest source of income. Leora showed many beautiful samples of her embroidered designs and encouraged members to sign up for her workshop the following day. Sales were brisk for her embroidery kits and book; a copy of which she donated to our guild library.

Barbara Levin conducted a short "show and share".

Ellen Hesterman, Secretary

◆ THE 2009 ECO-FRIENDLY CHALLENGE

Colleen announced a new in-house program called "The Challenge". Focusing on the trend of "eco-friendly, green and recycled materials" this challenge will focus on the use of these materials in the making of a shawl. The shawl can be either triangular, rectangular, irregular or whatever. At least 50% of the knitted items needs to be recycled or eco-friendly materials. Yarns from your stash do not qualify as "recycled". The garment has to include some knitting, but can include

other hand crafts such as crochet, needle-felting, weaving, etc. In June, a fashion show of these items will be presented and voted on. Prizes will be awarded in three categories. Some of the eco-friendly fibers include: soy, corn pineapple, bamboo, jute, raffia. Recycled could include: silk, cotton, wool, string, leather, etc.

Here are two web sites to start exploring more on eco-friendly knitting and our awareness of this new trend. Copy and paste these URL's into your browser to view:

http://www.yarnmarket.com/knitting/Eco-Friendly_Fibers-670.html

http://www.treehugger.com/files/2007/05/eco_friendly_ya.php

◆ SHARING

We print abbreviated summaries of shared items which provide enough information to allow you to follow up on items you might like to knit. The summaries are prepared using the sharing slips filled out by the participants – who need to put more than their first name down in order for the items to appear in the newsletter.

Now for a quick reminder about sharing rules:

If you share an item during the monthly sharing, it cannot be worn in the Holiday Luncheon fashion show. Shared items **MUST BE FINISHED** --- unless it's near Christmas when the rules are relaxed so that you can share an item before it's shipped off to its recipient.

- **Rosie Halvorson:** Three hats using Rowan Big Wool Multi and Sirdas Alpaca Blend (doubled for gauge).
- **Ruby Townsend:** Summer Bolero using pattern from Crystal Palace. Yarn was worsted Forest Green. Puzzle sweater made as a sample to show her students making same bolero.
- **Ellen Magee:** Scarf. Garter/mistake rib with attached I-Cord. Yarn was merino sock yarn by Malabrigo, color "Lettuce" spring green.
- **Eileen Adler:** "Black and White and Red All Over Sweater" and "The Playful Pullover" a toddler's sweater. Featured in the March 2009 issue of *Creative Knitting* magazine.
- **Sueko Duckwiler:** Crochet Jacket using free form pattern. Mixed yarns in greens, purples, and brown.
- **Masumi Aycock:** Long cardigan using own pattern. Colorway of navy blue and fuschia. Knit with 100% Cashmere and Rowan silk and kid mohair mixture. Used size 7 needles.
- **Liz Knapp:** Puppy dog hat from Vogue Knitting. Pink and brown cottons from her stash.
- **Barbara Levin:** Hat using Twisted Sisters pattern. Yarn Twisted Sisters "Zazu" merino.

✦ MINI RETREAT IN JANUARY WAS A SUCCESS!

In January we spent two nights and three days relaxing at the Vina de Les Tannoc Retreat Center in the heart of the Temecula wine country. In addition to knitting and sharing in a comfortable environment, our stay included a rewarding field trip to Murietta for shopping at the neat Daily Fiber Yarn Co Store. The retreat was such a success that most of those who attended agreed they would like to do it again next year and for one more night!

We hope everyone enjoyed the Mini-Retreat in Temecula January 19-21st and we want to hear all about it at the February Meeting! We will summarize the fun in our next Newsletter. A special thank you goes out to Jo-Ellen Gould for coordinating the logistics of this retreat, and to Jean Moore for handling the funds (and providing moral support).

✦ SPRING RETREAT DATE CHANGED TO MAY 18-21st....MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

La Casa de Maria Retreat- May 18-21, 2009



In order to avoid a conflict with our June Guild meeting, the June Retreat in Santa Barbara has been changed from early June to **May 18th-21st**. Mark your calendars. This will held at the La Casa de Maria. All else is the same: The total cost for a single room is \$428.25 and for a double room is \$349.50 (All meals are included.) To reserve a spot send your non-refundable deposit of \$300 for a single room or \$150 for a double room to our treasurer. Her address is: Jean Moore 4050-50 Porte La Paz, San Diego, 92122 by March 1st.

Besides knitting there are opportunities for hiking, swimming and even a massage. You may prefer to drive, or you can join the majority of members from San Diego who will be traveling on the Amtrak. Jo-Ellen Gould- Retreat Chair- 858 947-5167

Visit the La Casa web site at <http://www.lacasademaria.org> to see what they have to offer.

If you still need convincing talk to one of our members who has either attended La Casa in the past or joined us at the Temecula retreat.

✦ MEMBERS TEACHING MEMBERS

"We've come to the conclusion over the last year or so that we'd be a lot better off if we just focused on our knitting." (Tom Newman) and that is exactly what Members Teaching Members is doing! Take a peek at what we have in store for you -- and this just the beginning!

Short Rows and Partial Row Knitting- Colleen Davis Date and Time: Friday, April 17 1:00 to 4:00 PM

Cost: \$30

Location: This will be hosted by Susan Ludwig in her home.

This class is rated at an "easy" skill level but resulting in varied and eye-catching patterns with the observer wondering "how did you do that?" Colleen is an experienced teacher who creates fun, excitement, and challenges all the while assisting in a very nurturing way to reach mastery. The main knitting is in stockinette stitch and learning how to wrap and turn is completed in a few strategically placed steps -- but the results are fabulous!

Recycling Knitted Items Into New Garments- Masumi Aycock

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 22 12:30-2:30 PM

Cost: \$20

Location: This will be held at Masumi's home in Encinitas.

Don't know what to do with that old sweater that is so dated you'll never wear it again but you just love the yarn so there it sits? Masumi Aycock has the perfect solution! We've all enjoyed the wonderful sweaters she has fashioned from once-knitted garments and now she is going to teach her secrets that she learned from her mother. Start reviewing your sweaters so that you can bring one or two for the yarn you wish to recycle and reuse. This class is rated as "easy" but the information will bring an entirely new perspective to your knitting: you will learn how to identify a (store bought) garment made of continuous yarn, unravel the sweater, wash and dry the yarn, and how to wind it into balls. Masumi will teach us how to avoid tangles and marks that could spoil the finished garment. From sweater to "knittable" yarn -- all in a two-hour class

QUARTERLY FINISHING DAYS

Dates: March 10, June 9, Sept. 8 and Dec. 8

Time: 12:30 to 3:30 PM

Cost: Free to Members

Where: San Dieguito United Methodist Church Classroom Building

Do you love knitting and hate finishing? Do you have more than a few un-seamed sweaters lurking in your closet? Do you need to work in all those yarn ends on that wonderful Fair Isle sweater before the moths finish it for you in an unintended way? Finishing days are for you.

Every three months, the Guild will host a free "Finishing Day" for members. Bring your almost-finished items and work on them together. The Guild will provide the room, chairs and tables and resource knitters to answer finishing questions. It might be just the jumpstart you need to get you going.

For more information, contact Sandy Smith sksmith@san.rr.com or 858-566-3397.

Upcoming Class Suggestions.....

You're knitting looks great but wait, what is that -- a hole? A mistake? Who wouldn't love a class on correcting mistakes? This class is slated for later in the year -- there is help out there!

We're also toying with the idea of a sweater knit-along for those of us who would enjoy moving beyond scarves. But we need your help with this one; please contact Susan or Eileen with your thoughts, ideas, and most importantly, if this is a class you'd like us to facilitate. For questions, please contact Eileen Adler 858-731-1921 or Susan Ludwig 760-436-0453.

◆ PHILANTHROPY

We received a nice note and photo CD from **Heartscarves**. Please continue to knit lacy, lightweight red scarves for the recovering heart patient. I want you to check out the link to a beautiful free pattern that incorporates a lace heart motif. www.knitculture.com, then go to their blog to sign up and get the free pattern.

Our second focus is to knit soft, comfortable **Chemo hats** for the Hat Box project. You may pick up a free pattern at my table in the back, or feel free to find your own favorite. Remember how sensitive the bald head may be and knit accordingly. Plush, soft, light. Men's colors and styles would also be appreciated.

Thirdly, please keep working on the **Helmet liners or basic scarf**, in military colors and 100% wool. Please visit the site, www.citizensam.org, for answers to all your questions.

With the help of Carol Fuller, I am writing a pattern for the childrens sweater that was recently donated to the Guild. I was able to send those to the San Diego Rescue Mission and they were well received.

Thank you all for your continued support of our charitable projects. I hope that by focusing on the three charities mentioned above, we will have a greater impact in giving and simplyfy my job in distribution of the items donated. I will always be interested in new ideas for outreach. We can refocus our knitting as needed. Keep in touch with the basket in the back. Drop off your donation each month and make a difference. Thank you.
Marsha Wenskay

◆ KNITTING ON THE NET

● TEDDY BEAR

This worsted weight bear is knit with 175 yards on doublepoint needles. It's done in one piece except for the ears so there's very little fiddly finishing at the end.

<http://home.howstuffworks.com/free-baby-toys-knitting-patterns3.htm>



● FLOWER POWER PLACEMATS/TOWELS

These flowers are knit with worsted weight cotton on size 7 circular and doublepoint needles. You'll find links to the pattern and to some helpful hints here:

<http://whimsicalknittingdesigns.blogspot.com/2006/10/flower-power-hand-towelplacemat.html>



● VINNLAND SOCKS

Socks in a beautiful swirly cable stitch pattern in multiple sizes – the foot and leg circumferences range from 8" to 12". They're knit from the toe up with a short row toe and heel.

<http://www.theantcraft.com/archiv/e/beltane07/vinnland.htm>



● SHADOW CARDIGAN

From Ruth Sorenson, the creator of the famous Kauni cardigan, we have a shadow knit cardigan -- in size 42/44 only. It's knit in DK weight yarn and requires only side and sleeve seams – the sleeves are nit from the top down.

[http://www.ruths.dk/engelsk/\(Microsoft%20Word%20-%20skyg%20eng.pdf](http://www.ruths.dk/engelsk/(Microsoft%20Word%20-%20skyg%20eng.pdf)



● CALEDON HILLS FELTED CITY BAG

This is a simple knit with 2 strands of worsted on 10 ½ needles.

http://www.yarnmarket.com/yarn/Yarnmarket_Free-Caledon_Hills_Felted_City_Bag_Free-4722.html



● HUNTER BLUE MANLY SCARF

This reversible scarf is knit with worsted yarn on #7 needles. It's one of seven "Manly Scarves" on this website. Each of the scarves is an interesting knit and the result is not "girly" – and "girly" is what men don't want to see in their Christmas scarves.

<http://sites.google.com/site/purplesagedesigns/purplesage-knitting-patterns/purplesage-free-knitting-patterns>



✦ UPCOMING EVENTS & YARN SALES

Machine Knitting Seminar

March 14-15, 2009 San Diego, CA Machine Knitters Guild of CA Seminar- contact Vivian (619) 440-3449

Twisted Sisters Warehouse Sale- March 20th

Remember those stunning Twisted Sisters styles Terri Cuperdija showed us at the October meeting? Here's your chance to make your own. Twisted Sisters will host Guild Members on **March 20** from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the company's warehouse in Escondido. This is a chance to buy the yarn, kits or pattern books at **30% off retail**. One day only. Cash and checks only. The warehouse is located at: 740 Metcalf St., #21, Escondido.

✦ NCKG IN PRINT

Eileen Adler has two patterns featured in the March, 2009 issue of *Creative Knitting Magazine*. She modeled the beautiful garments at our February Guild Meeting. This included the: "Black and White and Red All Over Sweater" (pg. 16); and "The Playful Pullover" a toddler's sweater (pg. 60). Both were fantastic! Congratulations Eileen.....

Many of you design. Let the Editors know where your latest masterpiece is published so we can share it with members!

✦ INTERESTING ARTICLE

This is an interesting story about a woman who's heart was punctured by a knitting needle when she fell. Yikes! [Hit Control and Click here: Keeping Cool Saved Ellin Klor's Life - Stanford Hospital & Clinics - Stanford University Medical Center](#)

✦ VIA PHONE, EMAIL, MAIL AND FRIENDS

hats for infants and contributed literally bushels of them over the past several years. Jane attended the RN group when possible. She was a quiet, dignified lady, and we are very sorry for the family's loss.

Ellen Hesterman, as secretary of the guild, mails get well/condolence cards to members. Please let her know, via e-mail, of anyone in need of this special service Contact Ellen at ewhest@att.net.

✦ TKGA

The Knitting Guild Association publishes *Cast On* magazine, holds conventions and regional meetings for knitters, certifies the accomplishment of knitters in its Master Knitting Program, and trains judges for knitting shows. Individuals join the organization by payment of dues of \$27 annually to: TKGA, 1100 Brandywine Blvd, Zanesville OH 43702-3388 (www.tkga.com)

✦ NORTH COAST KNITTERS GUILD

Our President is Barbara Levin. Her email address is: BLevin7751@aol.com . For a list of Board Members please visit the Web Site at www.ncknit.com .

Open to all knitters, regardless of skill level. Dues are \$20 annually and expire for all members on January 31. Make checks payable to North Coast Knitters and mail to Jean Moore, Treasurer NCKG, 4050-50 Porte La Paz, San Diego, CA 92122. Please include your name, mailing address, telephone, and email and tell us if you want to receive your newsletter via regular mail or email. The minutes of Board meetings and the monthly Treasurer's report are available at the membership table each month.

✦ CONTACT INFORMATION

Newsletter Editors "The Sisters": Siobhan Rosenberg e-mail hockeymom@cox.net; and Deirdre Michalski e-mail dsmichalski@cox.net . (Please email [both of us](#) on all communications. Thank you.)

Our Web Site: For information about membership, meetings, workshops, local yarn shops, etc. visit www.ncknit.com.

Web Master For Our Web Site:

Heather Broadhurst is the website person and her email is hjnb@boddame.net . Yarn shops are encouraged to check their listings and provide updates to our Web Master. We'd also like to hear about trunk shows and special guest teachers at your shops – we'll put them on the website and in the newsletter.

Member Rosters: Members may get a copy at general meetings or request a mailed copy from Sherri Fisher. For Changes please forward them to: Sheri Fisher at SheriRob1@aol.com .

We are getting ready to print the 2009 Membership Directory. The deadline for dues is March 3 to guarantee that your name will be printed.

✦ WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!!

Ann Ball
Gail Bamber
Deb Batey
Kathy Christensen
Pamela Fernandez-Smith
Marie Fisher
Barbara McCroskey
Elaine Myers
Heather Walpole
Elizabeth Westlake
Erma Zeldes

✦ TIPS AND TRICKS FOR KNITTERS

Finding Knitting Stores When Traveling

For those of us who like to visit knitting stores when traveling, these web sites can really help. You can type in the zip code or city, and stores with information on hours, yarns carried, web site addresses to the yarn store site, etc. are all there. Deirdre

www.knitmap.com (great site for knitters!)

www.mapmuse.com (many categories, not as complete for knitting stores)

www.maps.google.com (has database if 30,000+ fiber buying under maps section)

Joining Stitches In The Round

I found this in a hat pattern and it can be applied to any "in the round" knitting. It calls for casting on an extra stitch and of course warns about being careful not to twist the row, then "Pass the first cast on stitch over to the left needle, and knit the first two together." This makes a really nice closure for the first row and I'm sure going to use it on all my "in the round" work. I'm sure many know about this but I've never seen it written in a pattern this clearly. Louise Anderson

✦ SUB GROUP MEETING SCHEDULE:

If you'd like to attend a sub group meeting, call the contact listed below first – holidays and availability of meeting places sometimes change the meeting schedules.

- **AKG Group**, 9am every Fri, Old California Coffee Shop, Restaurant Row, San Marcos, Maggie Dederich, 760-942-4159

- **EKG Group**, 10:30am, 2nd Tues, home of Lillia Brown 760-634-1638

- **Knit@Nite Group**, 6pm, 1st Wed Jewish Community Center. Linda Erlich, 858-759-9509 but check the schedule on the website to confirm dates.

- **I-15 Group**, 9am to 11am, 2nd and 4th Wed, Panera in Carmel Mountain Ranch, Sheri Fisher, 858-530-2385.

- **PA Group**, 1:00pm to 3:00pm, every Monday and Thursday at the Needlecraft Cottage, Call Jean Moore, 858-587-9054, for more information. It's called the PA group, which means we knit practically anything and is open to practically anybody

- **RN Group**: 10am, 4th Tues - Gwen Nelson, 760-720-5420 at the Encinitas Sr. Ctr. at 10:00 a.m. We are just "rather normal, intermediate knitters; we're open to any level knitter."

North Coast Knitters' 2009 Proposed Agenda

Mar 3 (Tues): **Potluck:** We will have our annual pot luck meal (instead of July).

Program After the potluck, Mariko Nonaka will give a short report on her recent knitting-related trip to Japan.

April 7: In-House Program: Fashion Show on coats and jackets. Yarn sale from TootsieP.

May 3: (Sunday afternoon) 3-hr **workshop** on "Great Beginnings."

May 4 (Monday) 6-hr **workshop** on Bohus technique

May 5: (Tuesday morning) 3-hr **workshop** on Japanese short rows.

May 5: Program: Lecture/trunk show by Sussana Hanson on Bohus history.

June 2: In-House Program: The "Challenge" fashion show – Shawls

Possible fund-raising yarn sale.

July 7,8,9: Program by Brecia Kralovic-Logan from Santa Barbara presenting "Creating Color Pools: An intuitive approach to color for the fiber artist." Workshops to follow. Topics TBD.

Aug 4: Program: Kristi Porter from San Diego will be talking and showing samples from her new book "Knitting in the Sun".

Sep 1: In-House Program – Yarn Tasting – Your favorite yarn and why.

Oct. 6: Program: Myra Wood from Los Angeles will be giving a lecture/trunk show on freeform crochet lace and freeform knitted lace.

Oct. 7: (Wednesday) **Workshop** to follow. Topic TBD.

Oct. 8: (Thursday) **Workshop** to follow. Topic TBD.

Nov 3: Program: Fayla Reiss will be giving a lecture/trunk show on Needle Felting garments.

Workshops to follow. Topics TBD.

Dec 7: Holiday Lunch and Fashion Show

Color Key: Program, Speaker Workshops and Special Events/Parties

It's time to renew your membership -

Please fill out the form below and bring it to the next meeting
OR

mail it and your check for \$20 to
Jean Moore
4050-50 Porte La Paz, San Diego, CA 92122

Newsletter by Email - what you need to know if you choose email

1. Add our mailing address to your address book - it's ncknit@sbcglobal.net. If you don't, your email program will probably think the newsletter is spam.
 2. If the newsletter bounces for any reason you'll miss that month's newsletter and be returned to regular mail the next month. If you use a special spam-blocking program and it rejects our newsletter or asks for manual confirmation, you'll be returned to regular mail.
 3. If your email address changes, let us know before you miss a newsletter. Email us at ncknit@sbcglobal.net with the new address.
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2009 North Coast Knitters Membership Form

Name as you want it to appear in the directory and on your name tag:

Mailing address (if the address on your mailing label is incorrect):

Street:

City and State:

Zip Code:

Telephone:

E-Mail:

Newsletter Options - check one:

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