



San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

*Celebrating 20 years of Strands in the Sand
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NEW TIME and LOCATION:

General Meeting on June 6 • 1:30-3:30 pm

Doors open @ 1:00 pm

San Dieguito United Methodist Church, 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas, CA

*Programs, Carol Myers & Karen des Jardins,
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June 6 Faina Goberstein, "Every Design Has a Story"

In June, our guest speaker will be Faina Goberstein. Faina's talk will be "Every Design Has a Story" in which she will tell us stories about her inspirations and designs...stories that will give us a glimpse into the world of a designer that we do not see. She'll be bringing many samples to supplement her talk.



Faina is best known for her elegant and well-fitted classic and contemporary designs showing off textures, cables, brioche, and slip-stitch techniques. She is a prolific knitwear designer, author, and a professional teacher.



Invisible Shaping Workshop

Faina is fascinated with many knitting

techniques and loves to pass her excitement to her students. She will teach four technique workshops that you can register for now. At our website you'll find all the information about her workshops: [The Art of Professional Finishing](#), [The Gobelen Bag - Slip-Stitch Techniques](#), [The Art of Invisible Shaping](#), and [Shades of Amber Cowl - Getting Familiar with Slip-Stitch Knitting](#). View Faina's knitwear designs at her [website](#) and her [Ravelry page](#).

July 11 Potluck

The July 11 potluck is fast approaching. Note this is the second Tuesday of the month! Our meeting will be held at the regular place and time, with doors opening for set-up at 1:00 pm, and the potluck beginning at 1:30 pm. All members are invited to bring a dish to pass.

Choices include appetizer, side dish, entrée, dessert, drink, and ice. Sign-up sheets will be available at the June meeting if you would like to commit to a dish in advance. The potluck is a relaxing time to enjoy food, knitting and friendship. For more information, or to volunteer to help, contact Tree Dezazzo at potluck@sandiegoknitters.com.



2017 General Meeting Schedule

- 6-Jun: Faina Goberstein, **Every Design Has a Story**
- 11-Jul: Annual Potluck Luncheon
- 1-Aug: Claudia Carlson, **Color Confidence**
- 5-Sep: Annual Guild Stash Sale
- 10-Oct: Myra Wood, **Living a Creative Life**
- 7-Nov: Michelle Montjoy, **River: A Community Art Project**
- 4-Dec: Holiday Luncheon and Fashion Show

President's Message

by **Mary Brown and Laura Brubaker - Co-Presidents**
President@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Dear Members,
I thought a lot about our April speaker, Ursula Almeida, and how lucky we are to have our own members talk about their experiences. For myself, I once wondered whether or not my work had any relevance. I think of my knitting as an art project (not that I need another sweater). I love the idea of trying to select yarns from my stash, along with a few purchased new yarns, to complete my idea of something new. I used to be concerned about what others thought, like our speaker, but no more. I am only concerned with what pleases me and how I can make something new and exciting. If it pleases others, I'm even happier.



Mary Brown



Laura Brubaker

I leave for Europe on May 13 and return on May 29. I am thinking of what can inspire me to make something new. As Ursula said, don't worry about what others think, please yourself and look for inspiration everywhere.

- Mary



A member shares: "These workshops are so helpful. I applied Romy's class last month to a dire knitting emergency and managed to successfully perform knitting surgery on a cable knit sweater!"

How Do I Register For A Workshop

Many of our new members have been asking this question. The answer: it's easy!

1. Register at the general meeting. Registration opens two months preceding each workshop at the general meeting. For example, the April meeting members could register for classes offered in June.

2. Register by email Programs@SanDiegoKnitters.com to reserve your seats.

+ Payment in advance will guarantee a seat; pay by cash or check.

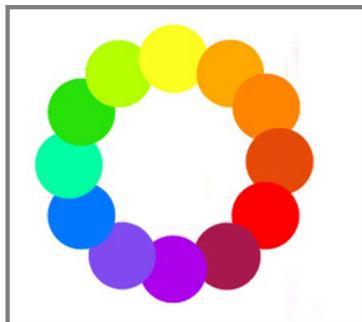
+ Make checks payable to SDNCKG and mail to the Guild treasurer.

+ On-line registration is not available.

The cost of a workshop is \$30 for members. You may register for more than one class from the same guest speaker unless otherwise stated. Be sure to read the workshop description for prerequisites and the materials to bring to class, and if homework is required. Find all workshops at the [Guild's website](#).

Hold The Dates! Coming August 1-2

The Guild's program on August 1 will feature Claudia Carlson. Her talk is entitled "Color Confidence." Then on August 2, Claudia will conduct a workshop on how to find color palettes, blending and mixing colors, and learning what works, what doesn't and why.



Minutes - General Meeting

Tuesday, May 2, 2017

by *Mary Van Orsdol, Secretary*
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Co-President Mary Brown opened the meeting at 1:30 pm. After greeting new members and guests, Mary introduced Program Co-Chair Karen des Jardins.

Program Co-Chair Karen des Jardins introduced speaker Ursula Almeida. Ursula presented "Be Bold, Be Fearless, Be Creative" and focused on methods and techniques for developing our individual creativity.

After the presentation, Co-President Mary Brown conducted the business portion of the meeting.

Membership: no report

Library: Scarrain Gomes announced that there were 15 new books added this month. This month's speaker, Ursula Almeida, donated a book which includes one of her patterns.

Programs: Co-Chair Carol Myers reported on upcoming programs (check the newsletter or website for details). She also announced that the October meeting has been moved to the 2nd Tuesday, October 10.

Members Teaching Members: Chair Karen Bochinski needs members to volunteer their homes for the classes. She reported on upcoming classes (check the newsletter or website for details):

Colleen Davis: Intarsia Knitting -- Kaffe Fassett's Persian Poppy

Karen des Jardins: Shrinky-dinky Stitch Makers

Eileen Adler: Using Stitch Makers

Sue Tavaglione: All that Sparkles, a surprise project

Spring Retreat: The spring retreat has been cancelled; the next retreat will be in August.

San Diego County Fair: Chair Jan Davis reported that the Fair starts next month. She still needs to fill several shifts. Please contact her if you would like to volunteer.

Stash Sale: Co-President Mary Brown reminded people to bring their donations to the meetings. We are collecting yarn, needles, books, magazines, finished and unfinished projects. If you have multiple skeins of the same yarn, please package them in a zip-lock bag. Bobbie Brunson will pick up donations if you are unable to come to meetings; call or email her to arrange a pick-up time.

Philanthropy: Chair Eileen Adler reported on the Softies project and announced a workshop to learn how to make softies with double-pointed needles

(please check the newsletter or website for details).

Potluck: Chair Tree (Teresa) De Zazzo asked for volunteers to form a committee for the Potluck. Please contact her if you are interested.

Co-President Laura Brubaker was Master of Ceremonies for Show & Share; Stacy Mann was photographer.

Co-President Laura Brubaker adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:25 pm.

Philanthropy

by *Eileen Adler, Philanthropy Chair*
Philanthropy@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Thursday, May 11, we gathered 'round the table for Share-A-Softie. One participant said this was the first time she started a Softie and it worked! Another member said that she did not like double pointed needles but left finding them so easy to work with. It was truly a wonderful morning. Muhammad Ali once asked, "If I don't wake up tomorrow, would I be proud of how I lived today?" Knitting Softies makes us proud!

The Solana Beach Library is a warm and inviting meeting location; they have invited us to do these events more often – please let me know if this is of interest to you.

As part of philanthropy, I'm happy to offer classes – I'll teach, we knit, and our donations will warm the hearts of so many, many people. Again, please let me know if this is something you'd enjoy participating in.

Our Second Annual Softie Summer Splash, knitting poolside with fun refreshments, will be in August . . . watch for more information. I knit for philanthropy at every guild meeting; I hope you will too. Thank you for all your support.



Publishing a Pattern

Ursula Almeida shared a few tricks at her May 3 workshop. Ursula presented her well laid-out plan, which included several impressive computer tips. She discussed resource recommendations, slow-journaling, sharing and protecting hand-knit designs, and creating a loyal following. Follow Ursula 'SheThinksSheCan' on Ravelry and Instagram!

Stash Sale

by: **Bobbie Brunson** StashSale@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Save the Date: September 5, 2017 is the SDNCKG Annual Stash Sale!

Thank you to all who have so generously donated to the Stash Sale. We have lots of beautiful yarn, magazines, books, needles, and some amazing finished garments. It's not too late to clean out your closet and make room for new. Donations are still being accepted at our monthly Guild meetings. Gently used books, knitting bags, needles and notions, unfinished objects, and completed projects that you no longer want/use are gratefully accepted. Please bring your items in secured bags and place all skeins of the same yarn together in a separate bag, if possible. If you have a very large donation or can't make it to the meeting, please contact Bobbie Brunson to arrange a time for pickup or delivery: StashSale@SanDiegoKnitters.com



Spring Retreat News

by **June Bartczak**, Retreat

Coordinator Retreats@SanDiegoKnitters.com

The correct dates for the August Retreat in Temecula are August 21-24, 2017; NOT the 18-21, as I wrote in the previous newsletter. To date, 17 members have signed up for this, our first summer retreat. According to the coordinator at Vina de Lestonnac, there are 5 more rooms available. Costs for the August Retreat are as follows:

Accommodation	Total Cost/Deposit
Single occupancy	\$420/\$150
Double occupancy	\$320/\$100
Triple occupancy	\$290/\$75

- The first meal is lunch on Monday. Arrival any time AFTER 9:00 am is okay.
- The final meal is breakfast on Thursday; however, we do not have to vacate the knitting room until 11:00 am.
- All meals are included in the total cost.
- Deposits must be paid by the end of the Guild Meeting on June 6. If mailed, they must be received by June 5. (157 Via Monte d'Oro, Redondo Beach, CA 90277)
- Make checks payable to SDNCKG.



County Fair

by: **Jan Davis** CountyFair@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Thanks to the many members who have stepped up to work in the Guild's booth at the San Diego County Fair June 27-29 at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. I will have your admission ticket and some suggestions for you in an envelope with your name on it at the front table at the June meeting. If you cannot be there, I will mail it to you the next day.

Also, a big thanks to our judges who have already done their job by the time you read this. If you are not working in the booth but will be at the fair on those dates, stop by the second floor of the Home and Hobby exhibit building between 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. to say hello!



Won't you please show respect for our Guest Speakers and avoid talking during the program? Your neighbors will appreciate the quiet, as will the Speaker. Visit with your friends before or after the meeting. This should

be observed during the classes as well. If you can't hear us, raise your hand and let us know!

A Note About Your Name Badges

by: Kerry Nare

Namebadges@sandiegoknitters.com

2017 name badges were updated and reprinted for the April Guild meeting, and were reorganized in the badge trays by last name. At the April meeting, Marilyn Wilkinson and Mary Lovett assisted me in helping people find their name badges, so the change might not have been obvious to everyone. Unfortunately, neither were available to help for the May meeting, and some of you were confused by the change. Please look for you name badge behind the letter of your last name. If you can't find it, I'll be more than happy to assist you.

Thank you to everyone for returning your name badge when you leave!

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild General Information

Membership in the Guild is open to everyone, regardless of your craft. Membership expires for all members on January 31. Dues are \$25 annually. Here is a printable [membership form](#).

Send all articles for the newsletter by the 15th of the month to: Newsletter@sandiegoknitters.com. Short articles relating to knitting or crocheting in general, and the San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild in particular, are encouraged.

Notices and announcements of a commercial nature may be placed as paid advertisements. Send an email to the above email address for rates and more information.

Shrinky Dink Stitch Markers with Karen des Jardins

An enjoyable time was had by all who attended the Shrinky Dink Stitch Marker class with Karen des Jardins. Creativity was flowing and students made some beautiful markers.



Members Teaching Members

by Karen Bochinski

MTMWorkshops@sandiegoknitters.com

Intarsia Knitting: Kaffe Fassett's Persian Poppy

- Thurs., May 25, 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. in Encinitas
- Taught by Colleen Davis \$30 /person, payable to Colleen.

Learn and practice using two colors in one row (intarsia). You will leave with your own artistic fabric showcasing a beautiful flower on a contrasting background. Homework is required so sign up early by emailing Karen (above).



All That Sparkles

- Tuesday, June 6 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in Encinitas
- Taught by Sue Tavaglione. \$20 class fee and \$5 for materials, payable to Sue
- Limited to 8 students

Knit a surprise recycle project with sparkle! Homework is required, so sign up early. Contact Sue at sjtava@sbcglobal.net or 951-684-3252

Make a Mark Using Stitch Markers

- Thursday, June 22 from from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in San Diego
- Taught by Eileen Adler. \$20 class fee, payable to Eileen
- Limited to 12 students

Contact Eileen to sign up and get the list of required materials eileenadler@san.rr.com or 858-731-1921.

HOSTESSES WANTED

To ease the teacher's duties, a Hostess home would make the class better for the students. The teacher can focus on the students and her class materials. It would be nice if the hostess can provide a small, simple snack and beverages. The following is a list of members who are willing to be hostesses.

NAME	CITY	ZIP
June Collins	Encinitas	92024
Mary Fallett (San Dieguito Heritage Museum)	Encinitas	92024
Lou Wanna Katz	Encinitas	92024
Peggy Redler	Carlsbad	92011
Susan Schock	San Diego	92126
Debra Deverill	East Del Mar	92067

We are searching for more hostesses in various parts of the county. If you would like to volunteer your home, and get the class for free, please contact the MTM coordinator to be added to this list.

Show & Share May (Check out more photos on [Ravelry](#))

Barbara Friedman created this swingy pullover on her knitting machine using Noro wool yarn.



Cally Monster premiered a shawl of her own design. **If One Can, Toucan** is an asymmetric sideways shawl using 3-4 of your favorite colors in mosaic and slipped stitch patterns. See more photos on Cally's Ravelry [page](#).



Beth Carnett showed two items. The **Levity Shawl** is designed by Kelly McClure. The yarn is Theodora's Pearls bamboo. The **Tamdou Shawl** is from Melanie Berg and Beth used several colors of Baah yarns. Carol Myers blocked both shawls for Beth.



Chris Ward knit her **Ladder Tank** in Elsebeth Lavold Hemptathy yarn, a hemp/cotton/modal blend that is perfect for San Diego weather. The openwork is created with double yarnovers.



The **Hitofude Cardigan** knit-a-long was led by Eileen Adler. Four members modeled their sweaters at the meeting. **Kim McIntyre** used cotton yarn. **Susan Johansen** knit with Madelinetosh Tosh Light. **Marva Ross** made a heavier version in Berroco Vintage. **Louise Shappee** used Madelinetosh Twist Light.

Show & Share May (Check out more photos on [Ravelry](#))



Laura Brubaker discovered the **Delta Wing Shawl** in the Sequence Knitting book by Cecilia Campchiaro. The simple repeat of knit and purl stitches creates a textured design that is perfect for two solid or semisolid sock yarns. Laura says she loves the texture but hated the boredom. More photos on Laura's Ravelry [page](#).



Lynne Davidson is a Knit @ Nite member who showed a remarkable circular **Lace Shawl**.

Marie Skillman crocheted the **Alyssium Cardigan** in Knitting Fever's Painted Desert, a 100% superwash wool yarn. Marie modified the Joanne Scrace pattern by making the sleeves in the pattern stitch instead of ribbing.



Mary Barranger wore her **Jimenez Pullover** to Knit@Nite. She knit the Carol Feller pattern in Blue Moon Fiber Arts Marine Silk. Read her pattern notes and see more photos [here](#).



Ursula Almeida made **Romi's Mystery Shawl 2017**, by designer Romi Hill (our April speaker). She used A Verb for Keeping Warm Annapurna Cashmere yarn in two shades of pink.

Show & Share May (Check out more photos on [Ravelry](#))



Mimi Sevimli models her [CashSilk Fern Cowl](#). She used Twisted Sisters Zazu, a 100% Merino laceweight yarn. Mimi used Zazu for the Serenty Now! Shawl in at least six different colors. She used added I-cord to hide all the ends.



Sue Tavaglione's feather and Fan Shawl makes brilliant use of a textured yarn, Interlacements Rick Rack. The 100% rayon yarn is hand dyed and comes in enormous skeins of 1,100 yds. Sue had to set the colors in white vinegar but the result is lovely.

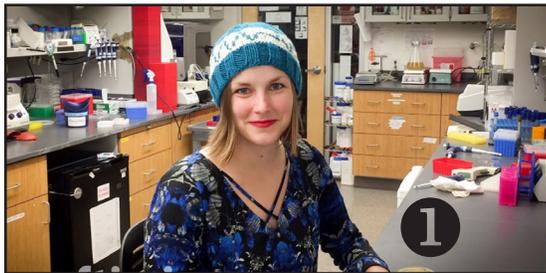
Susan Shock knit the [Cesaria Top](#) by our very own Irina Anikeeva. The drop shoulders and curved hem of this are made with strategically placed increases and decreases. Sue bought the Classic Elite Bam Boo yarn at the stash sale. She says, "I think I know why it was put there – It's very SPLITTY!"



Tania Marshall has been busy making **slipper socks!** She used the soles of flip flops and added a knit or crocheted upper. Through trial and error, she figured out the best way to make these indoor-outdoor booties. Check out lot of notes and photos on several projects when you visit her [Ravelry page](#).



Nathine Nelson made an adorable Teddy Bear using King Cole Luxe Fur yarn and the [Luxe Fur Bears pattern](#).



❶ A Postdoctoral Research Scientist named **Heidi Arjes** recently created knit hat designs for the March for Science. Read all about Heidi in the [Stanford News](#) and see her free hat designs at [Project Thinking Cap](#).

❷ Isabell Kraemer's [On the Beach](#) sweater is a great beginner project to take the first step into contiguous set-in sleeves method. The pullover is knit in stockinette to a gauge of 4.5 sts/in. The free pattern is available in English, French, Dutch, Portuguese, and Italian!

❸ [Seas of Jupiter Socks](#) are knit in a self-stripping yarn with a contrast color for accent.

❹ Cultured Purl Society offers the [Bubble Wrap Stitch](#). What a fun pattern for a baby blanket!

❺ [Eli-Duett Shawl](#) is a shallow wrap, knit in seed stitch with a deep lace border. The pattern is a free download in English and German.

❻ [Seaside Dream Cardigan](#) from DROPS Design is worked top-down with $\frac{3}{4}$ sleeves and a lace pattern that is both charted and written. The Pattern is sized from S to XXXL.

✓ Learn two different methods for the Long-Tail Cast-On [here](#).

Guild Directory Membership Updates

by Nancy Nevin, Membership

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May 2017

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