



San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

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General Meeting: Nov. 7 • 1:30-3:30 pm • Doors open @ 1:00 pm

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

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November 7: Michelle Montjoy

"Knitting. Together. A Community" is the presentation title of Michelle Montjoy at the November 7 Guild meeting. Michelle is an Oceanside-based visual artist who uses knitting, crochet and needlework as both sculptural medium and action. She will discuss her recent projects River (a Creative Catalyst grant at Oceanside Museum of Art) and DomesticACTION (a California Arts Council grant at Art Produce Gallery, San Diego). Michelle's art installations are all about where art and community collide, a process whereby the community participates in creating the art.



In these recent projects Michelle used over-sized knitting looms and thrift store T-shirts to connect communities while making room-sized knitted art installations together. In her presentation, she will discuss how she arrived at these concepts and the functions of domestic craft and creativity as agents for uniting communities.

A 2016 recipient of San Diego Foundation's Creative Catalyst grant, Michelle's project, River,

brought over-sized table top looms to 32 communities, engaging over 1000 people in knitting material made from used T-shirts into yards-long forms.



Michelle spent many years teaching art in public schools. Michelle also knits up the occasional sweater or scarf.

T-shirts for ART

Our November speaker, artist Michelle Montjoy, incorporates t-shirt fabric into her amazing community fiber sculptures. If you have T-shirts that you're willing to give up, please bring them to the November meeting for future recycle into art. Shirts can be ready for the rag-bag; stains, holes, patterns, colors...all are acceptable! Let your old shirt(s) find a new home.

2017 General Meeting Schedule

- 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



Laura Brubaker

Last month's speaker was fantastic. Myra Wood is amazing in my view. Her knitting style is intuitive and the results are beautiful. I hope that all of you were as inspired as I was. As you all know, I love to use many colors in my work so her presentation was especially cogent for me. I hope that you will experiment

with more colors in your future knitting projects and I look forward to seeing them during Show and Share or at the upcoming Holiday Luncheon. Keep knitting.

Mary Brown ~ Co-President



Mary Brown

Minutes - General Meeting Tuesday, October 10, 2017

by **MarGee Farr, Acting Secretary**
Secretary@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Co-President Mary Brown called the meeting to order at 1:30pm. Mary welcomed members and guests.

Carol Meyer described the four workshops scheduled for Wednesday & Thursday and introduced the guest speaker, Myra Wood who gave her program on Creativity & Inspiration. Following the program

Mary continued the business meeting calling on committee chairs with the following reports.

Membership: Nancy Nevin reported that there are currently 309 members.

Library: Scarrain Gomez reported that copies of magazines were available, free for the taking and that several new books were donated, highlighting one by Callie Monster, "Luxurious Lace". Callie will be coordinating the Holiday Luncheon Fashion Show this year.

Programs: Karen de Jardins talked about the November program with Michelle Montgomery "Knitting Together A Community". Michelle will also talk about her recent "River" project. Karen asked everyone to bring tee shirts for members to try out one of Michelle's knitting looms. The 2018 program schedule will be announced at the Holiday Luncheon in December.

Retreats: Carol Meyer filled in for June Bartczak, reporting that the January 15-18, 2018 Temecula retreat has a waiting list. She encouraged additional members interested to submit their deposit (\$100 per person for a double, \$150 for a single) as June was working to try to secure more rooms.

MTM: Karen Bochinski introduced Colleen Davis who explained her Fabric Necklace Workshop scheduled for October 19, 2017 at Lou Wanna Katz's home from 1-3, \$20 per person.

Philanthropy: Eileen Adler reported that ladies will meet on October 18, 2017 from 10-12 at the Solana Beach Library to knit versions of "Doubly Delicious" scarves. Donations of "Softies" will be collected at the Solana Beach Library at the front desk through November 4th. The Race for the Cure is scheduled for November 5th in Balboa Park where the "Softies" will be available.

Holiday Luncheon & Fashion Show: Willa Cather reported that reservations are being accepted for the December 4th luncheon. The form is available on the Guild website, in the newsletter and at the November meeting. Amy Sheridan is coordinating reservations. Willa suggested reserving a spot early because space is limited. Callie Monster will be coordinating the Fashion Show, forms to submit garments are available on the internet and at the meetings before the luncheon.

Linda Erlich took over after the committee reports emceeding this month's Show & Share. Mary adjourned the meeting at 3:30pm.

Holiday Luncheon

by Willa Cather, Chairman

HolidayLuncheon@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Join us on Monday, December 4 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Morgan Run Club & Resort. Buy your ticket early; last year we sold out! \$30 includes luncheon and fashion show.

Luncheon reservation form is on page 9. Fashion Show reservation is on page 10. Both can also be found on the website.

Members Teaching Members

by Karen Bochinski

MTMWorkshops@sandiegoknitters.com

Fabric Necklace Workshop, taught by Colleen Davis

Colleen will have a free demonstration on making fabric (and I-cord) necklaces using scraps of floral, graphic, polka dot or striped fabrics. She will have a dozen designs for you to contemplate. You will leave with a list of supplies and basic sewing instructions for the necklace design of your choice. The second class (two weeks later, for \$20 fee) is a 2-hour workshop to finish your necklaces. Colleen will give you ideas for embellishing with yarn.



- Date: hands-on class is November 2 (\$20)
- Time: 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- Location: home of Lou Wanna Katz, Leucadia
- Skill Level: Basic sewing skills. You will be sewing tubes in which piping will be threaded through.

• Note: Bring a mix of interesting fabrics, preferably cotton or silk. Striped cotton knits can also be used. Pick a few interesting yarns to complement the fabrics. In the first photo, the fabric was a sequined tee shirt from a thrift store. No stiff or heavy fabrics.

RSVP by e-mail: ColleenDavis9111@SBCglobal.net

Retreat News

by June Bartczak, Retreat

Coordinator Retreats@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Twenty-two members are currently signed up for our January 2018 Retreat in Temecula, AND there are thirteen on the waiting list!! According to the venue coordinator, it will allow us to take wait-listed participants if any double-occupancy rooms are willing to convert to triples. Can you make room for another friend in your room? Please let me know if any of you confirmed participants would consider doing this. We are waiting to hear if the other group is going to release any of their reserved rooms. They have until mid-January to release their unused rooms. Our spring retreat is scheduled for May 7-10, 2018 at the beautiful Mary and Joseph Retreat Center in Rancho Palos Verdes. We need a minimum of 10-12 participants, and five people have already committed to going. Take a look at your calendar and plan on retreating with the Guild. The location is stunning and there are several yarn shops within driving distance. More about this in future Newsletters and on the Website.

Show and Share October

Colleen Davis calls her newest design **Abstract Art**. It's a freeform sleeveless pullover with neutral yarns as a background to showcase the abstract shapes and vivid colors.



Show and Share October



Karen Bochinski showed a **Penguin**, a **Basic Bird**, three **French Hens**, and a **Lamb**. More photos and pattern links are on her [Ravelry page](#).

Sandra Zinn showed her [Oasis Poncho](#) by designer Yumiko Alexander. The pattern called for linen yarn and #10 needles; Sandra used a cotton/wool yarn called Geilsk and #7 needles.



Irina Anikeeva has a new design: **Air Dance Top**. She used Baah Yarns Aspen, a cashmere/silk/Merino blend. The raglan pattern has a lovely lace pattern on the back. Many more photos on [Irina's Ravelry page](#).



Sheila Kirschenbaum modeled the [Forest Weave Top](#) by Yumiko Alexander. She used Aslan Trends Pima Cotton. She also did a great job on the [Camino Bubbles Scarf](#), (below) using Schafer Trenna in Merino/silk blend.



Show and Share October



Sandy Yayanos was inspired by June's guest speaker Faina Goberstein. Using slip stitches, she knit the [Nebo Pullover](#) in Anny Blatt Brushed Alpaca yarn. The sweater is knit from the top down with waist shaping.

Nathine Nelson showed two projects. [Bleeker Shawl](#) in Malabrigo Mechita superwash wool, and [Little Fans Crochet Shawl](#) using Berrocco Folio.



Tina Rounsavell used Shibui Linen yarn to make [Remedy Light](#) by Sarah Shepherd. A few more pictures can be found [here](#).



Cally Monster designed a new shawl called [Plaid](#) in the New Fad. It is knit in Baah Yarns La Jolla superwash wool using slipped stitches on a stockinette background. For more photos and pattern inspiration [click here](#).

Show and Share October



Cary Sullivan brought **Mr. Bunny**, a DROPS Design knit in cotton yarn.



Debby Reece wore her Colorwork Pullover. The pattern is **Sunset Highway** by designer Caitlin Hunter. Yarn was Hue Loco sock yarn. Lots of close-up photos and great [project notes here](#). **Debby** is holding her **Madewell Cardigan** by Joji Locatelli, in which she used Baerenwolle Merino/silk yarn and blended by using stripes at the hem.



Lisa Swartz (top right) made the **Rochambeau Cowl** using Freia Merino yarn. This was a knit-a-long at Common Threads yarn shop in Encinitas.

Dolores Rodrigues (top left) knit her **Rochambeau Cowl** in a different colorway of Freia yarn. More photos and [pattern notes](#) on Ravelry. She showed her **Dragonfly Shawl** (left) as well, knit in the mosaic technique using Jojoland Cashmere – lovely!



Show and Share October



Virginia Wilson first dyed the yarn in a class. Then she added the white and knit the first half of this project in Aug 2012. She finally finished at the August 2017 retreat. The result is Milja Uimonin's pattern [Light in Shadows](#).

Marie Skillman wore her **Sea Lace Top** which was crocheted in Tahki Cotton Classic Lite. She said it was a poorly written pattern and the charts didn't match the text. With patience and rewriting, Marie's project turned out great! Marie's second project was a **Shawl** that was rescued with skills learned in Claudia Carlson's color class in August.



Nancy Muschek did a fantastic job on this [Box Sweet Sweater](#) from Candice Eisner Strick and Ann Feitelson. The Shelridge Yarns fingering weight Merino yarn cake in a kit. Nancy used size 3 & 4 needles. She said the pattern was beautifully designed but there were many tails to weave in after knitting.



Barbara Levin used Sweet Georgia Flaxen Silk Fine silk/linen yarn for her **Tegna Top**. The pattern called for 1-10" of positive ease and Barbara knit hers with just 2-3". See Barbara's notes [here](#).

Knitting on the Net



✓ In-depth article about American Superwash Wool, how it was developed, and how it affected the wool industry in the United States. From [Pigeonroof Studios](#).



❶ [Vanessa Headband](#) uses 80yds of bulky yarn for the wide version and 40 yds for the narrow version. This is a quick knit and great gift for our loved ones in colder climates!

❷ [Ostro Shawl](#) from Berroco uses three shades of DK yarn and US#8 needles. The pick-up-and-knit construction means minimal finishing.

❸ [Magic Web Cardigan](#) is a top-down pattern with lace on the yoke. Easy to follow charts and seamless construction.

❹ [Arya's Water Dancer Cowl](#) uses 430 yds of worsted weight yarn. The top uses short rows and the bottom uses Bird's-Eye lace.

❺ [Dias de Betty Pullover](#) from Classic Elite uses a cotton/wool blend in a light-worsted weight. Great layering piece as our weather grows cooler.

❻ [Point Reyes Mitts](#) are knit in DK yarn on US#4 needles. Lacy twisted stitches on the back and a smooth palm for added durability.

❼ In honor of Canada's 150th anniversary, Fleece Artist has dyed a collection of yarns in the colors of the 13 national parks of Canada (example, above right). Read the article [here](#).

❽ Check out "[Harmonic Motion](#)," a massive, hand-knit play space in a Japanese mall.



Annual GUILD Holiday Fashion Show & Luncheon
Monday December 4, 2017
(Reservations MUST be received by Friday November 24, 2017)

Arrival: Please do not come before 10:30AM!

Drawing Tickets: 10:30AM – 11:30AM Our “Opportunity Drawing” items will be displayed for you to peruse & purchase tickets.

Lunch Is Served: 11:45AM - OPEN seating with 10 guests per table.

Fashion Show & Drawing: Immediately following Lunch!

Location: **Morgan Run Club & Resort**
 5690 Cancha De Golf
 Rancho Santa Fe, California 92091

Directions: www.morganrun.com Phone: (858)756-2471
 The Club is located approximately 3 miles EAST of I-5 at the Via de la Valle EXIT or S-6.

Menu Choices:

- A) **Salmon Caesar Salad** – Crisp Romaine lettuce w/ Parmesan cheese, crouton rusks, charbroiled salmon & classic Caesar dressing.
- B) **Chicken Salad - Delicious** signature club chicken salad on lettuce, with fruit.

On The Table: Bread, butter & water.

Dessert: Chef’s surprise dessert!

Beverages: Coffee, tea & iced tea will be served at your table. A **CASH** bar will be available for wine, soda, juices and mixed drinks throughout the event.

Cost: **\$30.00 includes tax and gratuity!**

---Detach Here-----**RESERVATION FORM**-----Detach Here-----**RESERVATION FORM**-----Detach Here---

Send to: Amy Sheridan 4250 Robbins Street, San Diego, CA 92122 phone:(858)455-6508
Write your menu choice(s) on the form & your check!
Make checks payable to San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

Name of Member: _____ Menu A___ Menu B___

Name of Guest(s): _____ Menu A___ Menu B___
 (If applicable)

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Direct any questions about the Luncheon or Fashion Show to Willa Cather 657-203-9904.
ALL CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY November 24, 2017. Please help us by RESERVING early!

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild
2017 Holiday Luncheon & Fashion Show
Monday, December 4, 2017

Fashion Show Sign-Up Form
Please use a separate form for each item.
Maximum of three items per member.

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Item You Are Showing: _____

Pattern Name: _____

Designer's Name: _____

Source of Pattern: _____

Name(s) of Yarn(s) Used: _____

Yarn(s) Description: _____

Color way(s): _____

Name of person modeling or showing the item: _____

Helpful hints, suggestions, modifications or comments about the knitting process:

Completed forms are due by Friday, November 24, 2016.

Please bring completed sign-up forms to the October or November Guild meetings, Knit@Nite meetings or mail to Cally Monster, 40621 Symphony Park Lane, Murrieta, CA 92562 or scan & email to monsterknit@gmail.com. If you have any questions, call Cally at 951-600-2613.

Guild Directory Membership Updates

by Nancy Nevin, Membership

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