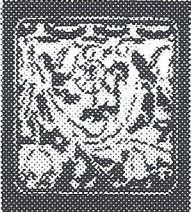


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The Next Meeting

Tuesday, October 7 at 1:00
La Colonia Recreation Center
715 Valley St, Solana Beach

ON KNITTING DESIGN

Do you recognize this ad? It has appeared in many knitting and thread arts magazines. Come to our next meeting to meet the lady who is Cochenille.

Susan Lazear, nationally known speaker on knitting and clothing design, will present the program. Susan has a background in apparel design and has been traveling all over the country to show how to use computers as a tool in creating artwear. Susan's business, Cochenille, is located in Encinitas, and we are fortunate to have found her during a period at home to come to one of our meetings.

Directions to La Colonia: From I-5, take the Via de La Valle exit west; at the traffic signal at the Del Mar Fair Grounds, turn right onto Valley; continue to the Y where you will keep to the right fork, which is Valley. The Community Center and park are on the left. There is plenty of parking space available.

Dues: If you would like to join our group, pay dues to Phyllis Bates. A check for \$4 pays through Jan. 1998.

The Meeting Past

La Colonia was closed because of the Labor Day Holiday, but no one told us! We adjourned to Colleen's home where Joan Knute told us about her classes at Stitches West 1997.

She told us that Laura Bryant personally dyes those beautiful Prism Yarns. We looked at some pictures and samples of knitting using Laura's yarns and design, including the sweater using the mitered square directions that were in the last newsletter. Another of her classes was about color selection. The most important idea was that there are no "bad" or ugly colors, not even the muddy or grayed shades. All are important to color effect in design. The book which she mentioned, in case you want to look for it at a used bookstore or library, is "Interaction of Color" by Joseph Albers.

Thanks to Joan for sharing her samples and some of the ideas from the conference. Joan will have copies of a handout for us at our next meeting.

Welcome New Members

Add the following names to your roster:

Dr. Anna Walden
991 Amiford, San Diego, CA 92107
(619)459-7540 (work)

Gladys Stillman
5094 Caspian Court, Oceanside, CA 92059
(760)619-3203

Correct Flora Young's phone number to:
(619) 487-6617

Trip to Julian

A trip to Julian Yarn Company is planned for Thursday, October 2. We shall gather to carpool at Colleen Davis's home. Call her if you need directions. Ten members have already indicated they are going.

We shall leave by 9:30 a.m. and return about 2:30. There will be time to have apple pie and cinnamon ice cream while we're there!

FILLER STITCHES

Background stitches between bolder patterns such as cables do not always have to be stockinette (knit one row, purl one row) or reverse stockinette (purl one row, knit one row.) Sometimes ribbing variations are appropriate, and sometimes Seed Stitch looks good. In the Fall 1997 issue of *Knitters Magazine*, pages 28 and 29, there is a piece using filler stitches based on a row of K1,P1, followed by a purl row.

You can reverse the order of the first row to P1, K1, after a while, and vary the number of repetitions and shifting the pattern on row 1 back and forth. The results can be quite pleasing. Look up a copy and study the photographs. Try the basic and your own variation. Share the results with all the rest of us at the November meeting. Smooth yarn shows your handiwork best.

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The Next Meeting

Tuesday, November 4 at 1:00
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Chic Kids

This will be another of our Up-Close and Personal Programs, this time featuring Betty Gregory. Betty will present a program about her personal style and involvement with knitting. She will talk a little about knitting in England where she was born and returns for visits periodically. She has promised to bring some of her little folks clothes. Betty has shown these at the San Diego Knitters Guild and they are charming. You'll be pleased to see and hear about her work.

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Dues: If you would like to join our group, pay dues to Phyllis Bates. Our dues year runs from January 30 to the next January. In other words, dues for all members will be due in January/February.

Welcome New Member

Add the following name to your roster:

Louise Hakkenberg
2505 Wilt Road
Fallbrook, CA 92028
(760) 731-7079

New Yarn Studio

Inger Davidson will open her yarn shop and studio on Saturday, November 1, from 10 to 4, and invites you to come in to

get acquainted. She will carry standard and designer yarns and an extensive line of books and notions for the knitter.

The shop is located at 1145 San Marino Drive #225, San Marcos, in the mall opposite the Quail Inn and Restaurant. Studio hours will be Wed 12-8, Thurs-Fri 10-6, Sat 10-4, Sun 11-4. The shop will be open for scheduled classes on Mondays and closed on Tuesdays. Phone number: (760) 736-8914.

Inger is a knitting designer who has worked at Champagne Stitchery in Escondido. She is a member of the San Diego Knitters Guild.

Holiday Luncheon

The San Diego Knitters Guild invites our members to its holiday luncheon to be held Tuesday, December 2, 1997 at the Souplantation, 12710 Bernardo Center Drive. All details have not been disclosed, but if you would like to join a carpool from this area, we will plan for it at the next meeting.

Future Plans

We shall discuss arrangements for our own December meeting. Phyllis Bates has offered her home for a holiday pot luck luncheon on December 9.

This is also the time to consider plans for the next year.

The Meeting Past

Susan Lazear of Cochenille brought her computer to show us how to design, fit and detail garments using computer programs. We were fascinated to see the border design developed from a little pen doodle.

We celebrated our first birthday with cake and punch on the patio at La Colonia.

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The Next Meeting

Tuesday, December 9 at 1:00
554 Arden Drive, Encinitas, CA

Holiday Pot Luck Luncheon

Its always nice to be with friends for a holiday get-together. We shall meet at the home of Phyllis Bates for a pot luck luncheon. Please let us know if you will be attending and what sort of dish you would like to bring. With a rather small group it will be a little nicer if we balance the dishes, so give Phyllis a call so she can set up the tables. You need not bring anything but the food to share with others.

If you have knitted something for a gift or made something for holiday use, you are welcome to bring it to show to the group. Its always fun to see what others do. You may not be able to share it in January once it goes to its new owner.

Directions: From Encinitas Boulevard west, turn right onto Vulcan, continue to D street, turn left at the traffic light and go up the hill. Arden is the third street on the right and 554 is the third house on the right.

Dues: Our dues will be due at the end of January, so don't concern yourself about it until the following meeting.

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Future Plans

Who can thing ahead to January now! How about a session for those who need help at knitting projects. We've probably scared off several people who want assistance. Let's discuss the possibilities for that and plans for the year ahead.

The Last Meeting

Betty Gregory displayed a darling collection of clothes for little people. She makes a lot of the garments from cotton yarns in pretty and non-traditional colors. Those of you who didn't attend missed a lot of cute inspiring things. Betty guided us to some books and patterns that she had found to helpful in this area.

A HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON
TO ALL OF YOU!