

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

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The Guild Meeting Tuesday, June 1st, 2010 12:30pm

San Dieguito United Methodist Church Assembly Room ~ 170 Calle Magdalena, Encinitas Please Note: Because of the volume of traffic our meetings generate, please remember that the aisles in the church parking lot are one-way. Don't be tempted to sneak out the "in" driveway, or in the "out" driveway after the meeting. Church personnel are worried that the wrong-way driving could cause an accident.

+ June Meeting

Willa Cather will present a Lecture and Trunk Show on "All Things Lace, and Sometimes Beads."

Willa has a great deal of knowledge about yarns, techniques, lace work, beading, and will present some show-stopping work and techniques----for beginners to advanced!

As Willa explains... "Lace knitting is putting holes in your knitting where and when you meant to put them. We have all done accidental lace. I will share a few beginner projects and then show some more challenging ones. This will be a trunk show with pattern sources and discussion of different yarns for lace knitting. Beads and lace are a natural pairing and a favorite of mine. I will cover 4 ways to add beads to your knitting or crocheting. Lace is an ideal summer knitting project."

+ THINGS TO DO IN JUNE:

- Arrive at <u>12:30</u> for the monthly meeting and do not enter the room early unless you are setting up for the meeting.
- Please bring any books that you have borrowed and return them to the Library for check-in.
- Bring your latest knitting creations for sharing with us all.
- Bring your tea party items for the Challenge!
- Bring in your Stash for the August Stash Sale!!
- Bring your charity items.
- Bring your checkbook if signing up for Workshops.
- Remember to turn off your cell phones please.



PLEASE BRING IN YOUR TEA PARTY CHALLENGES ITEMS!

+ PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE......



I'm writing this the day before I leave for a two-week vacation in Japan. I've made all the necessary travel preparations -- packed two small projects to work on, printed out a chart showing yardage requirements for sweater sizes in both yards and meters, made sure the tour leader knows the address of Habu's parent company's store in Kyoto. I am thrilled to be meeting guild member Mariko Nonako in Tokyo. She's promised to show Richard and I around before we join our tour group. She's planned stops at one or two interesting shrines, an annual festival parade, and ...oh, yes... her favorite Tokyo yarn store.

I'm not buying yarn. I'm just looking. I don't understand why my knitting buddies laugh and ask when the freighter with my container of yarn will arrive in Long Beach. I get no respect!

So while I'm gone I'm counting on all of you to: -- finish your tea party project and bring it to the June meeting.

-- finish the charity projects you've checked out and remember to bring them to the meeting.

-- support your local yarn store in my place.

Happy knitting!

✤ MAY MEETING MINUTES

San Diego North Coast Knitters General Membership Meeting Tuesday, May 4, 2010 - 12:30 p.m. Barbara Levin presiding 127 members and guests present

President Barbara Levin opened the meeting by welcoming new members and guests. Kathy Christensen, our San Diego Fair Coordinator, reminded us to submit entries to the Fair. Our Guild will be represented on June 15,16,17,18 from 11am to 3pm. Members are encouraged to reserve a place at the knitting table for one of those days. Liz Knapp thanked members for their generous donations of helmet liners and scarves. Nancy Muschek displayed an impressive array of hand knitted socks. She will be teaching a three-part Members Teaching Members basic sock class. Liz Knapp will be teaching a workshop on the wonders of "Ravelry." Colleen Davis announced that member Willa Cather will be presenting a program in June on "lacey beaded shawls". Susan Ludwig will be collecting tea-party items at that meeting in preparation for July's potluck. The Church has requested that we follow the signs for entering and exiting the parking lot.

Anna Walden of "Twisted Sisters" presented a program on "montage knitting" featuring a trunk show of original designs. Barbara Levin and Linda Erlich assisted as models. Anna began sewing at a very early age. When a friend opened a yarn shop she became interested in knitting, particularly with the designs of Kaffe Fassett and his dramatic use of color. Anna decided to dye her own yarn because she could not find commercial yarn in the precise colors she wanted. She then began to design garments, often featuring mitered squares and entrelac techniques. She is the author of several books. A question-and-answer session followed her fascinating presentation.

Linda Erlich conducted the show and share.

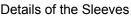
+ Meet Anna Walden And Some of Her Amazing Work....





The Cardigan









This long skirt is part of a suit set.

SHARING AT MAY'S MEETING

Please fill out the informational slips so we can read them and record it for the Newsletter.

Sandy Yayanos – Lace Capelet knit using a pattern from Vogue Knitting's Spring/Summer 2010 edition. Knit in a 2-ply Mohair and Merino lace weight yarn with blue to purple hues.



Carolyn Simpson – Throw using Colinette's "Easy Scalloped Throw" pattern. Yarns used were Colinette Mohair, Zanziba, and Isis. She put the colors together herself and her cat, Sophie, was a big help with the fringe!

Lyn Wogsberg – Vest Tunic Cabled Vest using Pima Melange Cotton yarn from Cascade yarns.

Cia Bullemer – Sweater - Diamond and Ribbed Hoodie (sans hoodie). Knit in Louet Merlin Sport yarn in French Blue. *Bib Overalls* - using "Tangerina" pattern and yarn from the stash sale.





Florence Kusher – Baby Sweater Set and Blanket

using a pattern called "Plaid". The yarn used was a 4ply worsted in gray, pink, and blue. These items were made in 1948 and were worn by her 3 sons and 6 grand children!



Eileen Adler – Shell using "Twin Leaf Lace" pattern. The yarn used was Sublime Soya Cotton DK in sage colorway. At armhole she added a sleeve cap and at shoulders worked in short rows. Needle used was US 6. Gauge 20 sts. And 28 rows = 1 inch.



Bea Kusnick – Cardigan using "Fairhope" Pattern by Dolce Handknit. The colorway is Marabella . This yarn is hand-dyed washable wool that she purchased at Stitches from Creatively Dyed by Diane Ruiz from South Carolina.

Ellen Magee – Neck Scarf using her own pattern. A reversible scarf with center cable, moss stitch, and eye-cord edging. Yarn used was Shiraz (turquoise colorway) from Unwind Yarns.



Elizabeth Primrose-Smith – Shell knit using Marianne Isager's" Zig Zag" pattern. Yarn used was Misty Alpaca. Garment was knit all in one piece so there was no seaming required.



Sara Stolz – *Knitted Cat and Girl Doll* using patterns from the "The Knitted Odd Bod Bunch" book. The cat was knit in pink and orange, the doll in orange and turquoise.



Alice Clary – Vest and Tam knit using a Paton's SWS soy wool stripes yarn. Vest was knit using circular needles.



Shirley Weitzman – Scarf using 300 yards of grey yarn. Scarf features a braided center section.



Stacy Smith – Jacket using Lisa Limber's "Santorini" pattern. Jacket was knit using Louet Linen yarn in Berry color.



Rosie Berkowitz – Summer Scarf - Knit in garter stitch on a size 10 needle in multicolor yarn.



MarGee Farr – Wedding Bouquets knit using a variety of yarns.



Karen Pearson – Knit items using Teva Durham pattern and Loop d Loop yarns Moss and Quartz, and Birch (which she did not like knitting with).



+ THE 2010 Program Line Up

June 1- Willa Cather who is also a member of the High Tide Purlers, will do a lecture/trunk show on "All Things Lace, and sometimes Beads." Also...Collecting for Stash Sale. Collecting all Tea Party Items for Colleen.

July 6- Potluck and Results of the Tea Party Challenge. Collecting for Stash Sale.

August 3- STASH SALE and The Wednesday night Sub Group will give a presentation on Ravelry.

September 7- Recycling and Upcycling - Let's see fascinating and creative projects!

October 5- Candace Eisner Strick, author, designer, teacher, from Connecticut will be doing a lecture/trunk show followed by 2 days of workshops.

November 2- Lisa Limber, will be doing a presentation on "Design For Your Own Style: Don't Be Afraid to Figure it Out."

December 6 (Monday)- Holiday Lunch/Fashion Show

Meetings are always subject to change.

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+ TKGA

As a TKGA member guild your members are all eligible to visit the special Guild Login pages at <u>www.TKGA.com</u> (on the purple navigation bar, scroll over to Guilds/Clubs, then drop down to "Guild Login"). These pages are password protected. You can visit by inserting USERNAME <u>guild</u> and PASSWORD <u>learn</u> (Note: guild and learn must be all <u>lowercase</u>).

Members Teaching Members- 2 Programs



1) MTM WILL SOCK IT TO YOU! Three Mtgs: May 27, June 3, and June 10 Members Teaching Members is very pleased to present- A BASIC SOCK CLASS with Nancy Muschek A total of 3 sessions from 1-3PM at La Costa Glen Boardroom...that's 6 hours for only \$45. Advanced beginners or intermediate knitters NEED to apply - you'll love this class! If you've ever wanted to learn sock making, this is your chance. Nancy is an experienced sock instructor and she has 100 pairs to prove it! The pattern, diagrams and hand-holding are provided. Class involves basic knit/purl concept with Nancy providing specific detail for certain parts such as turning the heel and closing the toe. Due to the nature of this class, registration will be limited at 6 attendees. You can sign up at the June Guild meeting.

2) MTM Felted Backpack with Eileen Adler Thursday, August 12, 2010, from 10:00-12:30

Backpack purses are really a necessity because the weight is evenly distributed on both shoulders making carrying a purse much more ergonomic – and more comfortable! Why not knit your very own felted backpack using an original pattern by Eileen Adler? During this two and one half hour class you will learn a variety of skills - ten to be exact! Some will be a review and some will surprise you with a new application. The skill level is Easy- Projects using basic stitches, repetitive stitch patterns, simple color changes and simple shaping and finishing. Mark your calendars for Thursday, August 12, 2010, from 10:00-12:30. We will meet at Eileen's house.

Susan Ludwig and Eileen Adler- MTM Co-Chairs

+ Quarterly Finishing Classes

Dates: June 8th and Sept. 14th, 2010 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.

Upcoming Dofuko Workshop

Since there was some interest at our May meeting when Anna Walden talked about, and shared her "Dofuko" garments, Colleen will do a MTM workshop on this Japanese-style jacket sometime in August or September. It is a perfect canvas to experiment with different stitch patterns and design ideas. Specific details regarding the date and time will be in the next newsletter.

+ Get Started on Ravelry- Sat. June 19th

Set up your free Ravelry account and learn to use Ravelry.com in this hands-on computer workshop. Why use Ravelry? You can find pattern corrections before you cast on, view projects for specific yarns, and look at others' modifications to make your project fit and flatter. Prior Internet and e-mail experience is helpful, but you don't need to bring your computer. We're using a computer lab in San Diego. Seats are limited and there is free parking. This two-hour workshop is taught by Guild member Liz Knapp and costs \$20 per person.

When: Saturday, June 19 from 10am – 12pm Where: Copley Family YMCA 3901 Landis St, San Diego 92105 To register: Call Liz Knapp at 619-995-YARN (9276) or email liz.yarn@yahoo.com

+ Philanthropy

Here is a very nice Thank You note to all of you who have so generously knitted Helmet Liners for this charity. Kandy expressed her gratitude to all of you in this email she sent to Liz, and wanted to share with all of you.....

From: Citizen SAM <info@citizensam.org> To: liz.yarn@yahoo.com Sent: Tue, May 11, 2010 2:36:24 PM Subject: Citizen SAM/Operation Helmetliner Donation I thought I would just drop you a quick note to let you know that we received your latest donation of 19 Helmetliners on May 11, 2010. This brings your year to date total to 42 Helmetliners.

We appreciate your generosity because without volunteers like you this wouldn't be possible.

Thank you for supporting our troops.

Kandy Scribner Administrative Assistant Citizen SAM www.citizensam.org

Citizen Support for America's Military is a 501 (c)3 charitable organization. Use this as your tax receipt.

Stitch N' Pitch Is Back For The Fifth Year- Sunday, July 18th @ 1:05 Petco Park

Sunscreen, baseball caps, hotdogs, and pitching make that STITCHING! Stitch N' Pitch is back for the 5th year so mark your calendars and join stitchers on Sunday, July 18th at 1:05 at Petco Park. Patty Parrish, Executive Director for TNNA says, "The Stitch N' Pitch program has really hit a grand slam!" The National Needlearts Association, established in 1974, is dedicated to all needlecrafts and hosts educational seminars to promote the arts; www.TNNA.org. The games keep stitching in the public arena and a portion of the ticket price supports TNNA's "Needle Arts Mentoring Program" which unites mentors with young people to enter the rewarding world of working with our hands; mentors enlighten and change lives all the while doing something they love. For more information, check out the article on page 12 in the fall 2009 issue of Knitsimple Magazine or if you'd like to become a mentor, get more details: www.NeedleArtsMentoring.org.

It's best to purchase tickets from *Common Threads* in Encinitas to ensure that part of ticket price will be donated to this important cause. They are taking orders now although the ticket price hasn't been posted yet. *Common Threads* prefers cash or checks; charging will require an additional \$1.00 service fee.

Eileen Adler Special Events Coordinator

San Diego County Fair

Sign up to volunteer!

"Taste the Fun" is this year's theme at the San Diego County Fair. There will be special exhibits, contests and demonstrations featuring food - **not** just the food that fairs are famous for, but also the food that is part of our lives each and every day. This theme will draw many to the Home & Hobby area of the fair! The fair runs from June 11th to July 5th and is closed on Mondays.

Our Guild has volunteered <u>four days</u> as "North County Knitters Guild" demonstration days, with volunteer hostesses manning the booth/table from 11:00 to 3:00 pm. Our designated days are Tuesday June 15th thru Friday the 18th and <u>we still need additional help. Please</u> <u>contact me by email or at the June guild meeting</u>. For each day you participate, you will receive a free pass to the fair! The tickets are here and will be distributed at the June guild meeting (if you cannot attend, we will make other arrangements to get your tickets to you, just let us know).

<u>Specifics For Volunteering:</u> On the 15th, 16th and 17th of June, we need three more volunteers for each date, and on Friday the 18th, four more volunteers are needed. The shifts are from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm, with breaks to view the fair or obtain lunch or snacks.

We will attempt to assist with car pool arrangements – just let us know about your need.

Reminder for those of you who are going to exhibit your knitting -- the dates for delivery of your entry(or entries) are May 24th and May 25th from noon to 8:00 pm. For those who would like me to deliver your entry, please contact me by email to make arrangements.

Kathy Christensen – Fair Coordinator kathy46@rocketmail.com

+ <u>Stacy Smith Is Famous and Featured in</u> <u>Cast On Magazine</u>

Stacy Smith is featured in the latest issue of Cast On magazine. There is a photo and an article on her "Project 44 Sweaters". Members of the Guild knitted 44 sweaters in honor of our 44th President, Barack Obama. The sweaters were donated to a local children's shelter.



+ KNITTING ON THE NET- JUNE, 2010

Shawl Collar Vest

This shrug/vest is an easy knit with a forgiving fit and is sized for busts of 30, 34, 38 and 40 inches. It's knit on #8 needles at a gauge of 4.5 st/in.

http://www.unicornbooks.com/patte rn Bshawlcollar-SQL3.asp



• Calais Shawl

Knit in fingering weight yarn on #5 needles, this shawl will measure 48" wide and 22" deep. It's knit from a chart – but it's a very small

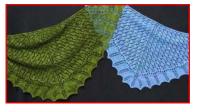


chart and a good intro to lace knitting. http://purlbumps.wordpress.com/2010/03/23/calaisshawl/

• Hearts

This little heart is knit with 10g of leftover sock yarn and can be stuffed with lavendar or cedar chips. Unlike most hearts, it's knit in the round and requires no sewing up at the end.



http://www.ravelry.com/patter ns/library/hearts-9# (Ravelry members only)

Scrappy Socky Stripey Cardi

This baby sweater is written in sizes 0 to 24 months. It's knit with sock yarn on small needles and is worked from the bottom up so finishing is minimal.



http://fpea.blogspot.com/2009/02/free-pattern-fridayscrappy-socky.html

• Tater's Cotton Cardi

A girl's sweater in sizes 2, 4 and 6 knit with DK weight yarn on # 4 needles. It's worked in one piece from the top down and requires no seaming.

http://www.mariegracedesigns.co m/marie_grace/freepatterns/Tater sCottonCardi.pdf?download=Download



+ SAN DIEGO NORTH COAST KNITTERS GUILD

Our President is Barbara Levin. Her email address is: <u>Barbara.Levin@me.com</u>. For a list of Board Members please refer to the Directory. The Web Site address is: <u>www.ncknit.com</u>. Open to all knitters, regardless of skill level. Dues are \$20 annually and expire for all members on January 31.Those forms and checks will then go to: Jean Moore, Treasurer NCKG, 4050-50 Porte La Paz, San Diego, CA 92122.

+ CONTACT INFORMATION

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Web Master For Our Web Site:

Heather Broadhurst is the website person and her email is <u>hjnb@boddame.net</u>. Yarn shops are encouraged to check their listings and provide updates to our Web Master.

Member Rosters:

For changes please forward them to: Sheri Fisher at <u>SheriRob1@aol.com</u>. <u>The 2010 Directory for all Current</u> <u>Members is available at The Guild meeting</u>.

Past Issues of Newsletter:

If you want to refer back to previous issues, please start right now in 2010. Create a folder and save them there on your computer each month. It is not easy for us to archive, the way our system is set up. Sorry.

VIA PHONE, EMAIL, MAIL AND FRIENDS

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.

✤ NEW MEMBERS & RENEWING MEMBERS

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+ SUB-GROUP MEETING SCHEDULE:

If you'd like to attend a sub group meeting, call the contact listed below first –as sometimes there is a change to the meeting schedule.

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

• 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, Mimi Sevimli @ 858-722-8128.
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, which stands for "Rather Normal" meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month from 10:00am to noon, at the Encinitas Senior Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive- cross street is Balour). Contact is: Gwen Nelson, 760-720-5420.



RIDESHARING ANYONE

If you are interested in PROVIDING a ride for someone in your area, or RECEIVING a ride, please email The Sisters- Editors of the Newsletter (see Page 11 for our emails) and we will match you up and post it in upcoming Newsletters if desired. Thank you!

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