



San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

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Number 172 – October 2011

Next Meeting:

October 4, 2011, 12:30 pm.

San Dieguito United Methodist Church

170 Calle Magdalena

Encinitas, CA 92024

Program- Barry Klein from Trendsetter Yarns



President's Letter

It's hard to believe that we will be having our October meeting next week. Our Stash Sale was a huge success! We had a record number of donations this year, so we were able to donate some of the "stash" to one of our members who works with handicapped adults, to another who teaches children to knit after school, and we were able to put together "Here comes Flopsy" kits for the Polinsky Center project, as well as add to our supply of yarn for philanthropy. I want to thank all of the AKG subgroup gals for their program; it was so inspiring to see how different yarns work up using the same pattern, and how important it is to use each other's input on things we are making, so we achieve a better finished project.

I am very excited that we have Barry Klein from Trendsetter presenting our program this month, "Yarns, Yarns and more Yarns," with a sneak peek at the future of knitting. I can hardly wait to attend Barry's workshop on Wednesday, October 5th. See below for more information about the workshop. It will be fun playing with all of the wonderful yarns from Trendsetter!

Mar Gee Farr

Programs remaining in 2011

October 4: Barry Klein, designer and owner of Trendsetter Yarns, followed by an Oct. 5th workshop

November 1: In-House program by Colleen Davis on Color Gradation, color mistakes and color magic

December 5: Annual Holiday Luncheon and Fashion Show at Morgan Run Resort, Rancho Santa Fe.

October Program



Barry Klein is the owner of Trendsetter Yarns and a past president of the National Needlework Association. He has designed patterns for Vogue Knitting, Interweave Knits, and Knitters Magazine, among others. His books include The Ultimate Knitted Tee, Knitting with Novelty Yarns, and The Knitter's Template, all co-authored with Laura Militzer Bryant. Barry's program is titled: "Yarns, Yarns, and More Yarns." He will explain the process of selecting a yarn and how yarns are designed, colored, and made part of the Trendsetter line. Barry will describe the current Trendsetter collection and provide forecasts for the future of knitting. **We will be meeting in the church sanctuary for this event.**

On Wednesday, October 5, from 9 a.m. until noon in one of the church classrooms, Barry will present a workshop, "The

Knitting Movement." Students will do extensive swatching to determine how selecting certain patterns for specific yarns makes the most of the knitting experience.

Questions about the workshop may also be addressed to Kathy Christensen: kathy46@rocketmail.com, or 760-805-4805



January Retreat

Kick those post-holiday blues and sign up for the January retreat. We have reservations at the Vina de Lestonnac Retreat Center in Temecula from Monday, January 16, 2012 through Thursday, January 19, 2012. The total cost, including eight meals, will be \$380.00 for single occupancy, and \$290.00 each for double occupancy. Secure a spot by sending your non-refundable deposit (check payable to SDNCKG) of \$76.00 for a single or \$58.00 each for a double to me as follows:

Jo-Ellen Gould, Retreat Coordinator
2258 Del Mar Scenic Parkway, Del Mar, CA 92014

If you are interested in sharing a room and are looking for a roommate, let me know: 858 947-5167
jmgould@san.rr.com

Holiday luncheon and Fashion Show

Our Holiday Luncheon and Fashion Show is December 5th. The reservation form is page 7 of the newsletter and on the website, www.ncknit.com. Nancy Muschek is in charge of reservations. Be sure to mark your luncheon preference so Nancy does not have to call you to find out what you would like to be served. Due to the overwhelming number of attendees at last year's event, we have decided to forgo having vendors this year. We will have our raffle set up in the Trophy Room at Morgan Run and will provide ample time for you to peruse the items and purchase tickets before the luncheon begins. Reserve with Nancy soon!

Diana Rathbun is in charge of the Fashion Show. A sign-up sheet for entering will be available at our next meeting. Garments modeled at the Luncheon must not have been shown in a prior "Show and Share". Contact Diana at drathbun4@san.rr.com.

If you would like to help the day of the luncheon, or if you have something special you would like to donate for the raffle, please contact Mar Gee Farr, MarGeeFarr@cox.net, or 630-624-6634 (cell) or 858-756-0304 (home).



Sharing from September Meeting:

Cia Bullemer knitted the Counterpane tunic by Mercedes Tarasovich-Clark featured in Interweave Knits, Summer 2010. Cia used Claudia Hand Painted Linen Sport yarn, in the color "Yo! Sailor Boy."



Barbara Levin's baby blanket is her version of Maria Hoham's famous pattern, in burnt orange Arucania bamboo/silk/wool.

Barbara also made this shawl from a Maggie Jackson kit, using Maggie's linen/cotton and angora yarns as well as a copper metallic fiber from her stash.



Bonnie Ramirez knitted these socks and wrist warmers using hand spun 2-ply merino and BFL, Bluefaced Leicester Wool from England (superwash).



Bonnie's shawl is also of handspun 2-ply merino and BFL.



Amy Sheridan made a "Warren 2-Way Jacket" by Irina Poludnenko in pink Ripple yarn. The pattern is from Tahki Stacy Charles.



Stacy Smith knitted Fair Isle "Cat" mittens, a pattern by Jorid Linvik, in charcoal and blue Elsebeth Lavold Silky Wool.

Masumi designed and knitted a blanket and a scarf in multicolor silky polyester.



Stacy also shared this "His Scarf" pattern by Monika Steinbauer, that she knitted using Delta yarn by Jaeger: worsted weight, 54% cotton, 36% silk, 10% linen.

Maria Hoham knitted boleros from a Tricot Baby pattern in Berocco Vintage yarn. The DK weight sweater, on size 5 needles, is for one granddaughter; the other has the same stitch count, but in chunky weight yarn, with size 9 needles and a longer length for the older granddaughter.



Colleen Davis's original cardigan, "Mondo, Mondo," is knitted in chartreuse and black TootsieP. yarn. The inspiration for this project was Mondo from Project Runway.



Maria also made an original sleeveless top in green colorways, of bamboo and Adrienne Vittadini yarns.

Rosie Berkowitz's sweater is an Eileen Adler pattern with added pockets and collar.



Barbara McCroskey made some changes to the Moss Stitch and Cable Cardigan by Gayle Bunn, featured in Knit 'n Style magazine, June 2011. It is now a jewel-necked tee, with stockinette stitch in the body so as not to be too busy for the variegated yarn. Barbara used Berocco's Linsey yarn, 64% cotton and 36% linen.



Thea Lazarevic made her sleeveless vest/top using a Knitters pattern and rayon-viscose yarn from Twisted Sisters, on #5 needles.

Library Notes

The guild library will not be open to check out books in October and December, but "due" books must be returned in October. There will be circulation in November, and resume in January.

Afghan Challenge

If you have not returned your finished square, please bring it to our October meeting or contact Mar Gee Farr at MarGeeFarr@cox.net, or 630-624-6634. The squares will be assembled into two beautiful afghans that will be part of our raffle at the Holiday Luncheon in December.

Claudia Carlson's Flutter-Sleeve cardigan by SweaterBabe was made using 5 ½ balls of Tahki Sky 100% cotton. This pattern knitted up larger than expected.



Minutes from September Meeting



Mar Gee Farr, President, opened the meeting by welcoming guests and introducing new members. She reminded members about the upcoming retreat at Vina de Lestonnac. Members who are interested will find more information at the front desk. Mar Gee also announced that Myra Lehman has the "Flopsy" kits at the front desk. The knitted animals will be shown at the Holiday Fashion Show and then distributed at the Polinsky Center for Children. Those who wish to participate may select a kit to knit, or the pattern can be found on Ravelry.

Mar Gee reminded members that a 10% discount at JoAnn Fabrics is offered to all Guild members.



Maggie Whitson's Side-by-Side Jacket is a Sharon Sorken design, knitted in green Regal Silk by Artyarns.

October meeting will be the deadline for the Afghan squares to be returned.

Members please sign up for the Wear and Share Holiday Fashion Show. All knitted fashions are to be new items never shown before.

Colleen Davis will be giving a seminar at the Machine Knitters' Guild of San Diego on October 8th and 9th. Brochures will be at the front desk.

Our librarian, Nancy Muschek, announced that our guild library will not be open next month for our October meeting. However, she will be accepting returned books that are due.

Carolyn Balkwell announced that our October meeting will take place in the church sanctuary. Our speaker will be Barry Klein, owner of Trendsetter Yarns. His program is "Yarns, Yarns, and More Yarns." Barry will also conduct a workshop on Wednesday, October 5th from 9 a.m. until noon. See Kathie at the front desk to sign up.

Willa Cather introduced our program guests--our own AKG, Advanced Knitters Group. They shared many handknitted items and valuable knitting advice.

Lastly, we enjoyed our Annual Stash Sale.

Respectfully Submitted
Maureen Rukstalis, Secretary



Knitting Sub-Groups Meeting Schedules:

If you would like to attend a sub-group meeting, call the contact listed below first, as sometimes there is a change of the meeting schedule or location.

- **AKG** - The Advanced Knitters Group meets at 9 a.m. every Friday, at the Old California Coffee Shop, in Restaurant Row, San Marcos. Contact: Phyllis Bates 760-828-8286.

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

- **I-15 Group**- Group meets from 9 to 11 a.m., the 2nd and 4th Wed., at Panera in Carmel Mountain Ranch. Contact: Mimi Sevimli, 858-722-8128.

- **PA Group**- Group meets from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.- every Monday at Panera in Liberty Station. Contact: Jean Moore 858-587-9054. We are called the PA group, which means we knit practically anything and are open to practically anybody.

- **RN Group**- for "Rather Normal," meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month from 10:00 a.m. to noon, at the Encinitas Senior Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive- cross street is Balour). Contact: Gwen Nelson 760-720-5420.

San Diego North Coast Knitting Guild General Information:

Our President is Mar Gee Farr; her e-mail is margee15@cox.net. For a list of Board Members please refer to the Directory. The website address is: www.ncknit.com. The group is open to all knitters, regardless of skill level. Dues are \$20 annually and expire for all members on January 31. The printable forms are on the website, and are to be mailed with a check to:

Kathy Christensen, Treasurer SD-NCKG,
4625 Los Alamos Way, #D, Oceanside, CA
92057.

Contact Information:

Newsletter Contact

Barbara McCroskey
bmcroskey@prodigy.net

Items should be of a non-profit nature and ideally be sponsored by a southern California fiber or knitting guild. Please send information to me by the 15th of the month.

Website Contacts

Linda Erlich – lerlich555@aol.com
Mar Gee Farr – margee15@cox.net
Barbara Levin – Barbara.Levin@me.com

Local yarn shops are encouraged to check their calendar and provide updates to our web masters. We would like to hear about trunk shows and special guest teachers at your shops – we will note them on the website and/or in the newsletter.

Member Directory

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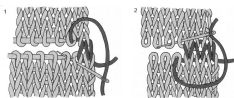
Member Notes

Knit for the Cure with Eileen Adler is quickly drawing to a close; the final date for donations is Tuesday, October 25, 2011. Eileen is not able to attend the October Guild meeting, so please take your donations to Common Threads, Needlecraft Cottage, or the Susan G. Komen office located at 4699 Murphy Canyon Road, Suite 102B, San Diego, where donations will be accepted through November 1st. Thank you.

Guild member Suzanne Pineau, will be closing her store, **Knitting in La Jolla**, in mid-October. The store is very well stocked, and she would like to find good homes for her discounted inventory. Suzanne has shared her love of knitting with many of us for 13 years. Do try to stop by her shop at 909 Prospect St., #150, La Jolla, before it closes. Call and check her hours before you go: 858-456-4687. Thank you, Suzanne; you will be missed.

Free Finishing Classes for Our Members

Bring your almost-finished items and work on them together. The Guild provides the room, tables and chairs, and resource knitters to answer your finishing questions. We will meet at the San Dieguito Methodist Church in one of the classrooms, on the second Tuesday of the month from 12:00 to 3:00p.m., November 8th.



Knitting on the Net

Missoni-Inspired Chevron Blanket

The perfect scrap pattern available from Ravelry. Though it is written for DK yarn on #6 needles, it is easily adapted for any weight yarn.

<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/missoni-inspired-chevron-blanket>



Pepita

These baby overalls with sock feet are knitted in sock/fingering yarn on small needles and will keep a Minnesota baby warm in wool or a California baby free of drafts in cotton. Check out the modifications made by the 250 or so Ravelry knitters who have knitted this item; you'll see models for diaper changing and for worsted weight yarn.

<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/pepita-2>



Caramel

Written for a 35 1/2, 38 and, 41 inch bust, this blanket style cardie uses DK weight yarn. It is worked from the top down and requires a minimum of fitting.

<http://owlsisters.blogspot.com/2011/06/free-caramel-for-you.html>



Amy's Knotted Necklace

Check out the pattern on this designer's website for pictured tutorials and detailed instructions for variations of this necklace. Do you have kids who crank out yards and yards of I-cord and don't know what to do with it? This is the answer. <http://aromysoriginals.blogspot.com/2009/09/knotty-knitted-necklace-tutorial.html>





Annual Guild Holiday Fashion Show and Luncheon
Monday December 5th 2011
(Reservations MUST be returned by November 28, 2011)

- Arrival:** Please do not come before 10:30AM! This year we will not have VENDORS selling.
- Raffle Tickets:** **10:30AM - 11:30AM** The items to be raffled will be on display in the Trophy Room. The tickets for chances on the items will be sold in the dining room.
- Lunch Is Served:** **11:45AM** - Open seating with 10 guests per table.
- Fashion Show and Raffle:** Immediately following the luncheon.
- Location:** **Morgan Run Club and 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) **Chicken Caesar Salad**- Crisp Romaine lettuce with Parmesan cheese, croutons, charbroiled chicken breast, and classic Caesar dressing.
 - B) **Salmon Caesar Salad** – Crisp Romaine lettuce with Parmesan cheese, croutons, charbroiled salmon. and classic Caesar dressing.
 - C) **Turkey Sandwich**- Sliced turkey, cheese, cranberry, lettuce and tomato on a soft roll; fresh seasonal fruit
- On The Table:** Water, bread and butter.
- Dessert:** Chef's surprise selection.... including chocolate!
- Beverages:** Coffee, tea, and 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:** **\$25.00 (includes tax and gratuity!)**

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Send to: **Nancy Muschek** - 7820 Suncup Way #P319, Carlsbad, CA 92009 phone: (760)822-7254

Write your menu choice(s) on your check and make
payable to San Diego North Coast Knitting Guild (SDNCKG).

Name of Member: _____ Menu A _____ Menu B _____ Menu C _____

Name of Guest(s): _____ Menu A _____ Menu B _____ Menu C _____
(If applicable)

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

All Checks Must Be Received No Later Than November 28, 2011. Please help us by RESERVING early!