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**Next Meeting:**

**May 3, 2011, 12:30 pm.**  
**San Dieguito United Methodist Church**  
**170 Calle Magdalena**  
**Encinitas, CA 92024**

**Program- Cia Bullemer: Becoming a Knitting Designer**



**President's Letter**

Our April program "Hat Fashion Show" was spectacular! Sara Stolz did a great job organizing it and getting the models in order... Lisa Limber moved everyone right along, we had a wonderful array of hats in the show! Thanks to everyone who participated and especially Sara and Lisa for making our afternoon so enjoyable!

For our May program, it will be fun to get to know Cia Bullemer a little more intimately.... And to see so many of her accomplishments!

The retreat is coming up in May, we're pleased to have such a great response; thanks to Jo Ellen Gould for organizing the event.

We're so lucky to be able to enjoy San Diego's mild weather most of the year; seeing all of the rolling hills turn different shades of green makes one feel like one is in Ireland; so try to take a little time for yourself and enjoy the sunshine and your surroundings and work on a project.

**Reminder: Del Mar Fair entry forms are due by May 4<sup>th</sup>!** [http://www.sdfair.com/pdf/11entry\\_home\\_needle.pdf](http://www.sdfair.com/pdf/11entry_home_needle.pdf)

Warm wishes to all of you Mothers, Grandmothers and Godmothers for a peaceful day spent with those you love... to celebrate you! Happy Mother's Day!

Mar Gee Farr

**Programs remaining in 2011**

**May 3:** Cia Bullemer will be interviewed on "Becoming a Designer"

**June 7:** The Riverside Knitting Guild will do a program on their 2-skein Challenge

**July 5:** Pot- Luck Luncheon - with a visit from Pat Dickinson, "The Button Lady"

**August 2:** Susan Lazear with a fashion update from Pitti Filati in Florence, Italy

**September 6:** In-House program by our AKG sub-group, topic TBA; and Annual STASH SALE!

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

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

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

**May Program**

The May 3 meeting will feature our own **Cia Bullemer** being interviewed by Linda Erlich about her knitting, designing and publishing activities. For those who do not know Cia, she has designed for major yarn companies and published in many knitting magazines such as Interweave Knits!



## Minutes from April 2011 Meeting:



Mar Gee Farr, President, opened the meeting by introducing new members and guests and welcoming all.

She announced that Knitting by the Beach yarn shop is closing soon, but will still be open for the next few weeks for items on sale.

Treasurer and SDNCKG Fair representative, Kathy Christensen, said the **deadline to register your entry for the Del Mar Fair is May 4<sup>th</sup>**. The theme this year is "Race to the Fair", and the dates for our demonstrating knitting at the fair are Tuesday, June 21st through Saturday, June 25th. For entry information: [http://www.sdfair.com/pdf/1entry\\_home\\_needle.pdf](http://www.sdfair.com/pdf/1entry_home_needle.pdf)

Our 2011 Holiday party and fashion show will be at Morgan Run Country Club, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

Susan Ludwig, a Members-Teaching-Members chairperson, is planning to teach a course on "Setting up your own website". You will be able to manage it yourself and link to Paypal and other websites. If you are interested please contact Susan at 760-436-0763, or [susludwig@gmail.com](mailto:susludwig@gmail.com).

Linda Erlich, Philanthropy chairperson, has two new organizations that we will support this year: Operations Gratitude, through which we will send care packages twice a year to our troops. We will knit scarves and hats in the preferred colors of the military to be included in the package. Barbara Levin said yarn and patterns will be provided and they will be personalized with sewn in labels "Handmade by (the member's name)".

In addition, we will knit hats for an organization supporting teens with cancer, founded by Taylor, a teenager living in Carmel Valley.

Mar Gee thanked Myra Lehmann for taking all the great pictures of our talented members who Wear and Share their items for our meetings and the newsletter.

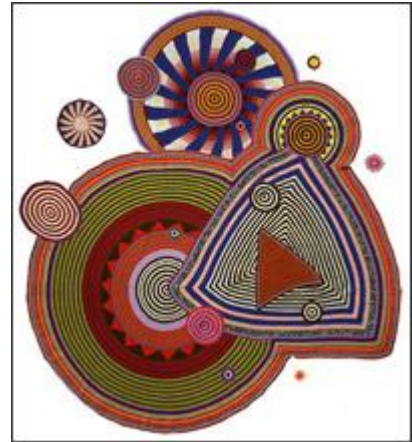
Sarah Stolz's in-house fashion show of fabulous hats was an award-winning event, and we thank Lisa Limber, who conducted the fashion show. Willa Cather conducted our Wear and Share. Our May meeting will feature Cia Bullemer. She will share her talent of becoming a designer, and we will have the opportunity to interview her.

There are a few more skeins of yarn available for our afghan that will be raffled off in December.

Respectfully submitted,  
Maureen Rukstalis, Secretary

## Knitting will be *HOT* this summer at the San Jose Museum of Quilts & Textiles!

As the Bay Area's premier museum highlighting textiles, there's always a buzz when we turn our attention to the artistry of



knitting and crochet. Two years ago, nearly 3,000 people turned out to see *Beyond Knitting*, a thought-provoking exhibit that brought needle art enthusiasts through our doors to connect with work by artists who are pushing the envelope when it comes to using yarn. We are pleased again to highlight this incredibly expressive medium in *Primary Structures*, set to open May 17th and run through August 7th, 2011. There's a sneak peek on our website of artwork that will be featured:

[www.sjqiltmuseum.org](http://www.sjqiltmuseum.org)

**New Member Directories are printed and will be available to members at the guild meeting.**

## Some Hats from April's Program



## La Casa de Maria Retreat



### Retreat Update:

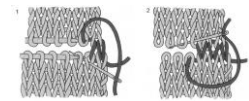
At this time, with 25 members signed up, La Casa de Maria, Santa Barbara, retreat (May 23-May 26) is full. If you would like to attend and are not signed up, contact me and I'll put your name on the waiting list. The total La Casa cost is \$428.25 for a single room and \$359.50 each for a double room.

For those signed up the final payment is due on or before the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. The final payment is \$128.25 for a single and \$209.50 each for a double. Pay at the meeting or send your payment to me. Make your check payable to SDNCKG. My address is 2256 Del Mar Scenic Pkwy, Del Mar, 92014.

If you have questions or would like to add your name to the waiting list, please call me at 858-947-5167, or e-mail me at [jmgould@san.rr.com](mailto:jmgould@san.rr.com)

Jo-Ellen Gould  
Retreat Chair

## Free Finishing Classes for Our Members



Do you love knitting but hate finishing the items? Do you need to work in all those yarn ends before the moths finish it for you in an unintended way? Finishing days are for you! 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 12:30pm to 3:30pm on June 14<sup>th</sup>, September 13<sup>th</sup> and November 8<sup>th</sup>.

## Sharing from April Meeting:



Betty Gregory knitted the Dipsy Doodle U-Turn scarf by Maureen Mason-Jamieson in multi-color Sockotta and white cotton.



Louise Anderson made this Boxsweet sweater in a blueberry colorway. It is one of Maureen Mason-Jamieson's beautiful kits. Challenging knitting.

Annette Friedlein made a sweater from "Knitting Noro", in four different colors of Noro Kureyon.



Phyllis Bates knitted a Klein Bottle: a non-orientable surface which does not have a right or left, an inside or an outside, yet looks a lot like a bottle. Pictured is one in glass. We didn't get a photo of Phyl's white knitted one.



Laura Brubaker knitted the Curlicue Coverlet into a larger version of a shawl, using Mini Mochi Color #303, 80% merino, 20% nylon. The shawl was on

display at Stitches West.



Maria Hoham knitted this Greta Vest by Jane Slicer-Smith, in her book, Swing, Swagger, Drape. Knit in a blue Milano Tweed by Elann from Italy, on size 6 needles.

Maria also made a burgundy Vintage sweater jacket from Sublime in cashmere/merino DK on #6 needles.

Dorrit Franke made her original skirt and top of Blue Sky Alpaca/Silk. Dorrit started the skirt in front and back sections knitted on two straight needles, switching to a circular needle and adding increases when arriving at the ruffle.



Maria made "The" baby blanket, hat and booties from a vintage pattern she has put together. Knitted of Plymouth Baby DK on #5 needles.





Gwen Nelson knitted a child's "Bar Harbor Hoodie" from Creative Knitting, September 2010, using blue and variegated blue Encore yarn by Plymouth.



Karen des Jardins made a scarf from Angela Tong's pattern "Shizuki" in Noro Silk Garden with shell beads at ends. Karen started at each end to get desired colors, then grafted in the middle. The drops were made by using backwards loop cast-on and short rows.

Vivian Forseth made this lace shawl called "Damsel fly", a Myra Wood pattern on Ravelry, using Yarn Place Adagio yarn. It is Estonian lace, and knitted from the center out.



Colleen Davis made an original jacket from her stash yarn. She used Sally Melville's technique and Fair Isle.



Mimi Sevimli made the "Lazy Katy" shawl in red with Zauberball yarn on size 8 needles. Mimi added 22 rows to main body to make it larger, and used up all the yarn.

Mimi also knitted an 84" x 20" Cloverleaf stole/scarf in multicolored sock-weight Serenity yarn by

Debra Norville, 4 skeins on size 4 needles.



Rosie Berkowitz knitted the Cuddle Tight baby blanket in sky blue Wool-Ease Thick and Quick on a #13 circular needle.

Another of Mimi's projects was a sweater for her son, the "Cobblestone" pullover by Jared Flood; in Elan Limited Edition Tweed, a wool, alpaca and rayon blend in blue, knitted on #7 needles. The pattern was featured in Interweave Knits, Fall 2007; knitted from the bottom up with no seaming!

Anna Walden machine knitted the 10-Way sweater by Anne Richardson in Twisted Sisters' Mirage yarn. Quick to make and can be worn many ways.





Janet White knitted a Lilas short-sleeved sweater in a cotton-viscose blend. It can be worn with a pin or open.

Sandy Yayanos made a sweater from the Twisted Sisters' Knit Sweaters Workshop, in green hand-dyed sock yarn, using part half brioche stitch and knit in two directions.



Sandy Smith made a "Fitted Garter Vest" from Creative Knitting, Sept. 2010, using Noro, Silver Thaw. Knit to fit- Easy!

Thea Lazarevic interpreted an old Vogue (Spring 1986) pattern in Paton's Grace 100% cotton on # 4,5 and 6 needles for increasing without disrupting the pattern.

Benson shared "Sig' Nits", pewter button charms for stitching onto your hand-knitted gifts.

Linda Erlich knitted a shawl from a pattern from Benson, in Karabelle gossamer yarn.

Patt Miller knitted a skull beanie in black and white acrylic using a free pattern from Polarknits.com.

Agnes Gale made a lacy tam and scarf in a petal pattern from Love of Knitting, Summer 2009. She used heathered lace weight 100% merino from Knit Picks. The pattern features five different lace designs.



## Knitting Sub-Groups Meeting Schedule:

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

- **AKG Group**, It's called the AKG Group, Advanced Knitters Group, 9am every Fri, Old California Coffee Shop, Restaurant Row, San Marcos. Contact: Phyllis Bates 760-828-8286.

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

- **I-15 Group**, 9am to 11am, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wed, Panera Bread in Carmel Mountain Ranch. Contact: Mimi Sevimli 858-722-8128.

- **PA Group**, 1:00pm to 3:00pm- every Monday at Panera Bread in Liberty Station. Contact: Jean Moore 858-587-9054. 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 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month from 10:00am to noon, at the Encinitas Senior Center (1140 Oakcrest Park Drive- cross street is Balour). Contact: Gwen Nelson 760-720-5420.

## New and Renewing Members

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## **SAN DIEGO NORTH COAST KNITTING GUILD**

### **General Information:**

Our President is Mar Gee Farr; her e-mail is [margee15@cox.net](mailto:margee15@cox.net). For a list of Board Members please refer to the Directory. The Web Site address is: [www.ncknit.com](http://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 the check to: Kathy Christensen, Treasurer SD-NCKG, 4625 Los Alamos Way, #D, Oceanside, CA 92057.

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Local yarn shops are encouraged to check their listings and provide updates to our Web Masters. We would also like to hear about trunk shows and special guest teachers at your shops – we'll put them on the website and in the newsletter.

### **Members' Notes**

**Eileen Adler** has been published in Creative Knitting Magazine - Child's Play, Spring 2011, "All Heart Hoodie". Congratulations, Eileen!

Janet White is still looking for a "Golden Girls" living situation with a like-minded person (or persons). She is hoping to find either an established home, or women interested in looking for a large house to rent, with a goal of reducing expenses and increasing fun! Please email her at [janetbwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:janetbwhite@hotmail.com) or call her at 619-929-2548 to talk about the possibilities.

### **Royal Family in Stitches**



## KNITTING ON THE NET

### GIGANTO BLANKET

The broomsticks were too small, so Laura at Nocturnal Knits switched to PVC pipe to knit her “giganto



blanket.” You may not want to follow in her footsteps, but her blog entry is a fun read. Be sure to check out the video of her demonstration. This pattern is not free, but the storytelling is.

<http://nocturnalknits.com/2011/01/20/giganto-blanket-finished/>



### BABY VEST

SamLamb is the blog of a Toronto knitter who has created some adorable knitted garments for her very young children, and is generous enough to share the patterns with the rest of us. Check here for her toddler’s vest:

<http://samlamb.blogspot.com/2010/07/toddler-t-shirt-vest.html>

### ELEPHANTS!

Purple? Pink? Blue? If not a gigantic blanket, how about a 10-inch tall elephant? With Rowan Yarns’ pattern for Ella and Eric Elephant, you only need to agonize over color choice. The pattern includes instructions for Ella’s adorable tutu and Eric’s handsome vest. Use the same pattern with a heavier yarn and larger needles for larger critters.



<http://www.knitrowan.com/download.aspx?id=205&fcd=4>

### PRISMATIC SCARF

Looking for a super-easy way to show off that skein of hand-dyed yarn? This Ravelry pattern (by Huan-Hua Chye) features a



knitted-in I-cord edge and a diagonal slipped-stitch rib pattern. The finished scarf lies flat and is reversible. Find it here:

<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/the-prismatic-scarf>

### COTTON COWL

A few months ago, this column featured Purl Soho’s alpaca cowl with the comment that it was so pretty, it almost made us wish for cold weather. The fashionistas at Purl Soho have now redone this cowl in cotton. As they note,



it keeps you warm and has no loose ends to get caught in subway doors! More important to our purposes, the cotton may work well for winter in San Diego. Knit it with thread held together with yarn, as Purl Soho did, or try some of the beautiful new cotton blends with long color changes now at our local yarn stores. <http://www.purlbee.com/striped-cotton-cowl/>