

# San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

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## **Next Meeting:**

June 7, 2011, 12:30 pm. San Dieguito United Methodist Church 170 Calle Magdalena Encinitas, CA 92024

Program- Riverside Knitting Guild's Two-Skein Challenge



## **President's Letter**

Just a quick note this month to let you all know that we're trying to give you information & all kinds of interesting options about upcoming events, workshops, trunk-shows, trips and fun things to do that are fiber & knitting related.

Many of us do not have a schedule that permits or the circumstances to attend one of the wonderful retreats that we as a Guild sponsor, so we've compiled a list of interesting venues in our area, as well as, offerings elsewhere in California, but no less expanded throughout the country and beyond!

We hope that you will be able to take advantage of one of the many opportunities available, to continue your education, relax and do what you like or just immerse yourself in a project you'd like to do! This will help get us through the "June gloom". Enjoy!

Mar Gee Farr

## June Program

The Riverside Knitting Guild is presenting a slide show of their recent challenge: You are given a skein of yarn and add to it a skein of your own



choosing, and proceed to make something from a pattern or your original design. We will see the results of their efforts!

## **Programs remaining in 2011**

**June 7**: The Riverside Knitting Guild- Twoskein Challenge

**July 5**: Pot- Luck Luncheon - with a visit from "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

### **Trunk Show**



**Strands and Stitches** in Laguna Beach is having a Louet Trunk Show, Thursday, 5/26 from 5-8 pm. Pam Van Stralen, owner of Louet (famous for their linen yarns) is bringing lots of garments to try on to see how you like linen sweaters and tops, etc. Please R.S.V.P (949) 497-5648, so we can have enough wine and treats. It will be a fun evening. Maybe carpools can be organized?

#### Upcoming fiber festivals and events:

Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair, **June 24-26**, Grayslake, IL <u>www.fiberandfolk.com</u>

TKGA Mineapolis Conference, **July 29-31**, Minneapolis, MN <u>www.knitandcrochetshow.com</u>

Mid Ohio Fiber Fair, **Aug 20-21**, Nework, OH www.midohiofiberfair@yahoo.com

Or go to *London, England*, **July 15-17** <u>www.knitnation.co.uk</u>

Registration is already open for these two fall events here in California

Vogue Knitting Live, Sept 23-25, 2011 at the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza, L.A. www.vogueknittinglive.com

Knitting Lab, November 3-6, 2011 San Mateo, CA <u>www.interweaveknittinglab.com</u>

### **Members Teaching Members**

Discover how to create and maintain a blog website. Share your thoughts; sell your creations. Wednesday, June 22 from



10-1:00 pm. \$30 for workshop; the blog itself is free. Attendees MUST be computer literate! Bring laptop if available. See sample online: www.LudwigCollection.blogspot.com.

Class size is limited to 6. Email reservation to Susan Ludwig: <u>susludwig@gmail.com</u>

## **July Potluck**

The Potluck Luncheon is coming soon! The July 5th meeting will be the date for our Annual



Potluck Luncheon. Potluck means everybody brings a favorite dish to share (salad, bread, vegetable). The Guild will provide drinks and dessert. To make it all the more fun, the Button Lady will be there! It promises to be a great time to visit with friends and make new friends. So don't miss the July meeting!



#### **Sharing from the May Meeting:**

Barbara Rodney knitted this simple basket weave jacket with Filatura di Crosa Adhoc yarn purchased at the stash sale, and size 10-13 needles. She had 20" of yarn left when done!



MayAnn Archbold fashioned a poncho and purse using Posh in pinks and black wool by Stacy Charles. It uses knit and purl stitches only. The periwinkle flowers are from the book, <u>101</u> <u>Flowers.</u>





Linda Erlich made the Marion Foale "Lucy" stole in ivory Richesse et Soie.



Melody Wagner knitted a pendant necklace and tiny beaded knit bags using size 8 perle cotton and size 11 beads.

Karen Bochinski knitted a shawl, the Multnomah, in blue/ green, purchased at Stitches West in 2010. Pattern is on Ravelry, named for a county in Oregon.



Chris Ward made a table runner from her stash yarn. The embellishments are from Eileen Adler's adult education class at San Diego Community College.





Marjie Du Berchin made up her pattern and knitted it on her knitting machine with cassette tape (Bob Dylan and Beethoven) and a second variegated yarn.



Maggie Whitson knitted a scalloped-edge tunic in hand-dyed desert colors; machine washable Ella Rae lace merino and fine Italian merino yarns. Design from the book, <u>Saturday Style</u>, by Doreen L. Marquatt.



Carolyn Balkwell made Sasha Kagan's "Aster" cardigan in orange, white, yellow and purple Rowan cotton. Techniques employed: intarsia and lace.

Marie Skillman crocheted this cowl necklace with multicolor ribbon remnants and a pattern from Crochet Magazine 2011.





Claudia Carlson made this vest/tank/camisole using Cambridge Classic Elite in a raspberry colorway, and a DROPS pattern. Garment uses only about 350 yards. Mimi Sevimli knitted a shawl, Gail (aka Nightsong), by MaweLucky/ Jane Araujo. The pattern is free on Ravelry. Her navy blue yarn is Andean superfine alpaca, bought at the stash sale. She used four skeins, almost 840 yards.



Mimi also "test" knitted Kitman Figueroa's "Frangipani" shawl in green Essential, a fingering weight yarn by Knit Picks. Mimi used #7 needles and 415 yards for a finished size of 25" x 53".



Agnes Gale made a top with a Shaker rib welt from <u>Sandra</u> knitting magazine. Agnes used hand painted pink Daktari yarn from Twisted Sisters, 100% slubbed cotton and size 7 and 8 needles.

Agnes also knitted this child's ruffled Ballerina Shrug from a Knitter's Haven pattern, also in hand painted pink Daktari cotton. Knitted from the top and with size 8 needles, she says the design is an easy one.



Claudia also knitted a Bermuda shawl in Sand colorway of Mini Mochi yarn. She used size 5 needles instead of the recommended size 7.



Ellen Hesterman knitted this "Chigiri" (pieces) featured in Knitters Fall 2010 issue. The Issey Miyake-inspired design is worked in 6 pieces, 3 in the front and the same in back, but reversed. Using 1100 yards of various yarns and different pattern stitches.



Maria Hoham made a red Gossamer Shawl with Ruffle for her daughter, using Twisted Sisters "Oasis" yarn on size 10 ½ needles.

Jean Carnes knitted this Crystal Palace Taos Entrelac vest by Gail Tanquary, a free pattern on Ravelry. She used Noro Silk Garden yarn in color #87, Rainbow.



Susan Ludwig knitted a "Dead Angel Fish" hat from her own design, using numerous yarns. The project is her entry for the yarn shop, Yarning for You, and their Dead Fish Hat contest.

### Free Finishing Classes for Our Members

Bring your almostfinished items and work on them together. The Guild provides the room,



tables and chairs, and resource knitters to answer your finishing questions. We 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>.

## **Minutes from May Meeting**

Mar Gee Farr, President, opened the meeting by introducing new members and guests and welcoming all. Mar Gee informed us that new members that joined after the printing of the



directory have been added on a separate insert. Please pick one up at the front desk.

Kathy Christenson reported that we will demonstrate knitting at the Del Mar Fair, Tuesday, June 21 to Saturday, June 25. Bring your knitting to share with the visitors at the Fair. Please sign up at the front desk. We need 8 members a day and you will be admitted free to the Fair. Susan Ludwig, Members Teaching Members, requested that those interested in creating a website to contact her. Susan plans on teaching members the last week of June or beginning of July. Contact Susan at <u>susludwig@gmail.com</u> or telephone no. 760-436-0763.

We will be informed about our potluck luncheon at the next meeting in June. Next month's program will be the Riverside Knitting Guild 2-ball challenge process & results.

Our own, Linda Erlich interviewed Cia Bullemer, designer and model, on her journey of becoming a designer. Cia shared that in the early 80's she started developing her designs and progressed to being published. Most recently, Cia has been seen modeling her designs in knitting magazines, and she is a sales representative for Plymouth Yarns.

Yarn is still available for more afghan squares - if you have knitted a square, think about doing another one. Stop at the desk in front to pick up your yarn.

Linda Erlich conducted our "Wear and Share" program, featuring many inspiring garments by our talented members.

Maureen Rukstalis, Secretary

### Knitting at the Del Mar Fair



Kathy Christensen, our knitting coordinator with the fair, has arranged the dates for our annual demonstration of knitting at the fair from

Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, through Saturday, June 25th. Contact Kathy at the meeting if you would like to knit at the fair and chat with some of the visitors who are very interested in our projects. There is free parking at the Horsepark near Via de la Valle.

## "Take Me Out To the Ball Game"



Sunday, July17 Game starts at 1:05 pm.,

San Diego Padres vs. San Francisco Giants. The 2011 "Informal" Stitch N Pitch has been organized by **Common Threads** yarn shop. They have reserved seats in the shaded Field Pavilion area (Field Level, along the 3<sup>rd</sup> baseline, near the left fielder) for those of you who purchased tickets before the April 22<sup>nd</sup> deadline. If you haven't already purchased a ticket(s) and would like to join, YOU MUST PURCHASE YOUR OWN INDIVIDUAL TICKET(S) for \$24.50 each at one of the Padres ticket booths; try to get a seat in the Field Pavilion Area.

#### Knitting on the Net



Kate Davies is a Scottish author (of scholarly articles on 18<sup>th</sup>-century Britain, and of articles on textiles and textile history for British knitting magazines)

and a designer whose latest sweater, Deco, is an instant classic. It's also a remarkable accomplishment for someone who suffered a major stroke only a year ago, at age 36. Take a look at all her patterns at <u>http://www.ravelry.com/designers/kate-davies</u> or on her well-written blog <u>http://needled.wordpress.com/</u>. Her "owls" pattern has been marked as a favorite by nearly 19,000 Ravelry members. These patterns are not free, but certainly worth the modest price.

#### **Dead Fish Hat**

In the mood for something fishy? Here's the pattern for the Dead Fish Hat, which was such a hit at the April hat show. It's a free pattern on Ravelry. Be sure to check out the designer's other projects, the



Scarfish scarf and the Half Fish Beanie.

http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/fish-hat-deador-alive

#### **Mudcloth Inspired Afghan**

Lion Brand Yarn maintains a huge inventory of free patterns online, and this afghan would be striking in any other color combination. It's shown in Vanna White yarn (Vanna never approved



these colors!) but would work well in many of the washable wools at your favorite local yarn store. http://www.lionbrand.com/patterns/L0719.html .

### 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 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 Drivecross street is Balour). Contact: Gwen Nelson 760-720-5420.

#### **New and Renewing Members**

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## **General Information:**

Our President is Mar Gee Farr; her e-mail is <u>margee15@cox.net</u>. For a list of Board Members please refer to the Directory. The Web Site address is: <u>www.ncknit.com</u>. 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.

## **Contact Information:**

## Newsletter Contact

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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.