



Next Official Meeting: January 5, 2016 • 12:30-3:00 pm
San Dieguito United Methodist Church • 170 Calle Magdalena Encinitas, CA 92024

2015 HOLIDAY LUNCHEON & FASHION SHOW

By: Thea Lazarevic and Mar Gee Farr

The Holiday Luncheon & Fashion Show will be held on **Monday, December 7** at Morgan Run Club & Resort in Rancho Santa Fe. **Deadline for reservations and for Fashion Show sign up is November 25.** Reservation forms and Fashion Show forms are included in this newsletter, and can be downloaded from our website.

Tickets: Reservations are being taken by Amy Sheridan. Please complete the reservation form and make checks in the amount of \$30 per person, payable to **San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild**. Reservations will be held at the door.

Mail completed Reservation Form and Payment to:

Amy Sheridan
4250 Robbins Street
San Diego, CA 92122
858-455-6508

Fashion Show: If you would like to participate in the Fashion Show please complete a form describing your item and return it to Thea Lazarevic **before November 25th.**

Forms for the Fashion Show will also be in the Newsletter, on the website and available at the Guild meetings. REMEMBER, your Fashion Show submittal must not have been previously shown.

Mail completed Fashion Show Form to:

Thea Lazarevic
1085 Crimson Dr
San Marcos, CA 92069

If you have any questions about the Luncheon or Fashion Show, please contact: Thea Lazarevic at 760-638-0897 or theaknits59@gmail.com

Our President's Comments



Last week I was reading an issue of Yarn Market News, a magazine published for the knit and crochet trade. I was pleased to see that two of knitting's own were recognized in an article. Designer

and author Debbie Bliss was honored as a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire for her distinguished service to the hand-knitting and crafts industry. Kathy and Steve Elkins, owners of Webs - America's Yarn Store, were presented with the Human Service Forum 2015 Business Award for their longtime support of human services charities.

The article brought to mind the immeasurable good we put forth into the world when we give of ourselves and share our passions. Doing what we love - knitting - brings joy to us as individuals and also allows us to share our gift with others. Ask anyone who has received a hand knit gift and they will tell you it makes them feel special. The recent letter from a grateful Marine (reprinted in this issue) is an example of how even a small philanthropy project can make such a big difference in the life of another human being.

Take time this holiday season to pick up your needles and work a few rows. Share your hobby; share your love, and share of yourself. I wish you all good health, and abundance in your home and in your heart.

All my best,
 Liz

Minutes

from the Meeting on November 3, 2015

By: Phyllis Bates, Secretary

The meeting was called to order with a welcome to guests and new members.

Liz called on Program Chair Tina Rounsavell who then introduced Jean Degenfelder, a local fiber artist whose specialties are weaving and felting. As part of her program she mentioned that knitters need to be aware of the possibilities of felting artistically. Her program included samples where she used several techniques and a report of her class in felting in Turkey.

After the program, Liz called upon the various chairmen to tell of the activities that are forthcoming. Arlene Shaposhnick, the philanthropy chair, read a thank you letter from a U. S. Marine who was the recipient of a cap made by an NCKG member for Operation Gratitude. She then announced that the next Share a Knit workshop would be November 19 at Coco's Restaurant and will feature a new scarf pattern. Names were drawn from the donor slips of the group for the opportunity drawing.

Liz said that printed items about the Guild and its activities from knitting magazines, newspapers, etc. have been maintained by previous Guild historian Myra Lehmann but we are looking for a successor. Liz will contact Myra to get the box of records.

SDNCKG members were invited to attend the Textile Study Group of San Diego presentation on November 6 in Old Town. The speaker will be Kathryn Harris, a retired professor of fiber arts from San Diego State University. More information was on our own website.

Thea Lazarevic spoke about the various arrangements that are underway for the holiday fashion luncheon and fashion show. She asked that members who have garments to show send their information about the items promptly.

Sue Tavaglione said that no MTM workshops were scheduled until after the start of the new year. She asked for topics and techniques that the members would like to see presented.

June Bartczak said 35 people had already made reservations for the January knitting retreat and that the registration and down payment had to be completed by the end of the meeting. More information about the next retreat in May would be announced in the January meeting.

The library has acquired eight new books. Since there will be no general meeting in December Scarrain said that books on loan should be brought to the January meeting.

Membership chair Zita Gardner said that she is able to assist members who would like to connect with others who live nearby, this for transportation sharing and knitting help or company.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00.

Philanthropy

By: Arlene Shaposhnick & Jeanette Ollivier

A special thank you to all of you who have been knitting for our charities. This year, as of our November meeting we received a total of 955 knitted and crocheted items from YOU, for our charities. We have had requests for items from some other charities and have been able to help them; it is heartwarming that we have been able to help so many people in need.

Our 2015 donations went to the following organizations:

- Operation Gratitude, Military
- Tété-a-Tété Hats, Chemo Hats
- The OZ Program for homeless kids
- Handmade Especially For You, comfort scarves
- Rachel's House, women's shelter
- Women's Resource Center
- Becky's House, women's shelter
- Casa de Amparo, teen program
- Emilio Nares Foundation, kids' chemo hats
- Rady Children's Hospital, preemie hats and blankets
- Seacrest Assisted Living, lap blankets

My tenure is ending in December. I am hopeful that one of you will step up to chair Philanthropy. It is not only fun, but also very worthwhile. You will have plenty of help; I didn't do this alone.

A special thank you to Jeanette Ollivier who helped at our meetings and helped wind yarn for all of those kits. To Liz Knapp who supported all of our ideas and who has been positive and encouraging, and to Donna Royal for saving the day with all of those wound balls of yarn. To Eileen Adler for all of her input, ideas and moral support, and especially for designing the incredible scarves for our SAK events; these will continue separately from Philanthropy. To Mary Fallet for ideas and positive support and to Sheila Kirschenbaum for encouraging me and setting me free to do this.

And...to everyone else who was generous and gracious enough to knit for us.

PLEASE NOTE: WE WILL BE COLLECTING KNITTED ITEMS AT THE HOLIDAY LUNCHEON.

If you have any questions or comments please contact me arlene@shaposhnick.com.

Share a Knit with the Guild

By: Eileen Adler

The next SAK – *Share a Knit* with the Guild event is Thursday, November 19, 2015 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Coco's Restaurant, 407 Encinitas Blvd, in Encinitas.

SAK projects use knitting worsted weight yarn that our Guild generously supplies or you can knit with your favorite yarn. US 7, 8, 9, or even 10 needles work, circular or straight; other supplies include personal knitting notions: scissors, tape measure, etc. Nothing additional is required to attend these free SAK events.



Meeting at a restaurant allows us to enjoy a beverage, brunch, or lunch but we do not have to purchase food or stay the entire time. RSVP's should come to me: Eileenadler@san.rr.com. Space is limited and we are filling up fast so please RSVP ASAP!

Dappled Sunlight Scarf, our next SAK pattern will introduce the concept of lace knitting but not in the usual way so this may be a perfect introduction. Arlene wove ribbons through the eyelets tying bows on one scarf and long lengths became fringe on another; I love that idea! I added lots of fringe to my scarf and a free-form bobble flower adorned with leaves.

The hidden benefit for all of us is to learn new skills in a casual friendly environment sharing and learning from each other. In fact, one woman told me that this was the very reason she came to our first SAK! Another woman told me that she enjoyed the pattern so much she made a second one for herself. Hmmmm ... I think I will have to knit another scarf too! And another knitter said, "I had such a good time last time, I don't want to miss out on the fun." We don't want you to miss the fun either so please join us.

Retreat Update

By: June Bartczak, Retreat Coordinator

There are 38 members signed up for the Temecula Retreat, January 18-21, 2016. Signups are closed and **final payment is due by the January 2016 meeting**. You may make your deposit at the next meeting or send it to me at 157 Via Monte d'Oro, Redondo Beach, CA 90277.

The spring retreat at Casa de Maria will be May 23- 26, 2016 and more information will come in early 2016.

Members Teaching Members

By: Sue Tavaglione ~ sjtava@sbcglobal.net

Please send your requests for technique instruction and project classes to Sue. We will seek instructors based on what the Guild members want to learn. If there is something you want to teach, we will help you find a date and a hostess.

Guild Notes

- We need a Philanthropy coordinator and a Stash Sale coordinator for 2016. Both are one-year terms. Please contact any member of the Executive Board if you have questions.
- As we approach our 20th year, we're looking for articles and photographs of our Guild's history.
- New column coming in 2016 for your newsletter. The column will be putting a "spotlight" on a Guild member who has achieved a technique that they never thought they would be able to do. It can be the simplest thing as knitting in the round for the first time, or doing miter corners to intricate lace work. You can either submit something yourself or if you know of a Guild member and would like to submit it on that person, after receiving their "blessings" that you submit them. Looking forward to see and reading the accomplishments of our members.

Membership

By: Zita Gardener, Membership Chair

Dues for NEW members joining through December are \$35, and that amount covers membership for the remaining months of 2015 and all of 2016.

Membership dues for RENEWING members are \$25 for the remaining months of 2015, no matter when paid.

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild General Information

Membership in the Guild is open to everyone, regardless of your craft. Membership expires for all members on January 31. Dues are \$25 annually. Here is a printable [membership form](#).

Send all submissions by the 15th of the month to: liz.knapp.louise@gmail.com Short articles relating to knitting in general, and the San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild in particular, are encouraged.

Notices and announcements of a commercial nature may be placed as paid advertisements. Send an email to the above email address for rates and more information.

Guild Sub Groups:

✿ AKG Group: It is called AKG, Advanced Knitters Group. Meets every Friday at 9:00 am at Old California Coffee Shop, Restaurant Row, San Marcos. Contact: Thea Lazarevic, 760-638-0897.

✿ Knit@Nite Group: Meets the first Wednesday at 6:00 pm at the Jewish Community Center in UTC. Contact Linda Erlich: 858-759-9509, and check the schedule on the Guild's [website](#).

✿ The RN group of the Guild has been on hiatus for some months now. Time for a revival. Are there Carlsbad knitters, Encinitas, Oceanside women who want to meet again? Location in Carlsbad and days times to be considered. More days to meet during a month was a suggestion last time. Email or phone me if anyone else wants to meet again in a smaller setting. Contact Gwen Nelson at jngn@roadrunner.com or phone 760-720-5420 with your interest/suggestions.

✿ I-15 Group: Meets every second and fourth Wednesday at 9:00 am at Panera in Carmel Mountain Ranch. Contact: Mimi Sevimli, 858-722-8128.

✿ PA Group: PA Group knits "Practically Anything." Meets every Monday from 1:00 to 3:00 pm at Panera in Solana Beach. Contact: Jean Moore, 858-587-9054.

I just wanted to take a moment to reach out and say thank you. I am currently a Marine deployed with a unit conducting Crisis Response Africa Operations, and I just received an "Operation Gratitude" box that contained a 100% wool knitted cap. The beanie had a small note attached with your group's logo and the name of the person who knitted it: Amy Sheridan. So if my thanks could be extended to her as well, I would greatly appreciate it. The wool cap came at a perfect time as the temperatures are slowly starting to drop here. I hope you all continue to contribute to "Operation Gratitude"... they have been a consistent morale booster during my 10 years in the Marines. Thanks again! I hope you all are doing well, and have a wonderful day.

Respectfully,

SSgt. Clayton N. Walker

Intelligence Chief

Combat Logistics Battalion 6

SPMAGTF CR-AF

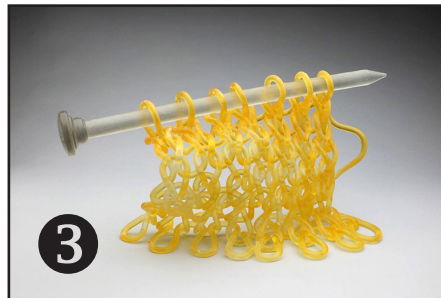




① [Whimsy Cowl](#) is a simple, adaptable, fun knit. Ideal for a nice lofty DK or aran yarn, it can also make a great textured piece with more drape when worked in a fingering weight. Pattern is both charted and written and is suitable for adventurous beginners.

Six unexpected [benefits of knitting](#). Thanks to Eileen Adler for sending in the article link.

② [Jewel Socks](#), suitable for men and women. Crossed slip stitches define little ovals of garter stitch, adding interest and texture to a ribbed sock.



③ [Knitting with glass](#): The incredible work of Carol Milne. Thank you to Monica Clark for sharing this story.

④ The Deep Fall 2015 issue of Knitty.com has this gem: Spaziergang mit Emil (["A walk with Emil"](#))

The halter-style waistcoat is seamlessly worked in garter stitch with no grafting. It is cast on center front and worked flat out to the sides in one piece. Optional bust darts are included and can be added according to cup size.

A newly discovered source for free knitting patterns: [All Free Knitting](#) – Free Knitting Patterns for Happy Stitching.

⑤ [Berroco's Kitsap cardigan](#) is a new design for Fall 2015. It's knit in stockinette stitch and trimmed with an asymmetrical garter st neckband. The bulky yarn and US #10 needles make it a speedy project for most knitters. It is sized for XS through 2X.

⑥ The [Downton Hat](#) from Annie Cholewa is modeled on a vintage 1915 baby hat and sized for babies through adult. Knit in double moss stitch, it has an invisible rib band inside the reverse stockinette stitch brim, which holds the hat snugly on the head. There is even a video tutorial included in the link.

Show & Share November (Check out more photos on [Ravelry](#))

Zita Gardner showed her **Juniper Cowl**, a free pattern from Berroco by designer Emily Nora O'Neil. The yarn was an unknown thick and thin wool, with the same gauge as indicated for the pattern. She purchased it for \$1.00 at the stash sale and repurposed the yarn; it was an almost-complete vest. She used the same stitch pattern for the hat.



Collen Davis showed a **bag** made of various upholstery fabrics, which were then edged in reverse stockinette stitch of several yarns, and then applied onto a purse form.

Colleen's **duster** was the first time she used fingering weight yarns in her own design. She knit rectangles in various yarns on # 8 or 9 needles, and then joined them with bold colors of four different ribbon yarns.



Barbara Levin modeled **Bord de Mer shawl** from designer Collete Audrey. She used Shibui Pebble, a silk/Merino/cashmere yarn. It is knit in garter st with a dramatic lace border. The original pattern made a shawl that is 160" long; Barbara's is 90" long x 30" deep.



Tina modeled the as-yet-unnamed green-and-purple **cardigan** Colleen designed using short rows and a honeycomb stitch.



Ellen Magee used a Cascade yarn of 70% Merino/30% silk for a cabled scarf of her own design. I-cord edging is knit as you go for a very attractive tailored look.

Jan Davis was visiting Manhattan in September when she saw the **Glamorous Fair Isle Hat** in the Lion Brand Design Studio and the pattern was free. She knew immediately she had to make it and used Vanna's glamour yarn to complete the project.



Show & Share November (Check out more photos on [Ravelry](#))

Marilyn McGrath used a 100% viscose rayon yarn called George B Newton from Newton's Yarns to knit this perfect-for-San Diego hoodie. The [pattern](#) is from Vogue Knitting Spring/Summer 2014. It incorporates a lace panel in the front and back, and a smaller twisted stitch at the yoke and top of the sleeves. This sweater won Marilyn a blue ribbon at the county fair!



Josephine Barkhausen knit the **Metro Coat** from Jane Slicer Smith. The summer-long project incorporated her stash of many yarns in shades of olive and teal: Prism, Colinette, eyelash, slubs, wool, etc. The end result is stunning! The pattern is in the book "Swing, Swagger, Drape" and we have it in our Library. For knitters who admire Colleen Davis' work but prefer to knit from a pattern, this is a good place to start.



Mary Barranger knit **Confetti Ribs** top in Berroco's Boboli Lace yarn. Her [notes](#) are on Ravelry. Although she says it is a slightly boring project to knit, she likes the result!



Thea Lazarevic used Summer Cotton yarn (cotton/silk blend) and # 8 and 9 needles to get the desired drape of her **Bordered Lace** top. The pattern is in "Knitting Pattern Essentials" by Sally Melville. Although Thea said that the pattern instructions could be difficult to follow at times, the end result looks great.

Sydney Wauson modeled her **Vacillate stole**. She used wool/nylon and bamboo/wool yarns to great effect. Her [notes](#) are on her Ravelry page. She suggested looking at the projects on Ravelry to see how other knitters adapted the pattern to scarf or cowl sizes, and to gradient and other colored yarns.



Nathine Nelson showed her **Amika** shawllette. It is designed by Claudia Carlson, a Guild member, and can be made with any yarn. Nathine use her stash to make this one. More photos and pattern link can be found on [Ravelry](#).





Annual GUILD Holiday Fashion Show & Luncheon

Monday December 7, 2015

(Reservations MUST be received by Wednesday, November 25, 2015)

- Arrival:** Please do not come before 10:30AM!
- Drawing Tickets:** **10:30AM – 11:30AM** Our “Opportunity Drawing” items will be displayed in the Moonlight Room for you to peruse & purchase tickets.
- Lunch Is Served:** **11:45AM - OPEN seating** with 10 guests per table.
- Fashion Show & Drawing:** Immediately following Lunch!
- Location:** **Morgan Run Club & 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) Salmon Caesar Salad** – Crisp Romaine lettuce w/ Parmesan cheese, crouton rusks, charbroiled salmon & classic Caesar dressing.
 - B) Chicken Salad Wrap - Delicious** chicken salad in a wrap, served with a side fruit cup.
- On The Table:** Bread, butter & water.
- Dessert:** Chef’s surprise dessert!
- Beverages:** Coffee, tea & 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:** **\$30.00 includes tax and gratuity!**

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Send to: **Amy Sheridan** 4250 Robbins Street, San Diego, CA 92122 phone:(858)455-6508
Write your menu choice(s) on the form & your check!
Make checks payable to San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

Name of Member: _____ **Menu A**____ **Menu B**____

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

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Direct any questions about the Luncheon or Fashion Show to Thea Lazarevic at 760-638-0897.
ALL CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED BY November 25, 2015. Please help us by RESERVING early!

SAN DIEGO NORTH COAST KNITTERS GUILD



2015 Holiday Luncheon and Fashion Show

Monday, December 7, 2015

Fashion Show Sign-Up Form

*Use a separate form for each item.
Maximum of three items per member.*

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Item You Are Showing: _____

Pattern Name: _____

Designer Name: _____

Source of Pattern: _____

Name(s) of Yarn(s) Used: _____

Yarn Description(s): _____

Colorway(s): _____

Name of person modeling or showing the item: _____

Helpful hints, suggestions, modifications, or comments about the knitting process:

Completed forms due by Wednesday, November 25, 2015.

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Thea Lazarevic, 1085 Crimson Drive, San Marcos, CA 92069.

If you have any questions, please contact Thea at 760-638-0897 or theaknits59@gmail.com.