

Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 2 12:30-3:00 pm

San Dieguito United Methodist Church • 170 Calle Magdalena Encinitas, CA 92024

Upcoming Guild Programs

By: Tina Rounsavell, Program Chair ~ cmrouns@aol.com

June 2: Sivia Harding

Are you ready to be "Seduced by Beads"? Sivia Harding, lace-and-bead-knitting superstar, will be at the meeting June 2 to inspire you to add bling to any knitting pattern. From simple beaded edgings to

elaborate beaded knits that make a statement, this presentation will give you lots of ideas.

Sivia Harding is a knitwear designer from Portland, Oregon, known mainly for her work with beads and lace. She has worked with fiber and art since childhood, but she only learned how to knit in her mid-forties.



Sivia Harding

She loves teaching because of the cross-pollination of ideas and enthusiasm that happens in a class setting. Look for her work on Ravelry and on her **website**.



Sivia will offer three workshops on Wednesday, June 3, and Thursday, June 4. The full-day workshop on Wednesday is full. There are still a few spaces in the Thursday

workshops. Please see our website for details. If you've signed up for a workshop, be sure to check the homework and supply lists here. (Hint: you'll need to buy yarn!) You'll also find class handouts. Please print them and bring them to class.

July 7: Potluck Luncheon

The social event of the summer is coming soon! Outgoing board members graciously host the beverages and desserts. Guild members are asked to bring a dish to share: appetizer, salad, side dish or entrée. There is always plenty of food and it's a nice time to visit with friends. The Guild library will be open as well.

We are trying something new this year: a kind of "Christmas in July" opportunity drawing. If you love the December Holiday Luncheon prizes, this is for you! Liz is busy gathering some amazing knitted garments, one-of-a-kind yarns, jewelry, European ceramics, and other fantastic items. Tickets will be for sale only at the July meeting, and winners will be drawn at the conclusion of the luncheon. You won't want to miss it!



Our President's Comments

This month, I'm encouraging all members to consider attending the TKGA Convention in conjunction with the Knit and Crochet Show in San



Diego, July 22-26. The link to Event Schedule, registration information, class descriptions, hotel reservations is **here**. You don't have to register for the Convention to attend the Marketplace, and you don't need to be a TKGA member to attend any part of the

Convention or Marketplace. Several classes are already full, so don't delay if you plan to register!

The experience of attending one of these conventions is hard to put into words. I attended Stitches East for the first time in 1996. I took three days of morning and afternoon classes, expecting to learn a lot and be inspired. I was blown away! My mind was overflowing after 18 hours of Sally Melville, Lily Chin, Leslye Solomon, Evie Rosen, and more. I learned so much: how to use a knitting machine, secrets of invisible finishing, how to make short rows, and that there exists more than just one way to cast on and bind off - who knew?! Walking into the marketplace for the first time was akin to having the color saturation turned all the way up on my TV. There was yarn everywhere! Knitting bags, fancy buttons, hand-dyed yarns and corrals of bargain yarn.

At the time, I was living in the mountains of Colorado, my LYS had a limited selection, there was no Internet, and I had only one local knitting friend. The Stitches trip was a gift to myself and it marked a turning point in my knitting life. The things I learned that weekend catapulted my knitting from advanced beginner level to fearless intermediate. I bought bags of colorful and unique yarn. I treated myself to my very first needle case and my first set of interchangeable needles. I saw that I was not alone, and that knitting was becoming increasingly popular with a new generation of women all over the country.

Over the years, I've attended Stitches conventions on both coasts and TNNA conventions for needle arts association professionals. When I go, I try to learn something new to share with others, to meet designers and teachers, to seek out vendors promoting new yarns and products, and to find things not available by mail-order or stocked at my LYS. Additionally, I often meet online friends in person. Ravelry has connected me with people all over the world but nothing replaces meeting people face-to-face in my happy place. I hope you'll join me in July.

Happy knitting, Liz Knapp

2015 Meeting Schedule

June 2 3 4	Sivia Harding: Seduced by Beads Workshop: Sideways Lace Workshops: Bead Whimsy (am) Knotty Scarflet (pm)
July 7	Annual Summer Potluck Luncheon
August 11	(* Meeting on 2nd Tuesday) Liz Knapp: Pins and Needles: Social Media for Our Guild

September

1 Annual Guild Stash Sale

October (* Meeting on 2nd Tuesday)

13 Ashley V. Blalock:

Keeping Up Appearances

November

3 Jean Degenfelder: Inspired Felting

4 Workshop: Inspired Felting

December (* Luncheon on 1st Monday)

7 Holiday Luncheon and Fashion Show

Minutes

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild General Meeting, May 5

By: Phyllis Bates, Secretary

President Liz Knapp thanked the leadership team who make the meetings and activities of the Guild run effectively. She told of the work of Monica Clark who handles all aspects of the preparation of the newsletter. She urged others who wanted to share in the work of a committee to make themselves known to her. She welcomed the guests and new members to the Guild.

Program Chair Tina Rounsavell briefly previewed the program and workshops scheduled for June: Sivia Harding whose specialties are knitting with beads and lace knitting is the presenter. Details for her workshops are posted on line and in the newsletter. Members were invited to sign up at the meeting. Tina then introduced Anna Walden whose topic was Romping with Ruffles. Anna spoke of the current trend to incorporate ruffles, pleats, and gathers into fashion garments. She showed the placement of these details in various garments via a series of slides and told general directions for the knitters to achieve the effects she described. A number of the garments shown were designed by Anna, who is a long time member of NCKG.

As part of the business session, there were various announcements: Carolyn Balkwell is heading the County Fair activities and would welcome additional members to be present at the guild's fair demo table to talk about the knitting process. NCKG is again offering two prizes for knitted items submitted for display, one for best workmanship and the other for best original design. The deadline, May 8th, is the last day for entries.

A revision of the Guild website is underway and details about it were mentioned, including typing www.ncknit.com/newsletter for anytime access to the current newsletter.

The July meeting will be the time of the Annual Potluck Luncheon. Members are encouraged to bring projects to work on. Books, tools, and yarns are being accepted for the Stash Sale. Members were cautioned that cash or checks were accepted, and no credit cards. Three Members Teaching Members sessions were listed for the coming weeks: Eileen Adler, Felted Backpack and Willa Cather, Blocking Lace.

Philanthropy Chair Arlene Shaposhnick explained that the little white bags of yarn on the seats last month were meant to intrigue members to knit something for one of our local needy charities where the need is great at the moment, as well as to eliminate crowding at the entry. Members could add or use their own yarns and patterns if they preferred. As a result of this approach, 158 items were turned in at the current meeting. She said that 462 items had already been submitted this year.

Worldwide Knit in Public Day is scheduled for June 13th. The park in Poway is one location for a knit-out and some local communities will also have events, including one at the Pannikin in Leucadia.

The Show and Share session followed these reports.

County Fair News

By: Carolyn Balkwell

We have two remaining openings at our demo table on Wednesday afternoon, June 10th from 1-4pm. All demo volunteers will receive a free ticket to the Fair, to be distributed at the June Guild meeting. If you can't attend the meeting to collect your ticket or want one of the remaining demo spots, please contact Carolyn at 619-463-1439 or cbalkwell@cox.net.

Members Teaching Members

By: Sue Tavaglione ~ sitava@sbcglobal.net

We have a date, time and place for the "Blocking Lace" workshop with Willa Cather. Wed. June 17th, 12:30-2pm, \$15 at the home of Peggy Redler in Carlsbad. (Minimum of 5 students needed plus the hostess). Lace projects have special blocking requirements, Willa will "straighten" it all out for us!

We need a hostess for Eileen Adler's "Felted Backpack" workshop for Thurs. June 25th. Please let me know if you are interested in this workshop, and mainly if you could hostess as well. Members learn a variety of skills as well as will have a wonderful gift or project once it's completed. Thank you!

There is homework required for both of these workshops, so please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to attend.

Share a Knit with the Guild

Hosted By: Eileen Adler

Join us on August 4 from 10-11:30am at Coco's Restaurant (407 Encinitas Blvd, around the corner from our meeting). Philanthropy is a sense of caring,

of "what it is to be human;" a gift from the heart, from one stranger to another. Knitting is that perfect medium that envelops us; it can be a virtual hug. However, what I LOVE about philanthropy is freedom – freedom from all the "what-ifs" in selecting a project. Cast on and make something special; it's a perfect venue to play with your yarn!



The *Blocks by Design Scarf* is a series of offset garter-stitch blocks that become diamonds when worn. Each block uses 11 yards of yarn – any yarn and needles that compliment your yarn selection. That's it! (I like knitting worsted weight with size US 7, 8, or 9 needles.)

We will have the pattern and yarn at Share a Knit with the Guild. If you prefer, bring your own collection of colors (a dozen or more), or use just one solid or variegated yarn, or use two colors (main color 150 yards and about 20 yards of a contrast color) to knit this wonderful, whimsical scarf for philanthropy. Please RSVP to Eileen Adler: eileenadler@san.rr.com.

Philanthropy

By, Arlene Shaposhnick and Jeanette Ollivier

The San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild has an incredible "Village" of women who have taken their craft and their passion for knitting and knit hats and scarves for our four charities with generosity and warm hearts. The Guild thanks you all. I am happy to announce that all of our Mother's Day scarves were packaged and shipped in time for Mother's Day.

Last year we donated fewer than 500 knitted items to charity. This year I am thrilled to report that we have delivered 624 items so far! These knitted items went to people going thru chemotherapy, homeless kids, our men and women in the military fighting for our freedom in not-so-pleasant locations around the world, and victims of domestic violence in women's shelters in San Diego and further up our coast. Thank you everyone who has made this possible.

Your knitted items we distributed as follows:

- Téte-aTéte Hats (for children thru adults undergoing chemo treatments): 205 Hats
- Becky's House (domestic violence shelter): 30 Scarves
- Women's Resource Center (domestic violence shelter): 10 Scarves
- Haven Hills (domestic violence shelter): 30 Scarves
- Handmade Especially for You (serving a network of domestic violence shelters): 224 Scarves Scarves for abused women are collected and delivered all year. Unfortunately, the need in the shelters is ongoing. It should sadden all of us that abuse towards women is still so prevalent.
- Solutions for Change (Warm hats and /or scarves for our homeless kids... this is thru the OZ program): 50 items. We collect warm hats and scarves for the homeless kids all year in hopes that we have enough before the first chill.
- Operation Gratitude (hats & scarves for military members): 75 items

Our next shipment goes out in September. We need hats and scarves in subdued colors suitable for men or women. The fiber content must be on the item.

For those of you who are not into philanthropy, have other projects going on or have a lot of other things on your plate, we truly understand...if it works for you in the future we will be thrilled. If you need anything or have any questions or comments please email me at arlene@shaposhnick.com.

World Wide Knit in **Public Day**

WWKIPD was started in 2005 by Danielle Landes. It began as a way for knitters to come together and enjoy each other's company -



"Better living through stitching together!"

Old Poway Park on Saturday, June 13 from 10 am-2 pm.

Ioin us under the famous yarn-bombed tree behind Templars Hall any time between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.; all fiber crafts welcome! Please bring a chair: the Farmer's Market is open until 1p.m. for food and drinks or bring your



own. If you are unable to locate us, please check at the Park Office for assistance. (Link for the park includes a map) http://powav.org/452/Old-Powav-Park. If you have any questions, contact the Poway event organizer at kristinlosborn@yahoo.com

Pannikin in Encinitas on Saturday, June 13 from **1-4 pm**. Knit and Sip at Pannikin Coffee & Tea, 510 N. Highway 101, Encinitas, 92024. Bring your needles, hooks and whatever you're working on. The event is open to Guild members and non-members alike. Carpooling is encouraged as parking is challenging on busy beach weekends. For more information, contact Mary Fallet 760-402-8261 or mfallet@roadrunner.com.



Fallbrook Area Guild **Members WWKIP Day** on June 13th from 10 am-2:00pm. Stitchin' to the Beat will be celebrating the day at the Espresso Lounge located at 139 S. Main Avenue. For details on what to bring contact

Monica Clark at mondavecreate@gmail.com or Laura Small at smallsknitting@vahoo.com.

Riverside Knitting Guild is hosting their KIP event on June 20th. The location is the corner of 5th and Market St., across from the Hyatt and Mission Inn. The Yarnover Truck will be there and the Farmer's Market is happening that day as well. For more information, contact Riverside Guild President Vicki Brown at mvgcok@yahoo.com

Library

By, Brigit Pitcairn and Scarrain Gomes

New books in the library: *Knit Wear Love* by Amy Herzog; *Knit in New Directions* by Myra Woods; *Reversible Knitting* by Lynne Barr; and *Kyuuto! Japanese Crafts Lacy Crochet*. Come by the library table to check the list of available books.

Stash Sale

Stash sale donations are being accepted at the Guild meeting on June 2. Gently used books, knitting bags, needles and notions are gratefully accepted. Please bring your items in secured bags. If you have a very large donation or cannot make it to the meeting, please contact Mimi Sevimli to arrange a time for pickup or delivery: karal3@yahoo.com.

Convention Alert!!!

By: Colleen Davis

It's been 16 years since a knitting convention has come to San Diego. This is wonderful news for us as locals, and a huge opportunity for us to turn out in large numbers. For the last 2 or 3 years we've had access to Vogue Knitting Live in Los Angeles, and Stitches West has been in the Bay area for almost twenty years. Only a small percentage of our members attended these conventions for various reasons: prohibitive cost, too far to travel, complex lodging and travel issues, and finding travel companions. Now there is an opportunity in our own community for all Guild members to attend. You can take classes from nationally known designers and teachers, rub elbows with other contagious knitters and be in an electric atmosphere with yarn lovers and fellow knitters (and crocheters). If you are a designer, this is a great place to be "discovered", as I was many years ago. If classes aren't your thing, come for the day and shop for the latest yarns and gadgets in the Marketplace. This is a bonus and not to be missed.

Let's participate and support this convention in a big way. Please consider this as an opportunity to learn new skills and techniques in a setting that will blow your mind and inspire you for years to come. Get on board, show up, treat yourself, insure our Guild's presence, and reap the benefits of this rare opportunity. Let's make San Diego a top knitting convention destination!

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. A printable membership form is available on the Guild website.

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: Phyl Bates, 760-828-8286.
- * 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.



Marie Fisher recommends this video for increasing your speed by eliminating the use of a cable needle in cable knitting. Both left and right cross cables are demonstrated.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QqqWMz1lOY"

knitting from the blog Unwritten.



- 2 Designer Andra Asars' Flickering Ruffle Scarf is a quick knit with #11 needles and less than 1000 yds of yarn!
- **3 Spud and Chloe Scrunch Scarf** is a fast knit on large needles.
- Classic Elite uses ribbing to create pleats at the edge of the Ceniza Shawlette.
- **6** The **DanDoh Scarf** designed by Yumiko Alexander uses ruffles and short rows.
- **6 Berkshire Blossoms** are the perfect portable project!



Yarn Bombing is Back

Carmel Mountain Ranch Library wants your help to yarn bomb the grounds! If you'd like to participate by claiming a tree or other element, contact Janet Yeager, Branch Manager, at jyeager@sandiego.gov or visit their Facebook page or Ravelry group.

More Fiber Opportunities in San Diego

The Textile Study Guild of San Diego is a non-profit organization that promotes community interest and individual development in textile/ fiber arts. TSGSD reached out to our Guild and invites you



to attend a meeting or a class. Areas of study include (but aren't limited to) French Haute Couture Embroidery, Japanese Contemporary Sashiko Embroidery, Dyeing Fiber with Organic Materials, Smocking, Turkish

Feltmaking, Croatian Lacemaking, and of course Knitting and Crochet. They meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month at Mission Valley Library, 2123 Fenton



Pwky, San Diego 92108. Meetings begin at 11:30am, except in July and August, when they are on summer break. Classes are being taught at the Mission Valley YMCA. For more information, visit them on Facebook. or email: textilestudyguildsd@gmail.com

Show and Share

Please print/write clearly.

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Designer	
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Yarn Fiber	-
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Philanthropy

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Name_ Fiber Content_____ Washing Instructions Personal Comments



Show and Share May 2015 (Check out more photos on Ravelry)



AKG Knitalong: Several members of the AKG subgroup knit the <u>Melodia</u> shawl from Janina Kallio. From left (with the link to her Ravelry project, where available): Freddie Cusack, Lisa Sorenson, <u>Mimi Sevimli</u>, Thea Lazarevic, and <u>Karen des Jardins</u>.



Barbara Friedman proudly models her Astrolabe Vest by Cecily Glowik MacDonald. She spun the yarn herself using Malabrigo wool fibers and it is as soft as can be!

Josephine
Barkhousen
used many
colors sock yarn
for her shawl
based on a Caryl
Lovell pattern.
The diamond
lace edging of
the shawl is very
nice.



Colleen Davis took her inspiration from Jane Thornley's workshop and knit matching cardigans for loved ones. Sweaters incorporate short rows, seed stitch, yarnovers and elongated stitch patterns, in hues of lavender and light green.



Isabelle Paulsen received the gift of this magnificent Rose Window Shawl knitted by member Kelie Oreb! Kelie says "It's for all the years of friendship and love Isabelle has given me. It's only half as beautiful as she is." Kelie's pattern is by Liz Capik and using Apple Tree Knits Stellar

Gradients yarn in merino and silk, with nearly 2,000 beads!

Liz Knapp knit
"Carol's Clever
Little Shawl" in
Madelinetosh Tosh
DK yarn for her
friend Karen. In
trade, Karen made
a quilt for Liz. For
shawl and quilt
photos, see Liz's
Ravelry project
page.





Sue Tavaglione showed several baby items: a blanket made of diagonally-knit garter stitch squares edged with crab stitch, newborn booties and two hats in Red Heart, Plymouth Encore, and Dream Baby yarns.

Show and Share May 2015 (Check out more photos on Ravelry)



Nathine Nelson wowed us with her Bloomsbury pullover designed by Tammy Hildebrand. This pattern was the winner of first place in fashion at the 2012 Crochet Guild of America design contest. Yarn is DROPS Delight superwash wool/nylon blend.



Talk about a stash buster! Rachel LeVine knit her Shades wrap with Twisted Sisters Voodoo, Avarice and Mirage, Road to China, Madelinetosh and other sock yarns. She modified the Laura Aylor pattern using stockinette for the colored panels with black garter stitch borders.

Peggy Redler's granddaughter Brooke was a willing model for Peggy's handiwork. First is the **Wisteria Top** from Jill Wright. It is 2 rectangular pieces laced together through knitted eyelets. Peggy knit it for Brooke last fall, when the sleeves extended to her wrists. Brooke is also wearing a mobius



Sandy Yayanos did a lovely job on this lace cardigan designed for Brown Sheep by Lauren Devecka. The pattern is "Natalie's Cardigan" and the yarn is GGH Boulino.



cowl and to her left is the Felted Backpack purse from Eileen Adler's MTM class, which is a good gift since it'll still fit as she grows!



Sydnie Wauson took elements from two patterns and used them to create her "Crystal Blue Persuasion" shawlette with Wool of the Andes Sport yarn. Her shawl pin is actually a beaded hair accessory from Alaska and it was the perfect complement for her shawlette!



Sharna Shachar, a
Knit@Nite regular, knit
this green cardigan
using gifted New
Zealand yarn in
multi-green hues on the
upper portion and dark
olive Madelinetosh baby
alpaca on the bottom.
The sleeves have a fun
combination of lace and
bobbles.

Guild Directory New Members

By: Zita Gardner, Membership Chair

Simply clip and insert in your existing Guild Directory:



June 2015

Welcome to our NEW members who joined in May:

Deborah Cravets 1732 Woodbine Place Oceanside, CA 92054 760-722-8404 co.vagabond.6@att.net

Lisa DeLucchi 1664 Via La Plaza San Marcos, CA 92078 858-354-8930 Imdelucchi@gmail.com

Celeste Mendelsohn 818 Summerhill Court Encinitas, CA 92024 818-400-3838 celeste@celesteintheround.com

Renewing Member:

Joyce McCarthy 1370 Chalcedony Street San Diego, CA 92109 858-357-1143 jtimeout@san.rr.com

Directory Correction

Jean Igoe 6729 Green Gables Avenue San Diego, CA 92119 619-463-0825 jigoe@att.net Ravelry ID: jeanigoe

Remember to pick up your 2015 directory at the membership table.

Have you checked your entry?

If there is an error please contact Zita at zitagardner@cox.net

