



Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 13 • 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

October 13: Ashley V. Blalock, "Keeping Up Appearances"

Yarn meets art in October when Ashley V. Blalock comes to talk about her work and inspiration.



Ashley is a local fiber artist whose work fuses craft and fine art. Her installation "To Live Is to Leave Traces" features 4000 pink crocheted flowers, and the "Keeping Up Appearances" series fills rooms with giant red doilies. See more on her [website](#).

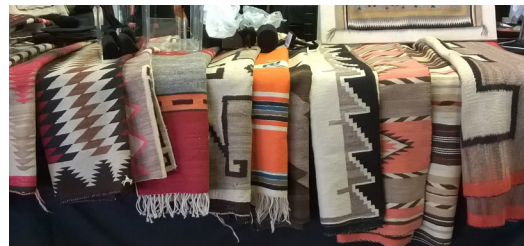
Ashley will tell us how she develops her ideas, both conceptually and technically, and talk about the techniques and materials she uses for the different projects.

Ashley was born and raised in San Diego. She earned an MFA in sculpture from the San Francisco Art Institute, an MA in art history from the University of California Riverside, and a BA in painting from San Diego State University. Her solo installation venues include the Nevada Museum of Art, the Lion Brand Yarn Studio in New York and the Last Bookstore in Los Angeles. Her work has been featured in group exhibitions at the Craft in America Center, the Mingei International Museum and the Los Angeles International Airport. It has appeared in *Vogue Knitting Crochet* and *Interweave Crochet Magazine*.

November 3: Jean Degenfelder, "Inspired Felting"

Jean Degenfelder of Jean's Handwovens is a local handweaver and designer with a passion for color and fiber. She shares her passion in classrooms throughout San Diego County. During the summer, she operates a summer school for young artists at her studio, which is housed in a yurt at her family compound near Lake Hodges.

At the November meeting she'll share her adventures collecting textiles around



the world and show how they have influenced her work and creativity

through the years. She'll bring examples of textiles she has collected while on the journey. She'll also describe her experiences learning to make felt in Konya, Turkey, from a fourth-generation master. See more on her [website](#).

NOTE: NEXT MEETING

10-13-2015

October meeting is the 2nd
Tuesday of the month.

Our President's Comments



I had a warm feeling when I attended my first Guild meeting. I knew I belonged there. I was with people who shared my love of knitting and understood my feelings of excitement about yarn. I was so happy

to be there that it didn't matter what I was wearing, where I lived, how old I was, or how many years I had been knitting. Everyone accepted me and I felt very much a part of the group.

Our uniqueness lies in our similarities; we relate to each other because we share similar feelings about knitting. No matter what our area of focus (technique, color, fiber, crochet, teaching and designing, philanthropy, etc.), we relate to each other through the medium of yarn and we keep the focus of the Guild on knitting.

As president, I recognize the importance of establishing a purpose and sticking to it instead of wandering off in different directions. As individuals we can, and we should, do what we enjoy the most. When we come to the Guild meetings, we keep the focus on the Guild's purpose: to promote the artistry and skill of knitting with our monthly meetings, workshops and sub-groups. We provide an educational and supportive environment for all knitters, at all levels. We encourage philanthropy and we are self-supporting through our fundraising and membership dues.

Keeping this focus in mind has helped me a great deal. I've learned that I can't be all things to all people all the time. I must learn to have balance. I'm reminded that I don't need to do it all myself. I can't always have my own way; I need to have consideration for others. I encourage all members to indulge your own passion when it comes to knitting, and to be generous with others though they may have different priorities. I'm grateful for the fellowship and encouragement shown to me by all of you, on Day One.

Happy knitting,
Liz

Inspired Felting Workshop Wednesday, November 4 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Use ancient techniques to make a felt square for a pillow top, seat cushion or wall hanging. You will "paint" with wool roving using colored merino wool for your own design. Then use your own muscle power to complete the process. This workshop requires standing and some physical exertion.

Cost: \$40 plus \$25 materials fee. Sign-up will begin at the October meeting.

Minutes

from the Meeting on August 11

By: Phyllis Bates, Secretary

Tina Rounsavell, Program Chair, opened the meeting by greeting guests and welcoming two new members to the group. She introduced Liz Knapp who presented the program about Ravelry and its various facets. Her stated goal was to assist members in improving their ability to use this important source of information and in finding those functions that would be of greatest value to them. She reminded the members that there was a Guild group on the Ravelry website that would enable them to communicate with other Guild members.

Sheila Kirchenbaum announced that San Diego North Coast Guild has replaced its old website. Sheila has been working with a professional web designer to improve the local information for Guild knitters. The new domain is www.SanDiegoKnitters.com. She urged everyone to visit the new website to seek information about the Guild.

Vice President Karen des Jardins announced that long time member Rosie Berkowitz was seriously ill, and that friend and long-time member Ellen Hesterman had passed away on August 4th.

Karen said that two new committee heads would be needed for the next year: a Fairgrounds Chair and a Philanthropy Chair. The latter position is one that could easily be shared by two persons. The next meeting of the board is scheduled for August 27 at the Encinitas Branch of the San Diego County Credit Union at 10:00 a.m. She concluded with an announcement of details about the Stash Sale to be held at the September meeting.

Minutes

from the Meeting on September 1

By: Phyllis Bates, Secretary

President Liz Knapp reminded members that the next meeting would be on an unusual date, October 13 and said that information about the meeting would be in the next newsletter. There are now 300 members in the Guild. She said that Arlene Shaposhnick had reported that 700 items had already been donated to the Guild philanthropy projects so far this year.

She thanked Sheila Kirchenbaum and the those who had worked to setup the new website and encouraged all members to view it frequently. Other events of interest to knitters were mentioned: the Yarn Crawl, Newton's annual event, Stitches Western Show and the Guild's own Holiday Luncheon and Fashion show.

Tina Rounsavell thanked two members of the program committee: Janet White who assists with hospitality for our speakers from out of town and Rachel LeVine for assistance with the technical equipment for our program.

The Show and Share section of the meeting was held next (see photos), and the meeting was adjourned to the activities of the yarn swap.

Share a Knit with the Guild

By: Eileen Adler

Our first Share a Knit was a huge success and was enjoyed by all. We learned new techniques while enjoying a wonderland of color before us. Our own Eileen Adler designed the scarf and each scarf developed its own personality... they are all incredibly beautiful and given with love.

We are excited to announce that our next Share a Knit will be on November 19th from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Coco's in Encinitas. Please RSVP early because space is limited. Eileen is at it again designing something special (you are going to love it!) Yarn will be supplied. Please bring your own needles. RSVP to Eileenadler@san.rr.com.



Retreat Update

By: June Bartczak, Retreat Coordinator

Participation at our annual Winter Retreat to Vina de Lestonnac in Temecula, from January 18-21, 2016, has already been reserved by 10 members. The setting is lovely and the food is delicious. This year the total cost for a single is \$422. For a double it's \$322 per person. These prices are \$17 more than last year.

To join us, make your deposit check out to SDNCKG. Deposits required are \$100 for a double and \$150 for a single room. Deposits are due by the November meeting and the 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.

Philanthropy

By: Arlene Shaposhnick & Jeanette Ollivier

When I started chairing Philanthropy, we received many knitted items in the beginning of the year. Predicated on that, we created a goal for the Guild. Diane Seaberg created our thermometer and we were on our way. As the months went by our donations were scarce and the thermometer was put aside. Fast forward to 2015. Members have donated the most beautiful knitted and crocheted hats and scarves, exceeding all expectations, Our thermometer is back! I am thrilled to announce over 800 items have been donated so far this year for all of our charities.



A warm and heartfelt THANK YOU to all the members who donated so far, and keep knitting so we can reach our goal.

Please remember we are having our Philanthropy Opportunity Drawing at the November meeting. For each knitted item you turn in you have a chance to win one of our exciting thank gifts, remember to fill out a card for each item.

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

2015 Meeting Schedule

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

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. Reservation forms and Fashion Show forms are on Pages 9 & 10. They will be available at the October and November meetings as well, and can be downloaded from our website under the [Calendar tab](#)

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

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

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

Guild Notes

- We have several open positions on the board. We need a Philanthropy Coordinator and a County Fair coordinator. Both are one-year terms. Please contact the current volunteer coordinator or any member of the Executive Board if you have questions.

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: 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.



● Did you know that crafting may be a natural antidepressant? Knitting may help fight brain degeneration? Here is another [article](#) about how creative crafts like knitting can improve your brain health and happiness.

❶ The [Malipulli Cardigan](#) is designed in sizes ranging from 28"/30" to 48"/50". This pretty cardigan has lace on front and back. Plain sleeves and no waist shaping makes it easy to elongate if you don't like cropped sweaters or prefer long sleeves.

❷ Great project for small quantities of self-striping yarn: the [Noro Iro Bag](#), free from

Knitting Fever. Add a lining of your choice for a durable, fun project.

❸ It's not too early to begin knitting holiday gifts. These lovely [Felted Persian Slippers](#) are embellished with embroidery, but you could easily use beads or button instead. The free pattern includes felting instructions!

❹ Remember our March guest speaker Grace Akhrem? She has a pattern in the current issue of Knitty! Her ["Urban Tribe"](#) cowl is reversible and uses the stranded knitting technique.

❺ Best of STITCHES West 2014 Fashion Show eBook. This [FREE 40-page eBook](#) includes seven patterns for tops, vests, shawls and scarves. All you need to do is click on the link, sign up (or sign into your Knitting Universe account), and select "Buy Now". When you check out, the price is zero, and you can download the eBook onto your computer!

● Fabulous [Tips & Tricks](#) from designer and New England yarn guru Andra Asars. This is a great page to print and include when you teach a newcomer how to knit.

❻ Halloween is already in the stores; now you can have it on your needles too. This [pumpkin dishcloth](#) is sure to be as much fun to knit as it will be to give away!



Stash Sale Results

The Guild's annual fundraiser was a smashing success. Shoppers purchased more than \$3,400 of yarn, accessories and garments at the September meeting and Knit @ Nite. Mimi Sevimli and her team of dedicated volunteers stored, sorted, priced and transported all the goods. Thanks as well to the volunteer cashiers who manned the check-out tables at the sale.



You all did a wonderful job organizing and executing the event!



Guild Q & A

Q: I found a great free pattern on the Internet! How can I share it in the newsletter?

A: Please forward your links to patterns, blogs and articles to liz.knapp.louise@gmail.com. Do you want to see more sweaters, accessories, or kids and babies patterns? We are always looking for material for the "Knitting on the Net" column!



Philanthropy

Please print/write clearly.

Name _____

Fiber Content _____

Washing Instructions _____

Personal Comments _____



Show and Share Details

Please print/write clearly.

Name _____

Your Ravelry I.D. _____

Item _____

Pattern Name _____

Designer _____

Yarn Name _____

Yarn Fiber _____

Notes _____

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



Ellen Magee Designed her "Bookmark Scarf" using an adaptation of the cobble stitch with a reversible moss stitch cable motif at one end and attached I-cord edging. She used Madelinetosh Tosh Sock yarn in the Baltic colorway.



Rosie Halvorson's Sleeveless Man's Sweater took First Place in the Orange County Fair this year. She made this for her son using a pattern from Sirdar and Berroco's Comfort yarn. This version is in synthetic yarn for easy care. Congratulations, Rosie!

Nathine Nelson knit the "Mesa" shawl with yarn from her stash. Her version allows her to wear it as a cape, poncho or shawl. To see the many variations, visit the pattern [Ravelry page](#).



Susan Shock is wearing her "Tangerine Trees" pullover by Marnie MacLean. The white Berroco Weekend yarn was accented with stash sale ribbon yarn. The original pattern called for a solid color; Susan added the color detail and made the most of the lovely shaping techniques in the pattern. Susan's complete notes are can be found [here](#).



Sandy Yayanos modeled her "West Side Wrap", a pattern from designer Laura Bryant that was published in *Knit Style's* June 2014 issue. She used Louet Euroflax Linen and stash sale wool.



Nathine's "River Ripples" shawl (modeled by Linda Gumtz) was knit in Yarn Country Linen sportweight. The pattern from designer Yumiko Alexander can be found on [Ravelry](#).

Show & Share September 2015 (Check out more photos on [Ravelry](#))



Theresa Loverro found another delightful pattern in the *Topsy-Turvy Inside-Out Knit Toys* book by Susan Anderson. "Pigs in a Blanket" is a cotton pocket that seems plain until you turn it inside-out to discover three adorable pigs sewn on! Take a look at the [other versions](#) uploaded to the pattern's Ravelry project tab.

Members Teaching Members

By: Sue Tavaglione ~ stava@sbcglobal.net

Knit a Beaded Bracelet ~ \$30 per person
Thursday, October 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
in Encinitas

With many options for sizes, colors and clasps, these make great holiday gifts!

Bring to class: US #1 knitting needles (short double points work well but any type will do), a sharp yarn needle. Supplies (purchase your own or pre-order a kit from me for \$15):

- 10 yds size 5 Crochet Thread (or equivalent)
- 150 size 6.0 beads
- Button, clasp or toggle
- Dental floss threader or beading needle

For more information, please contact the class Instructor and hostess is Karen des Jardins, kdesjardins@juno.com or 760-436-0583



Virginia Wilson knit designer Di Gilpin's "[Arabesque Gilet](#)" waistcoat in 100% fisherman's wool yarn that she inherited from her mother-in-law. The cable border along the front edge grows as it winds its way up towards the neckline.



Virginia added half a repeat to lengthen the cropped design. She also held her fingering weight yarn double to match the

bulky yarn gauge the pattern called for. The back is as beautiful as the front!

Upcoming Events

October 3-4 VISTA FIBER ARTS FIESTA is a gathering of artists and guilds representing the fiber arts. Join spinners, weavers, felters and of course, knitters at this free event. Parking is \$5. More information visit their [website](#).



October 9-11 NEWTON'S FALL FIBER FESTIVAL in Anaheim includes the famous parking lot sale and seminar market (free admission), and classes for hand and machine knitters. Visit Newton's [website](#).



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Midwest Trunk Sale

Just in from Illinois and Wisconsin!

Saturday October 31 ~ 8 am to 2 pm

1521 Ranchwood Lane, Fallbrook, Ca

A wide variety of fiber weights along with a rainbow of colors.

Some Yarns: Trendsetters, Cascade 220, Katia and more

For more info contact:

Ellen: ellenpappageorge@yahoo.com 630-642-7149

Monica: mondavecreate@gmail.com 920-362-2737

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.

Please bring completed sign-up forms to the October or November Guild meetings, Knit@Nite meetings or mail to:

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.



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!**

---Detach Here-----**RESERVATION FORM**-----Detach Here-----**RESERVATION FORM**-----Detach Here---

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 Knitting 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!

Guild Directory New Members

By: Zita Gardner, Membership Chair

Simply clip and insert in your existing Guild Directory:



October 2015

Welcome to our NEW members who joined in August:

Barbara Carroll
2122 Placido Court
Carlsbad, CA 92009-8527
619-301-0978

Please remember:

Dues for NEW members joining in September 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.

