



San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild

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General Meeting: Tuesday, May 1 ♦ 1:15-3:15 pm

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

Programs, *Carol Myers & Karen des Jardins,*
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May 1, Zinzi Edmundson, "The Making of Knit Wit - A Niche Craft Magazine"

For four years and eight issues, Knit Wit has been a different voice in the fiber community, taking a lifestyle magazine and storytelling approach to craft media. For our May meeting, we'll host Zinzi Edmundson, the Los Angeles-based founder and editor behind the title. Both a lifelong knitter and print media consumer, Zinzi wanted to create the print publication that she felt was missing—and so, in 2014 launched Knit Wit.



Zinzi got her start at the publishing powerhouse Condé Nast, first with a stint at the New Yorker and then Architectural Digest, and finally a masthead position at Bon Appétit. She left that job in her mid-twenties to tour the world with her band and when she returned she settled in as Featured Editor at the former women's fashion and surf title, FOAM.

In her talk, Zinzi will tell us the story of founding Knit Wit—and the many trials and triumphs that have come along the way. Find more information about the May 1 meeting at the Guild's [website](http://www.SanDiegoKnitters.com), and learn more about the Knit Wit magazine at [https://knitwitmag.net/](http://knitwitmag.net/).

Note new meeting time:
Doors open 12:45 p.m.
Meeting starts 1:15 p.m.

CARPOOL REQUESTS

Our member, Lois Friedlander, lives in the Hillcrest (3rd and Laurel) neighborhood and would greatly appreciate catching a ride with another member who drives to the monthly meetings. If you can assist, please give her a call at 629-683-2673.



Gwen Nelson lives in Carlsbad (La Costa Glen) and is available to share driving with other members. She can be reached at 760-944-3040.

If you are interested in carpooling or offering a ride to Guild members to meetings, sign up at the Membership Table or contact Nancy Nevin, Membership Coordinator (619-823-3339).

Minutes - General Meeting

Mary Van Orsdol, Secretary
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Tuesday, April 3, 2018

Co-President Mary Brown called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm. Mary reminded everyone to silence their cell phones. She welcomed two new members and then introduced Programs Co-Chair Karen des Jardins.

Karen introduced speaker and Guild Member Irina Anikeeva. Irina spoke about "Knitting Traditions of Eastern Europe." She highlighted knitting traditions in Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, the Balkans, Poland, and Russia. She showed slides of various knitting techniques including nupps, Orenburg lace shawls, Estonian lace shawls, and Talvel mitts.

After a brief break, Mary conducted the business meeting. She announced that starting in May:

Doors open at 12:45, Program starts at 1:15.
Program ends no later than 3:15, Room clear by 3:30

Members who must leave early should do so quietly so as not to disrupt the meeting.

Barry Klein Field Trip: Co-President Mary Brown announced that Yarning for You is coordinating a field trip to Trendsetter Yarns Warehouse in Van Nuys. Owner Barry Klein will give a tour and presentation. The trip is on Saturday, May 5, 9 am to 6 pm. Check the Yarning for You website for complete information.

Membership: Chair Nancy Nevin announced that the new membership directory is ready and available at the membership table. She asked that any edits and corrections be given to her; corrections will be included in the newsletter.

Programs: Co-Chair Carol Myers announced that the May speaker will be Zinzi Edmundson who will present a talk on "The Making of *Knit Wit*: A Niche

Craft Magazine." She announced that Webmaster Shelia Kirschenbaum posted links to several events mentioned by last month's speaker Susan Lazear; check the homepage of the Guild website for these links. Carol announced that there is still room in Irina's workshops.

Nominating Committee: Mary Brown announced that it is time to start thinking about nominations to fill positions for next year. If you would like to volunteer, please contact either Mary or Co-President Laura Brubaker.

Retreats: Treasurer Diana Rathbun announced that the August and May retreats are full and that we will start taking reservations for the January 2019 retreat in June.

Philanthropy: Chair Ginny Newton thanked everyone who has contributed to the philanthropy efforts. She announced that the first Knit-a-Square event will be held at the Solana Beach Library on Wednesday, April 25, 10 am to noon. Check the website for details.

Stash Sale: Chair Bobbie Brunson reminded everyone that the last day to contribute yarn and other items to the stash sale is May 1 at our general meeting. The sale will be held at our June meeting. Please invite your friends and neighbors.

San Diego County Fair : Chair Jan Davis announced that there have been staff changes at the county fair and that there will be changes in the exhibit setup. Although, she has not yet received confirmation of the dates for the Guild booth, she has a signup sheet. She reminded us that volunteers receive free admission for the day.

Library: Co-Chair Scarrain Gomes reported that the book, *Knitting Comfortably: The Ergonomics of Knitting* by Carson Demers, is missing and not signed out; she requested that whoever has it, return it so that it can be signed out correctly. She also requested that whoever requested books on patterns for men's wear contact her.

Members Teaching Members: Mary Brown announced that Eileen Adler will teach a class on Dorset buttons on Thursday, April 19, and that you pay for the class when you sign up.

Laura Brubaker was Master of Ceremony for the Show & Share; Stacy Mann was the photographer. Mary Brown adjourned the meeting at 3:20 pm.

Stash Sale, June 5

Bobbie Brunson, Stash Sale Chair
StashSale@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Thank you for your generous donations to the annual SDNCKG Stash Sale. As you know, the Stash Sale is a major fund raiser for the Guild.

Find yarn, needles, finished objects, books, bags and tools at bargain basement prices. We have collected well over 188,073 grams (415 lbs.) of yarn – more than 3,000 skeins!

We want to sell all the donations, so invite your friends and neighbors to come - support the Guild and buy at our Stash Sale.

New this year:

Choose Your Own - as much as you can stuff in our \$5 bag!

Dollar Bags - 4 single skeins for \$1!

May 1 is the last day to donate!



[Read about the British photographer who knits clothing to match backgrounds perfectly.](#)

Members Teaching Members

Karen Bochinski, MTM Chair
MTMWorkshops@SanDiegoKnitters.com

What is MTM?

Guild members share their specific areas of expertise with other members in these intimate workshops. Enthusiastic teachers bring you new techniques, special projects and knitting know-how.

MTM workshops are open to all members as instructors, hosts and students. Non-refundable workshop fees are paid at the guild's MTM Table and go directly to the instructor. You pick the class length, date, and location. MTM workshops take place all over San Diego county in members' homes, not necessarily at the instructor's home. Hosts attend for free! Consider hosting or teaching and get even more out of your Guild membership.

Trendsetter Yarns Warehouse Fieldtrip



Yarning For You is incredibly excited to announce that we are collaborating with **Trendsetter Yarns** to bring you an amazing experience! Join us as we travel by bus to Van Nuys, where we will be given a private tour of Trendsetter's 12,000 sq. ft. warehouse. Barry Klein will give a talk on garment design and fit. After the talk, we will be let loose in the warehouse to shop to our heart's content with the guidance and expertise of Barry Klein and Anita Bivens. Take a ride on the party bus with your fellow fiber friends and enjoy this once in a lifetime adventure!

Pre-registration is required. Call 760-744-5648 or stop into the shop today!

Date: Saturday 5/5 9am-6pm

Registration Fee: \$55

Hosted by Yarning For You
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For additional information: yarningforyou.com

Philanthropy *Ginny Newton, Philanthropy* Chair Philanthropy@SanDiegoKnitters.com

We continue to receive hats, scarves and baby blankets from our fellow, wonderful, generous Guild members. The organizations we support are so appreciative.

The first Knit-a-Square event is scheduled for April 25, from 10-Noon at the Solana Beach Library. There you will be able to join with your fellow members to knit a 12" square which will eventually be sewn together with others into blankets to be donated to Project Linus. Worsted weight yarn and patterns will be provided, but please bring your own size 7 needles. Another project to be tackled at the same time is crocheting together hundreds of small medallions into usable blankets. Again, yarn and the previously knitted/crocheted medallions will be provided, but we ask that you bring your own crochet hooks of various sizes.

RSVP to Philanthropy@sandiegoknitters.com. If you can't make the 25th, bring in your 12" squares and we'll add them to the blankets.

Stop by the Philanthropy Table at the next meeting to see what's going on.

Retreats *June Bartczak, Retreat Coordinator,* Retreats@SanDiegoKnitters.com

May Retreat:

We currently have 15 members signed up for our May retreat at the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center in Rancho Palos Verdes May 7-10, 2018. There are no additional accommodations currently.

Final payments for all those with deposits are due by the May 1st Guild Meeting.

Guests: Single \$535; Double/triple \$415 pp.

Commuter Costs: \$25 pp/day for meeting room, plus meals (Continental Breakfast, \$6;

Full Breakfast, \$10; Lunch, \$16; Dinner, \$22).
Commuters must be paid by April 23, 2018.

Make checks payable to SDNCKG and send them to me at 157 Via Monte d'Oro, Redondo Beach, CA 90277.

August Retreat:

22 members are currently signed up for our August 2018 Retreat in Temecula. Our contract provides space for 20 participants, and we are sold out already. Deposit amounts and total costs are as follows:

Single Occupancy \$430.00

Double Occupancy \$330.00

Triple Occupancy \$300.00

January 2019 Retreat:

January 14-17, 2019 at Vina de Lestonnac in Temecula. We have 10 double occupancy rooms, 8 singles and 2 triples:

Single Occupancy \$500.00

Double Occupancy \$360.00

Triple Occupancy \$330.00

Check-in time is Monday, January 14, 2019 AFTER 10:00 am, with the first meal being Lunch. Check-out time is Thursday, January 17, 2019 by 10:00 am, with the last meal being Breakfast on Thursday.

August 2019 Retreat:

We do not currently have a contract this far in advance of the event. However, at the August 2018 Retreat, this contract will be negotiated, and it would be helpful to know how many participants are committed. So, deposits for this 2019 retreat will be accepted at the 2018 August Retreat and beyond, including future Guild meetings. No pricing information is available yet. If you'd like to join us, please check with me first to make sure there will be accommodations.

San Diego North Coast Knitters Guild General Information

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

Send all articles for the newsletter by the 15th of the month to:

Newsletter@sandiegoknitters.com. Short articles relating to knitting or crocheting 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.

2018 Programs

1-May: Zinzi Edmundson, The Making of Knit Wit, a Niche Craft Magazine

5-Jun: Stash Sale

10-Jul: Potluck Luncheon (second Tuesday)

7-Aug: Barry Klein, Fashion Trends from Trendsetter

8-Aug: Workshops with Barry Klein

4-Sept: Lily Chin, Outside the Box – Going Beyond Standard Knitting

5,6- Sept: Workshops with Lily Chin

2-Oct: Timothy Hinchliff, Yarn Painting-a Folk Art Tradition

6-Nov: Susan B. Anderson, Stash Changing Moments

7,8-Nov: Workshops with Susan B. Anderson

3-Dec: Holiday Luncheon and Fashion Show

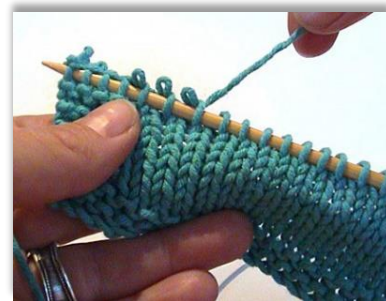


Potluck Luncheon *Tree DeZazzo, Potluck Chair* Potluck@SanDiegoKnitters.com

Our annual potluck will be held Tues, July 10. Please bring a dish to share. In addition, this meeting will be a

Frog, Finish, or Fix event. Do you have projects that have been sitting unfinished? Bring them to the July meeting and get the satisfaction of

Guild member support as you frog (i.e., rip out the work), finish, or fix them! If you are unsure what to do with a UFO (unfinished object), the potluck is the perfect time to crowdsource an answer!

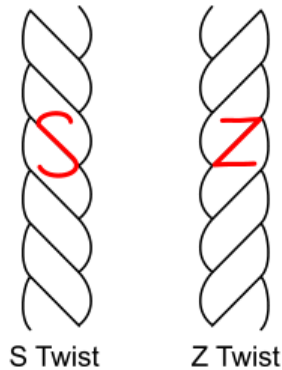


Feedback Booth

Several members expressed pleasure with Irina Anikeeva's informative and entertaining presentation at our April meeting. Many positive comments were heard from members who attended her classes: "...she was well prepared and patient...Irina is a good teacher, so supportive...it was fun learning new techniques..."

As always, thank you for the feedback, Program co-chairs, Carol Myers & Karen des Jardins

Knitting on the Net



Clockwise from top left: Master your chart knitting skills with the [Eastman Tee](#) from Berroco, using DK yarn in a cotton blend. ✦ Learn how [the direction of twist in your yarn](#), along with your method of knitting or crocheting, affects your work. ✦ Fans of mitered squares will love the [Moroccan Colors blanket](#) from DROPS Design. The pattern uses self-striping sock yarn and it would be a great stashbuster too! ✦ [Tip Tip Toe knitted slipper](#) is written for worsted weight yarn. The sole turns out extra thick due carrying yarns for the Fair Isle stitch pattern. ✦ From Verybusymonkey Designs, here is [the Tote for a Cause](#). You choose your cause and knit the appropriate ribbon color. Sample is pink for breast cancer research. ✦ Willow Yarns offers the [Cornelia Scarf](#) pattern. The scarf curls naturally because the leaves get larger and wider as the scarf grows.

Show and Share – for more photos, visit [our website](#).



Monica Clark's version of the Coffee Shop Wrap uses 24/7 Lion Brand cotton yarn. It's an easy beginner pattern with style to spare. [Free from designer Two of Wands](#).



Thea Lazarevic crocheted the **LEGO Baby Blanket** in Lion Brand acrylic yarn. Such a fun idea and her grandson will surely enjoy it.



Linda Hart designed a breast prosthesis pattern called **Knitty Titty**, which is available as a [free Ravelry download](#). Her pattern starts with at the widest part many stitches on the needle and is suitable for DPNs or circulars.



Barbara Levin modified the **Lamina Wrap** pattern to make a smaller scarf. [Her notes are on Ravelry](#), along with a link to the pattern page.



Dehbi Fleming made several versions of the **Secret of Change shawl**, by designer Veera Valimaki. She used many different yarns from fingering to aran weight.



M.E. Whitlock Fithian modified the Cancun Boxy Lace Top pattern for a flattering fit by making it narrower and longer. [Notes and more photos on Ravelry](#). There is a link to the free pattern as well.

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