



News for Ewes

"all the news that's fit to knit"

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Program News

It's a long, cold winter out there, folks... let's keep our hands warm.

Our program for the January meeting is an annual favorite—

Mini-Workshops. This year they're all about Mittens, Gloves, and Fingerless Mitts. We'll have mini-workshops set up for 15-20 minute "stations" for members:

Knitting in the Round for Mitts, Mittens, & Gloves—how to set up and get started using double point needles or 2 circular needles. Bring DPNs or 2 circular needles & some yarn appropriate to the needle size. Please cast on 20 stitches, using Long Tail Cast on, all on ONE needle

All Thumbs? Learn about several types of mitten thumbs, how they're constructed, how they fit, and why you might want to choose one rather than another, whether you're picking out a pattern, or designing your own.

Mittens—covering the basics

Cast-ons—different cast on methods for mittens. Please bring smooth, worsted weight wool and either DPNs or circular needles in US size 6.

You'll also receive a handout covering other aspects of mitten making—Knitting in the round or flat; Cuff Types; Thumb Types, Fit and various methods of embellishment for your mittens.

Tips & Tricks for Gloves—they're really dead easy to make, really.

—Meg Weglarz

Yarn Auction

Happy New Year everyone! Just a reminder that we are collecting yarn for the yarn auction. Bring in your donations to the next meeting and help ensure a fabulous selection at the auction! Thank you so much!

—Julia Cialini

Hospitality

We would like those whose last names begin Q – Z to bring a snack for the January meeting. Just remember, please, no meat products. Also, please bring your own mug to save the guild money and help the environment.

—Anita Abrahamson



The Rochester Knitting Guild is an organization to promote interest, appreciation and skill in knitting. Visit our website at www.RochesterKnitting.org

2013-14 Calendar

Jan. 13 *Knitting in the Round for Mitts, Mittens, & Gloves*

Regular Meetings

Feb. 10 Apr 7*

Mar. 10 May 12

* meeting held one week earlier than usual

7:00 pm

Temple B'rith Kodesh
2131 Elmwood Ave.
Rochester, NY

Doors open at 6:30, business and announcements at 7:00.

Program starts promptly at 7:30 pm.

*The **HelpTable** with*

Lynne Sherwood

is available until 7:30 pm.

Next Board Meeting:

Jan. 27

6:30 pm

Temple B'rith Kodesh, Rm. 106
2131 Elmwood Ave., Rochester, NY

*All members
are welcome to attend.*

Deadline for Feb. '14 Newsletter

Submit all articles by **Jan. 19** to
newsletter@rochesterknitting.org

President's Message

Happy New Year!!

It's that time of the year where many of us make new year resolutions. Mine will be a little different this year. As you might guess losing weight is always on the list, so I've decided to focus on the knitting side of my life. I'm going to dig out all the unfinished projects and see if I can make a dent in them. Even if they don't get done, or maybe even frogged, I'll at least be able to find out where all my needles have disappeared to. Then I will be able to take an "accurate" needle inventory. Who knows, maybe the list will even get onto Ravelry! . . . probably not. The way I look at it, if I find a single mitten, or only one sock, this will be the perfect time to make the second one. By now enough time has passed that the second sock (or mitten) syndrome will have passed and it will feel like I'm starting a new project! What's on your resolution list?

Happy Knitting

—Tina Turner, President

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

New Business for Tina



The Knitting Circle will be a warm, inviting place; a place to gather & continue to learn knitting techniques and tricks from Tina and other teachers.

Open on February 1, 2014

The Knitting Circle is located at 1501 East Ave., Suite 103 (just down the street from the new East Ave. Wegmans.

In addition to **Classes**, there will be a **Help Clinic** and **Knit Night** where you can enjoy the company of other knitters and crocheters.

For more information and to sign up; go to

tinaturnerknits.com

or email Tina at

knittingcircle@tinaturnerknits.com



Spring 2014 Knitting Retreat

Be sure to sign up with Nina for the Retreat which will be held March 7, 8 and 9th at Camp Stella Maris. For complete information on the workshops and activities planned for the

weekend, check our web site

(www.rochesterknitting.org).

A summary follows:

* Friday Evening

Show & Tell

Leftie Shawl Yarn Swap

* Saturday Workshop Choices

Springtime Embellishments

Traveling Stitches

with Cable Headband Project

Chevron Mitten

Fair Isle with Hat project

* Saturday Evening

Mystery Project

* Sunday

More Tips & Tricks with Jane

And plenty of time to just Sit & Knit by the fire. (*this alone sounds worth it to me!*)

Depart Sunday afternoon

Weekend Retreat Fee Includes

Choice from Saturday Knitting Workshops

Sunday Mini-Workshop

All Meals

Overnight Accommodations

Find the form on the web site,
or see Nina Raqueño



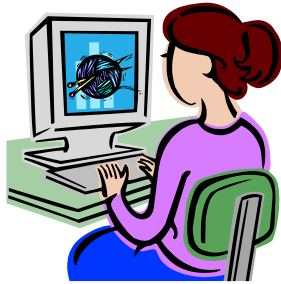
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On the Web

Jan·u·ar·y (jan.you.er.ee) is here! According to Wikipedia: January (in Latin, Ianuarius) is named after Janus, the god of the doorway; the name has its beginnings in Roman mythology, coming from the Latin word for door (ianua) since January is the door to the year. So it's time to open some new doors and walk on in (or in this case open a new window and browse though it) ~ some great knitting doors to open are labeled NEW YARNS, NEW SKILLS, and NEW BOOKS for the NEW YEAR.



To see some of what is new coming this year in yarns check out Diamond (an importer of yarns for Canada) at <http://www.diamondyarn.com/d/new/> ~ click on a yarn designers name and it will bring up what is new for them in 2014. Of course to feel the new yarns just visit your Local Yarn Store!

Open up some new skills this year too with some ideas at <http://voices.yahoo.com/top-ten-knitting-skills-learn-year-7516392.html>. You can even get some tips on how to knit faster in the New Year, and beyond, on this [craftsy.com](http://www.craftsy.com/blog/2013/03/speed-knitting-tips/) link ~ <http://www.craftsy.com/blog/2013/03/speed-knitting-tips/>.

We have a great library at the guild where you can check out some new to you books this year. To check out the new and upcoming knitting books for 2014, Google is helpful and so is this list at Amazon ~ <http://www.amazon.com/gp/new-releases/books/5148>.

2014 is now open for business and looks inviting ~ and maybe just a little snowy at the moment, but that's okay because it's January and it's Rochester! Hope to see you all at the first meeting of the New Year on January 13th.

—*Deb Scorse*

NEW USER NAME AND PASSWORD:

The Members Only page username is **lacygauge**, and the new password is **luvtofywd**

Afghan

Remember to buy your square for the RKG afghan!

—*Valerie MacPherson*

Come Knit with Us...

Are you getting together with another group of knitters and would welcome a few new faces? Please contact Pam Knapp (see the Board listing) to have your group listed here.

Mondays—Sit and Stitch, 3:30-5 at Webster Public Library, 980 Ridge Road, Webster. Contact the library at 872-7075.

Tuesdays—Fairways Legacy in Victor on Tuesdays from 10:30 - 12:30. 681 High St., Victor, NY. Contact Leanne Bossert, Program Director, lbossert@legacyfairways.com; phone 924-7043 x1010 for more information.

Wednesdays—Knit Clique, 12-2 pm at Brighton Library, 2300 Elmwood Avenue. Contact the library at 784-5300 or visit their website: www.Brightonlibrary.org/library/Adults_prog.htm.

Wednesdays—Sit 'n' Knit, The Woolery, 3127 Main Street, Caledonia, NY 14423, 6:30-9 pm. Contact Libby Davis, 538-9898

Thursdays—Informal Knit Together. Penn Yan Library, 1-3 pm, 214 Main St., Penn Yan, NY. Contact: Pam Ells, 585-526-5327.

Fridays—Volunteers needed for Legacy Clover Blossom Senior Living Community women. 11 am in the Sun Room. Contact Carol D'Agostino, 478-4960

4th Tuesday—Hilton-Parma Knitting and Needlework Group—6:30-9 pm at Hilton Community Center Senior Lounge on Henry St. Contact is Noreen DeBruycker, 352-6611.

4th Tuesday—Monthly Prayer Shawls group—7 pm at Panera Bread on Hylan Dr. near Marketplace Mall in Henrietta. Open to all fiber arts. Contact is Mary Ellen Arden, 334-1906 (evenings), 321-9479 (days).

2nd Thursday—Fun & relaxing, self-directed program 6:30-8 p.m. at the Gates Public Library. Bring your own snack or beverage if you wish. Contact: Mary Jo C. Smith, Librarian, 585-247-6446

2nd Thursday—of each month. 2:00 pm at the Ogden Farmers' Library, 269 Ogden Road, Spencerport, NY 14559. For more info or questions, call the library at 617-6181 and ask for Kate (Adult Librarian). Bring your projects and socialize while you work!

The **TKGA Knitalong/support group** is for knitters working through the Master Handknitting program administered by The Knitting Guild Association. We will find a convenient time and place to meet with anyone who is interested. Contact Pam Knapp at knitknap@gmail.com or 733-8805.

Library



We have acquired quite a large collection of "free" materials (magazines and patterns) and recently received many magazines, some recent issues, donated by a non-member! At the January meeting, the table will be covered with "last chance" material. In February, there will be room to display the more current knitting magazines!

Also, check the "Guild Library" tab on our home page, I have updated it to include this fall's new acquisitions

—Marsha Peone

A small reminder: we are very privileged to be guests at the home of our host, Temple B'rith Kodesh. The Temple provides us with a wonderful place to meet each month and enjoy all our Guild has to offer. In order for us to continue to enjoy this location, please remember to be mindful of our surroundings. Should you wish to smoke, please remember smoking is only appropriate outside in an area not directly in front of the entrance. Thank you for your consideration.

—Tina Turner, President

RKG Board Who's Who?

There is Room for You!

But wait, are you feeling left out? There is a VACANT position—please consider volunteering for PUBLICITY!

Membership

Our membership now totals 319. Welcome to our newest member Sarah Cashman-Brown.

Thank you to the volunteer greeters and ticket handlers and membership helpers at the November meeting: Sue Ackerman, Rosemary Johnson, Marcia Loomis, Heather Lewis, and Kathy Jarvis.

Ticket sales are from 6:30 – 7:15 pm. Be sure to pick up your free blue door prize ticket at each meeting—it's our way of counting how many are attending. The \$1 raffle prize ticket is also available for additional chances to win wonderful prizes!

Congratulations to our ticket winners: Natalie Klein (Lace One Skein Wonders and a skein of red Louet KidLin laceweight); Valerie McPherson (Luxury Yarn One-Skein Wonders and a skein of gold Aslan Trends Litoral Sparkle yarn); Jane Stratton (Regia Christmas Calendar and 2 bags of Lion Brand Bonbons).

—Nancy Harrington



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Member Shop Shout Out

We welcome a new shop to our list of members—Yarn Culture. They are located in Fairport off Rte. 31f in an office park behind Fairview Lanes.

This is not your typical yarn shop! It is a wonderful and unique addition to our other yarn shops in the area. A large wall filled with hooks holds the many different fibers available. Only one hank is hung on each hook, and is representative of the inventory in the back room. Patti will gladly explain the many different fibers and if you settle on one or two you'd like to see, she will bring boxes from the back so you can look at the different colorways and make a choice—kind of like trying on and buying a pair of shoes. Patti is very knowledgeable about yarn and a visit to the store is definitely a learning experience. Needles and notions and project bags are also available for purchase. The shop has monthly events and a great website, www.yarnculture.com where you can keep up with everything that is going on. I encourage you to visit this innovative experience.

—Pam Knapp, Shop Liaison

Member Shop News

We are very sad to report that another of our member shops, Yarn Boutique, is closing. January 25th will be the last day they are open for business. Brett and Amelia Templar added wonderful support to the knitting community, and their shop will be greatly missed. We do wish Brett and Amelia only the best in their future, however.

—Pam Knapp, Shop Liaison



Save the Date!

Where Tradition Meets Style

Sunday, February 9, 2014

2:00 – 4:30

Meet Lori Versaci of VersaciKnits. A life-long knitter with design as a passion, Lori has been publishing her designs for the past three years. She characterizes her style as classic—with a twist. Her signature designs are based on classics but have an unexpected element—a mix of pattern stitches creating unusual textures, or a detail that surprises you, like an asymmetric line or aran with lace. She has created designs to support MadelineTosh and Shibui Knits as well as other specialty yarns.

The event is FREE but we do need to know that you are coming in advance. Please RSVP via email to patti@yarnculture.com or sign up the next time you are in the shop.

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Community Knitting

Another huge thank you to all those dedicated and generous members who donated mittens, hats, baby sweaters, and children's books at the December meeting. We were able to give Shelley Matthews of the Rochester Public Library three large bags of hats, mittens, and books that she will distribute to elementary school children in the city. In addition, supplemented by hats from Yarn Boutique's community collection, we donated two bags of hats and mittens to city school #46 and three bags to Cameron Ministries. There is a continuing need for children's and adult hats, scarves, and mittens, so if you find some time during holiday festivities, please keep knitting and crocheting.

Please stop by the Community Knitting table next month to browse through patterns and help yourself to yarn.

Happy New Year!

—Pamela Miller Ness

RKG Member Shops

Please remember to call ahead to check hours

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