



News for Ewes

"all the news that's fit to knit"

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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

October Workshop News

We are looking forward to an extended weekend October 4 through 7 packed with workshops taught by JC Briar which will be informative, educational and fun. After the September guild meeting I will update the guild website and Ravelry as to class availability. If you have a last minute change of plans and wish to attend, please email me at workshops@rochesterknitting.org to inquire about openings. Can't attend one of JC's classes? Join us for a presentation at our October 7 guild meeting to learn about her newest venture, Stitch-Maps.

—Michele Czekala

Shop Night

Don't forget! We are moving shop night to November this year. If you have not already let me know you need a table, please let me know asap!! We are hoping this will be a successful event, and it will only be successful if you are involved! If you are not participating by selling, then come prepared to shop. After all, that is what it is called – SHOP night!!

—Pam Knapp, Shop Liaison



Oct. 7* JC Briar

Admission for this meeting:

- **Free** for all current and new members
- **\$10** for non-members

Nov. 11 Feb. 10 May 12
Dec. 9 Mar. 10
Jan. 13 Apr 7*

* 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:

Sept 30

6:30 pm

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

All members are welcome to attend.

**Deadline for
Nov. '13 Newsletter**

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

President's Message

I want to thank all of you that have dealt with this strange schedule we have had for our meetings this year. I promise the schedule will become normal again soon. I hope you were able to enjoy some of the wonderful classes that JC Briar was able to present to our guild. I am really looking forward to her talk at this month's meeting.

As I write this, it is the day before the Finger Lakes Fiber Festival. Excitement is in the air; my thoughts are filled with all the things that need to be done. My car is filled to the brim with display walls, a tent, coffee station items a spinning wheel and the many other yarn related items needed for this great weekend of fiber fun! Each year the festival reminds me of how fortunate we are to share our love of fiber and the creation of our art form together!

This year I would like to take a moment to thank all of our wonderful guild member volunteers that have so graciously donated their time and energy to help set up and run the festival and have participated throughout the year. The festival and all of the Guild events are a labor of love, with our volunteers at the heart of the effort, thank you, one and all!

With that said, I also need to take a moment to encourage everyone to consider volunteering. I know we all have very busy lives and it is truly difficult to find the time, but we really need everyone's participation to make it all work. For example, this year after repeated requests for 12 Guild Table volunteers, to a group of 300 strong: 5 people volunteered. In order to even have a Guild table at the festival I needed to ask 7 of my friends (non-Guild members) to help out. Without the assistance of people outside the guild, the Guild Table would not have been possible. I was and am a bit discouraged.

If you have attended events, please also consider volunteering. Watch the newsletter for volunteer requests and help out whenever possible!!

Thank you so much,

—Tina Turner

Hospitality

Thanks to the Board members for supplying us with goodies for the September meeting. If your last name begins with A-J, please bring a snack to share for the October meeting. Please remember we are guests of the Temple, and respect their rules—no meat products, please.

Also, please try to remember to bring your own mug as it is more environmentally friendly.

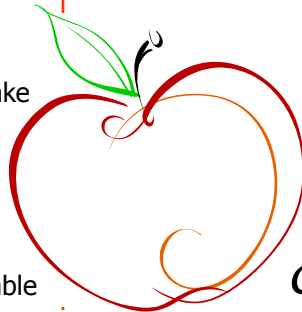
—Anita Abrahamson

Member Shop Shout Out

We are welcoming a new shop to our list of member shops. Be sure to check out The Woolery on Main Street in Caledonia. This shop is right on Main Street near the traffic circle in Caledonia. This shop is owned by Libby Davis and her mother-in-law, Debbie. The shop stocks quite a bit of rug hooking supplies, as well as knitting supplies. They offer a number of classes, both for knitting and for rug hooking. Although the shop is closed on Wednesdays, they are open in the evening for an informal sit and knit. Some of the yarns that are offered for sale are from local farms and therefore are more unique than name brand yarns.

As you may know, the FINGER LAKES FIBERS store in Watkins Glen has been purchased by a cooperative consisting of 18 women who are committed to providing yarns and knitting supplies to the Finger Lakes area. They will remain in their great location at 315 North Franklin Street in Watkins Glen, but are re-opening as FIBER ARTS IN THE GLEN with all new merchandise in October. Their web page should be up and running soon. Check it out; take a trip down to check it out, or if you are in the area, stop in.

—Pam Knapp



Community Knitting

A grateful thank you to all those who turned in knitted items at the September meeting. 125 items were donated.

We hope you are knitting lots of mittens, hats and scarves for our Rochester Library mitten project again this year. We look forward to providing inner city kids with warm hands and heads this December. We have partnered with the library for this great program for a number of years, and hope to continue. Open Door Mission is grateful for any articles of clothing as well. We will also continue to provide preemie nurseries and Cancer centers with knitted items also. Highland Hospital Cancer center would like to present colon cancer patients receiving chemo with knitted gloves and hats because the chemo treatments leave them very cold-sensitive.

We have some yarn and needles if you need them to get started on your community knitting.

Thanks for your help.

COMMUNITY KNITTING NEEDS YOU!!

On the Web

Our guest speaker for October is J.C. Briar ~ and we are all excited to have the opportunity to hear her and learn from her. One of her latest ventures is a terrific way to follow stitch patterns using what she calls stitch maps. You can check it all out at her site: <http://stitch-maps.com>.



Besides being a great way to understand stitch patterns, maps and knitting make an excellent combo in other ways as well. Seen combined perfectly, and perhaps a little strangely, in this short film on a project knitted out of shredded maps by knitting artist Movana Chen ~ <http://vimeo.com/41135511> ~ with some lovely background views of London as a bonus.

Knitted maps of the world, as well as of old plat maps (http://www.knittingthemap.org/050312_knitting.html), and even of subway systems (<http://www.woollythoughts.com/afghans/tube.html>) abound on the net. They are made as art projects (http://makezine.com/craft/knitted_world_map/), as sweaters (<http://croqzine.com/2009/02/from-grandmas-attic-knitted-map-of-the-world-cardigan/>), and as afghans (http://www.vogueknitting.com/free_patterns/map_of_the_world_afghan_and_pillows.aspxhttp://makezine.com/craft/knitted_world_map/).

A knitted map of Cork that involved over 2500 volunteer knitters, as well as digital motion and weather-sensing satellite technologies, ended up being the size of a tennis court and costing approximately \$414,000.00! Pictures of the results are here: <http://www.halfangel.ie/knitting-ie/knittingie-images/midsummer/midsummer.html>. Technical details are here: <http://digitalcommons.unl.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1008&context=tsaconf> and a follow up article of what happened is here: <http://www.irishexaminer.com/archives/2012/1127/world/no-home-for-giant-knitted-map-of-city-which-cost-taxpayers-259k-215117.html>.

But don't worry, check out the new stitch maps and you'll see they are very easy to follow and do not require use of satellites! See <http://stitch-maps.com>.

—Deb Scorse

IF YOU WANT TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER, AND HAVE ACCESS TO THE MEMBERS ONLY PAGE OF OUR WEB SITE, BE SURE TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP BEFORE NOVEMBER.

The Members Only page username is [imaknitter](#), and the password is [purlaway](#).

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, 12-1 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

The Library is in the process of ordering some new books, taking advantage of online sales. So look forward to our

additions by the November meeting, and don't forget the Silent Book Auction at that meeting as well!

—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

We congratulate the winners of the door and raffle prizes at our September meeting! We have some super (if we do say so ourselves) door and raffle prizes. Be sure to purchase your raffle prize ticket and pick up your door prize ticket when you come in. And we will also have a notebook at the membership table. You can leave comments, make suggestions, or whatever in the notebook.

Please welcome new members:

Claudia Baldwin	Cary McIver
Beatriz Barraclough-Tan	Slycce McShea
Elina Belyablys	Patti Melvin
Elsa Bretherton	Denise Mohr
Jan Comstra	Christan Monin
Mary D'Agostino	Jane Naylor
Heidi Griffith	Kathy Newcomb
Susan Jones	Julie Rao
Judith Kamykowski	Linda Rheame
Sheila Lytle	Vickie Schneider
Peggy Martin	Eileen Smith
Barbara McIver	Gwendolyn Snyder

—Nancy Harrington
Bonnie Vaccarella

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Spring 2013 Knitting Retreat

Each year this retreat has grown by leaps and bounds so please make sure you save the date now and register early to save your bunk! Registration will begin at the November Guild meeting.

What a wonderful way to beat the winter doldrums by attending this weekend long slumber party. Here it is only October and I keep hearing from alumni campers about how they can't wait for our March retreat. I can't believe this will be our 4th retreat and I am anxious to be reunited with old friends and meet new crafty gals.

However, this year will be bittersweet as we lost one feisty camper, Judy Pratt. For the past few years Judy, our past RKG treasurer, has helped me organize the retreat registrations and it is through her many glowing reviews that we were able to grow the retreat attendance. That is why the RKG Board unanimously approved to honor her by forming the Judy Pratt Memorial Knitting Retreat Scholarship. One lucky camper will be selected randomly for a FREE Knitting Retreat registration.

For more information contact nina.raqueno@gmail.com



Crisp Fall Breezes Bring Fiber in the Air

The Finger Lakes Fiber Festival was absolutely inspiring despite the cool damp weather this year. I spent a blissful Saturday morning in fiber nirvana and then relaxed at the RKG information booth for a few hours. What a perfect way to kick off the Fall Knitting Season! I hope you will consider volunteering next year at the Fiber Festival.

Each year the Rochester Knitting Guild is pleased to sponsor the Excellence in Knitting Award. This year Sara Durham's beautiful Market Jacket by designer Tanis Gray was chosen from the many excellent entries.

<http://www.ravelry.com/patterns/library/market-jacket-2>

—Nina Raqueno



RKG Member Shops

Please remember to call ahead to check hours

Alfred Knitting Studio

Lynne and Frank Bunke
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All Tied Up Yarns

Andrea Cosachov
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The Yarn Shop of Geneva

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315-789-7211

The Yarne Source

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www.yarnsource.com

The Woolery on Main Street

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3127 Main St.
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585-538-9898

Village Yarn and Fiber Shop

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Support our local yarn shops !

2013–2014 RKG Membership

The Rochester Knitting Guild invites you to join or renew your membership for the coming year, which runs from **September 2013 to September 2014**. Benefits of being a Guild member include monthly meetings, discounts at member shops, discounts at Guild functions, early registration at Guild functions, Guild Newsletter and access to library materials. Dues are \$25.00 per year and are due at or before the September meeting. Bring your dues to the September meeting or mail them to: **Membership, RKG, PO Box 92264, Rochester, NY 14692.**

The Guild's success depends on the participation by **ALL** members of the Guild. How will **YOU** help this year?

Programming

Help plan guild programs, prepare samples and handouts if needed, arrange chairs and tables at meetings, etc.

Community Service

Help collect and record donations at membership meetings

Hospitality

Bring a goodie, help set up and clean up the refreshment tables

Membership

Accept membership forms, hand out raffle tickets, sell door prize tickets, set out name tags.

Library

Help open and pack up the library, check out books, accept returned books and help organize the books

Newsletter

Contribute an article, fold, label, stamp and mail an issue

Publicity

Distribute flyers and press releases about meetings or events, identify new avenues for publicity

Auction

Help gather yarn for the annual Yarn Auction, transport the yarn to the Temple on the night of the auction, prepare the auction display and act as runners during the auction

Greeters

Welcome members and visitors to the meeting, help newcomers get oriented

Nominating Committee

Help prepare a slate of nominations-talk to the nominees to be sure they are willing and understand the position

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2013–2014 RKG Membership Form

New Member _____ Renewal _____ If new, how did you hear about us? _____

Name _____ Home Phone _____

Address _____ Work Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____ Ravelry ID _____

Would you be interested in receiving the newsletter as an Adobe Acrobat document via e-mail? _____ Yes _____ No

Occasionally, photos may be taken at Guild events, please check if you do NOT want your photo published _____

Committee(s) you would be willing to help with:

___Programming ___Membership ___Publicity ___Community Service ___Library
___Auction ___Hospitality ___Newsletter ___Greeter ___Nominating Committee

___Are you willing to help others learn how to knit?

Are you willing to share a special talent or demonstrate a technique at a meeting? Please specify if possible

Any suggestions for programs or comments? _____

OFFICE USE:

Date _____ Amount. _____ Check No: _____ Cash _____ New Member Pack? _____ MemCard _____