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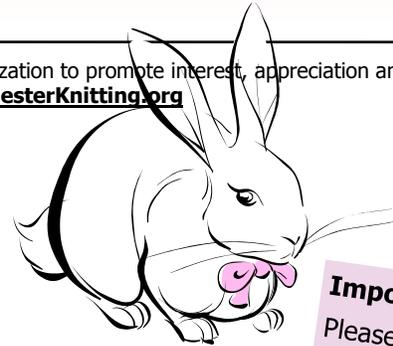
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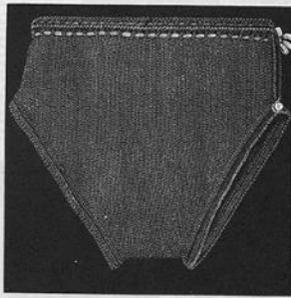
Important!
Please turn in your afghan squares at the April meeting!
—Amelia Templar

Franklin Habit

Our April program will be provided by Franklin Habit, who will be here teaching several classes from April 10th through the 13th. We are excited to have him as our guest speaker. He is full of information and humor. The meeting is free to members, as usual, but for non-members wanting to hear Franklin speak, there will be a \$10 charge.

Impractical Magic:

Oddities and Curiosities of Weldon's Practical Needlework



Beginning in the 1880s, and for decades thereafter, the editors of Weldon's Practical Needlework provided an enormous audience of amateur craftswomen with patterns for garments designed to be warm, strong, long-lived and, well, practical. But Weldon's had another side, too. A side that proposed the knitting of covers for tennis balls, of knitting whips for children, and of covering open flames with crinkled tissue paper. In this illustrated talk—

not for the faint of heart—we'll take a look at what our great-great-grandmothers got up to after they'd already knit a sufficiency of Socks for Invalids. Warning: May induce seizures in persons with good taste.

—Meg Weglarz

Workshop Details



PLEASE NOTE: If there was an additional \$5 fee for one of your classes, it was collected when you registered. If it is referenced in Franklin's description, please disregard, you do not need to bring extra cash to class.

ANOTHER IMPORTANT NOTE: Lunch is not included in the workshops. Our returning students are aware of that, but we wanted to make sure that everyone knows. We will have coffee, tea and possibly some fruit and snacks. But you are on your own for lunch. You can bring a lunch (there might be some

room in the refrigerator, but no promises); or you can get lunch nearby. There are numerous restaurants and fast food places very near the facility, and Wegmans Pittsford is just down the street.

Thanks, everyone, for your patience. This is the first year that Cheri and I have coordinated the Workshops, so we are learning as we go!

—Cindy Proano and Cheri Switzer

2015 Calendar

April 13

Franklin Habit

May 11 Yarn Auction

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:

April 27

6:30 pm

The Knitting Circle
1501 East Ave., Suite 103
Rochester, NY 14607

*All members
are welcome to attend.*

Deadline for May '15 Newsletter

Submit all articles by **April 15** to
newsletter@rochesterknitting.org



Library

Spring is here!

The library will be closed in both April and May for our two special events. We will be taking returns only. Please do be conscientious about your returns! I will be doing a May inventory, and any books not returned will be billed to you for payment and replacement.

Please return your books before 7 p.m., so that when the program starts there is no noise over at the table and so we can get settled in our seats for the program.

Thank you in advance for being great library patrons! It has been a rewarding first year for me, and now I have my gray hair, by the way!!

Read, Knit, Breathe

—Jo-Ann Hussion

Hospitality

Snacks for the April meeting will be provided by those whose last names begin with K-P. Next month: Q-Z.

Please remember no meat products; and bring your own mug to save the environment and the budget.

See you in April.

—Anita Abrahamson



President's Message

The joys of completing a project.

In my classes many people have been finishing their projects. Shawls and sweaters are getting blocked and being shown off. My favorite finished projects are the sweaters. My students have worked very hard all fall and winter diligently knitting away on their sweaters. Measurements were taken along the way to see how the sweater was fitting, and adjustments were made when necessary. The sweater pieces are finally all done, and it gets sewn together and blocked. The moment of truth arrives. Will the sweater fit like it should? I love when they get the chance to finally put on the garment for the first time. It always gets lots of praise from the other class members who've been there supporting them along the way. It's just wondrous to see all that hard work really pay off with the perfectly fitting sweater. Since we live in Rochester there is still time to wear these completed sweaters for a little longer. Soon they will become our outdoor "light jacket" and then maybe a little something to throw over the shoulders for the cool evenings. I like shawls for the versatility of their wearability. During the winter they can dress up a holiday outfit and they can double as a nice scarf during the snowy times. Once summer comes (I'm told it will come) shawls are a perfect cover-up for a cool evening by the lake looking at the stars. Keep knitting so we are ready for the next season.

—Tina Turner, President

Yarn Auction

We look forward to a fun time at our May yarn auction with Carol Ritter Wright as our auctioneer. Don't miss it. There are plenty of lots to bid on, and Carol always makes it entertaining. So mark your calendars for May 11th!

—Julia Cialini and Sally Heneghan

On the Web

It may not feel like spring yet, but it's here and with it comes the delight of spring rains. The perfect opportunity to curl up with some knitting, a cup of tea, and a good pod cast to keep you company on those rainy afternoons. Pod casts are like radio shows on the internet ~ and there are more knitting pod casts than you can possibly listen to so you have to get out there, and experiment. Listen to one or two ~ if you don't connect with the host or hosts then move on to another. There are also video pod casts but for sitting, knitting and watching the rain nothing beats just listening to an audio pod cast. When you find some you like in no time at all you'll feel like you are sitting down listening to friends talking about your favorite subject! Because there are so many we will mention a few to get you started (if you have favorites already please share them with all of us on Facebook) and to look for more just google "knitting podcasts" or any variation thereof and you'll be listening for days!

There is a nice pod cast episode from hoxtonhandmade.com on Jared Flood at

<http://www.hoxtonhandmade.com/2013/10/27/episode-111-brooklyn-tweed/> And for great content, plus a lovely accent, try out <http://www.knitbritish.net/ep-23/>. This one <http://knit.fm/blog/2014/11/4/episode-11-stash-control> is a nice episode on stash control which may be needed after May's auction! On every page you'll get more links to their previous podcasts as well as to other podcasts; be forewarned, it can be addicting.

These are just a few random episodes from a few random podcasts but do cast a wide net, pick a country and see what you find ((have to admit a preference for British podcasts....)) All sites have archives so if you find one you like you can subscribe and stay current while catching up on past episodes. You do not have to subscribe to listen to them, subscribing keeps you up to date with what is coming up. (and sometimes allows you to enter contests etc) Some are as regular as clockwork, some are sporadic ~ enjoy hunting through them. Some other names to look for are Electric Sheep, The Canadian Knitter, In A Sknit, Down Cellar Studio, Yarns from the Plains, Cast On, Knit Circus, Commuter Knitter ~ so don't let those rainy days get you down. Use them for knitting and podcasting, set your wellies aside and dive on in.

There are several episodes out there with interviews of our April Workshop Teacher and Guest Speaker, Franklin Habit. If you want to get primed for his visit you might try out listening to these old and new podcasts from Fiberhooligan, Knitmore Girls, Knitgrl, and Yarn thing.

—*Deb Scorse*

For the Members Only page of our website www.rochesterknitting.org please use the following. The username is: **stockinette** and the password is **s1k1pss0**. We're on Facebook too ~ <https://www.facebook.com/rochesterknittingguild?ref=hl>

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, 681 High St., Victor, NY. from 10:00-12:30.
Contact 585-924-7043

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).

1st Wednesday (except during Lent)—6:30-8 p.m. at 1st Congregational Church, 65 Church St., Spencerport (makes lap robes for charity from 8" squares). Come join us. Call Holly Bauer-Mergen at 352-4548 with questions.

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!

3rd Saturdays—of each month, 10 am—1 pm at the 12 Corners Starbucks in Brighton, NY. KAPS for KIDS, a knitting group sponsored by the CURE and the Yarne Source



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Congratulations

—Nancy Harrington—

Who just got word that she passed Level 3 in the TKGGA Master Knitting Course and is now officially a “Master Knitter”! Watch for her name in the next *Cast On* magazine. Nancy will receive her pin at the July TKGGA conference which will be held in San Diego, CA.

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

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There is Room for You! There is a VACANT position—please consider volunteering!

Membership

New Members - Our membership grew even while we struggled with what felt like a never-ending winter. Help me welcome our newest members:

Ann Betz	Pam Kohan
Lois Camphausen	Angelica Mihalitsas
Deborah Goehring	Paula Schank
Joyce Hawkinson	

Raffle/Door Prize Tickets – Make sure to pick up your tickets by 7 pm when the program starts. We need to shut down selling/giving out tickets so we can get them and the prizes up to Tina for the drawing.

New Member Table - The New Member table is a way for new members to meet other knitters. Feel free to take a seat there and enjoy getting to know your fellow knitters. Just look for the **New Member** table sign.

???? Table – If you'd like to gather with other knitters during the meetings to focus on a specific topic please let me know and we can establish a table dedicated to that topic. It's a great way to get to know other knitters with similar interests.

Thank you Sarah Shepard, Dyan Shepard, Deb Sprague, and Jane Stratton for volunteering to give out raffle and door prize tickets!

—Heather Foti

Community Knitting

To all the Community Knitting Warriors—thank you so much for all your hard work!!

The contributions this month were amazing! We filled up 5 huge bags of beautiful hats, mittens, red scarves, baby items and shawls. We also received a large donation of yarn.

Our donations this month were sent to The Mercy House, Saints Place, Lipson Cancer Center, Bits n Pieces, The Red Scarf Project and The Open Door Mission. All of the recipients were so grateful to know that those in need are thought of by our knitters!

Keep those garments coming, knitters!! They are a blessing to everyone who gets them!

—Bonnie Santora and Noma Kent

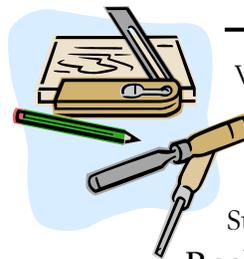
Nominations

Time flies when you are having fun...

I truly believe this when I look back on how much enjoyment I've experienced during the many years I have served on the RKG Board. Thanks to all of the ambitious Board Members and volunteers. We've had fun dreaming up new programs, community service projects, and inviting guest speakers, all while honoring old traditions. As much fun as it has been, it is time to turn the reins over to new leadership. I for one can't wait to see the new ideas the next Board members will explore.

At the March meeting we took nominations for the elected officials, and the slate will be presented at the April meeting. Elections will take place at our year-end May meeting.

—Nina Raqueño



Wouldn't it be nice to get your "significant other" out of the house a couple nights a month?

Suggest they join the

Rochester Woodworkers Society

(RWS). A fun group where you can learn various wood-working skills, share ideas and learn how to make that coffee table you've always wanted. Check out www.rochesterwoodworkers.org/ for details and meeting locations.



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Please remember to call ahead to check hours

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