

Programming Notes

The November meeting is the return of Shop Night! Carol will have more to say about that elsewhere in this newsletter. The December meeting will be an examination of hats—either figuring out how to adapt a pattern that's close, but not quite right, or making them without a pattern so that they're exactly what you want. Hats are very simple garments, and they're small. That can give knitters a lot of scope to explore structure and stitch patterns, as long as they keep some basics in mind.

Sue Sayre Vice President



Upcoming Meetings

All Hands Meetings November 14th December 12th January 12th (Zoom) 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 Temple B'rith Kodesh 2131 Elmwood Avenue Rochester, NY 14618 Board Meetings November 21st December 19th January 23rd February27th 7:00 via Zoom. Link upon request

President's Message

Hello to RKG members,

We learned much from Carson Demer's presentation in October. He was so generous with his time and took questions right up until 9:00 pm. His highly informative book can be found at www.ergoiknit.

Carol Kolb has been working diligently for a successful Shop Night on Monday, November 14. I am excited to see (feel) all the yarn and wares that will be offered and plan to purchase manyholiday gifts. Please bring guests and have a fun evening of shopping.

In December, Sue Sayre will have our heads toasty warm with a terrific presentation on how we can make custom hats. Also, please welcome our new co-librarians Joan Dupont and her daughter, Kate Clark. The library's future looks bright.

Look for the 55 Plus Magazine November/December 2022 edition. John Addyman, a journalist for the magazine, and I shared delicious chai tea in Pittsford in early September where I encouraged him to come to our opening night at the temple. He captured the essence of the guild and also snapped some cute pictures of a few of you for the article! See you Monday, November 14 for Shop Night,

See you REAL soon, Margaret Mullen President



Shop Liaison

Shop Night is back! As of this writing, we have 18 wonderful vendors for Shop Night on November 14. It's agreat night to bring a guest or guests to the Guild, so please spread the word to your friends and fellow knitters. It will be a great opportunity to shop for everything from yarn, fibers, gifts, accessories and more. Our vendors are:

Just a reminder– it's best to come with cash, check and charge cards for shopping. Not all of the vendors may be able to accept a charge card the evening of shop night. The Guild will also do raffles for gift certificates to be used at Shop Night! If you do have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Carol at shopliaison@rochesterknitting.org.

News from our member shops

Yarn Culture is organizing a trip for Ziggurats workshops with Åsa Tricosa and a tour of Denmark from April 18–28, 2023. We'll have 12 hours of workshops with Åsa, plus 1/1, along with a visit and tour of her studio. We're also visiting Isagar Yarns as well as several other yarn shops and a lovely spinnery. And that's just the knitting portion of the trip!! We've got othertours and visits planned that I'm sure will inspire you. There are just a few more spots left. To find more information, please visit Yarn Culture's website at https://yarnculture.com/.

Please save some dates for upcoming events from Tina Turner Knits. More information will be coming on the following events. The Fiber Show at the RIT Inn & Conference Center will be February 19, 2023 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tina will also be hosting retreats in 2023. The first is March 17 to March 19 and then July

Carol Kolb Shop Liaison

Shop NightVendors

Acorn Works

- Honeoye Craft Lab
- Brenda Bonisteel and Diane York
- Kingfisher Bags
- Buffalo Yarn Truck
- Lazy Acres Alpacas
- Patty Cornelius Pottery
- Lift Bridge Yarns
- D & D Fibers
- Megs & Co.
- East West Alpacas
- Nina Raguano
- The EWE's Yarn Gathering
- Strings 'n Things
- Fiber Adornment
- Tina Turner Knits
- Heather Foti
- Zanni-Knits /Yarne Source

Membership Help Needed!

The Membership Committee is in need of at least three volunteers for the Monday, November 14th in-person guild meeting. Responsibilities include accepting membership forms and payment, collecting raffle payments and issuing raffle tickets. If interested, contact membership@rochesterknitting.org. Thank you!

Kat Tronolone





Auction

As you sort through your knitting stash this fall, keep in mind that we'll be collecting donations of yarn, needles, kits, etc., for the RKG Yarn Auction 2023 beginning in February. The Yarn Auction is a fun way to send those surplus yarns out into the world to find new homes in new stashes to become new projects. Share the love, share the yarn.

Meg Weglarz Auction

Community Service

Our next meeting is in person at the Temple, so please bring your finished items to donate. I plan to reach out to our community organizations in early December, so please help me fill my car with hats, mittens, scarves and blankets for those in need.Donating items will free up space for all your shop night purchases!

Pat Butterfield Community Knitting

Spring Retreat

Our Spring Retreat is returning for its 11th year! Join in for a long weekend of guilt-free fiber time March 2nd to 5th, 2023 at Camp Stella Maris. Registration begins at our November 14th meeting. Workshop details coming soon. Nina.Requeno@gmail.com



Library

FHello Everyone! Joan Dupont and Kate Clark here, the brand-new co-librarians for the Guild. We're still getting oriented but the library will be open for business at Shop Night in November.This is your chance to return books and borrow new ones. We may not know all the ins and outs of the system right away so please be patient. The library is a great resource for you, the members. Let us know if you have any ideas about the library. You can email us at librarian@rochesterknitting.org. See you in November – come check the library out.an upcoming Guild meeting.

Joan Dupont and Kate Clark Community Knitting

Guild Notes

The snack table has been discontinued. You are welcome to bring food and drink to our meetings because I get hangry. However, please be respectful of our hosts and surroundings and do not bring any meat or meat products, and use a cup with a lid.

We've heard not everyone is receiving all of the Guild's communications in a timely manner, and we are working behind the scenes to rectify this situation and improve our communication strategy and member experience.

Thank you! to East West Alpacas fo allowing their lovely ladies to be the animal models for this issue at their fall open house.

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January Meeting via Zoom With Sarah Schira

The Rochester Knitting Guild is delighted to welcome Sarah Schira of ImaginedLandscapes to our January 9, 2023 Guild Zoom meeting at 7pm.

Sarah Schira is known for #NeverNotGnoming but when she's not knitting gnomes, she's designing knitting patterns for everyday adventures. She loves to design accessories that look harder than they are, and that flatter you while you live your adventures. She and her husband live in Manitoba, Canada, where they've raised their two kids to adulthood. Homeschooling both kids, coaching, and doing a lot of volunteer work with adult learners has fired Sarah's passion for anticipating problems before they happen and teaching so that people feel supercharged to be adventurous in their knitting.

"We travel to Germany to visit Rainer's family and when I'm abroad, I miss the big skies; when I'm here, I miss the cobblestones and shops. It's my passion for travel that inspires Imagined Landscapes designs. I love including the lines and textures I see, whether it's a sweeping prairie vista or a cobblestone intersection." Her website is: ImaginedLandscapes.com

BUT if you really want to learn about Sarah and her Gnomes, please click on this link for a **Video tour of her gnome cabinet**. That video takes about 20 minutes but WOW it is so much fun!!

SO, ARE WE READY TO GO GNOMING????

Well, I know I am ready! I've knit several of Sarah's patterns over the years, but never a gnome. I just would think that fiddly toys are not my thing. But after visiting Sarah's Gnome Cabinet and watching some of her tutorials, I am SOOO ready!!



I will be hosting a weekly Zoom knit and chat, **Gnome for the Holidays**, starting on Nov 29 and running until January 3, 2023, on Tuesdays at 7 pm for one hour. I will share some of Sarah's Gnome Schooling videos to get us ready to Gnome like crazy. And we can all share and cheer for each other's progress in making our gnomes before Sarah's presentation! I will send out a separate Zoom link before we start **Gnome for the Holidays**.

Do you want more Gnome Info? Here are links to Sarah's advent project and also to her YouTube Gnome Schooling videos

My gnome advent project (24 days of tiny gnomes on a garland): https://www.imaginedlandscapes. com/2021/11/13/my-gnome-advent-project/

The Gnome Schooling tutorial playlist (includes a getting started video to cover all the basics) https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLJPNt7oizfn9 6p2VSCCI6obN4fF2Dnt4i

I hope you are not gnomed out yet--because here is some awesome news:Sarah is offering a discount code:"Rochester20" for 20% off any of my patterns on Ravelry or Payhip from today until the end of January.

Ravelry designer page link: https://www.ravelry.com/ designers/sarah-schira

Payhip designer page link: https://payhip.com/ImaginedLandscapes

I hope you will all come Gnoming with me--and I'll see you at our first **Gnome for the Holidays** Zoom session on Tuesday, November 29 at 7 pm!!

Cindy Proano Workshops



Spring Workshops With Alasdair Post-Quinn

Guest Speaker: Monday, April 3, 2023 7 pm via Zoom Spring Workshops: April 14, 15, 16, 17, 2023 via Zoom

The Rochester Knitting Guild is delighted to welcome Alasdair Post-Quinn for our April presentation and Spring 2023 Workshops! Alasdair Post-Quinn is the author of the critically acclaimed books *Extreme Double-Knitting* and *Double or Nothing* and a smattering of other patterns, mostly also double-knitted. He has been working to push the boundaries of double-knitting since 2003.

Alasdair lives in Cambridge, MA and works in computer repair when he's not traveling around North America to teach. He has a burgeoning business in self-published knitting books, patterns, online video tutorials and in-person workshops for all levels of double-knitting experience.

Alasdair describes double-knitting as a "unique method of making a fabric with no "wrong" side and a built-in reversible colorwork pattern. Significantly different from the standard intarsia and Fair Isle colorwork that are so well known, double-knitting is a labor-intensive but wholly worthwhile technique to have in your repertoire." Thhe Atyria II hat from Alasdair's book, *Double or Nothing (below)*.

There will be two introductory workshop classes offered during the Workshop weekend as well as a progression of classes exploring multiple pattern double-knitting, multiplecolor double-knitting and other exciting techniques.

Registration forms and descriptions of all the workshops will be available soon and will be emailed to members as well as posted on the website.

The Guild plans to offer some samples of basic double-knitting during a monthly program right before the workshops so that all members can be introduced to the types of fabric and projects that you can make with double knitting. But we will warn you that doubleknitting can become addictive!

Cindy Proano Workshops









Sit & Stitch Webster Public Library, Mondays, 3:30 to 5 pm

Knit Nook Mendon Public Library, 22 N Main St, Honeoye Falls,

2nd & 4th Thursdays, 10-11:30am

Drop-in Knitting Circle Irondequoit Public Library room 213 Mondays 6:000 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesdays 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Bring you knitting, quilting or needlework supplies and projects, and chat while you work

Does your local library, community center or community group offer oppurtunities to stitch with others? Share it here!

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