

President's Message

Hello,

It has been a pleasure serving as your president this past guild season. We really do have such an amazing membership who make this organization wonderful. I enjoy seeing everyone's faces during the year. In addition, it has been great serving with a top notch team of leaders in the guild. Thank you all so much.

See you all at the BIG YARN "AUCTION" on Monday, May 8 in the social hall at Temple B'rith Kodesh.

Mark your calendars for our fall opening of the Rochester Knitting Guild, Monday, September 11, 2023. Look for an announcement in late summer about renewing membership for the 2023–2024 guild season. Invite your knitting friends to join next year with you!

Margaret Mullen President

Upcoming Meetings

All Hands Meetings) May 8th 7:00 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 Temple B'rith Kodesh 2131 Elmwood Avenue Rochester, NY 14618

Board Meetings May 22nd 7:00 via Zoom. Link upon request

Auction

This year's yarn auction is going to be **BIG**. We received a tremendous donation from Ruby Glicksman's estate. Most of the yarn is in manufacturer's bag lots - 5 skeins or 10 skeins of the same yarn/dyelot. There are too many bags/lots to make even a bag raffle feasible in the amount of time we have for the May meeting. Therefore, we came up with another process—sort of the Filene's Basement Sale model.

We priced every bag, some are \$1, \$2, or \$3; most are \$5, and a few are \$7 (10 skeins of Rowan Magpie, for example). This is all very good yarn from many top names in the business. Gorgeous wools, alpaca, silk blends, etc. Unfortunately, wherever the yarn had been stored, attic or basement, much of it smells a bit musty. It will need to be aired or washed by whomever buys it before it's usable. Bags are to be sold AS IS, no haggling, all sales final; *cash, check, or Venmo*.

The yarn lots will be displayed on tables at our May meeting with similar yarns grouped together for display. For example, all the Brown Sheep Yarns will be on one table,; the alpaca yarns will be together, Rowan will be together, etc.. There will be a browsing period prior to the business meeting and election.

After the election, the sale begins.

Meg Weglarz Auction

Library

The bodacious yarn sale is the centerpiece of the May meeting but we'd like you to stop by the Guild library too.

This will be the last chance to help yourself to the free patterns, magazines and books before they are offered to another organization. Please check them out.

Also, it will be an excellent opportunity to pick out a book or two to borrow for the summer. After all, those books are not doing anybody any good when they're locked away in our cabinet. Please consider taking several home so they can have a holiday too. You'll have four months to learn new techniques and be inspired by them.

Joan and Kate, Librarians

Community Service

Thank you to all who have contributed finished items to donate throughout the year! The May meeting is the last opportunity to donate before the summer break. Please drop off any items for community knitting at the start of the meeting. The drawing for two \$25 certificates to the member shop of your choice will be held during the business portion of the meeting, before the yarn auction.

Also, don't forget to stock up on yarn for your community knitting projects this summer!

Pat Butterfield Community Knitting



Spring Workshops With Alasdair Post-Quinn

Thank you for bringing me to talk and teach in April. Whether you were present or not, I wanted to ofer you the chance to sign up on my mailing list at https://double-knitting.com/signup, as well as offer a 15% discount on my books and patterns thru my website and Ravelry. Through May 14th, use the code "rochester2023" on https://double-knitting.com/ store/ and/ or https://double-knitting.com/ravpatterns. Hope to see you again in some future workshop!

Alasdair Post-Quinn Workshops



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News from Our Member Shops

Sheryl Byers, Crafting for Good, will speak during the business portion of our May 8 meeting about her store's mission. Crafting for Good is a craft supply thrift store that sells super discounted craft supplies for sewing, quilting, knitting and paper crafts. Crafting for Good raises funds for food and clean water, both locally and globally. Sheryl was recently featured on Channel 13's Bright Spot award! Congratulations!!

Please remember that **Worldwide Knit in Public Day** is Saturday, **June 10**. Knit in Public Day is the world's largest knitting event and a great time to enjoy a sense of community by knitting together. Please consider joining in any events planned near you or just gather with some friends and knit in a park.

Here are some local events already planned:

- SewGreen will be outside on the sidewalk. They will teach knitting, help with knitting, and just provide company for knitting. There will also be a yarn sale inside the store. Don't miss it! SewGreen@Rochester, 438 W. Main Street. Free parking across the street on Canal st.
- Lift Bridge Yarns will be knitting out in front of their shop as well as the common space along the side of their shop.
- The Fuzzy Bunny in Honeoye does not have specific plans for the day at this point but Liz would like you to know that they do host a Crafternoon on Saturday afternoons so please feel free to join them.

Carol Kolb Shop Liaison



Guild Notes

Help Wanted: We are building a team to coordinate our yarn auction/raffle/sale for the 2023/24 season. If you are interested in being a part of this important fundraiser, contact Guild President Margaret Mullen.

Temple Access: Please be on time to our in-person meetings because the temple doors are set to lock automatically after our meeting start time. The temple's doors open at 6:30, and our meeting starts at 7:00.

Technology: Ingrid, Liz, and Joan are our new web site team. Thank you for supporting this important aspect of Guild outreach.

Membership: Joan F. is our new membership coordinator! Thank you for fulfilling this vital role!

Photos: Thank you to all of you that allowed me to photograph your fabulous creations at the March meeting!





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

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

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Knit Together Penn Yan Public Library Every Thursday, 1-3

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

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