



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
www.RochesterKnitting.org



Finishing Up Socks

Our Fall Into Socks series of programs wraps up with techniques to finish your socks—Toe Up? Stretchy Bind Offs like Jenny's Surprisingly Stretchy Bind Off and Tubular Bind Off. Cuff Down? Call it Kitchener Stitch or call it Grafting—it's a tremendously useful technique and not nearly the bugaboo some have made it out to be. The mechanics are quite simple, it's more a question of finding the best mnemonic for you to remember how to do it.

Also—we'll be sharing tips for customizing your socks as well as the care and feeding of socks and how to prolong their lifespan.

Tubular bind-off

A sewn, stretchy, invisible bind-off for necklines, cuffs, and toe-up socks.

Homework: cast on 20 stitches in worsted weight yarn, and knit k1,p1 ribbing for 2 inches, ending with right side facing for next row. Leave stitches on needle, and cut yarn, leaving an 18-inch tail. Bring to workshop along with tapestry needle for tubular bind-off.

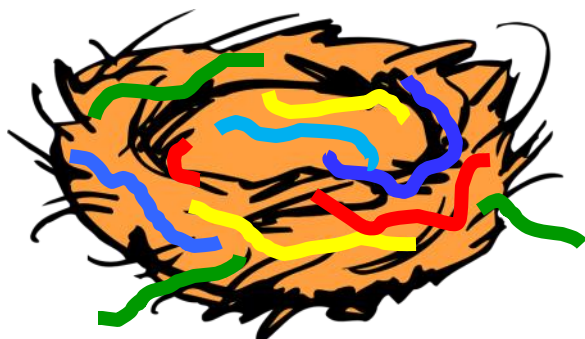
Any questions??? Post on Ravelry group, ask on our FB page or email Meg at vicepresident@rochesterknitting.org

—Meg Weglarz

Community Knitting

Thank you all for the donations this month. We got a taste of the cold weather to come this week, so let's continue to knit hats, scarves and mittens for the less fortunate. Please remember to stop by and pick up some yarn to make these projects with, we have plenty to go around!

—Deb Goehring and Betsy McGee



2017-18 Calendar

Dec 11

Socks:
Grafting



7:00 pm

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

Jan 8 Lace

Doors open at 6:30, business and announcements at 7:00. Program starts promptly at 7:30 pm.

The **HelpTable** with
Lynne Sherwood
Available until 7:30 pm.

Next Board Meeting:

January 29

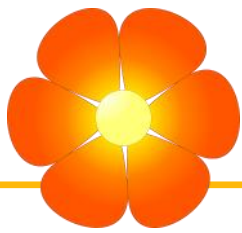
6:30 pm

First Baptist Church
of Rochester
175 Allens Creek Road
Rochester NY 14618

All members
are welcome to attend.

Deadline for December Newsletter

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



Join the RKG
"KATE-ALONG"
 for Fun and Prizes!

The Guild is sponsoring a "Kate-along" that will run until the March, 2018 meeting. We are encouraging members to knit patterns by Kate Atherley, the Guest Instructor for our Spring 2018 Workshops. She has many free patterns on Ravelry and Knitty.com, and our Library has acquired several of her books, including the most recent *Custom Fit Socks* book, which is terrific. We also have several of her instructional videos. Kate also has many Craftsy and Annie's classes as well as free videos.

We invite members to bring their projects knit from Kate Atherley's patterns for a Special Show & Tell at each meeting, starting in October. You can enter each project in a raffle drawing to win a seat at one of the Spring 2018 Workshop classes! Details will be on the RKG website www.rochesterknitting.org.

—Cindy Proano

Yarn Culture
 NEW YORK

Dec 9, 2017

Strut Your Stuff! 11a – Noon
 Inspire each other with garments
 made from YC yarns.

Christmas Holiday Hours

Closed: Dec 24, 2017 – Jan 2, 2018

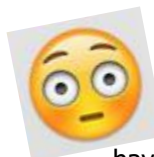
Open regular hours beginning Jan 3, 2018

Jan 6, 2018

Meet the Designer: Kate Fisher 11a – 11.30a
Blackbird Knits Trunk Show: 10a – 2p

1387 Fairport Road, #885
 Fairport, NY 14450 | 585.678.4898

Get more details about our events online at
www.yarnculture.com



Just for fun ...

To encourage all of our knitters, submit knitting horror stories/disasters that you have overcome. We'll share them in future newsletters.

**Rochester Knitting Guild
 welcomes**

Kate Atherley

**Four Days of Workshops
 April 6, 7, 8 & 9, 2018**



Kate is the Managing Technical Editor and Editorial Assistant for Knitty.com. She is a mathematician, which comes in handy in all aspects of her knitting work. Kate is a highly

regarded knitting teacher in Canada and around the globe.

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According to Knitty, Kate loves double-pointed needles, kitten heels and strong coffee. We hope she'll love the Rochester Knitting Guild, too!

NOTE: Classes for Soxpertise and Expert Tips are sold out; contact Workshops@rochesterknitting.org to be put on the Waitlist.

Web

The new password for the member section of the web site is **Knit2Together**. Be sure to "like" us on Facebook.



Featuring small New York State Indie Dyers

Sunday, February 25, 2018, 10am-4pm
RIT Inn and Conference Center

5257 W. Henrietta Rd. Henrietta, NY 14467

Save the date! Put it on your smartphone calendar now!

For more details, as the date gets closer, contact us at:

The Knitting Circle
 1387 Fairport Rd. #885
 Fairport, NY 14450
 Phone: 585.442.8002

Tina Turner KNITS
<http://tinaturnerknits.com>



President's Message

The Rochester Knitting Guild is an organization to promote interest, appreciation, and skill in knitting.

For the past 8 years I have participated in the RMSC Holiday Bazaar. The best part of the weekend is talking to the attendees as they stop by the booth to admire the beautiful garments that my booth buddy, Lana Harnizonava, has knitted and crocheted. I often start a conversation by asking if they knit. To those that don't knit I always let them know about the RKG and invite them to visit our website to learn more about the guild and if they would like more information to contact myself or another board member. Several people have returned the following year to say they have learned to knit but have not joined the guild. Sometimes they have a valid reason, such as Monday nights just don't work for them. The reason given most times? They aren't good enough to join yet. I let them know that the skill levels of our members range from new knitters to master knitters and by joining the guild they can sharpen the skills they have and learn new ones. Some, but not all, have been convinced to at least stop by for a meeting to check us out.

To those that have responded positively to my question, "Do you knit?", my next question is "Are you a member of the RKG?" If they are members we usually talk for a few minutes about the guild. The conversation with those that are not members and often are unaware that the guild exists are a little different. We talk about what we do at the meetings such as show and tell, the help table, mini workshops, guest speakers and about the library and our online presence.

The first paragraph of my message is the RKG mission statement. I hope you all love encouraging and sharing your knowledge and ideas as much as I do and encourage your fellow knitters to do the same.

—Amelia Templar

Shop Night

Well, thank you all for making it a successful and wonderful shop night! Fun was had by all! We had a lovely diverse mix of artisans. We are very fortunate to have such talented members in our guild! Vendors, we thank you also for being flexible with our room layout and challenges at the set up time. You were real troopers. You had very lovely displays.

—Patti Tyler



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—Knitting Circle, 1-3, at Irondequoit Public Library, 1290 Titus Avenue, Irondequoit. Room 213, the Laurelton room. Contact the library at 336-6062.

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.

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

1st Tuesday (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.

3rd 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).

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

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 Yarn Source

Hospitality

The schedule below is for bringing snacks, determined by the first letter in your last name. For our December meeting please bring a favorite holiday treat to share!

Please remember we are guests of the Temple, and in respect,

do not bring any meat products. Also, to help with environmental concerns, and saving money, please bring your own mug for coffee or tea.

Thanks for sharing; and have a great season!

Dec	Everyone brings a holiday treat
Jan	N thru Z
Feb	A thru D
March	E thru K
April	L thru M
May	N thru Z

—Marlene Davidson



Yarn Raffle

Out with the old in with the new! Due to the popularity of both the yarn auction and the yarn raffle fundraisers we will be alternating these events. The May 2018 meeting will feature the raffle.

Donations of clean, usable yarn and knitting/crochet supplies may be left at the Yarn Auction table to the left of the stage during meetings. Please contact Natalie Klein the auction coordinator arrangements for large donations.

—Natalie Klein

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.

—Amelia Templar, President

RKG 2015-16 Board of Directors

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Workshops	Cindy Proano, Cheri Switzer	workshops@rochesterknitting.org

There is Room for You! There are vacant positions—please consider volunteering!

RKG Member Shops

Please remember to call ahead to check hours

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Support our local yarn shops !



Hedgehog workshop

Scenes from the 2013 Retreat



A weekend of guilt free stitching of all kinds

ROCHESTER KNITTING GUILD **8th Annual** **Spring Knitting Retreat** **At Camp Stella Maris, Livonia, NY** **March 1-4 2018**

Come Treat Yourself to a Spring Knitting Retreat



A weekend of knitting fun.

Friday Evening:

- Show & Tell

Saturday Workshop Choices:

- Mitered Neckwarmer
- Tiffany Epiphany
- Opposite Day Cowl
- Hedgehog

Saturday Evening:

- Knitting Game Night

Depart Sunday afternoon

Weekend Retreat Fee Includes:

- Choice of 2 Saturday Workshops
- Meals Friday Dinner through Sunday Brunch
- Overnight Accommodations

Reserve Your Spot Today!

Please select the desired workshops and enclose the completed form with a check payable to the Rochester Knitting Guild for the minimum \$50 Deposit Fee or Total Amount Due, and mail to:
 Nina Raqueno 5710 Old Orchard PT Livonia, NY 14487



Stay in the beautiful Wegman House



Explore endless mitered squares



Tiffany Epiphany



Opposite Day Cowl



ROCHESTER KNITTING GUILD **Spring Knitting Retreat** **March 1-4 2018** **REGISTRATION FORM**

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

(Confirmation, complete weekend schedule, & supply list will be sent by email.)

☐ Knitting Weekend Fee \$ 175

☐ Weekend Fee (no workshops) \$ 150

☐ Saturday Day Camper Only \$ 60

(Workshops, Lunch & Snacks Included)

☐ EXTRA Thursday Night Lodging .. \$ 75

Total Included \$ _____

(A minimum \$50 deposit is due upon registration)

Remainder Due February 1, 2018 \$ _____

Please select 1 Morning and 1 Afternoon Workshop

___ Mitered Neckwarmer (AM)

___ Tiffany Epiphany (AM)

___ Opposite Day Cowl (PM)

___ Hedgehog (PM)

Can't join us for the entire weekend?

Join us for Saturday Workshops!
(9am-4pm)

Cancellations: Please remember that all cancellations are subject to a \$20 fee, and NO cancellations are accepted after February 24th, unless there is a wait list.

Questions? Contact Nina Raqueno by phone at (585) 281-3846 or by email at nina.raqueno@gmail.com.

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NOTE: On Friday morning 4/6, we are offering two 2-hour classes instead of one 3-hour class! The fee will be \$25 for one 2-hour class, \$40 if you register for both for members; non-member fees would be \$25/\$45.

Location: First Baptist Church of Rochester, 175 Allens Creek Road, Rochester, NY 14618

Registration: Registration for 2017-2018 members will begin at the October 9th Guild meeting, following this procedure:

- Select your classes and **submit payment**.
- Member registration will continue until the November 13th meeting; after that date, non-members may register if space is available.
- If not registering in person, please send registration with payment by mail to Cheri Switzer at the address on the form *after October 9*. No phone or e-mail registrations accepted.

Lunches: Lunch breaks will be 1 ½ hours. You may brown-bag it or go out to eat. There are a huge variety of eateries in that area of Monroe Avenue. No snacks or beverages will be provided at the workshops, but you may bring your own. The Workshop Classroom will NOT be open over the lunch hour, but there may be additional space at the facility if you bring your lunch.

Waiting list: If a workshop is full by the time your registration is received, you will be contacted either by phone or email to ask if you wish to be on a waiting list for that workshop, and hold your registration.

Cancellation: You may cancel your registration subject to a \$15 fee until March 1, 2018. Due to our commitment to the teacher, **no** cancellation can be accepted after March 1, 2018, unless your seat can be filled. The cancellation would still be subject to the \$15 fee. Your check will be cashed within one week.

Reminder: Only registered attendees are permitted in the classroom.

Inquiries: Any inquiries should be made to Cheri Switzer by email to cswitzer@rochester.rr.com or by phone at 585-385-2690 (evenings) or Cindy Proano ciproano@gmail.com or phone 585-506-6447.

Fees: \$40 for guild members; \$45 for non-members; except Fri. morning classes, see note above.

**Rochester Knitting Guild
Kate Atherley Spring Workshops
April 6, 7, 8, & 9, 2018**

Name: _____ e-mail _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: Day _____ Evening _____

Please print clearly. Homework and supply list will be sent by email in early 2018

Please indicate the desired workshop(s) and enclose this completed form with a check payable to the Rochester Knitting Guild for the total amount, and mail to:

Cheri Switzer
73 Tree Brook Dr.
Rochester, NY 14625

Members: \$40 (see below fee for short classes)

Non-members: \$45

Short Row Skills (Adv. Beginner-Intermed)

Fee \$25 for 1/only/\$40/\$45 both

\$ _____

Friday - April 6, 2018, **8am – 10am**

Crochet for Knitters (All) Fee \$25 for 1 only/\$40/\$45 both

\$ _____

Friday - April 6, 2018, **10am – Noon**

Fearless Finishing (All)

\$ _____

Friday - April 6, 2018, 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Going My Way: Socks the Way You Want (have knit 2 pair socks)

\$ _____

Saturday – April 7, 2018, 9am – 12pm

Next Steps in Lace Knitting (Intermed-some lace exper)

\$ _____

Saturday – April 7, 2018, 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Soxpertise (Intermed-have knit several pair socks)

\$ _____

Sunday – April 8, 2018, 9am – 12pm

**Stranded Colorwork for Beginners: Cherry Fizz Hat
(knit in round exper)**

\$ _____

Sunday – April 8, 2018, 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Next Steps in Cabling (some cabling experience)

\$ _____

Monday April 9, 2018, 9am – 12pm

Expert Tips/Methods/Better Edges (Beginner to Intermed)

\$ _____

Monday April 9, 2018, 1:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Check # _____