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Upcoming Events:

- April Guild Meeting
Junior League Building
April 9, 6:45 pm
- Beading Class w/ Lainy
The Needletree
April 15, 2pm—5 pm
- Charity Knit Inn
St. Mary's Catholic Church
Sacred Heart Hall
Classes Offered
April 21, 10am—4pm

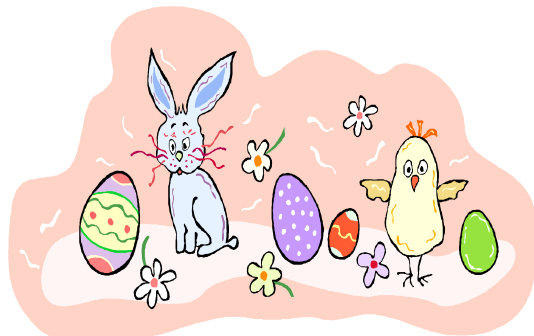
President's Place

You never know how much "stuff" you have until it all has to be packed. Does it all really have to come with you? (Except the yarn, etc, of course). What can be donated and what should be thrown away? That's when you find those things you had put into a "safe place" and then promptly forgot their location. That's when you rediscover all those memories you had carefully tucked away. And in few short months when the new house is ready, we have to do it all again.

I wanted to thank Suzanne and everyone else who so graciously helped with the March meeting. Several ladies have also told me what an excellent program about reading charts that Nancy put on.

Finally Dale and I want to thank everyone for your concern and support after his mother died the end of February.

-Lainy



April Meeting

This month we will have a special program from our very own, Susan Lochridge. She is a Master Gardener and an active member of the Native Plant Society. She has been working hard to increase the native population of plants in her own yard as well as working with various group projects. She will be talking with us about the value of native plants and why they should be used; as well as why other types of plants can be bad to use. She will be bringing some plants to show and will have handouts available.

We're all looking forward to her presentation!



Welcome!

We had three guests at our March Meeting:
Jeannie Davis
Cheryl Evans
Judy Klotzbach

We were glad to have them join us and hope that they will consider joining the Guild in the future!

We had several membership renewals this past month. However, there are a number of 2006 members that have yet to renew. If you know of anyone that may have forgotten or perhaps is just very busy, please let them know we miss them and would love to have them back!

KNITTING NATURE: FLOWER PATTERN

Needles: Size 8

Yarn: Best with Sport or DK yarn

Cast on: 4 sts (leaving 4-5" tail)

Row 1: (RS) Knit in front and back loop of first stitch, k3 (5sts).

Row 2: Knit in front and back loop of first stitch, p4 (6sts).

Row 3: Knit in front and back loop of first stitch, k5 (7sts).

Row 4: Knit in front and back loop of first stitch, p6 (8sts). Cut yarn and leave sts on needle, leaving 4-5" tail.

Make 4 more petals (casting on the first four sts on the needle holding the prior petals).

Do not cut the yarn after making the fifth petal.

Row 5: Join petals by knitting 40sts.

Row 6: (P2tog) across (20 sts).

Row 7: (K2tog) across (10 sts).

Row 8: (p2tog, p3 tog, p2tog, p3tog) (4 sts).

Cut yarn leaving a 15-inch tail. Thread yarn onto tapestry needle and run through the four sts. Pull tight and anchor thread. Continue with same thread (on purl side) and sew open edges of 1st and 5th petal together loosely. Work thread back to center of flower. Use remainder of thread to sew three beads to the center of the flower (on the knit side). Fasten off and cut thread close to the flower.

Petals of flower may need to be lightly ironed or blocked..



FROZEN MOCHA DELIGHT

After demonstrating my favorite kitchen gadget last month, I had a sample of my frozen coffee that I love to whip up with the Magic Bullet! Many of you seemed to enjoy it and asked for the recipe...so here goes:

By the Mug:

1/2 C coffee (hot or cold or try flavored for an added kick)

2 TBSP fat free condensed milk (much better than sugar since sugar won't dissolve well in the cold)

2 TBSP chocolate syrup (I also substitute in white chocolate flavored syrup)

2 heaping spoons of fat free Cool-Whip

Ice cubes (I typically use 5-8 cubes - but may vary due to size)

Blend with cross-blade attachment for 20-30 seconds. Check to see if you need more ice. If so, add it in and blend.

Twist on "comfort lip ring".

Enjoy!!

If you use a regular blender, just multiply the recipe based on the number of servings you need.



Knit Happens:

AC Moore: Join Gail and the Girls at AC Moore any Thursday from 10 am - 2pm.

BAM KnitWits: Join the KnitWits every Wednesday at Books-A-Million on Laurens Road from 6:30pm-8pm (at least). Sit & Knit!

Cast-Offs: Join Trudy and the girls at the Yarn & Frame Peddler in Taylors. They meet on Saturdays from 10 am—12 pm. Plenty of Room, Plenty of Fun!

Club Med: Join these knitters at their new location, Port City Java on Mills Avenue, on the second and last Thursday of the month. Bring a chair.

Good To Know

Charity Knit Inn

Mark your calendar for a day of knitting, eating, and sharing ideas: April 21, 2007 from 10am to 4pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Sacred Heart Hall downstairs meeting room. Classes include looming and socks, details still being finalized. Please RSVP with Carol or Robin at the Guild meeting or at 282-0982 so we ensure sufficient lunch provisions! Join us for a fun hour or day of knitting, sharpening skills and benefiting local charities. Contact Carol or Robin for more details (864) 282-0982.

Beading Class

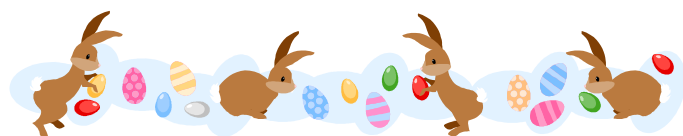
If you missed the class at the Knit Inn, here's your second chance. Lainy Haule will be teaching basic beading on April 15th from 2pm—5pm at The Needletree. Cost is \$5. Please contact The Needletree to sign up: 864-235-6060.

White 1502 Double-Bed Knitting Machine for Sale

Still new and in the original box, only been used twice. It has always been in a smoke-free, climate-controlled environment. I am the original owner. I have \$1100 in it, but will sell for \$400 plus actual shipping (I live in Seneca, SC & may be able to deliver it). Photos available upon request. Please email me with questions: Jan Blesi neiljan@bellsouth.net

Charity Knitting

As discussed at our last meeting, if you know of an organization that is in need of knitted items, you can pick up an application form at the meetings or download it off the Google Groups site. Be sure to include the contact person at the charity, applicable dates, and description of needed items. Applications will be reviewed by the Board.



Charity Corner

Carol & Robin Paul

We received over the past month
From Guild Members & BAM KnitWits:

- 1 Toy
- 1 Scarf
- 2 Hat/Scarf Sets
- 14 Shawls
- 1 Sweater - Child
- 16 Hats - Adult
- 46 Hats - Child
- 29 Hats - Baby
- 1 bag of toiletries

5 Blankets
(special thanks to Twinkle!)

50 preemie caps
(thanks to St Francis Hospitals!)

12 hats
(thanks to Dorothy Kaufman, courtesy Clista)

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April 21, 2007

10 am - 4 pm

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Sacred Heart Hall downstairs meeting room

Join us for a day of knitting, eating, & sharing ideas!



TREASURER'S REPORT

Item	Deposit	Debit	Balance
March Balance Forward			1617.61
Deposit - Dues	90.00		1707.61
Deposit - Needles	10.00		1717.61
Newsletter & Stamps		49.79	1667.82
Handouts for Meeting - Patterns		28.35	1639.47
Haule Memorial - Safe Harbor		25.00	1614.47
April Balance Forward			1614.47



108 Bumble Circle

Address or Email Changes??

Please Contact Amy Ashton

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Address Service Requested

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

WWW.SCKNITTINGGUILD.COM

http://groups.google.com/group/scknittingguild

NEWS EWES CAN USE!



If you have information you'd like to place in the May Newsletter, please call, email, or snail mail it to me by May 20th.

Thanks, Amy

Domestic Divas

At our last meeting, Bobbie graciously handed over her crown to me (I still get verklempt just thinking about it) for sharing my most fabulous find with everyone...the Magic Bullet! This kitchen wonder is the best thing since sliced bread! It's a high speed blender/mixer that allows you to whip up frozen drinks, grind coffee beans & nuts, make fresh whipped cream, puree fruit, chop salsa, etc. And best of all, it comes with blend-n-serve mugs! Talk about no mess! Set includes four party mugs with four comfort lip rings, one tall cup, one short cup, high-torque power base, stainless steel flat blade and cross blade, two stay-fresh re-sealable lids, two shaker/steamer tops and 10-second recipe book. I purchased mine from the Infomercial...but they are available at stores like Bed, Bath, & Beyond, Linens -n- Things, and it's even been spotted at Doller General! It typically retails for \$59.99.



Knitting On the Web

Looking for cute, new patterns? Check out some of these sites next time you need help or a new project:



iPod Covers: Stores are actually selling ribbed socks in the store...but why buy them when you can make them yourself!

- <http://wendyknits.net/archives/000636.html>
- <http://radio.weblogs.com/0129449/categories/Knitting/2003/12/30.html>

Know of a great site? Please share it!



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