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Upcoming Events:

- August Guild Meeting:  
August 14, 6:45pm
- Charity Knitting
- Spartanburg Retreat:  
Big Lynn Lodge, Little  
Switzerland, NC  
Sept. 15-17
- SAFF 2006:  
Asheville, NC  
Oct. 27-29
- Knitting Cruise  
Port Canaveral  
Nov. 11-18

## August Meeting

### Yarn Swap

This month we'll be holding a yarn-swap. Much like our auction at our Annual Knit-Inn, you can sell some of your left overs. Yarn, books, needles, bags, etc. You know what they say...one knitter's trash is another knitter's new stash! And, you just might make some money to boot!

What to do: Place each lot of yarn in a separate zip lock bag with your name and the amount of money you want for it. Anything collected over that price will go to the Guild!



### Knitting Pins

We are running low on the knitting pins we give to guests. If we each knit one or two, the job will be done in a jiffy! Please knit a 1½" square for the August meeting. Be sure to include a length of yarn to make a ball. Special thanks to those of you who've been knitting these by the bucket loads!

## Welcome!

We had several guests at our July meeting. We welcome them and hope they will consider joining us again in the future.

MaryLou Crowley

Tina Stevens

Terry Gentry

Elizabeth Swergist

Amy Grace

## President's Place

While looking at some of the new issues of all the knitting magazines, I was thinking of how knitting has changed so much over the years. When I learned to knit in 1960, there were hardly any knitting shops and magazines, and very little selection of yarns. Now you can knit almost anything with any kind of yarn and you can be so much more creative.

We are so fortunate to have so many people sharing their talents and beautiful creations. Ever since I joined the guild, I enjoy most seeing all the beautiful articles that everyone has made. We not only make beautiful things for ourselves, but our charity knitting has also been so creative. I can only imagine what new things we will continue to make.

We have some wonderful events and programs planned and I thank the Board for all of their hard work. I look forward to an exciting time ahead. Please call or email me with any ideas, comments, etc.

See you in August,  
Nancy

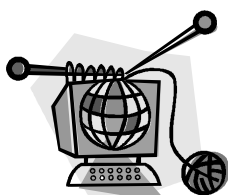
# UPCOMING ELECTIONS

Elections are just around the corner, and we'd like you to consider filling an office! At the August meeting, you will be given the opportunity to sign up for any and all positions you are interested in filling.

The nominations committee will sort your responses and fill any gaps before presenting the state of potential officers to the Guild in September. Voting will take place at the October meeting.

If you are unable to attend the August meeting and would like to be considered for an office, please email or snail mail our secretary by August 15th (stephanie@crazydreamers.com or Stephanie Young 108 Poplar Drive, Greer, SC 29651.

## Members Only!



The guild website now includes two **Members Only** sections: *Ewe's News* and *Patterns*.

To access these pages, go to [www.scknittingguild.com](http://www.scknittingguild.com). You'll find a registration box on the home page. Once you have created a log in and a password, you can enjoy the news and patterns!

## Knit Happens:

**AC Moore:** Join Lucy Strausbaugh any Thursday from 10am-2pm. Come for help, encouragement, or just for fun!

**BAM-BAM Girls:** Join the Girls 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.

**Yarns Forever:** Sit & Stitch each Thursday from 6pm -8pm. No teacher, just a place to knit! 10 Middleton Way, Greer Call 989-0101 for directions.

# I WANT THAT RECIPE!

There were so many delicious dishes at our *Christmas in July* meeting that I will be busy until our next meeting just trying to work it all off my hips (they say you burn 85 cal/hr knitting...good thing I really like to knit, huh?!?). Anyway, one dish in particular received much praise and had many members requesting the recipe. In order to save time and effort, we thought we'd just send it to everyone. Enjoy!

### Clista LeGrand's Grape Salad

4 pounds grapes (2 lbs white and 2 lbs red) washed, drained, and dried

Mix the following 3 ingredients together, add to the grapes and refrigerate

1 8-oz package cream cheese (can use reduced fat or fat free)

1/2 cup sugar (can use splenda)

1 tsp vanilla

When ready to serve, mix the following and sprinkle on top:

1/2 cup light brown sugar

1/2 cup lightly toasted pecans, chopped

## Charity Corner



*Carol & Robin Paul*

This past month, we collected:

- 48 Chemo Caps
- 26 Premie Caps
- 7 Children's Caps
- 1 Child's Sweater
- 1 Purse
- 5 Lap Robes
- Bags of Travel-Size Toiletries

We still need caps, so keep them coming!

The Board is planning a Charity Knitting Date in order to embellish baseball hats in order to offer more summer-friendly options for chemo patients. Date and time to be announced at August meeting!

# Good To Know

## Knitting Cruise

The Knitting Cruise leaves from Port Canaveral at 4pm on Saturday, Nov. 11th. After visiting Nassau, St. Thomas, & St. Marten, the ship returns to Canaveral on early Saturday morning, Nov. 18th. You can bring a friend, a spouse, or lots of friends! The cost is determined by the accommodations each person chooses. Contact Tammy Sharpes at our local AAA 240-3010 ext. 96446 or email her at: [tsharpes@mailaaa.com](mailto:tsharpes@mailaaa.com)

## Spartanburg Knitting Retreat

The 3rd Annual retreat will be held Sept. 15-17 (2 nights) at the Big Lynn Lodge in Little Switzerland, NC. Sign up now...it's filling up fast. Call 1-828-765-4257 for reservations. Be sure to tell them you are one of the knitters to receive a discount.

The retreat will kick off with dinner Friday night and a "get to know each other" time. Saturday morning we are taking a "field trip" to a large yarn shop in Burnsville, NC, where we will have lunch. Saturday afternoon there will be an entrelac and/or crochet classes offered, maybe more... then Saturday night fun and depart Sunday morning by 11a.m.

## SAFF 2006

The Southeastern Animal Fiber Fair will be held Oct. 27-29 at the Western NC Ag Center, Asheville, NC. Be sure to check out the website to sign up for workshops! <http://www.saffsite.org/> or call Carolyn Blalock (828) 891-2810.

## Junior League Building

We resigned our lease...we have the building until May 2007!!

"I only knit to keep my head above my stash!!"  
-Anonymous



## TREASURER'S REPORT

| Item                   | Deposit | Debit    | Balance    |
|------------------------|---------|----------|------------|
| July Balance Forward   |         |          | \$2,041.10 |
| New Books for Library  |         | \$26.79  | \$2,014.31 |
| Printing of Newsletter |         | \$44.82  | \$1,969.49 |
| Stamps for Newsletter  |         | \$46.80  | \$1,922.69 |
| Copies of Patterns     |         | \$16.01  | \$1,906.68 |
| Flower Pens for June   |         | \$21.43  | \$1,885.25 |
| Ice/Drinks for July    |         | \$16.93  | \$1,868.32 |
| Hats for Charity       |         | \$250.00 | \$1,618.32 |
| Aug Balance Forward    |         |          | \$1,618.32 |

# Garter-Cuff Cap

The key to the construction of this cap, as far as sizing goes, is the cuff. These instructions are for a newborn - make the cuff wider and longer for larger heads. Choosing a heavier yarn and larger needles will result in a larger cap. Typically, a newborn's head circumference is 16", toddlers are about 18", older children are 20" and adults are 22".



**Size:** Infant

**Material:** Less than 50 gm. sportweight yarn (I used Wool-Ease Sport)

**Needles:** Size 4 (US) 16" circular and double-pointed needles

**Gauge:** 6st and 12 rows = 1" in garter stitch; 6 st and 8 rows = 1" in stockinette stitch

Provisionally cast on 24 stitches. Work as follows until piece measures 16".

**Row 1:** Knit across until last two stitches, bring yarn forward, slip 2.

**Row 2:** Knit.

Place cast-on stitches on a spare needle and join the first and last rows either by grafting (Kitchener stitch) or by using a three-needle bind-off.

You'll see that slipping the last two stitches of Row 1, and then knitting them on Row 2, produces a neat edge on one side of the cuff. Pick up 77 stitches around the opposite edge. Place a marker at the beginning of the round.

Working circularly, knit every round until piece measures approximately 2-1/2" from top of cuff. Place six more markers (different from your beginning of round marker) every 11 stitches around the cap.

Decrease for crown. (Change to double-pointed needles when necessary.)

**Round 1:** Knit 9, knit 2 together.

**Round 2:** Knit around.

**Round 3:** Knit 8, knit 2 together.

**Round 4:** Knit around.

Continue decreasing as above until you have 7 stitches left. Cut yarn, leaving about an 18-inch tail. Draw yarn through remaining stitches a couple of times to secure.

Using backwards loop cast on, CO 3 stitches. Work I-cord for about an inch. Fasten off yarn and draw loose end down through I-cord to inside of cap. Fold bottom of cap up about two inches, to make a deep cuff. You may want to tack the cuff down.

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## NEWS EWES CAN USE!



*If you have information you'd like to place in the September Newsletter, please call, email, or snail mail it to me by Aug. 25th.  
Thanks, Amy*

## On the Road Again

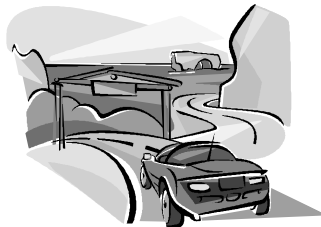
Have you ever been out of town and need a yarn fix? We're here to help. Each month we'll try to spotlight knitting shops around the Southeast that you can hit up when you're in need. Have a favorite? Send it in!

### North Carolina:

#### **Yarns To Dye For**

927 Greenville Highway  
Hendersonville (828) 697-0630

Located in a corner of "Made in the Mountains", this shop carries a lot of the new yarns as well as hand-spun and yarns hand-painted to order. In addition, they offer patterns, books, needles, classes and also have a gallery of artists. The owner, Donna Kassab, has been teaching silk painting workshops for several years. She is an instructor of silk painting at John C. Campbell and has taught at SAFF in the past.



### North Carolina:

#### **Sage Cottage**

3726 Sweeten Creek Road  
Arden (828) 684-0770 -6983

One of Sue's favorite places, so it must be fabulous! It's fairly close and easy to get to...instead of turning left at the Asheville Airport sign, just turn right. All sorts of yarns, patterns, and needles available for you to choose from. Stop in next time you're in the area!

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