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## Welcome!

We were happy to have as visitors at our December meeting:

- Marolyn Kellner
- Joan Edwards
- Maria Como
- Cheri Cornett
- Jean Lee
- Libby Vaughn

SOUTH CAROLINA KNITTING GUILD

# EWE'S NEWS

## *President's Place*

I hope everyone had a safe, wonderful holiday! Be prepared to begin the New Year with a bang!

Great programs and, of course, our KnitInn will be coming soon. Be sure to read your newsletter and any online info in order to keep up to date on all happenings. We also will be sending out email reminders as needed.

Thank you to everyone who took part in December's program by bringing your favorite knitting bag and gadgets. Your participation contributes to everyone's learning and enjoyment of the program. You always can learn something from someone else - maybe just a little hint or idea, but it will improve your knitting or organization of your knitting related items.

See you at our January 12 meeting and party!

Nancy Groff

### Upcoming Events:

- Guild Meeting, January 12, McAlister Square, 6:45 pm
- KnitInn, Drury Inn, February 6-8

## *January Meeting*

Since we are having a party, the program will be a short discussion on how to help get your UFOs (unfinished objects) and stash under control. Bring to the meeting with you a list of all of the UFOs currently in your house. This means you actually have to find your UFOs so you can list them (you do not need to bring them with you). If you have cast on, it is a UFO! Also, if you have yarn earmarked for a specific project make a list of those projects. If you are not yet totally out of control, and those two lists don't fill up several pages, then also list stash so it can be assigned to a project.

We will teach you an organizing method that, if you stick to it, will guarantee control of those UFOs and cure you of the 'startitis' disease. You will need to bring: your lists and green, red, and blue crayons, markers or colored pencils.

## *February Meeting*

We hope to be able to use the audiovisual equipment and have a program to show everyone the wonders of Ravelry and other knitting related goodies, such as instructional videos on Utube.

Nancy McFarlane



## We're Having a Party . . . and you're invited!

### Save Time—Break Your New Year's Resolutions Now!

At our January 12 meeting, we will have a New Year's Party. Remember to bring either an hors d'oeuvres or dessert. Also, please bring finger food only - no forks will be available. The Guild will provide the paper products and hot/cold drinks.



### Knit Inn 2009

**Knit Inn Registration Fee** The Knit Inn registration fee is \$5/person. This covers your admission to our Friday and Saturday night activities and admission to the vendor area on Saturday. You also must pay this fee in order to take a class

**For more information, contact: Michele Kesler, keslerfam@charter.net, Phone 269-6742.**

**Please Note:** All members of the SC Knitting Guild are asked to bring a 'finger food' to the February 2009 KnitInn for our snack area. The snack can be salty, sweet, fruit, veggie, 2-liter drinks or tea. Please, do not bring foods that must be kept warm. The Guild will provide cups, plates and napkins. We want to have plenty of munchies for everyone to enjoy throughout the entire weekend. See you there!

**FROM OUR DECEMBER MEETING** Here are links to some of the patterns and websites that were discussed at the December meeting. Most of these can be found by putting one or two words from their name into Google.

The striped scarf from Noro Silk Garden is on the blog by Brooklyn Tweed.

<http://brooklyntweed.blogspot.com/2007/04/noro-scarf.html>

The information for the Prismatic scarf (the variegated one with slipstitch) can be found here: <http://featherandfan.wordpress.com/patterns/the-prismatic-scarf/>

The fairisle hat – we call them Pirates – can be found here:

<http://www.helloyarn.com/wecallthempirates.htm>

The Easy Drop Stitch Scarf which Carol Paul showed is seen here:

<http://christine.typepad.com/knitting/easy-drop-stitch-scarf-pa.html>

Ravelry is a knitting community website that has forums, yarn info, pattern info, etc. We will do a program probably in February showing all that Ravelry has to offer and to help you learn how to navigate the site and how to post pictures, etc.

To join you need to go to <http://www.ravelry.com/> and sign up to be a member. It became so popular so quickly that there used to be a 2-3 month wait to become a member. It's is now only a few days, but if you want to be a member by the February meeting, you should sign up now and play around on the site to see what there is to offer.

We all enjoy "Show & Tell" each month, and here's a suggestion to make it even better: if you bring a show and tell, try to bring information about the item like where you got the pattern, what yarn you used, how long it took, and any quirks about it that you wish you had known before you started. Even if that information is not available, please keep bringing your finished projects.

# Good To Know

## Book Lights

Since several people asked, Nancy McFarlane will bring some of the over-the-neck booklights like the one she showed from her gadget bag, to the January meeting. They sell for 19.95+ tax - \$21.15.



## Aviator Tape

This tape was mentioned as a favorite tool at the December meeting. Four rolls will be available at the January meeting from Carolyn Freshour, \$3 a roll.



## Knitting Magazines

Did you know the Knitting Guild of America publishes a quarterly magazine, available by subscription? Each issue includes free patterns, technical articles, guild news and more. Online subscriptions available. <http://www.tkga.com/cointro.shtm>

*Creative Knitting* magazine is now available in digital form by subscription. If you subscribe now for a year, you get access to the last two years' issues as well. <http://www.creativeknittingmagazine.com/>

Other magazines for knitters include:

*Knit N Style*, published six times a year  
<http://www.knitnstyle.com/>

*Knitting Universe*, published four times a year, features great patterns, terrific techniques section, and a wealth of other information. Visit their website for online subscriptions and other great goodies.  
<http://www.knittinguniverse.com>

A comprehensive listing of knitting magazines is found at [www.bellaonline.com](http://www.bellaonline.com).

# Charity Corner



Carol & Robin Paul

Collected at the Guild meeting, and with especial thanks to the abundant work of Nita Finley and her group of happy crocheters and knitters:

- 3 children's blankets
- 1 child's sweater
- 21 premie hats
- 1 baby blanket
- 2 fetal demise pouches
- 2 lap robes
- 4 shawls
- 3 washcloths
- 29 adult hats
- 1 scarf & hat set

and for Triune Mercy Center for this cold winter:

- 27 adult hats
- 1 hat and scarf set
- 11 scarves
- 1 hat and mitten set

## Special Thanks!

Thank you for your charitable contributions this past year! As you reflect on your blessings in the New Year, please take time to craft something for those much less fortunate.

You all have such talent in this Guild!

## In Memoriam

The Guild has made a donation to Donate Life SC in memory of Tobie Roberts. Tobie was a charter member of the Guild and served in several capacities, including president and co-chair of the KnitInn. Many of us knew Tobie, and she is greatly missed.



*Ideas/articles for the newsletter?*

*Please contact Carolyn Freshour, 286-3978,  
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*Address or Email Changes??*

*Please contact Pat Blackwood, 297-1734*

Address Service Requested

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WE'RE ON THE WEB!

WWW.SCKNITTINGGUILD.COM

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

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### NEWS EWES CAN USE!



*If you have information you'd like to place in the January Newsletter, please call or email it to me by January 23.*

*Thanks!*

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### Knitting On the Web



**Looking for cute, new patterns or gifts?**

**Check out some of these sites next time you need a project for kids or even a special item for yourself:**

Www.LittleKnits.com is your source for quality yarn and knitting supplies. Their aim is to share our passion for knitting by providing you with some of the best yarn deals on the web. Their mission is to promote knitting through education, networking and on-line collaboration.

**Know of a great site?  
Please share it!**

### 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!

**Thursday Morning Knitters** Join these girls at Streetside, corner of East North and Old Spartanburg, Thursday mornings, from 10-12. Stay for a yummy lunch!

**Wednesday Evenings** YO-C Group meets at Java Jolt on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. each week. Come and join the fun. We knit and crochet, and everyone is welcome!