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President's Place

What fun we all had at the June meeting making our own stitch markers! Thanks, Michele Kesler, for sharing your creative skills and enthusiasm with us. We each now have a collection of beaded markers that are both lovely and useful.

The SC Knitting Guild is growing every month - we have over 80 members! At the July meeting, please try to get to know at least one new person. Make a new friend.

July Meeting

Along with the salad/dessert supper, we will have a silent auction. Any knitting or fiber related items may be sold. Yarn, needles, books, fiber, spindles, totes, notions are all acceptable. Please put each separate item in a clear bag with your name and any description you want on a card or piece of paper in the bag. Also, put the minimum bid you will sell it for. Remember the guild will get 10% of the final amount..

Shoppers (aren't we all?!) please bring cash or your check books. We will give you a total and you may write one check for whatever you buy.

We will have a limited amount of time for shopping as we need plenty of time to tally up. So everyone try and get there with your items already packaged so they can be put on the tables immediately. Bidding will start as soon as you arrive and a bell will signal the end of the bidding at 7:45 sharp!

August Meeting

Carol Paul will be showing us how to use basic crochet stitches to enhance our knitting. This will be specifically for people who just want to learn enough crocheting to do provisional cast ons, slip stitch and other basic edgings. There will be home work so stay tuned so you will know what to bring to the August meeting.

Upcoming Events:
Guild meeting, July 13, McAlister Square, 6:45 PM

Welcome!

We're happy to have two new

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Ladies,

We have two busy activities at the July meeting - the salad/dessert supper and the silent auction. In order to help the hostesses, the meeting room will be open early. We would like the food ready at 6:45pm and the auction items on the appropriate tables by 7pm.



Here are directions for the shawl from June's Show and Tell.

School Products Glitzy Shawl

12mm needles - US size 17

2 skeins Karabella Gossamer (30% kid mohair, 52% nylon, 18 % polyester, 222 yds.)

CO 50 stitches.

Work 3 rows garter stitch.

Keep 3 stitches on each edge in garter.

Work stockinette stitch in the center.

End with 3 rows of garter stitch.



How About In Downtown Greenville?

69 Parking Meters Covered in Knitted Cozies

The Montague Street Business Improvement District, in Brooklyn Heights, NY, officially opened 69 Meters, a public-art installation that will beautify the city's main shopping street through mid June. 69 Meters is a collaboration between Magda Sayeg – the founder of [Knitta Please](#), the guerilla knitting collective – and nearly 50 volunteer knitters.

Hand-knitted cozies were created by dozens of Brooklyn residents and were also contributed by knitters as far away as San Francisco, Paris, and Santiago, Chile. The 69 Meters pieces will be attached to each meter pole below the parking meter itself.

To thank them for their contribution, each volunteer knitter received three skeins of Red Heart's [Eco-Ways™](#) yarn, an innovative, easy-care product that lessens the impact on the environment because it is made with 30% recycled



FLAK

All of you who have signed up will get installment one containing most of the info we have already given you about yarn requirements and swatch. But it will also contain a schematic for you to fill in with measurements. We strongly recommend that rather than measuring your self you take the required measurements from a sweater of similar weight that you like the fit of. We will be knitting to those exact measurements.

If you don't have anything that fits, go to a store armed with a tape measure and a pad and pencil and try some on. In the dressing room you can easily measure a sweater and have accurate measurements of something that fits. Be sure and pay attention to shoulder width – do you like where it hits on your shoulder, neck width – is the neck to big and gapey, and armhole depth – do you have lots of excess fabric under the arm or is it a good depth. Are the sleeves the right length – too long or too short. Make a note of what you want your sweater to measure in each place and that is what you will make.

Good To Know

The Guild Membership Directory is on our website and is updated monthly with new members' contact information and any corrections. You may access it by going to www.scknittingguild.com. The user name



Guild member Dorcas Lindsay reports that Lion Brand Yarn offers cute downloadable cards at: <http://www.lionbrand.com/downloadableCards.html>.

You need to register on the Lion Brand website – its free.



Knitting in the News

A group of Australians have knitted themselves into the record books at a charity event in Sydney.

A total of 256 men and women gathered in Sydney recently to knit for 20 minutes, setting a new record for the most people knitting simultaneously.

Guinness World Records Australian representative Chris Sheedy said it was the first time a simultaneous knitting record had been set, but it required at least 250 people to make it into the book.

"They had to be together in the one place, and they had to be knitting for 15 minutes non stop," he said.

"They also had to knit in a traditional fashion with two needles ... rather than finger knitting." The event was part of an initiative by New Idea magazine to increase breast cancer awareness and raise funds for the illness.

The knitted items - all of them pink - will be donated to The Prince of Wales Hospital along with \$5,000 from the New Idea Breast Cancer Fund.



Carol & Robin Paul

Charity Corner

We received over the past month from Guild Members:

- 2 adult hats
- 1 wash cloth
- 40 children's hats
- 1 child's vest
- 1 fetal demise pouch
- 1 quilted playmate for Ronald McDonald-house
- 1 scarf
- 2 blankets
- 45 preemie hats
- 1 toy

A special thank you for the hats from the Christ Church knitters!

Thank you, everyone, for your response to looming. Please keep up the good work and keep the hats coming!



TREASURER'S REPORT

Item	Deposit	Debit	Balance
May Balance Forward			4,455.05
Deposit dues & FLAK	177.50		
Expenses		315.04	
June Ending Balance			4,317.51



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*If you have information you'd like to place in the August
Newsletter, please call or email it to me by July 25th.*

Thanks!

Carolyn Freshour

**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:

Check out the Craft Yarn Council's website at
www.craftyarncouncil.com for news about
shows, free patterns, and charity projects.

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!

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 wel-
come!

