



# Cablegram



## September 4: Back to School Mini Classes

All classes will run 7:15 to 7:45 and 8:00 to 8:30

### Finishing with Paula Ward (homework required, see page 3)

Simplify finishing by learning this simple technique for picking up the right number of stiches around a neckline or along a button band. Achieve a firm edge that does not shrink or sag.

### Online Library with Deb Otto

SKG is going ONLINE with our library. Please join Deb to learn about the new online Library and how you can browse books prior to check out.

### Team Yoga with Gordon Kaplan (see page 3)

Through our arms we express our heart. The resulting beauty is reflected in the piece you knit. In this mini yoga workshop you will learn methods to regain and maintain healthy hands, wrists, elbows and shoulders. We'll focus on physical tools of yoga that you can take home and touch on the lifestyle and nutritional aspects to support this work. This is for those with ache(s) or those who wish to prevent it.

### Repurposing with Tracey Delamarter (bring knitting, see page 3)

Does the back of your craft closet look like a scene out of a fibery horror movie? Do you have secret piles of UFOs hidden under your bed, behind your couch cushions, and in your deep freeze?! Are you constantly wearing mismatch hand knits because you cannot quite muster up the enthusiasm to knit the same pattern twice?!? No worries! All you need to do is put on your creativity cap, think outside the box, and give those UFOs a new purpose in life.

### Steeking with Jessica Rose (homework required, see page 3)

Are you terrified at the idea of cutting your knitting? Steeks allow you to knit your projets in the round and place openings where you need them. We will discuss crocheted and machine-stitched steeks.

### Two Handed Knitting – Carol Sherman (bring knitting, see page 3)

Fair Isle, intarsia, duplicate dtitch... If you think colorwork is out of your comfort zone or just completely out of reach, think again. We will look at some of the basics of knitting with more than one strand of yarn and the various forms of colorwork.

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### Looking Ahead:

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Churchmouse Yarns & Teas

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## Charity Knit 2013

Congratulations to all – you continue to make me smile with your very generous knitting for our charities this year. We have collected over one hundred pieces (hats, gloves, scarfs and sweaters). YOU GUYS ROCK!!! The charities we are supporting will be so very pleased and honored by what you have created for them. Just a quick reminder this year we are knitting for two charities:

1) Trinity Place (Lynnwood) – this is a home for single mothers and their children. This apartment environment allows the mothers (often young women under twenty) to learn life skills like interviewing for jobs, keeping a house, managing money before they go out on their own with their children to make it the world. We are knitting for the kids, as the funds the mothers are given really do not allow for lots of extras. These kids will love getting colorful hats, scarfs and other items you are working on.

2) Operation Nightwatch – this organization serves a wide population of poor and homeless men, women and children. The Nightwatch team works to help people attain their highest level of self-reliance providing meals and shelter for the homeless at night as well as low-cost housing to support seniors and disable. Hats, scarfs, and gloves are most appreciated by this charity and the warmer the better for those wet cold days in Seattle.

— Paulette Hauck, Program Co-Chair

## Elizabeth Zimmermann KAL

The month of November is sneaking up on us! How is your EZ KAL progress? I have not even started mine, but there is still time to get it done. I have been looking over some of Zimmermann's hat patterns. She has some very interesting ones that look like they would be fun to knit up, AND they would be great as donations for the Charity Knitting! Two birds, one skein, so to speak...

If you have not started your Elizabeth Zimmermann project yet, take a look at her patterns on Ravelry. There is lots to choose from, and you can see how other knitter's creations turned out. I cannot wait to see what you all come up with for November!

— Tracey Delamarter, President

**Seattle Knitters Guild**

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Meetings every first Wednesday of the month 7pm

Wedgwood Presbyterian Church

8008 – 35th Ave. NE, Seattle

(NE corner of 35th and 80th)

Visitors always welcome.

Parking available in the lot behind the church or across from the south side of the church on 80th.

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# September 4 — Back to School Mini Classes Homework

## **Finishing with Paula Ward**

Using yarn and appropriate needle size, knit a 6"x6" swatch. Bring swatch, more yarn (small ball) and needles that are one or two sizes smaller than the needle size used to knit the swatch.

## **Team Yoga with Gordon Kaplan**

It is helpful to bring a yoga strap or a hand towel.

## **Repurposing with Tracey Delamarter**

So dig out all those single socks and mitts, pull out those incomplete sweaters, and bag up any other UFOs that you can find, and bring them to the meeting. We will be breathing new life into old projects, and in the process, shucking off the shame of knowing that our knitting got the best of us.

## **Steeking with Jessica Rose**

If you would like bring your own practice piece to stabilize and cut. Cast on 30 stitches in a worsted weight 100% wool yarn (not superwash) on double pointed needles and knit in the round for a few inches. Bind off and bring your swatch to class along with a crochet hook (size is not crucial but around a D or E) and scrap yarn (also non-superwash wool).

## **Two Handed Knitting with Carol Sherman**

Bring colorwork you are working on, OR two different color yarns and suitable size needles.

— Paulette Hauck, Program Co-Chair



## **From the President's Pen**

A big Thank You to Andrea R. She contacted the guild to donate several boxes of patterns, books, and knitting supplies. Some of these will be added to the library, some of the supplies will be used for charity knitting, and some will be given away as part of future raffles. Thanks for your generosity, Andrea!

— Tracey Delamarter, President

## Looking Back: Show and Tell from the Ice Cream Social

Since I missed last summer's Ice Cream Social, I was not prepared for just how amazingly fun it is to sit around knitting and eating delicious ice cream on a warm summer evening. The flavors were incredible, and I am fairly certain the berries and mint came out of the garden that morning. The company was great, too. It is always fun to get a chance to just sit and chat with fellow fiber lovers. A huge THANKS! to Parfait Artisan Organic Ice Cream. Now I cannot wait for next summer!

— Tracey Delamarter



## Check It Out: 2013 Fort Worden Knitters Retreat

Mark your calendar for the Fort Worden Knitters Retreat, October 30 – November 2. Come for all the days or just a few days. Fort Worden is nestled in the heart of Port Townsend and an easy jaunt from Seattle via ferry or drive around south sound. Whether you want time to knit an easy project in the company of friends new or old or time to concentrate, the Knitters Retreat is your time to knit, spin, crochet, or do your favorite art form.

Reserve a single or shared room located in the white-painted barrack building perch above the grass field and gray-blue waters of Puget Sound. A walk to the beach provides a bit of exercise in between working on projects and sharing meals. Beyond breakfast and lunch, your time is unstructured except for Saturday night, where we meet for a big show and tell program. People show inspiring projects they finished over the year. Often yarn bought at last year's retreat is completed into a beautiful and inspiring piece.

The Fort Worden Knitters Retreat is an annual event and has room for you to join the experience. Send an email to [fortworden.knitters@gmail.com](mailto:fortworden.knitters@gmail.com) with a request to be placed on the mailing list. Include your full name and address and include that you heard about the retreat through the Seattle Knitters Guild. A reservation information letter will be emailed back to you.

— Kim Magden, Ravelry: KMDesigns



## Knitter's Calendar

September 28-29, Oregon Flock & Fiber Festival, Canby, Oregon

October 5-6, North Olympic Fiber Arts Festival, Sequim

October 20-21, Fiber Fusion, Monroe, Washington

October 24-26, Seattle Weavers' Guild Annual Sale and Show, Seattle

October 26-27, Knit City Fibre Festival, Vancouver, British Columbia

November 2-3, KnitFit, Seattle

November 10-11, FiberMania, Grants Pass, Oregon

### Seattle Knitters Guild Calendar

October 2 Pattern Planning Process Churchmouse Yarns & Teas

November 6 Knit-Along Fashion Show, Charity Knitting collection, Raffle

December 4 Holiday Party and Gift Exchange

Speakers are subject to change