

Westchester Knitting Guild Newsletter[©]

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SEQUENCE KNITTING Tuesday, Jan. 16 CHARITY KNITTING Monday, Jan. 22

Our 2018 knitting year starts with two exciting programs in the month of January. We are pleased to welcome Cecilia Campochiaro, author of *Sequence Knitting*, on the 16th (more info on page 4) and hold our annual Charity Knitting Night on January 22nd.

Charity Knitting Night – an evening where you can sit and relax, chat with friends and knit a little something for someone in need. So how about choosing a pattern you've always wanted to try, search your stash for the appropriate yarn, grab the right needles and head to the Guild meeting to join your friends.

Need a suggestion as to what is needed? Unfortunately, any and everything is needed – any age, either gender, any fiber. But here are a few ideas: *Hawkwing* is always collecting warm winter clothing, especially for the children; they also have a new program which provides warm hats and socks for newborns, in addition to sweaters for all babies. The Kids Closet in White Plains always needs sweaters for toddlers, and hats, scarves and mittens for all children. *Metro World Child* distributes clothing for the entire family – any fiber but wool/acrylic blends are much warmer. Preemie hats and blankets are also constantly required; these must be acrylic and soft. Jansen Hospice and

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From the President

Happy New Year! We have much to look forward to in 2018. If you haven't yet looked at our new and improved website, please do. You will be amazed.

January brings two meetings instead of one. All you need to know is in this newsletter. We will have a guest speaker on the Tuesday the 18th : Cecilia Campochiaro. Many of you have become familiar with her knitting theory through our latest KAL with Joan Ratner. On a personal note I have finished two projects based on Cecilia's theory, and I must say I am enchanted with the results. I will be referring to her book often and have a preliminary idea of what I want to knit next.

At our holiday party we had the opportunity to purchase yarn from Susan Green at the truly unbelievable price of \$1.00 per skein, as well as share some wonderful food. The current Board of Directors was voted in for another year. The board is encouraging WKG members who think they might like to be on the board to shadow a board member to become more familiar with what each of the board functions entail. You can speak to any of us if you are interested.

As we look forward to a New Year, I would like to wish everyone a year of Happy Knitting!

J. Evelyne Liebmann

CHARITY KNITTING NIGHT continued. . . .

Palliative Care Center is most appreciative when we send them 32" square blankets; again acrylic yarn is required. It is soft and colorful and makes them especially comforting. We also collect 5" X 7" squares to make blankets.

We have some yarn – the yarn the Taconic Correctional Facility does not accept – which is mostly worsted weight. So, if you bring the appropriate needle size and a pattern, you can use this charity yarn. We hope to see you then,

Dorothy Freeman and Linda Cramer



WKG KNITTERS' HALL OF FAME FOR 2017

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Charity and Taconic Knitting Programs. If your name is not included on this list, and you donated, when next you donate, please make sure to give Linda Cramer your name. With great appreciation for your generosity,

Happy Knitting! Linda and Dorothy

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Westchester Knitting Guild

Cecilia Campochiaro

January 16th, 7:00 p.m.

Chappaqua Public Library

Please join us on Tuesday, January 16th at 7:00 p.m. for a special evening with Cecilia Campochiaro, author of *Sequence Knitting: Simple Methods for Creating Complex Fabrics*. This is not our regular January meeting, but a special event made possible by Cecilia's presence in New York for *Vogue Knitting Live*.



The concept of *Sequence Knitting* is simple: take a sequence of stitches and repeat them again and again. Depending on how you repeat them, different fabrics can be created. While a few of these fabrics are familiar, many are new to the knitting world.

Cecelia Campochiaro is a knitter who lives and works in Silicon Valley. *Sequence Knitting* is her first publication outside of the sciences. She grew up in a family of artists and has been knitting since she was 12.

Several members of the Guild have been working on a KAL, using Cecilia's shawl pattern, Colormill.



In addition to *Sequence Knitting* she has just published *Mason-Dixon Knitting Field Guide No. 5: Sequences*, along with Kay Gardiner, and Ann Shayne of Mason-Dixon Knitting.

This event is free to members. Guests are welcome for a \$10.00 fee or \$35.00 for a year's membership.



Get out your Pussy Hats and let's raise our voices once again to demand equality for all humans at the 2018 Women's March on NYC. Saturday, January 20th, Columbus Circle, New York City.

<https://womensmarchalliance.org/2018-womens-march-on-nyc/2018wm-faq/>

CHARITY KNITTING

Good News!

On December 23rd we delivered all the hats we collected for St. Mary's Westchester Christmas Dinner. The end count was 201 hats, four hat/scarf sets and eight scarves. They were so impressed and pleased. I will admit that a huge majority of the items were knit by Guild members but other contributors were the inmates of the Taconic Correctional Facility as well as the following knitting groups: Croton Knitters, Tuesday Knitters, and 2nd Saturday Knitters.

We are so proud to deliver all the charity items you have given, exemplifying the excellent knitting, luscious yarns and generosity. We wish you all a very Happy New Year; you have brought happiness to many people.

Dorothy Freeman and Linda Cramer



STASH

I suspect that there are many of us who have rather outrageous stashes and it is often hard to keep track of what you have. I had found this to be particularly true when I was at Rhinebeck, Vogue Knitting Live or at a yarn store and saw the perfect pattern for a sweater out of DK yarn but I had no idea if I had enough yarn at home in that beautiful brown DK yarn so I bought more, only to find out that I had had more than enough of the brown. Well, Ravelry offers us an easy solution to this problem! The Stash function lets you photograph, type in the specifics about your yarns and save them. You can use your smart phone to check in the moment, then sort your stash by yarn weight and see exactly the amount of each of the yarns in your stash. You can also use this function when you start a new project, tap the use yarn from stash button and you don't have to retype in the yarn specifics but can choose from your stash yarns. I've entered all of my sweater quantities of yarn in my Ravelry stash; I haven't entered all of my single skeins of fingering weight since I'm not ready to know how much I really have. Perhaps you will be braver than me!

Suzanne Sunday



LAURA NELKIN'S FIXING and AVOIDING LACE MISTAKES WORKSHOP

On March 26, 2018, Laura Nelkin will be teaching a class on fixing and avoiding lace mistakes from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Chappaqua library. If you haven't as yet signed up for the workshop, please do so at the December meeting. You can also now sign up friends who are not guild members. We will be collecting payment for the workshop at both of our January meetings: \$50 for members and \$65 for non-members.

Don't miss out on a great class!

Suzanne Sunday

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME

It's time to renew your membership for the 2018 year for our knitting guild. We're very fortunate to be able to maintain our dues at \$35.00 for the year! We have some exciting programs lined up for 2018.

Please make your dues check payable to the Westchester Knitting Guild or WKG in the amount of \$35.00. You may give the check (or cash) directly to me at the next meeting or you may mail it to me at:

Jeanne Scofidio
2 – 4 Brooke Club Drive
Ossining, NY 10562

Please include your current address, telephone number and current email address. I will give you (or mail to you) a 2018 WKG membership card and add you to our membership list. I look forward to your continued participation in our guild activities!

Thank you, Jeanne

UPCOMING KNITTING EVENTS

Through March 18, **Veiled Meanings: Fashioning Jewish Dress from the Collection of the Israel Museum**, Jewish Museum, New York, NY,

<http://thejewishmuseum.org/exhibitions/veiled-meanings-fashioning-jewish-dress>

Jan. 10, **Katonah Museum Fiber Club**, Katonah, NY

<http://www.katonahmuseum.org/programs-and-events/Ongoing-FiberClub/>

(Also meets 2/22, 3/15, 4/19, 5/16)



Jan. 12-14, **Vogue Knitting LIVE!**, New York Marriott Marquis, New York, NY

<https://www.vogueknittinglive.com/newyork18/76013>

Feb. 8 -12, **Warm Feet Warm Hands Warm Heart Knitting Retreat**, The Won Dharma Center, Claverack, NY <http://countrywool.com/retreats/wondharma.htm>

May 5-6, **Maryland Sheep & Wool Festival**, Howard County Fairgrounds, West Friendship, MD <http://sheepandwool.org/2018-maryland-sheep-wool-festival-2/>



Knitting News
Joan Ratner

Calendar

- January 16 – Cecilia Campochiaro, *Sequence Knitting*
- January 22 – Charity Knitting
- February 26 - Fair Isle Knitting with Westport Yarns
- March 26 - Laura Nelkin, lecture & workshop

MEETING SCHEDULE

- 6:00 Knit Along
7:00 Announcements &
 Show and Tell
7:15 Program

Meetings are held on the 4th Monday of the month at the

Chappaqua Library
195 South Greeley Ave.
Chappaqua, NY 10514-3398
914-238-4779
www.chappaqualibrary.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Membership renewal begins in January 2017. Annual dues are \$35 and Jeanne will accept payment at the next meeting.
- Please bring finished items for charity to the monthly meetings.
- Please bring donations of yarn and plastic knitting needles for the prison knitting program at Taconic to monthly meetings.
- Guests are welcome. There will be a \$10 fee for guests.

MEETING ETIQUETTE REMINDER

We are fortunate to have high quality presenters during our monthly meetings. Even if you are not interested in the presentation or mini-workshop, please be respectful of others and remember:

- No talking during presentation
- Wait until Q&A period to ask questions
- Wait for the presentation to end before trying on, or looking at samples

Thank you for your cooperation.

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