

Snohomish Knitters Guild

Events and Programs Log: *Membership Year 2009-2010*

Note: the following is a snapshot for historical reference, listed in reverse order.

SKG Monthly Meeting; Tuesday, 14 September, 2010

Program: Snohomish Knitters Guild - FIRST Birthday Celebration

Doors open 6:30pm for KnitLab, Program 7pm.

It's been a great first year for the guild. Come to share birthday cake, see a [review of our first year](#), and vote in the new officers for the 2010/2011 membership year.



Event: Evergreen State Fair:

Entries accepted August 13-14. Fair runs August 26 - September 6; Monroe, WA

At our June '10 meeting, Shelley Miars, superintendent of the lace, knit, and crochet department at the Evergreen State Fair shared some history and offered tips for entering your knitwork in the state fair. She ended the program with an invitation and admonition to enter. Here's the scoop so you'll be ready to win that big ribbon. [Read the details here.](#)

SKG Monthly Meeting; Tuesday, 10 August, 2010

Program: Susan Dirk, [The Big Woolly](#) - Felting

With a background in professional photography and a life long interest in textiles Susan Dirk has been working with fiber since 2002, concentrating on knitting, felting and natural dyeing. She has enjoyed teaching classes to adults and kids at Earthues Textile Design studio, the Nordic Heritage Museum, local yarn shops, on Knitting Cruises in the Pacific Northwest and at a number of schools in the Greater Seattle area.

Join her at the Snohomish Knitters Guild Meeting on the evening of August 10th as she talks about her felting experiences, shows samples of her work and demonstrates the art of felting.
To visit her website, go to www.TheBigWoolly.com.

Event: Come join us for an exciting evening of Knitting and Baseball!

Mariners vs. Texas Rangers on Thursday, August 5th, game starts at 7:10 pm at Safeco Field ([map](#)) in Seattle.

Enjoy the wonderful summer weather, watch a baseball game, and meet Debbie Bliss, while browsing products and samples from local yarn and fiber vendors. The ceremonial first pitch will be thrown out by knitting and yarn designer, Debbie Bliss. She will also be available during the game to chat and sign books.

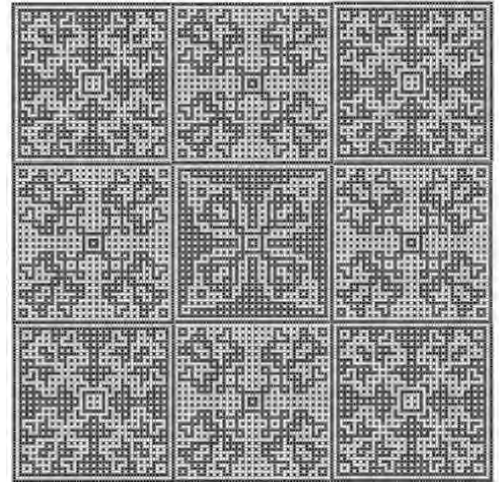
This is an incredible opportunity to visit a wide variety of yarn stores, all in one convenient location, while enjoying a great baseball game and the fabulous food that Safeco Field offers. Bring your knitting, crocheting, spinning, quilting or other fiber

arts project and enjoy this wonderful evening. *Note:* Ticket sales closed 30 June 2010 - [you can still order individual tickets directly from the Mariners.](#)

SKG Monthly Meeting; Tuesday, 13 July, 2010

Program: Abbott Smith - Taming the Color Beast

Our own member, Abbott Smith will talk about color theory and knitting. View his [blog](#) to see in-depth info about color. *Pictured: Abbott's baby blanket design using mosaic knitting.* Abbott has made a packet of mosaic patterns available exclusively to members of the Snohomish Knitters Guild. (Schematic right: [Exclusive Pattern for Snohomish Thistle Mosaic Tiles from Abbott Smith](#))



SKG Monthly Meeting; 8 June, 2010

Program: Evergreen State Fair and Summer Potluck

Bring a potluck dish to next week's meeting! We'll share a meal together and Shelley Miars will share with us the judging criteria for blue ribbons at the fair. Bring your questions as well as any items you have entered in the fair in previous years.

Follow-up: read details that Shelley had to tell us about the fair [here](#).

SKG Monthly Meeting; 11 May, 2010

Program: Mary Scott Huff | Steek Eeeeeek!

Mary, author of [The New Stranded Colorwork](#) will share her enthusiasm and fun spirit with the guild. Books will be available for purchase and signing. See more about Mary at <http://maryscotthuff.com>.



Small Knit Groups: Are you part of a small knit group that has room for more new members? We welcome you to tell us a little about your group. Do you want to form a new group? Write up what you are looking for specifically (ask, they will come!) and announce it at the April meeting. Be creative in your invitation!

SKG Monthly Meeting; April 13, 2010

Program: Book, Yarn Destash Swap and Sale

Realize that you'll never ever knit with that cobweb yarn you bought 15 miles of? Ready to reduce the number of knit books you have? Bring books and great yarn you want to swap and/or sell to the April meeting. Un-swapped materials can be donated to the New Knitter Support committee for the creation of New Knitter kits. Doors open at 6:30pm.

SKG Monthly Meeting; 9 March, 2010

Program: Evelyn Clark | Lace Design

If you've been entranced by knit lace on someone, chances are it was a design of Evelyn's. She is known for her beautiful and completely do-able lace patterns. Evelyn talks about lace design. Design featured in the photo on the left is the "Karin Lace Shawl" - named for our own SKG member, Karin who loves hearts and has been the inspiration for Seattle's Nordic Heritage Museum to create its Nordic Knitting Conference. For more information, please visit www.evelynclarkdesigns.com



SKG Monthly Meeting; 9 February, 2010

Program: Teaching Round Robin | SKG

Learn three techniques: cables, lace and mosaic knitting with a round robin of teaching demonstrations. Due to the limited time, this will be a view-and-learn session. Download the [View and Learn Handout](#) and the [Exclusive Pattern for Snohomish Thistle Mosaic Tiles from Abbott Smith](#) (must sign in to members-only site to download)

We've had a sad loss in our community | Memorial Service for Deb Barnes, Saturday 30 January; 2pm A memorial service for Deb will be held at University Unitarian Church, 6556 35th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98115. [See Village Yarn and Tea Website for more info.](#)

Snohomish Knitters Guild Board Meeting
Tuesday, 26 January 2010, 7-9pm (see the guild calendar link in right column for agenda)

Please RSVP [to president@snohomishknittersguild.org](mailto:to_president@snohomishknittersguild.org) by Monday 5pm if you plan to attend. All SKG members are welcome to attend. FYI: the plan of record is for the board to meet on months that begin with an odd number (every other month) unless necessity requires otherwise.
Location: Cabbage Patch Restaurant; 111 Avenue A; Snohomish, WA; Located just off of 1st Street

Event: Saturday, 16 January, 2010

Seattle to Portland Yarn Train!

The Seattle to Portland Yarn Train started as a small knit group's day trip to Portland to search for yarn and books. It has grown into a tour of 125+ folks that are up for a fun-filled day-long adventure of knitting and shopping. As of 2009, this event became a sponsored event of the Snohomish Knitters Guild. [See more info here.](#)



SKG Monthly Meeting; 12 January, 2010 Program: Betts Lampers | Trunk Show

Come see our own best-kept-secret! Betts is famous worldwide for her fair-isle and beautiful sweater designs. One of her best-known designs was published in the book "[Sweaters from Camp](#)" (her design is the cover).

In addition to her prowess with multi-color design, she is a master of the textured sweater. Don't miss this special evening.



SKG Monthly Meeting; 8 December, 2009 7-9pm Program - Holiday Potluck & One-Skein Exchange

Location: Garden City Grange Hall. [800-2nd Street](#) (click to view map); Snohomish, WA. Doors open at 6:30pm. Time to party... Bring your favorite treat to share and one lovely gift-wrapped skein to exchange with your fellow knitters. We'll eat, knit, and celebrate the holiday season!

Reminder: Nametag Contest for December Party

Design a nametag for the Guild. It can be paper, plastic, knitted, melted, organic, inorganic...use your creativity! We'll put all the entries out and vote on them at the December 8th party. The winning nametag will be adopted by the guild. Each member will create the nametag design chosen, so please remember to include how-to instructions along with your finished nametag entry. Note: no SKG board meeting in December.

Snohomish Knitters Guild Board Meeting

Tuesday, 24 November 2009, 7-9pm (see the guild calendar link in right column for agenda)

Please RSVP [to president@snohomishknittersguild.org](mailto:to.president@snohomishknittersguild.org) by Monday 5pm if you plan to attend. All SKG members are welcome to attend.

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SKG Monthly Meeting; 10 November, 2009 7-9pm Program : Socks From the Toe Up!

Location: Garden City Grange Hall. [800-2nd Street](#) (click to view map); Snohomish, WA. Doors open at 6:30pm.

Meet Chrissy Gardiner, author of the recently released book *Toe Up! Patterns & Worksheets to Whip Your Sock Knitting into Shape*. Chrissy will tell us the story behind her book, share some toe-up sock techniques, answer questions, and sign books. The *Toe Up!* book will be available for purchase.

- For more information, please visit www.toeupsockbook.com

Note about the 10 Nov meeting: Our doors will open at 6:30pm with Help for Beginners, the start of our [Baby Surprise Jacket](#) Knitalong (link is to Ravelry), and a Help Lab for those who are stuck on a pattern. Our program will begin *promptly* at 7pm, there will be a short break, and then we'll have Knit New(s), our SKG business, and Show & Tell.

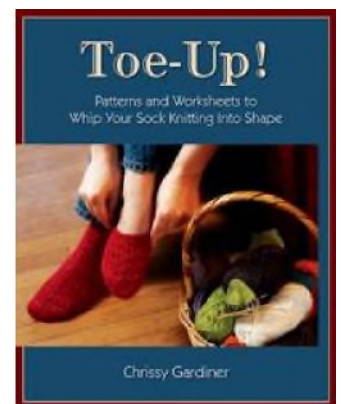
First Ever Snohomish Knitters Guild Board Meeting

Tuesday, 27 October 2009, 7-9pm (see the guild calendar link in right column for agenda)

Please RSVP to president@snohomishknittersguild.org by Monday 5pm if you plan to attend.

All SKG members are welcome to attend.

Location: Cabbage Patch Restaurant; 111 Avenue A; Snohomish, WA; Located just off of 1st Street



SKG Monthly Meeting; Tuesday, 13 October, 2009 7-9pm

Program: Knitting, S.E.X (Stash Enhancement Expeditions,) Chocolate and a Little Math...

We'll also vote in of SKG Board/Officers

Location: Garden City Grange Hall. [800-2nd Street](#) (click to view map);

Snohomish, WA. Doors open at 6:30pm.

Spend an entertaining evening with Cheryl Brunette, author of *Sweater 101: How to Plan Sweaters that Fit... and Organize Your Knitting Life at the Same Time*. The book comes highly recommended by such knitting world divas as Meg Swansen of Schoolhouse Press, Lea-Ann McGregor of Knitting Today, Linda Skolnik, founder of Patternworks, and Wendy Bernard of Knit and Tonic. Indulge in chocolate treats and ask all the questions you want! Books will be available at the event, and Cheryl will happily sign them!

- **Please bring a calculator, notebook, and pencil with an eraser.**
- **For more information, please visit www.sweater101.com**

October Program Follow Up

Cheryl Brunette, author of *Sweater 101*, posted a note on her blog about her visit with us. From Cheryl "Thank you, thank you, thank you you welcoming and talented women . . ."

[See Cheryl's blog entry](#) about her visit to the SKG.

SKG Monthly Meeting; Tuesday, 8 September 2009, 7-9pm

Program: First meeting of the Snohomish Knitters Guild - Getting to Know You

Location: Garden City Grange Hall. [800-2nd Street](#) (click to view map);

Snohomish, WA. Doors open at 6:30pm.

We'll have cake to celebrate our beginning, and even a few party games to help us get to know one another. Join for \$30/year and we'll put together some fantastic programs... Bring your projects for show and tell. We look forward to knitting with you!

- Please submit your [membership form here](#). Annual dues will be collected in September for Oct '09 - Sept '10.

August 2009

- Programming lined up for Fall sessions at the SKG. If you are interested in serving on the program committee, please info@snohomishknitterguild.org.

- Steering committee serves as the first nominating committee. They will contact all the folks that have indicated a willingness to serve in an official capacity to create a docket of SKG officers for an official vote at the October SKG meeting.

July 2009

- 12 July We've secured a location for the 8 September first meeting: Garden City Grange Hall in the city of Snohomish. Yay!

- 22 July, [Bylaw ratification](#) (link opens ratified SKG bylaws). See [meeting minutes](#). We are now a formal guild with bylaws!

June 2009

We had a great response to the call for a hand-knitters guild in Snohomish County. See the results of the [SKG feasibility survey](#) (link opens the survey).