

InterKnit Machine Knitters Guild

May 2020 Newsletter

All meetings will be held
from 10 am- noon CDT unless otherwise noted.

Mark your calendars! Here are the dates for the upcoming InterKnit meetings:

May 9, 2020 – Scheduled via ZOOM due to the pandemic

June 13, 2020– Most likely will be scheduled via ZOOM

July 11, 2020 - Ronnie Soltysiak – Christmas in July – Quick gifts

August – Stitches Midwest

September 12, 2020 - Mary Matz – Technique demonstration

October 10-11, 2020– InterKnit Seminar – Carolyn Barnett

November 14, 2020 – TBD - Addi

December 12, 2020 – Holiday Party

In response to the continued need to Shelter-in-Place, InterKnit is making changes to better serve its members. Here is what InterKnit are doing:

1. Meetings will transfer to Zoom temporarily. The **May meeting** will be held via Zoom. The meeting will be offered via a subscriber account which ensures a secure environment. Here is the link for the meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87254142242?pwd=SzMvcGZjejh2Q2V6TmVidkFkNjI1UT09>

You will also receive an email with the information.

Here are a few YouTube video on how to get ready for and what to expect in the Zoom meeting:

invite https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hIkCmbvAHQQ&list=PLKpRxBfeD1kEM_I1Ild3N_XI77fKDzSXe&index=2

audio and video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-s76QHshQnY&list=PLKpRxBfeD1kEM_I1Ild3N_XI77fKDzSXe&index=7

see participants https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ozJS9bvdVp8&feature=emb_rel_pause

If you are unfamiliar with Zoom, we ask that you sign in 15 minutes prior to the meeting... 9:45 am... so you have time to download the program and enable the feature that are needed for a better experience.

2. **Show and Tell** will be handled a little differently. Prior to the meeting, please take photos of your knitting projects and email them to Ronnie at RonnieSol805@gmail.com no later than Thursday night. During the meeting, the pictures will be projected and the member who made

them will describe the items. Pictures may also be appearing on the InterKnit website and the InterKnit page at Ravelry.

3. For the **Program portion** of the May meeting, Susan Adams has graciously given us permission to replay a segment from the October 2019 Seminar. Please note that no recording of the segment is permitted.
4. InterKnit is exploring ways that live demonstrations can be streamed or prerecorded so we can resume regularly scheduled demonstrations.
5. InterKnit is exploring more ways to communicate and engage its members via Ravelry. Attached are two documents to help you on your way: **Ravelry Intro** and Joining and **Using the InterKnit Machine Knitting Guild Ravelry**.
6. **Magazines:** Magazines through May have arrived which means she is holding about 3 issues that have not yet been delivered. To obtain your copies, members may call ahead (630-978-1594) to **make an appointment to pick their issues** up at her house. Call for a day and time and she will leave them on her doorstep so there is no personal contact.

Or alternatively, if a member, mails a **self-addressed stamped 10 x 13 inch envelope (with \$3.33 in postage affixed)** to Cheryl O'Connell, 80 Churchill Lane, Aurora, IL 60504, she will mail them back to the member.

If you want to subscribe to or continue your subscription to Machine Knitting Monthly, the cost for 3 months is \$24.00; 6 months \$48.00; 9 months \$72.00; full year \$96.00. In order to subscribe to the magazines, you must be an active member and payment for the subscription must be made in advance for the upcoming quarter. Magazine deadline for the third quarter of 2020 is June 30, 2020.

7. **The Passap Accountability Group** is starting with a little twist, it will be virtual in a Zoom meeting. Anyone with an interest in Passap knitting is welcomed to participate. Whether you are a long time Passap knitter and would like to connect with other Passap knitters, a brand new to Passap and need help getting started or anywhere in between, or you have never used a Passap and have a little bit of curiosity about it, please join us. Meet-ups will be held via Zoom on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm CDT for about 2 hours. The program will start out working through the Passap Drive-Thrus. Drive-Thrus are detailed step by step instructions that were provided by Passap to dealers. Please email ronniesol805@gmail.com to receive your invitation email or if you have any questions.
8. **Knit and Learn!** While we shelter-in-place, it's time to practice and learn your knitting machine. The Education committee has released three lesson plans so far in the **Education Series**. For your convenience I have attached them all to this newsletter. So... why not accept the challenge and at the end of May ready and armed with these skills?
9. Since our Education Series is based on Diana Sullivan's demonstrations, here is link to Diana's Blogpost: <http://diananatters.blogspot.com/> . If you sign up at Bloglovin' you will be notified when a new post is available:

http://frame.bloglovin.com/?post=7436343409&blog=5318237&frame_type=none. When you watch Diana's videos on Youtube, remember to click the thumbs up and subscribe, this is a way to help Diana with her ranking. Most of us use her as our go to reference for so many instructions, tips and inspirations; this is a simple easy way for us to pay her back.

10. The planning continues for the **InterKnit Seminar – 2020**. The featured artist is **Carolyn Barnett**. The details are on the attached registration form. Registration will not open until later when we have more guidance regarding the lifting of the shelter-in-place order.
11. **Please note the Seminar Cancellations below**. Don't forget to cancel hotel reservations too!
12. **Knit-to-Give Projects - special message:**

Hi Knitters,

Many of us are disappointed that the Monroe Seminar has been cancelled, we can start to look forward to next year. Every year at the Monroe Seminar they do a program Scraps of Love (flyer attached). Now that the seminar is cancelled think about how many heads will go hatless. We can help and show our support for Cathy and Larry and all the forgotten recipients, by making the items. Local knitters can knit the items and get them to me by July 15th and I will ship them to Cathy for distribution. Knitters that are not close to me, maybe you can set up a central drop off, those close by Cathy maybe you can drop them off at Cathy's.

Let's keep "Scraps of Love 2020" alive. Knitters that don't normally attend the seminar are invited to join in this united support. Please pass this on to other knitters.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me directly ronniesol805@gmail.com mobile 773.882.3016.

Please join us.

Take care,

Ronnie Soltysiak

Please let me know if you know of any seminars or events!

May 30-31, 2020 **POSTPONED - Techknitters Seminar featuring Diana Sullivan**

June 18-21, 2020 Join in the fun at the first **Spring Retreat** June 18th thru June 21st.
<http://silverneedlesmachineknittingclub.com/spring-retreat-2020/>

July 17-19, 2010 **CANCELLED - Monroe, MI Seminar, Cathy Reume at monroeknitseminar@att.net including the DAK workshop with Sarah Etchison**

Sept 26-27, 2020 [Finger Lakes Machine Knitting Seminar](#), Courtland, NY

Oct 10-11, 2020 InterKnit seminar

OTHER RESOURCES:

Interknit website - <http://www.interknitmk.org/>

Julie's Podcast: <http://handymachineknitting.libsyn.com/>

LK150 (Knitting Machine Club) - 4th Saturday of Month, 10am - 3pm - Hillside Community Center
Techknitters' Machine Knitting Club website: <https://sites.google.com/site/techknittersmkc>
Diana Sullivan blogspot is: <http://diananatters.blogspot.com/>
Garment Designer Webinars: <http://www.cochenille.com/events/category/webinars>
Susan Guagliumi's blog: <http://susanguagliumi.com/>
Ask Jack's favorite chemicals, [click here](#) for the link!
Passap Newsletter, [click here](#) for the link!