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Knitters' Knews

October Meeting: Susan B. Anderson

October 10
Bishop O'Connor Center
702 S. High Point Rd., Madison

5:00 pm

Doors Open

Registration

Sign-up for Show-N-Tell

KnitAid

5:00-6:30 pm

Library & Vendors

BROWN BAG EXCHANGE – See Pg. 2

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6:30 pm

Meeting & Program:

Susan B. Anderson

Show-N-Tell follows

REMEMBER:

Covered water bottles ONLY are allowed in the auditorium!

When you take stock of all the projects that our October speaker Madison native Susan B. Anderson is involved in you might think she has discovered a way to clone herself. Minimally she should add “accomplished juggler” to her extensive resume.

On a daily basis she spends hours at the computer, working on her current book project and maintaining two blogs - her own <http://susanbanderson.blogspot.com/> and one for Spud and Chloe yarn <http://www.spudandchloe.com/blog/>.

Well-known for her series of “Itty Bitty” books, Susan is also leading a Knit Along for an adult long sleeve cardigan which leads followers through the process of modifying a short-sleeve pullover into a long sleeve sweater. In addition, she photographs her work for books and blogs and personally answers loads of email. She says that people are surprised to learn that it’s really Susan who has responded to their email. “It’s just me in my little house,” she laughs. All this and making time to knit and create!

“It’s all because I hate to say no,” Susan explains and admits that it’s a good thing that looming deadlines don’t hinder her creative process. Susan just returned from Vogue Knitting Live-Los Angeles where she was one of over 50 teachers the thousands of attendees could choose from. Intimate classes of a dozen or so knitters turned out families of the little mice featured in her *Spud & Chloë at the Farm* book. She’ll soon be traveling to Denver where she will spend a week producing two online toy making courses for Craftsby.com.

At the Guild meeting Susan promises to share information about the publishing process. “So many knitters have asked me what you do to get a book deal,” she says. It would be a special treat if she brings samples of McHenry and the fairies featured in the latest *Interweave Holiday Gifts* and *KnitSimple* magazines.

- Mae Knowles

Brown Bag Exchange!

"Cows & Cuffs"

DIRECTIONS:

1. Take some yarn from your stash that would make a nice cowl or cuffs.
2. Put it in a bag—it doesn't have to be brown, but it shouldn't be see-through!
3. Bring it to the **OCTOBER** meeting and exchange it for someone else's "brown bag."
4. Open the bag you picked and make a cowl AND/OR cuffs for the person who owns the yarn in the bag. Who? It's a secret!
5. Put your finished item(s) back in a bag, and bring to the MAY Guild meeting. (Don't worry... we'll remind you!)
6. You Show-N-Tell what you made and give it to your Secret Pal.
7. Your Secret Pal will Show-N-Tell what was knit for you from your own yarn!

Save the Date >>>

FALL KNITTING SAFARI

Saturday

October 22

7:30 a.m.

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October featured charities:

[Handmade Especially for You](#) and [Women Heart HeartScarves](#)

Place your donations in the area marked for the charity you would like to support.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who knitted through the summer! We received an incredible amount and variety of knitted items. I delivered donations to the [Boys and Girls Club](#) which included 17 hat/mitten/scarf sets, 2 ponchos, mittens, and more than 30 hats. They also appreciated the backpacks and school supplies. Your time and effort *does* make a difference. The afternoon I went, the playground was full of kids chattering on the playground. The place was filled to the brim, a hive of activity.

I also delivered donations to the [Elizabeth House](#) and the [Marshall/Waterloo Food Pantry](#). Again, thank you everyone!

Want to personalize your knitted donation or give wash instructions? We made care labels for you. They'll be available at the charity drop-off table.

ONGOING COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Place your donations in the area marked for the charity you would like to support.

Women's Prison: Donate yarn, crochet hooks, patterns and related supplies.

Yarn for Charity: Donate yarn to be used by other knitters.

Remember—this yarn is free if used to make community projects.

Please donate \$1 per ball or skein if you take yarn for your own use.

Please send us pictures of your knitting donations: mkgnewsletter@gmail.com

November featured charity: Madison Elementary schools
Hats, scarves and mittens are needed for 6 to 10 year olds.

- Jennifer Golubiewski, Community Projects Chair

THIS IS YOUR LAST ISSUE UNLESS YOU RENEW BY THE END OF OCTOBER!

2011-2012 Madison Knitters' Guild Membership Form

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Membership Year runs September through May

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