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Knitting Guild of the Desert  
Coachella Valley



January-2024

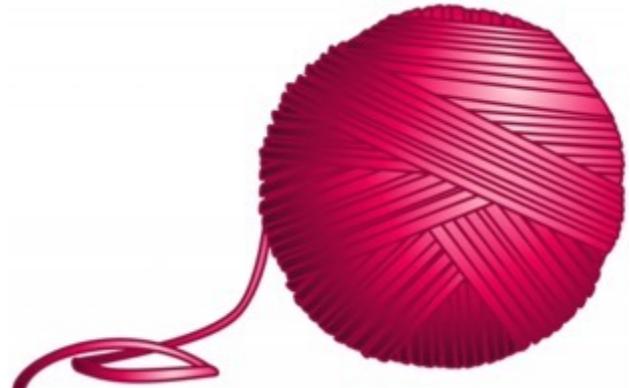


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If yarn can't fix it,  
I don't want to  
know about it.



# Agenda



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Housekeeping

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Birthdays

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Upcoming Events

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Block of the Month

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Show and Share

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**Program –Stress less Brioche by Kait Hilliard**

# Minutes and Treasurers Report

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- Minutes are on our website
- Treasurers Reports will be sent out before or after the meeting.

**Treasurer's Reports are always  
available upon request**



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Are you getting our  
email???

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If not...

Make sure to check your Junkmail folder or  
spam folder.

Make sure your email is correct on the  
membership roster.

Email us with corrections at  
[Knittingguildofthedesert@outlook.com](mailto:Knittingguildofthedesert@outlook.com)





## KGD Membership Drive

1. We sent out an email that includes
  - Dues Letter
  - Membership Information
  - Roster
  - Committee list
  - Affiliate Members List
2. Dues will remain at \$40, and include
  - Parking
  - UCR meeting facilities
  - Zoom facilities
3. This is possible because of member support
  - Annual Fashion Show/Luncheon
  - Stash Sales
  - Volunteerism

It's not to late to renew  
your membership!



# Bring a Friend to a Guild Meeting

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First Meeting is Free

# Call for Nominating Committee Volunteers

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Secretary  
Treasurer  
Website  
Social Media  
Ravelry  
Greeters and more...

Please Consider Joining us  
We have lots of fun!



We will never ask you to spend your own funds.



HAPPY  
BIRTHDAY  
TO YOU!





## Upcoming Meetings

- Today - Kait Hilliard  
Stress-less Brioche
- Feb. - Amy Snell  
**Ladderback Jacquard**
- March - Annual Luncheon and  
Fashion Show

## Where We Knit

### **Palm Desert Library**

73300 Fred Waring Drive

Palm Desert

Contact: Robin Stewart

760-346-6552

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the Month 4 to 6 pm

Wednesdays 10am – 12pm

No Fee

### **Joslyn Senior Center Palm Desert**

73750 Catalina Way,

Palm Desert

760-340-3220

Wednesdays 9-12

### **Knitters Haven**

78115 Calle Estado #101

La Quinta

442-306-6799

Tuesday – Saturday, 12-4pm

**First time is free!**

### **Indio Senior Center**

45700 Aladdin Street

Indio

760-391-4170

Wednesdays 9-11am



**Next Sip and Knit at Starbucks January 29<sup>th</sup>.**



**Hosted by**  
Jan Runkel of Just Jan Designs  
and  
Kait Hilliard of Coachella Valley  
Yarn



Location:

Knitter's Haven in Old Town La Quinta,  
78115 Calle Estado, Suite 101

Time:

Starting January 11, 2024, every Thursday from 5:30-7:30 PM

Cost: \$10



# Charity knitting Dede Sitko

# Block of the Month (Judi Brown)

Watch for the pattern  
in your in-box  
or find it on our website  
Prizes may be involved

## JANUARY 2024 BLOCK OF THE MONTH

### DIAGONAL RIB

Finished Size: 9" wide x 9" high. US 9 needle & Medium Washable yarn.  
Cast On 36 stitches. Pattern is multiples of 4, + 4 for side borders

**Bottom Border:** Knit 4 rows

**Pattern** as follows:

	BORDER (2 sts)	PATTERN (32 sts)	BORDER (2 sts)
<b>Row 1 (RS)</b>	p1, k1, place marker	*k2, p2* repeat *to* to last 2 sts, place marker	K2
Row 2	p1, k1	*k2, p2* repeat *to* to marker	K2
<b>Row 3</b>	<b>P1, k1</b>	<b>K1, *p2, k2* repeat *to* to 3 sts before marker, p2, k1</b>	<b>K2</b>
Row 4	P1, k1	P1, *k2, p2* repeat *to* to 3 sts before marker, k2, p1	K2
<b>Row 5</b>	<b>P1, k1</b>	<b>*p2, k2* repeat to marker</b>	<b>K2</b>
Row 6	P1, k1	*p2, k2* repeat *to* to marker	K2
<b>Row 7</b>	<b>P1, k1</b>	<b>P1, *k2, p2* repeat *to* to 3 sts before marker, k2, p1</b>	<b>K2</b>
Row 8	P1, k1	K1, *p2, k2* repeat *to* to 3 sts before marker, p2, k1	K2

Repeat pattern until block measures about 8-1/2 inches. End after any WS row. (I did a total of 5 pattern repeats)

**Top Border:** Knit 4 rows Garter Stitch. Bind off loosely



*Knitting Guild of the Desert*

**2024 KGD FASHION SHOW**  
***“Out of this World”***



**MARCH 4, 2024**

**Classic Club**

**75-200 Classic Club Blvd**

**Palm Desert**

**GUESTS WELCOME!!**

**\$35 cash or check for each member and guest**

**Checks can be made out to “Knitting Guild of the Desert” and mailed to:**

**Barbara Brown,  
39248 Warm Springs Drive  
Palm Desert, CA 92260**

**Deadline for payment: February 29, 2024**

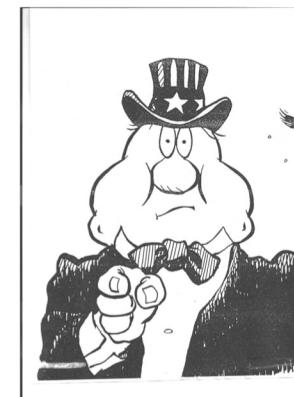
**JOIN US!**

**It's going to be OUT OF THIS WORLD!!!**

*Raffle Prizes  
Stash Sale  
Fashion Show  
Fun! Fun! Fun!*



# We Need Stash Sale Donations



**WE NEED YOU  
TO DONATE TO OUR  
2024 STASH SALE!**

To give us time to organize, we'd really appreciate you bringing your donations to the KGD Meeting Monday, January 8. Any things are welcome including.....

all shapes, sizes & sorts of yarn  
patterns  
kits & UFOs  
books & magazines  
project bags  
needles & knitting accessories

**Buttons**  
Income from the Stash Sale and Fashion Show makes up a large percentage of the KGD budget so PLEASE DONATE now, BUY FASHION SHOW TICKETS soon and BE READY to purchase great things on Monday, March 4! GUESTS WELCOME!

We're happy to pick up items. Please TEXT Fran at 541-554-6390 NO LATER THAN JANUARY 17 to make arrangements.

Happy new year and MANY THANKS!  
Fran Curtis, Rose Budek and Christine Peck



# The UFO Challenge

1. Pull out all your UFO's.
2. Decide which ones you would like to finish.
3. Make a list.
4. Every time you finish one and check it off the list, share it with us and receive a raffle entry.
5. Raffle drawing will occur at our 2024 Luncheon
6. It will be a really good prize!!!



# Join our Luncheon Committee

We need help contacting our sponsors

We need help with centerpieces

We need help organizing prizes

# Centerpieces

Would you like to knit a space creature or two for us?  
all colors welcome  
Free patterns available



Aliens are made in 100% acrylic  
knitting, light worsted weight, 8  
in each of four yarn shades:  
and green

Aliens were knitted in **Hayfield**  
10% acrylic yarn, in shades White,  
Royal and Grass.

Similar DK yarn is recommended.

## NOTIONS

(US 4) single pointed  
in length 20cm  
stry needle for  
stitching

ny filling

button for the alien's eye,  
nd thread

is to decorate the astronaut (one  
row)

ilia colour-work





# February Meeting

## Amy Snell

Please Bring Yarn Donations  
for March Fashion Show

Also, Please Bring

- Charity Knitting
- BOM blocks
- Show and Share

Show and Share



# Tori Luick

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Cowls for co-workers at the Living Desert

Patterns: Vineyard Cowl by Churchmouse and. It's Fall Y'all by Laura Aylor

Yarn: for both is Miss Babs Kunlun

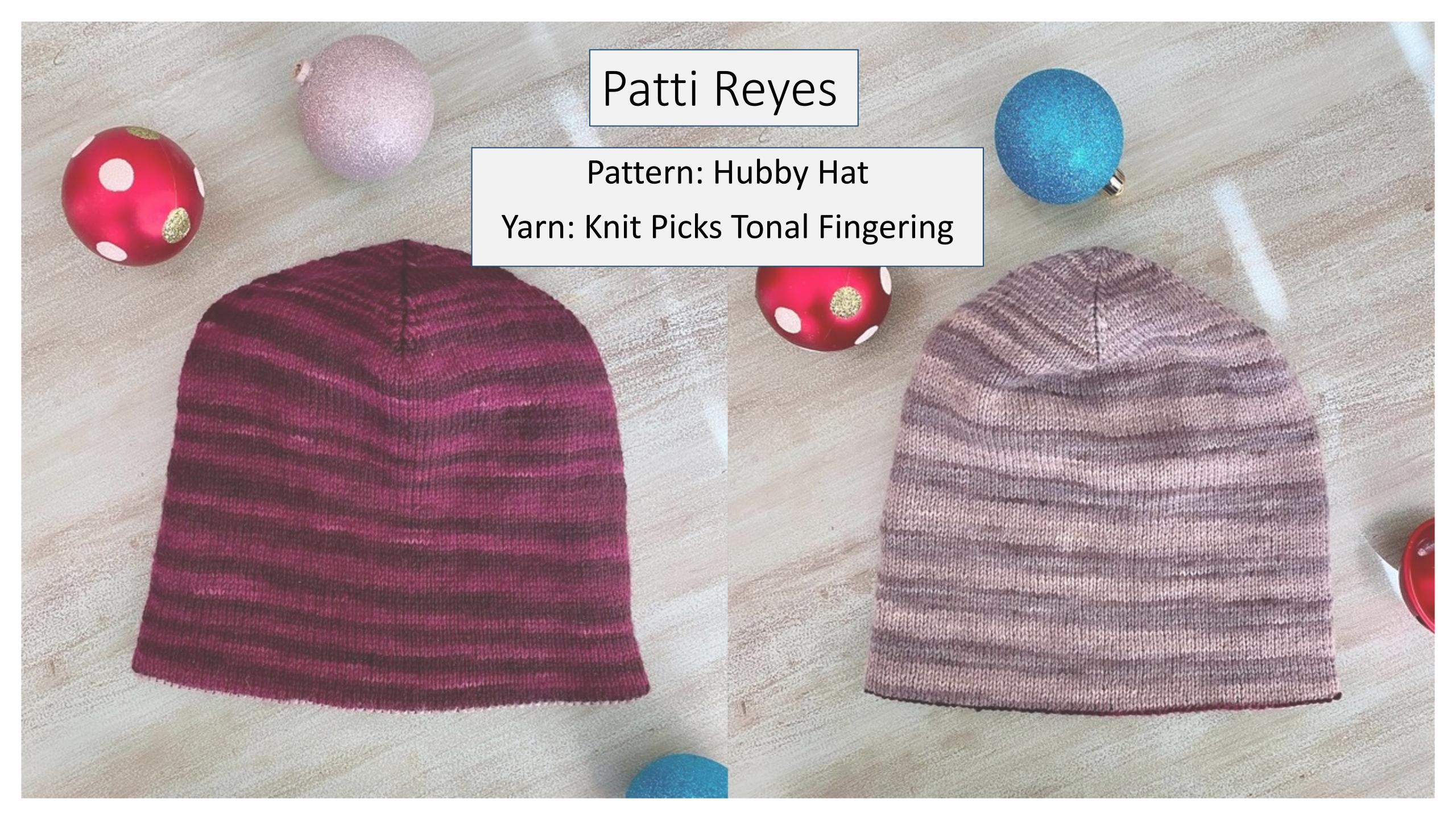




# Tory Luick

Pattern: Mash It Up hat,  
by Babs Ausherman (Miss  
Babs)

Yarn is all stash, primarily  
Miss Babs Yummy 2-ply  
held double



Patti Reyes

Pattern: Hubby Hat

Yarn: Knit Picks Tonal Fingering



# Jan Runkel -

Pattern: Passe-partout Cowl, free on [Biscotteyarns.com](https://Biscotteyarns.com)

Yarn: Cool Merino Big (2 balls)



# Kait Hilliard -

Pattern: Olga Cowl by Martha Wissing

Yarn: Eco Puna and Puna Traceable. 100% Alpaca

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SHOW AND SHARE FROM ATTENDEES



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## Guest Speaker Kait Hilliard

Stress-less Brioche