

ALL-DAY DEMONSTRATION

Programs	Instructor	Skill Level
Machine Knitting Demonstrations We are the Mahoning Valley Machine Knitters Guild, a local guild in existence since 1985. We will be demonstrating on three different gauges of machines throughout the day, showing what can be done on the knitting machine and answering questions. A variety of knitted garments will be on display for guests to see.	MVMKG members	

ALL-DAY CLASSES

1. Peyote Stitch Beadwork Learn a simple needle and thread technique to produce beaded accessories. Materials fee: \$10 for all supplies payable to instructor. Homework: None.	Victoria Johnson-Parratt	Beginner
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2. Two-Handed Fair Isle Purse Students will make a small purse using the 2-handed technique. Purse will have an I-cord handle. Materials: 16" circular needle size 8; purchased kit. Homework: With 16", size 8 circular needle, cast on 84 stitches with main color. Join, being careful not to twist. Working in the round, work 5 rows in rib, garter or seed stitch for top border of purse. Materials fee: Purchase kit for \$18 at Stitch Piece 'n Purl booth or store.	Barbara Ulery	Intermediate
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3. Miter to Modular Knitting Learn to make basic miters and work them into groups. Learn both square and diamond shapes. Materials: You will need worsted weight yarn, at least 2 ounces each of five or six different colors; size 7 or 8 needles, straight or circular; crochet hook size G or H. Homework: None.	Karen Brossard	Advanced Beginner
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MORNING CLASSES

9:00-11:00 AM

4. Making a Stylish Felted Hat Students will learn to knit a wool hat that will be felted at home. They will also learn techniques to style their hat to make it all their own. Materials: One 16" size 11 circular needle; 200 yards of worsted-weight, feltable wool or alpaca. Homework: None. Optional fee: Locally grown alpaca available for \$18.	Gail Bable	Advanced Beginner
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5. Discover Shetland Lace Learn about Shetland Lace while working a sampler or scarf. Materials: Assorted needles sizes 2 through 6; light-colored lace weight, fingering weight, or sport weight yarn in wool or alpaca – no acrylic. Homework: None.	Carol Briggs Dragos	Advanced Beginner
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6. Beginning Spinning Learn to spin on a drop spindle. Materials fee: \$5 for spindle and practice wool. Homework: None.	Barbara Moff	Beginner
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7. Let's Do the Twist: Cable Basics Students will learn the basic twists and turns of making cables, which enhance so many sweaters. They will learn how to read cable charts and practice cables that line up in a column as well as more complex combinations. Materials: Cable needle; light-colored, worsted-weight yarn; appropriate-size needles, straight or DPN. Homework: None.	Lorraine Ehrlinger	Advanced Beginner
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8. Tips and Tricks for New (or Old) Knitters Learn winding yarn, starting new balls, counting rows, reading patterns, splicing new yarn, handling ends, using a lifeline for lace and pattern knits, etc. Demonstrations. Materials: None. Homework: None. Fee: \$1 for handouts.	Chris Jordan	Advanced Beginner and up
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9. Knitted I-cord—the Duct Tape of Knitting Learn to knit I-cord and use it as a cast-on, cast-off, edging, joining, and embellishment. Materials: Worsted-weight yarn in two colors and double pointed needles of appropriate size. Homework: Knit two garter stitch swatches, each at least 4" x 4".	Martha Gifreda	Intermediate
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10. "Knot" a Sewn Hat Make a funky polar fleece hat that is knotted together. Easy to make and wear. Materials: 1/2 yard polar fleece. Homework: None. Note: This is a three-hour class.	Debbie Henry	Beginner
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11. Portuguese-Style Knitting—Basic Knitters will have the opportunity to learn and practice the style of knitting that is popular in Portugal, Greece, Egypt, and Turkey. The main characteristic is that the yarn is either wrapped behind the neck or looped through a pin attached to the shoulder, in order to maintain a constant tension. We will cover the basics such as the knit stitch, the purl stitch, ribbing, increasing, and decreasing on a knitted swatch. We will also practice working Portuguese style using two colors per row. Materials: Worsted-weight yarn in two contrasting colors; size 7 or 8 circular or straight needles and one 16" circular needle, size 7 or 8; scissors; tapestry needle; stitch markers; pencil and paper for notes. Fee: \$5 for knitting pin. Optional fee: \$20 for DVD. Homework: None.	Andrea Wong	Beginner
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12. My First Knitting Lesson For adults and kids, ages 12 and up. Learn to knit in this relaxed class where I have already cast on your stitches. Once you are knitting, I will teach you how to bind off and cast on. Continue to practice the knit stitch or learn the purl stitch. Share this lifelong skill with a child by attending the class together or send your child (minimum age 12) while you take a different class. Materials: Students must purchase a supply kit from the teacher. Fee: \$8 includes needles, yarn, and resource list. Homework: None. Optional Fee: \$2 for DVD.	Jane Skoch	Beginner
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9:30-11:30 AM

13. Knitted Lace 3"- 4" Borders Borders are nicely used on pillowcases or table runners. Materials: Size 1 or 2 double pointed needles; thread: #8 perle cotton or #10 or #20 Cebelia (DMC). Homework: Practice even knitting with suggested thread weight, knitting 25 stitches in garter stitch, no purl.	Ruth Fulks	Advanced
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14. Double Knitting This is a class to learn the <i>technique</i> of double knitting and its applications. You will learn to knit a tube on straight needles (great for knitting fingers on gloves) and how to knit a <i>two-color, reversible potholder</i> with the design of your choice. Materials: worsted-weight yarn in two contrasting colors (cotton for the potholder); a small amount of worsted yarn in a third color; needles one or two sizes smaller than you would usually use for worsted-weight yarn; crochet hook; and the usual miscellaneous tools for knitting. Homework: None. Fee: \$5 for handouts.	Terrilee Petrey	Advanced
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15. Tension Tips Is your knitting even? Are your edges loose? Stitches stretched? Learn tips for working with even tension. Materials: Medium-weight yarn in a light color and appropriate-size needles (7, 8, or 9). Homework: None.	Kathy Mates	Advanced Beginner
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16. Two-Row Striped Scarf Knit a ribbed scarf with two variegated yarns. Materials: Two skeins each of two contrasting variegated yarns, such as Noro Silk Garden; size 8 needles. Homework: None.	Nancy Kewish	Beginner
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17. Knit a Triangle Shawl Use sock weight yarn to create your own triangular shawl. Perfect for those who want to move beyond scarves and rectangles—a versatile garment that you can knit in a variety of stitches (even simple garter stitch) complete with an optional ruffled edge. Materials: Fingering weight yarn (solid or variegated): a total of 440 yards for a smaller shawl, 880 yards for a full-sized shawl, more than one color if you want to knit stripes; size 6 or 7 circular needle, 24" or longer; four 4 stitch markers. Homework: Familiarize yourself with the use of your circular needle. If it is very curly, dip the cable in boiling water and pull to straighten out the kinks (do not dip wooden needles in water; dip only the cable).	Pavia Lewis	Advanced Beginner
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18. Edgings and Bands on Knitted Garments Bands on jackets and cardigans; edgings on scarves, stoles, hats, etc. Materials: Small amount of knitting worsted in light color (three to four balls); size 7 or 8 needles, straight and double pointed. Homework: Two swatches, any pattern: 22 stitches / 32 rows.	Maria Marics	Advanced
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19. Angora Spinning *Margaret Myer* *Intermediate*
Learn to spin angora blends and 100% angora. **Materials:** Bring a spinning wheel or spindle; also hand carder or mini combs if you have them. **Materials fee:** \$15 for fiber package. **Homework:** None. **Students should be able to spin a yarn that holds together.**

20. Introduction to Norwegian Knitting *Sue Crowe* *Intermediate*
Overview of traditional Norwegian sweater design and construction. Learn and practice the two-handed stranding technique. **Materials:** Size 4 double pointed needles; DK-weight wool yarn in at least three different colors; stitch markers; line marker (preferably highlighter tape). **Optional:** Circular needles make the stranded technique easier to handle, but require making a larger swatch. **Homework:** Using DK-weight wool and size 4 double pointed needles, cast on 54 stitches (18 on each of three needles). Join in the round and knit 1-2" of 1x1 rib in a single color. If using a circular needle, cast on enough stitches to knit comfortably and rib for 1-2".

21. Mosaic Knitting *Ellen M. Oehlbeck* *Advanced Beginner*
Learn basic Mosaic slip stitch patterns following a chart. **Materials:** Two skeins—one light color and one dark color—worsted-weight yarn; needles size 7 or 8. **Homework:** None.

22. Knitting in the Round *Ann Daley Smrekar* *Advanced Beginner*
Circular knitting gives you no seams—you just keep knitting in a circle! This technique is great for hats, socks, and mittens — any place you don't want to see or feel seams. You will learn to use both double-pointed and circular needles. We will begin a cell phone/music player case as our class project. Seamless projects are now within your grasp! **Materials:** Circular needle size 8, length 16" (must be 16"); set of double pointed needles size 8 (Recommended needle material: plastic, bamboo, or wood; metal is not recommended as it is too slippery for beginners); light-colored, worsted-weight yarn; extra scrap yarn; tapestry needle; scissors. **Homework:** None.

23. Decorative Knitted Cast Ons III *Virginia Thomas* *All Levels*
Learn new ways to begin a project with twists, bumps, or braids. **Materials:** Smooth, solid-color, worsted-weight yarn and appropriately sized needles—straight or circular, **and** double pointed needles; basic knitting supplies. **Homework:** None.

24. Beginning Crochet *Bob Tischler* *Beginner*
Learn to hold the crochet hook, crochet the chain stitch, make basic stitches, and keep your work square. A general overview of crocheting with samples of various projects. Class project: a scarf. **Materials:** Size H hook and worsted-weight yarn. **Homework:** None.

25. Scrumbling: Free-form Knitting and Crochet *Louise Fabian Vouk* *Adv Begin to Expert*
Are you an "outside-the-box" kind of person? Do you hate to be tied down to patterns? Come explore the world of free-form knitting and crocheting. **Materials:** Needles size 6 or 7; small balls of novelty, smooth, variegated yarns that are needle size appropriate (stash yarns). **Homework:** Cast on 15 stitches with any yarn and work seed stitch for 1-1/2". Then cast on 5 stitches, knit across 15 stitches and cast on another 5 stitches (25 stitches total). **Students must know how to knit and crochet comfortably.**

26. Pocketbook Slippers *Pat Wiczulis* *Advanced Beginner*
Cute, one-size-fits-most, Mary Jane slippers. **Materials:** Worsted-weight yarn—approx 200 yards; size 6, 7, or 8 needles, depending how you knit; yarn needle. **Homework:** None. **Must be able to increase and decrease.**

AFTERNOON CLASSES

1:30-3:30 PM

27. Make the Yarn You Want *Barbara Moff* *Advanced Beginner*
Wheel adjustments, plying, and designer yarn. **Materials:** Spinning wheel in good working order and any fiber you want to know more about. **Homework:** None.

28. Beaded Elgin Wristers *Lynda Bowen* *Intermediate*
Make a pair of Wristers with beads to match last year's Elgin Scarf. **Materials:** DPNs, size 3, 4, and 5; crochet hook size 1.25 mm; beads, size 6 mm; sport-weight wool or alpaca. Yarn can be purchased at Dyed in the Wool with coordinating beads. **Homework:** None.

29. Double Knitting *Martha Gifreda* *Intermediate*
Learn to create a double-thick fabric with two, count 'em, **two** right sides. **Materials:** worsted-weight yarn in two colors; 16" circular needle or straight needles in appropriate size; crochet hook in size needed to work with two strands held together. **Homework:** None.

30. Feather and Fan Lace *Nancy Griffin* *Beginner*
Easy Shetland lace pattern that only requires you remember one pattern row that repeats every fourth row. **Materials:** needles size 6 to 8; sock or lace weight yarn (can use leftover sock yarn). **Homework:** Cast on 44 stitches; knit 8 rows, slipping the first stitch as if to purl.

31. "Knot" a Sewn Jacket/Poncho *Debbie Henry* *Beginner*
Make a jacket of polar fleece that is knotted together. Great for the "cold shoulder." **Materials:** Two yards polar fleece, non-directional pattern or solid. **Homework:** None. **Note: this is a three-hour class.**

32. Steaming, Blocking, and Dressing Your Knits *Chris Jordan* *Advanced Beginner and up*
When, Why, and How to Do It. Lace and other knits improve their appearance with steaming and other finishing. Demonstration with Q & A. **Materials:** None. **Homework:** None. **Fee:** \$1 for handouts.

33. Buttonholes *Rochelle Kramer* *Advanced Beginner*
Learn to make buttonholes that work for your garment. **Materials:** Size 8 needles; light-colored, worsted-weight yarn; hanging tags. **Homework:** None. **Fee:** \$2.

34. Fun with the Garter Stitch *Ellen Oehlbeck* *Advanced Beginner*
Free yourself from the basic garter stitch and master some exciting possibilities. **Materials:** Two skeins—one light color and one dark color—worsted-weight yarn; needles size 7 or 8. **Homework:** None.

35. Magic Loop *Judi Pfancuff* *Confident Beginner*
Learn the Magic Loop technique and make a miniature sock. Knit small-diameter tubes on one long, circular needle. The in-class project is a mini sock. Handout with Magic Loop instructions, FAQs and photos and mini sock pattern will be given. No experience necessary—either with knitting in the round or with sock knitting. **Materials:** 1) a long (32" min, 40" preferred) circular needle with a very flexible cable. Addis, Options, or similar are good choices; Clover needles are not recommended. 2) a small amount (100 yards) of yarn to suit your needle size. **Homework:** Using the long-tail or cable cast-on, very loosely cast on 32 stitches onto your long circular needle. If you aren't confident of a loose cast-on, use any needle two sizes larger for the cast-on, then transfer stitches to the long circular needle. **Handout fee:** \$3.

36. Decorative Ribbing *Virginia Thomas* *Adventurous Beginner*
Tired of the usual K2, P2 ribbing? Learn other possibilities to easily add interest to your knitting. **Materials:** Smooth, solid-color, worsted-weight yarn and appropriately sized needles; basic knitting supplies. **Homework:** Cast on 20 stitches. Work two rows of 2 X 2 ribbing. On right side, begin P2. **Must be comfortable switching between knit and purl stitches.**

37. Exploring the Brioche Stitch *Kay Thompson* *Intermediate*
Learn to knit several variations of this technique, named for the French roll. **Materials:** Several skeins or partial skeins of worsted-weight yarn in colors and appropriate knitting needles. **Homework:** None.

38. Beginning Crochet *Bob Tischler* *Beginner*
Learn to hold the crochet hook, crochet the chain stitch, make basic stitches, and keep your work square. A general overview of crocheting with samples of various projects. Class project: a scarf. **Materials:** Size H hook and worsted-weight yarn. **Homework:** None.

39. Jazzy Jean Jackets *Judy Riga* *Advanced Beginner*
Knit a collar for a jacket—jean or otherwise. Will discuss knitting sleeves if desired. **Materials:** Yarn with appropriate-size needles (colorful, variegated, or multicolor yarn makes it more interesting); tape measure; graph paper; scissors; needle with matching thread. **Homework:** None.

40. Portuguese-Style Knitting—Advanced *Andrea Wong* *Advanced*
Knitters will have the opportunity to practice more advanced techniques on the Portuguese style of knitting. This style has advantages over English and German styles for being very efficient. This includes entrelac, cables, lace, two-color knitting, working from left to right, and double knitting. Students with previous experience in Portuguese style of knitting and many knitting techniques preferred. **Materials:** worsted-weight yarn in several colors; size 6, 7, or 8 circular or straight needles; scissors; tapestry needle; stitch markers; crochet hook; pencil and paper. **Fee:** \$10 for knitting pins. **Optional fee:** \$20 for DVD. **Homework:** None.

41. My First Knitting Lesson *Jane Skoch* *Beginner*
For adults and kids, ages 12 and up. Learn to knit in this relaxed class where I have already cast on your stitches. Once you are knitting, I will teach you how to bind off and cast on. Continue to practice the knit stitch or learn the purl stitch. Share this lifelong skill with a child by attending the class together or send your child (minimum age 12) while you take a different class. **Materials:** Students must purchase a supply kit from the teacher. **Materials fee:** \$8 includes needles, yarn, and resource list. **Homework:** None. **Optional Fee:** \$2 for DVD.

42. Knitted Lace 3" - 4" Borders *Ruth Fulks* *Advanced*
Borders are nicely used on pillowcases or table runners. **Materials:** Size 1 or 2 double pointed needles; thread: #8 perle cotton or #10 or #20 Cebelia (DMC). **Homework:** Practice even knitting with suggested thread weight, knitting 25 stitches in garter stitch, no purl.

43. Knitting with Roving *Christy MacIntyre-Ball* *Beginner*
Learn to knit a small purse directly from roving. **Materials:** One set of needles, anything from size 10.5 to 13. **Homework:** None. **Materials fee:** \$6.

44. Short Rows *John Martin* *Intermediate*
Use short rows to make a circular dish cloth. **Materials:** Size 8 needles; kitchen cotton. **Homework:** None. **Materials fee:** Cotton will be available for \$2.

45. Cuff-Down Socks: Heels & Toes *Maureen Doerner* *Intermediate*
Learn how to turn a heel and Kitchener stitch the toe on a small sock. **Materials:** Yarn needle; scissors; pencil and paper. **Homework:** With DK or worsted-weight, light-colored yarn, cast on 24 stitches on size 5 DPNs and join. Work 1" in k1, p1 ribbing, then 2" in stockinette stitch. Leave on needles with yarn attached.

46. Felted Bag Workshop *Judy Gerson* *Beginner*
Felting Technique, learn how to pick up stitches and knit in the round, learn how to knit a ruffle, learn I-cord and flat handles. Extensive handout and original felted bag pattern included. **Materials:** One skein Noro Kureyon and a small amount of Cascade 220 in a coordinating solid color; size 11 circular needles 24"; either a pair of size 11 circular needles OR two size 11 double pointed needles (for the I-cord handle); row counter; stitch marker; tapestry needle. There are many other felting yarns that can be used. Anything that is 100% wool, NOT superwash. White does not felt well. **Homework:** Cast on 16 stitches with Cascade 220 (or solid colored yarn); knit every row until you have about 6". **Fee:** \$3 for pattern and handouts.

47. Chart Reading: A Road Map for Knitting *Lorraine Ehrlinger* *Advanced Beginner*
Students will learn to read simple charts and knit swatches following them. We will cover cables, Fair Isle, and intarsia. Opportunity will be given for making your own charts. **Materials:** Three colors of worsted-weight yarn; appropriate needles and other usual knitting supplies; graph paper (any size); pencil; eraser. **Homework:** None.

48. Angora Spinning *Margaret Myer* *Intermediate*
Learn to spin angora blends and 100% angora. **Materials:** Bring a spinning wheel or spindle; also hand carder or mini combs if you have them. **Materials fee:** \$15 for fiber package. **Homework:** None. **Students should be able to spin a yarn that holds together.**

49. "MacGyvering" Your Knitting *Megan Beth Browning* *Intermediate*
Quick fixes for common mistakes with minimal frogging or tinkling back. This class will cover basic methods to fix common mishaps such as twisted stitches, miscrossed cables, and mistakes in lace patterns and Fair Isle. Also covered will be how to remove parts of your project that are mis-sized, sagging, etc. close to the cast on edge without frogging the entire project, and reading your knitting so you can understand where a mistake began. **Materials:** Bring homework blocks which can be downloaded from my Ravelry page (Ravelry name: Mythrilmalorn) in addition to any project you are having trouble fixing; a pair of DPNs a size or two below the size your blocks are worked in. **Homework:** See Ravelry page Mythrilmalorn; *homework will also be mailed with your class confirmation.* E-mail requests will be filled: mythrilmalorn@gmail.com

Early Bird Registration Fee (by 3-20-10) is \$45. After 3-20-10 the fee is **\$50.** Deadline for cancellation and mailed registrations is 3-27-10. For cancellations, contact Ginny Thomas at **330-405-6730**, or **vmtknits@roadrunner.com**. No refunds after 3-27-10. Only at-the-door registrations after 3-27-10. *Please register ASAP as classes are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.*

Registration form will be available online after 2-24-2010.