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Local Resident Designs for New Sweater Book

Not only is a vest design by Gwen Blakley Kinsler in a new publication of crocheted sweaters, it is the first design in the book! A resident of Rolling Meadows, Kinsler is very proud to be included in this book that presents sweaters exclusively from members of the Crochet Guild of America. Her design, "English Garden," cultivates a casual look with whimsical flowers growing on a crocheted trellis.

Founded in 1994 by Kinsler herself, the Crochet Guild of America is approaching its Tenth Anniversary with its 10th Annual Conference "Sweet Home Chicago," coming to Chicago land July 24-27, 2003 at the Radisson Hotel O'Hare in Rosemont, IL. A special committee has created a yearlong celebration including activities that bring attention to crochet and to the Guild. Designated the "official book of the celebration year," *Today's Crochet* will be introduced at the weekend conference and many of the member-designers will be on hand during a book signing for all participants. For complete details on the conference weekend, log on to www.crochet.org.

Authored by Susan Huxley of Easton, PA, *Today's Crochet* joins classic silhouettes with contemporary style in this collection of beautiful designs with instructions that even the novice crocheter can follow! Rich colors and textures are created from a range of fibers, from wool and mohair to easy-care cottons. Thirteen projects feature fun-to-make pullovers, vests and cardigans. The book includes a beginner-friendly stitch primer, row-by-row pattern guidance and blocking tips. Susan Huxley has worked as an author, garment designer, editor and reporter. She was editor of Canadian magazine *Crafts Plus* and senior editor at Rodale Press. Published by Martingale & Company, more information is available about *Today's Crochet* (ISBN: 1-56477-399-X) at www.martingale-pub.com and (800) 426-3126