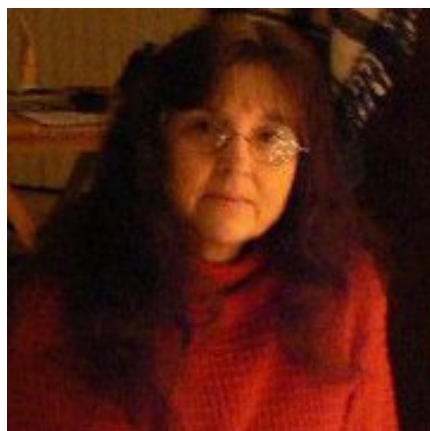




## Meet Susan Knittle-Hunter

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Susan Knittle-Hunter is thrilled to be Tuesday's Facebook Friend of the Day.

She is a retired special education teacher that lives in Grants Pass with her husband. She has three children and five grandchildren.

Knittle-Hunter says she is very interested in local and world news. Even more, she spends a lot of time on Facebook interacting with her friends and family.

But her time on the computer isn't all about news. It is about research and writing. Knittle-Hunter has a very rare disease – Andersen-Tawil Syndrome, a form of Periodic Paralysis. Doctors have only diagnosed 100 people in the world with it.

Knittle-Hunter has created a website about her disease and is writing a book. The site is designed to created a hands-on approach to understanding the disease, symptom management and getting proper diagnosis

She said she has been ill since she was a child and medical professionals misdiagnosed her for many years.

"I was not diagnosed in a timely manner and am so ill now that all I can do is sit in a recliner," Knittle-Hunter said. "I become paralyzed periodically due to potassium shifting in my muscles. "

She shares her story on her website. You can [click here to learn more about her condition and to read her story.](#)

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