

Marin Knitters Guild Newsletter



OCTOBER 2013



MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD SEPTEMBER 14, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

Jane Cooperman, Co-President, opened the meeting at 10:05. She welcomed new members. Fifteen members, including two new members, attended.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Our yearly dues were collected.

CHARITY PROJECTS

Caroline Archer has 32 boxes of knitted and sewn doll clothes for the hospital children with serious illnesses. Caroline also has quilts for the boys.

Nazee Fard's mother contributed a collection of adorable hats for the dolls.

MARIN COUNTY FAIR

Elaine Johnson said she wrote to Mr. Barboni at the fair about the theme for the Marin County Fair for 2014.



*"Properly practiced, knitting
soothes the troubled spirit,
and it doesn't hurt the
untroubled spirit either."*
— **Elizabeth Zimmermann**



Diane Sack demonstrating the beautiful knitted lace shawl



Knitted Albanian Slippers

MEDIA AND OTHER REPORTS

Marin Golden Threads:

Jane extended an invitation from Marin Golden Threads to our members to attend an open house on September 28. If anyone is interested in attending any of their meetings which are on the fourth Saturday of the month, please phone Sandy at 415-633-8677. The meetings are at the Valley Baptist Church in San Rafael.

Knitting Lab:

There will be a Knitting Lab at the Marriott in San Mateo October 31-November 3.

Stitches West:

The annual Stitches West weekend is February 20-24, 2014 at the same Santa Clara location.

Art Fibers:

This San Francisco store will be on-line only starting in 2014.

MKG on Facebook:

Elaine Johnson is setting up a Facebook account for the Guild.

MKG Website and Yahoo Groups:

A big thank you to Nazee Fard for her continuing work on the Guild's website and Yahoo Group site.

Knitting Blog:

Sue Jenkins mentioned Amy Herzog Designs.com as an interesting blog from a knitting designer and her book, Knit to Flatter

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM BLOCKING

The members had many different methods of blocking. Some used interlocking squares from the flooring department of Lowe's or Home Depot. Some advised buying a rug remnant. Some simply used a steam iron. The article can be sprayed with water and pinned out, or it can be soaked in Eucalan,

lifted out carefully, wrapped in towels and trod upon, laid out on a blocking board, towels or carpet to dry.

SHOW AND TELL

After the blocking discussion, we had Show and Tell. Among the items displayed were a beautifully knitted and blocked lace shawl knitted by Diane Sack, an intricately knitted white baby sweater given to one of our members by a friend who had visited his knitting relatives in Albania.

Respectfully Submitted
Ann Van Arnum, Secretary.



Knitted doll hats donated by Nazee Fard's mother



Inticated knitted baby sweater



2013-14 Officers

Co-Presidents & Co-Vice Presidents

Nazee Fard

Jane Cooperman

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Cathy Puccetti

Secretary –

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MEMBER INFORMATION

MARIN KNITTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER: *Reminder:*

Please email information for the 2012-2013 *Newsletters* to Radhika Sitaraman. She will publish information on websites, pod casts or blogs on knitting or other related crafts.

MEMBERSHIP: The only requirement for joining our Guild is an interest in knitting and crocheting. New and experienced crafters are equally welcome.

YAHOO GROUPS LIST: Marin Knitters Guild members who are not receiving Yahoo Group emails, should email marinknittersguild@yahoo.com to get on our distribution list.

PHOTOS: Members may access additional Guild photos on our www.marinknittersguild.org website.



Volunteers

Marin Fair Liaison – Elaine Johnson

Website & Yahoo! List – Nazee Fard

Name Tags – Dana Dunn

Church Liaison – Leona Thoeleck



About Our Organization...

The Marin Knitters' Guild is the official chapter of **TKGA** (The Knitting Guild Association) in Marin County, California. The guild was established in 1987 to promote interest in the craft and workmanship of knitting. While our name states Marin Knitters' Guild, today our membership hails from the counties of San Francisco, San Mateo, Solano and Sonoma as well as Marin.

Knitters with all levels of experience are welcome to participate. We encourage beginners to join and learn from the experienced. The Guild draws on talent and expertise of its membership and the knitting and fiber-arts community at large for programs and workshops.

Visitors are welcome to all Marin Knitters' Guild meetings. We ask that you join us with your paid membership on your second meeting, so that we may continue to support our programs. Dues are \$30 annually, payable at the September meeting, and include a monthly newsletter containing the previous meeting's minutes.

We have mini-workshops in most meetings offered by experienced guild members or local knitting teachers. In addition, we work for charitable causes, group projects and go on fun field trips. From time to time, we invite National teachers to have workshops for us. These workshops allow for a more intensive study of design or technique.

We meet at St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, 10 Bayview Drive, San Rafael, CA 94901.