

Marin Knitters Guild Newsletter



DECEMBER 2013

MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD NOVEMBER 9, 2013 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by
Co-President Nazee Fard at 10 A.M.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dana Dunn reported that the treasury showed a balance of \$718.14 after the collection of September dues for 2013-1014. The rent is paid through the end of this year.

CHARITY PROJECTS

There were no charity reports, but ***please bring your items to donate to charity to the December meeting.***

YARN EXCHANGE

Members brought yarn, patterns, books and magazines for the Yarn Exchange members to donate a small amount to the treasury of they took items from the Yarn Exchange and, as a result, we were delighted to collect \$134 for the treasury.



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

— Elizabeth Zimmermann



Christine's Crocheted Top



Kathryn's Shawl



MEDIA AND OTHER REPORTS

Techknitter.com on the internet has lots of interesting knitting tricks and *Pinterest.com* has lots of interesting photos.

There was a discussion of a video that Elaine Johnson had recommended which was a depiction of making leggings out of a fair isle sweater. The video was by designer Stephen West.

NOVEMBER PROGRAM

There were no trouble-shooting items, so we went on to discuss the Afghan Squares challenge for charity.

AFGHAN SQUARES CHALLENGE

At Nazee Fard's suggestion, members brought brown paper bags with three different colored worsted-weight yarns inside. After the bag exchange, Nazee explained that each member is to use the yarn with a fourth color added (from the member's stash) to make a twelve-inch square to be donated for an afghan that Carita is putting together for charity. The squares will be collected at the April meeting. Feel free to make more than one square. *There will be first, second and third prize for the squares.*

SHOW & TELL

Ruth showed a sweater she made with yarn from a yarn exchange. She used several different yarns for the sweater. She also made many hats for her sailing buddies.

Leona was wearing a Noro vest of many colors which was made with short rows. Marilyn showed her architectural socks designed by Cookie A.

Kathryn made a shawl from white yarn that she dyed a vibrant blue.

Diane showed her shawlette and shawls which were designed by Stephen West. Jane had designed a reversible shawl. Patti was wearing a beautiful shawl she had made and was working on another one.

Christine was wearing a crocheted top and had many amazing crocheted items with her. She also spoke about machine knitting which she has been learning.

Nazee and Lois had many knitted items and sweaters, including Nazee's adorable blue and white crocheted and cloth-lined purse. Lois wore a black and white Nordic sweater and described the knitting of the designer hats with leaves on them made from Danish yarn which can be bought at Dharma. Phyllis was wearing one of the hats which Lois had given to her as a birthday present. [Pictures of these hats are in our November Newsletter.]

DECEMBER PROGRAM

Pot Luck and Eat-and-Knit: Our annual Pot Luck will take place at our December meeting. Bring something to share with the membership.

Yarn Exchange: Bring any additional items you may have for a continuation of the November Yarn Exchange. We will ask members to make small donations for items they take at the Yarn Exchange to boost our treasury.

Afghan Squares: There still is time to participate in the Afghan Squares project. Bring a brown bag with the three yarns to the next meetings, and we'll fix you up!

Respectfully Submitted
Ann Van Arnum, Secretary.



Lois modeling the Nordic Sweater



Nazee's blue and white crocheted lined purse



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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 Yahoo! website.



Volunteers

Marin Fair Liaison – Elaine Johnson

Website & Yahoo! List – Nazee Fard

Name Tags – Dana Dunn

Church Liaison – Leona Thoelecke



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.