

# Marin Knitters Guild Newsletter

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August 2012

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## President's message

Hello Knitters and Crocheters,

Our July 14th meeting focused on Chemo Caps - some lovely caps were donated, and hopefully more will be coming in. Thanks to Nazee for sharing her "Slouchy Hat". It was modeled, and is lovely.

Members' dues are due in September, so please bring cash or checks. The annual amount will be discussed, as our funds are depleting, and \$20.00 is less than it was several years ago. Please try to --\*\*come in Sept. to have your input. Remember to invite guests, so we can keep our Guild active, with "new blood".

Thanks to Ann Van Arnum for recording our minutes.

We are looking forward to next month, when Elaine will share her yarn experiences in Alaska.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Klag



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

– [Elizabeth Zimmermann](#)



How did the knitter knit an armor?  
Answer: She used steel wool!!!!

## Marin Knitters Guild

### June 9, 2012 Meeting Minutes

President Marilyn Klag led the meeting. We had a small, fun meeting of 10 members. Ann Van Arnum, who was the Guild secretary a year or so ago, took the minutes as your current secretary was stuck somewhere else. Other members were on vacation. Caroline Archer took the photos. Thanks to Ann and Caroline for filling in for me.

### TREASURER'S REPORT AND ANNUAL DUES

Treasurer Dana Dunn reported that the treasury is down to \$732.87. After discussion, the members attending felt that it would be advisable to raise our yearly dues from \$20.00 to \$25.00 (our prior dues were \$30). The Guild will vote on this proposal at the August meeting. Our dues pay for rental of our meeting space, awards at the Marin County Fair, occasional outside program speakers and miscellaneous costs to members, such as photocopying for special programs.

### CHARITY PROJECTS

No reports were given.

### MEDIA, SHOP and TKGA REPORTS

No reports were given.

### JULY GUILD PROGRAM

#### Our Group Chemo Hats Project:

Guild members had wanted to honor Nazee's sister who has a brain tumor with a donation of chemo hats to the University of California, San Francisco for their patients. Caroline Archer will take the hats to UCSF. We had many contributions to the chemo hat project. Members brought knitted and crocheted hats along with favorite hat patterns and one table

had many beautiful hats displayed on it. Nazee donated a design for a fashionable slouch hat. The completed hat looks complicated but is a *very* easy pattern. The design is protected by copyright, but Nazee donated the use of it to the Guild for this project. Nazee's web site is:

<http://www.lacemore.com>

Caroline will continue to accept chemo hats for UCSF. *The important thing is that the yarn be soft and not scratchy.* Other chemo hat patterns can be downloaded from <http://www.headhuggers.org/patterns/kpatt20htm>, and try Ravelry and other resources, too.

### FUTURE GUILD PROGRAMS

Caroline Archer brought us up to date on proposed Guild programs on behalf of the Programs Committee. We still have a few months for which we need program ideas, specifically, February and April 2013. Please submit proposals to Caroline Archer at [carolinearcher@msn.com](mailto:carolinearcher@msn.com) or 415-925-0757 or make suggestions at Guild meetings.

- August: Elaine's Yarn Experiences in Alaska AND Bring Your Winning Marin County Fair Entries to Show & Tell
- September: Discussion of Organizing and Storing Yarn
- October: Getting Silly – Novelty Ideas for Upcoming Holidays (and Notions)
- November: Open – Have an idea?
- December: Pot Luck and Yarn Exchange
- January: Christine's KNITO Game

- February: Open – Have an idea?
- March: Discussion of Stitches 2013
- April: Open – Have an idea?
- Additional suggestions:
  - How to design, write a pattern
  - Reschedule the certified masseuse

### MARIN COUNTY FAIR SHOW & TELL

There was a general discussion of the Marin County Fair knitting exhibit. Some of our members won many ribbons and it was decided that all winners should bring their entries to the August meeting. Lois said that the pictures are on our website. Marilyn Klag brought her award winning socks to show us.

### SHOW & TELL

Our Show and Tell was an eye-opening display of what our talented and creative members are doing.

### NEWSLETTER PHOTOGRAPHS

Due to space issues on our private website (Yahoo!), we will be limiting the number of photographs in our Newsletter. Additional photographs from meetings will be published on our website [marinknittersguild.org](http://marinknittersguild.org).



Slouch hat



Baby hats

## 2012 Officers

President –

**Marilyn Klag**

Secretary –

**Jane Cooperman**

Treasurer –

**Dana Dunn**

Programs Committee –

**Caroline Archer**

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## MEMBER INFORMATION

### MARIN KNITTERS GUILD

**NEWSLETTER: Reminder:** Please email information for the 2012-2013 Newsletters to Radhika Sitamaran at [radhika\\_sitamaran@yahoo.com](mailto:radhika_sitamaran@yahoo.com). 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](mailto:marinknittersguild@yahoo.com) to get on our distribution list.

Respectfully Submitted by Ann Van Arnum for Jane Cooperman, Secretary



## 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 drawn 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 \$20 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 Dr, San Rafael, CA 94901.

### Volunteers

Charity – Claire Miller

Marin Fair Liaison – Elaine Johnson

Website & Yahoo! List – Nazee Fard

Name Tags – Arlene Finn

Church Liaison – Leona Thoeleck

