

Marin Knitters Guild Newsletter



SEPTEMBER 2014



MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD

SEPTEMBER 13, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Co-President, Christine Bo-Linn. Seventeen members including 3 new members attended.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Our treasurer, Dana Dunn reported that before our annual dues collection there was \$646.86 in the treasury.

CHARITY REPORTS AND DONATIONS

St. Luke Presbyterian Church sent a large tray of homemade cookies to the guild in thanks for the donated prayer shawls and lap robes. There was an explanation of what prayer shawls are and how much the church depends on our shawl donations. Leona brought many crocheted lap blankets for donation.

Radhika requested for donated scarves and hats for the St. Anthony's Scarf drive. All donated scarves and hats will be collected by her at the December guild meeting for delivery by December 21, 2014.



In Stitches



...the number one reason knitters knit is because they are so smart that they need knitting to make boring things interesting. Knitters are so compellingly clever that they simply can't tolerate boredom. It takes more to engage and entertain this kind of human, and they need an outlet or they get into trouble.

— Stephanie Pearl-McPhee Quotes

MEDIA REPORT

Designer Josh Bennet: A New York Times article on a male knitter who knits for top designers. A Harper's Bazaar article on oversize knits was passed around.

Marin County Fair: At the Marin County fair, it was noticed that some items were displayed inside out and the display area was also not sufficient. Elaine Johnson, therefore, sent a letter to Charles Barboni (contact at Marin County Fair) requesting that the Knitting Guild be more involved in the knitting and crochet display at the Fair next year.

Christine shared the baby dress and scarf that won first place at the fair. She received a \$90 gift certificate.

Sage Meadows and Linda Cronin were top award winners at the Marin County Fair Knitting. Thank you notes from Sage Meadows (Teen Award winner) and Linda Cronin (Award winner) were passed around.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

September meeting was Hi-Tech knitting – using what is available on the computer. Members recommended different podcasts and blogs that featured patterns, tips and instructions. Some of the suggested sites included: Ravelry, Pinterest, Knitting Central, Yarn Harlot, Bev's Country Cottage, LittleKnits.com, Craftsy.com, Knitting Paradise, Knitting Help, Random Stripes, Berrocco Yarns, Cast on, Sticks & Strings, Stash & Burn and Custom Fit.



Red Crocheted Baby Sweater

SHOW & TELL

There were many beautiful items that members shared at the meeting.

- Sue Cameron shared some gauntlets (fingerless mitts) and baby socks.
- Dana showed off a reversible scarf.
- Jane brought a Feather & Fan Shawl
- Nazee had knitted a Shoulder Shawl
- Radhika was knitting a raglan sweater for her niece
- Marilyn showed a beautiful pair of top down socks
- Lois had a number of items to share: Estelle Fern's bobble scarf, a ribbon yarn jacket, lovely Scandinavian slipper socks, a flower hat from a Dharma pattern and a cable sweater from the 2014 Interweave magazine.
- Leona brought a Noro vest
- Christine showed crocheted vest, baby shoes, baby hat and a slouch hat.
- Marnie brought a vest to show
- Gail shared a set of felted slippers and a tube cowl shawl
- Linda was working on a plaid triangle shawl based on the Scottish *Outlander* series.
- Elaine shared a sweater knitted in the round
- Christine Joly had a Kiernan shawl in a beautiful shade of red.



Top down sock



Crochet Baby Vest



Feather & Fan Shawl

FUTURE PROGRAMS

October Program – Bring samples of your favorite stitches

November Program – Tools of the Trade

*Respectfully Submitted,
Ann Van Arnum, Secretary*



Gail's Blue Tube Shawl/Cowl on the bias



Nazee's Triangular shoulder shawl in progress



Christine's Award winning Rainbow scarf

2014-15 OFFICERS

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MEMBER INFORMATION

MARIN KNITTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER:

Reminder: Please email information for the 2014-2015 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.



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.

Volunteers

Marin Fair Liaison – Elaine Johnson

Website & Yahoo! List – Nazee Fard

Name Tags – Dana Dunn

Church Liaison – Leona Thoelecke

