



January 2015 Newsletter

MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD

DECEMBER 13, 2014 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Christine Bo-Linn. The year-end meeting was well attended.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance in the Treasury is \$1,181.44. Rent is paid through 12/31/2014. The yarn swap contributes considerably to our balance.

CHARITY REPORTS AND DONATIONS

Radhika is collecting scarves and hats for the St. Anthony's Scarf drive. Christine has a hat to donate; Nazee's mother had 2 scarves to donate. Radhika and her mother-in-law had knitted/crocheted 10 scarves for the cause.

MEDIA

A note of gratitude--Christine noted while in Thailand that women sold tightly crocheted items made from a rough yarn for almost nothing. Knitting and crocheting in America is a luxury. In Thailand it's a hard way of making a living. We are blessed.

NEW BUSINESS

Jimmy Beans sent MKG catalogs which Nazee distributed to members. Their main shop is in Reno.

Diane announced that Kirstin of Muench yarns will move the yarn shop to Scott Street, Petaluma and close down the warehouse.

To stay in business, yarn shops are evolving, diversifying, and forming social groups. Support your local yarn shop.

We are looking into having a workshop with White Lies Designs. Diane has knit 2-3 White Lies designs patterns. They are classy, good designs, cute, designed for shape, look good on anyone, lacy, vintage. She's a very entertaining instructor.

Ann Van Arnum has resigned from her position as secretary. We are looking for a new secretary. Please consider volunteering.

DECEMBER PROGRAM

Yarn exchange and Pot Luck lunch was enjoyed by all.



Ruth Suzuki's cabled hats in progress

January Program:

Oops! Undoing/Fixing Mistakes. True Confessions: Mistakes we have made.

Condolences

Our deepest condolences goes to Leona Thoelecke, who lost her son in a car accident on December 30, 2014. Leona and her family are in our thoughts and prayers.

SHOW & TELL

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

- Lois wore a steeked black & white jacket, complete with neck & armhole facings. She downsized the pattern to fit her. She's working on gift hats from "60 quick knits."
- Marilyn modeled her mother's gray cardigan and purple socks. She's working on wool slippers for a friend's son's USMC troop stationed in Afghanistan.
- Christine (a new member) was working on a scarf of apricot silk mohair. She asked about connecting new balls of yarn & mentioned that one of her "magic" knots failed. Members suggested the spit & rub method.
- Carita finished 2 pairs of fingerless gloves and 2 hats. She wore her \$1000 Christmas sweater = cost of staying at Stitches for the weekend + cost of sweater kit.
- Christine crocheted a hat for Radhika's charity program, gold leggings for a daughter, scarf with variegated ribbing made of stash, cowl from a kit, hat in grey malabrigo yarn, fingerless gloves in Koigu sock yarn and fingerless gloves from Cascade 220.
- Katherine wore a black pullover knit to try out a pattern. She's made formal length fingerless gloves from sock yarn for those with bursitis.
- Leona was wearing her Christmas vest in pink and red.
- Dana already mailed away her hooded cabled scarf, but was working on a cotton/silk A-shaped cardigan with short sleeves.
- Nazee wore a 2-tone grey scarf in sock yarn designed in a crescent shape which stays on your shoulders. She's designed a new fingerless glove pattern with cables for a bride. And she's cast on a teal scarf in a sequined yarn--Red Heart Swanky.
- Radhika was working on hats made on a round loom and received a bag of hats donated by Toby.

Respectfully submitted:
Ruth Suzuki, Acting Secretary



Christine with her legging of variegated ribbing



Christine's Scarf of Apricot silk mohair



Marilyn modeling her mother's gray cardigan



Lois demonstrating her steeked black and white jacket

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 Thoeleck

