



MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD

APRIL 9, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Christine Bo-Linn. Ten members attended the meeting. Christine opened the meeting with committee reports.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dana provided the treasurer's report. The Guild sponsored knitting and crochet prizes for the 2016 County Fair have been sent to Fair officials. The rent is paid through June. There is \$984.02 in the account.

MARIN COUNTY FAIR

Fair Exhibitor books are available, describing entry requirements and categories. Entry forms are due May 12, 2016. Items must be submitted June 10th and 11th, and will be released July 5th. Exhibitor books were sent out only to those that entered last year, as a cost-cutting measure. Unlike previous years, the names of 2015 winners are not included in the Exhibitors book, nor are any photos. Elaine, our Fair liaison, relayed that winner names and required photo captions did not meet county ADA requirements for font size. 2015 winners are listed on-line for 10 months after the fair. Guild members are encouraged to enter items to the fair. It promotes knitting and crochet within the county, supports the fair, and provides feedback from the judges to the entrants to improve our craft.

MEDIA REPORT

Bluebird Yarns is closing in mid-May. Owner Sophie Boros-Kouros is moving to the East Bay. The current discount is 25% and is likely to increase as the closing date approached.

The Hen Haus has moved to Cotati. It carries yarn, buttons, clothing, shoes and gift items.

Christine reminds all members to use Ravelry as a tool and for sharing projects, notes, pictures, etc. It also shows Guild activity to the vast Ravelry membership.

SHOW & TELL

Dana is knitting a baby sweater for her great-granddaughter, born April 1, 2016

Kathryn is knitting a skirt and top down sweater with new yarn as Piedmont Yarn shop samples. She is modifying a sweater patter from Elizabeth Doherty's Top Down book.

Christine wore a crocheted vest from CGH yarn. She just finished a gradient crochet shawl, but hasn't blocked it yet.

Leona is working on a Noro coat.

Melissa wore a Tori cowl from a pattern by local designer Chiaki. She is working on her Kate Davies Fair Isle blanket in natural Shetland wool.

Lois wore a cowl from Knit Picks Chroma and black sock yarn, and is working on a short sleeved cable sweater from Anne Von Arnum's stash. She also wore a Kauni shawl.

Elaine finished a vest from stash Marie left to the Guild several years ago.

Marsha wore a Holden shawl made from Knit Picks Hawthorne year. She is knitting an Evelyn Clark shawl using beads instead of nups.

In Stitches



Credit: Quotesgram.com

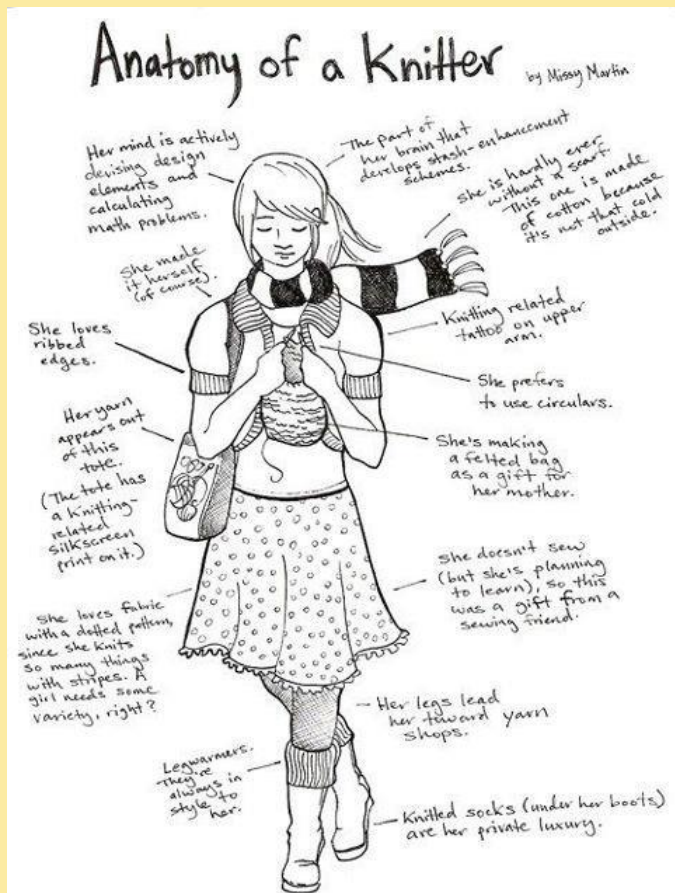
APRIL PROGRAM

Marilyn conducted the program for toe-up socks. She talked about Judy's Magic Cast on for toe up socks. She has researched on several online tutorials. She likes and recommends www.beyondtoes.com

There are a variety of YouTube videos showing variations on start and twist direction. It's important to note whether all the stitches are sitting with the right leg in front. If not, just knit through the back loop to place the stitch correctly. Increases are on each side to widen the toe. She also used the directions in the Cast On Bind Off book that Linda Cronin recommended at a previous meeting.

One advantage of toe up socks is ability to use up all the yarn by weighing the yarn and using half on each sock. For those with leftover odds and ends, Kathryn's friend is knitting a blanket out of sock yarn and is looking for any bits and bobs.

Respectfully submitted by:
Gail Korenaga, Secretary



Credit: <https://theintrepidknitter.com/tag/humor/>



Elaine - Vest



Lois - Kauni Shawl



Elaine - Feather shawl

RIDDLE CORNER

1. WHAT IS A YOYO?

2. HOW DID THE HOOK SING TO THE YARN?



ANSWERS

1. A YOYO IS WHEN THE HOOK AND THE YARN DANCE THE TANGLE!

2. STRAND BY ME!

Credit: (time2crochet-n-craft.blogspot.com)

2015-16 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.

RAVELRY GROUP: Marin Knitters Guild has a group on Ravelry. You can join us by going to our website www.marinknittersguild.org or join directly from Ravelry by searching for "Marin" in the group section.

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



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

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