



Marin Guild Newsletter

MARIN KNITTERS' GUILD

JULY 9, 2016 MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President Jane Cooperman. 19 members and 1 guest attended the meeting. Our guest, Geri Butler, is a former member who was active in the Guild up until 6 years ago. Thanks to Amy Fritz for taking the minutes for us in Gail Korenaga's absence and Elaine Johnson for contributing some notes for the minutes. The Guild members were thrilled to see Kathryn back. And, additional thanks to Amy for updating our Facebook page.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dana Dunn reported that we currently have \$646.06. Rent for July-August-September is due. We pay \$55 per month.



Elaine wearing her jacket



Marilyn's shawlette



Phyllis and Lois with their sweaters

JULY PROGRAM

Elaine Johnson, our Fair Liaison, reported that Guild members did very well – basically, every Guild member who entered the Fair won prizes and ribbons. Linda Cronin and Melissa Boles got “Best of Show” for wearable and non-wearable knitting respectively. Ruth Suzuki, Marilyn Klag, Gail Korenaga and Elaine Johnson all got prizes and ribbons. Anita Sparks also got a blue ribbon for her ram in the “Any Other Knitted Item” category. She got a special award from the Needle Arts Guild! Linda got the Knitters' Guild Award for Best of Show wearable knitting for the third year in a row! Both Guild awards were given. Photos of all projects have been added to the Guild's Facebook page.

NEW BUSINESS – MARIN COUNTY FAIR

Things to consider for next year: Do we want to create a “program” for learning to knit/crochet at the fair? And/or conduct knitting & crochet demonstrations (e.g. knitting with mixed media etc.?).

Outreach to knitters who are not Guild members, but entered projects – can we attach a “Hi, come join us!” type of note to the projects (after the fair).

Business cards/flyers: keep these handy to distribute at the fair and other events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Marin Needle Arts (MNAG) is holding a Quilt & Craft Faire and Bake Sale on Saturday, July 16, 2016 from 9-3 at Aldersgate Methodist Church at One Wellbrock Heights in San Rafael. MNAG has some knitters, so there should be some knitted items to view or buy.

The Sonoma County Yarn Hop (4 stores) will also take place on July 16th. Yarnitudes, Knitterly, Purls of Joy and Cast Away and Folk are participating.

The Sonoma County Fair (Santa Rosa) takes place July 22-27.

Nazee reported that Premium Yarns is having a big sale.

SHOW & TELL

Dana: purple variegated shawl/scarf (pattern from Knitty) with a leaf motif.

Sue: sweater with a Quaker collar. Yarn is "Scottish mohair from the freezer". :-)

Jeri: Hitchhiker scarf.

Melissa: in progress: Church mouse poncho.

Mary: in progress: scarf with lace pattern in variegated blue/green yarn.

Leona: short sleeve turquoise cardigan.

Arlene: 2 Hitchhiker scarves, a slouchy hat and a lacy scarf.

Diane: finished 10 sets of hand warmers to sell.

Ruth: in progress: green cabled pullover with 3/4 sleeves.

Marilyn: she showed us her prize-winning socks.

Joan: just cast on for a felted bag, recently finished a Hitchhiker scarf.

Amy: pass (too busy with note taking to show WIP!).

Kathryn: Blue pullover (Nordic style yoke) and in progress: Couruonne yoked cardigan.

Marie: in progress: Azel (pattern by Heidi May) poncho.

Nazee: in progress: gray & green baby jacket and adding crochet sleeves to a top picked up at Goodwill! Also showed finished triangle scarf/shawl - green with beads.

Lois: in progress: striped pullover Finished: cabled V neck cardigan and triangle shawl, both in light green "City Tweed" yarn from Knitpicks.

Phyllis: finished pink/white stranded cardigan and in progress: striped kimono style cardigan.

Radhika: in progress: turquoise and gray seamless pullover for grandson.

Elaine: finishing up: blue/green/variegated maxi dress for small child also in progress: yellow feather and fan knit blanket to donate to BabyLove Ministry.



Dana's shawl

TRUNK (AND TABLE) SHOW

Elaine explained that in her expanded neighborhood--Greenbrae, Kentfield, Bret Harte, and other San Rafael areas--they have an email service called "Nextdoor." At one point she posted that she could knit things, particularly baby things, for people to use as gifts. No one contacted her for at least a year. Then a woman who had yarn from a machine knitting factory that was closing down contacted her, and Elaine jumped at it.

Nazee Fard, Jane Cooperman and Lois Errante went to Elaine's house to help her sort the 15 boxes of yarn and thread into color families, plus some zippers. They packed the boxes into SUV trunks and brought them to the Guild meeting. We ventured outside to look at and select yarn to take home from the car trunks. More yarn was inside our meeting room on tables, too. Of the 15 boxes, we managed to claim 13 full boxes! The remaining yarn will be donated to the Machine Knitters' Guild.

AUGUST PROGRAM

Book Exchange! Bring your favorite books and magazines to swap.

Unclaimed materials will be donated to Friends of the Marin Public Library.

Respectfully submitted by:
Amy Fritz, Substituting for Gail Korenaga, Secretary



2016-17 OFFICERS

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MEMBER INFORMATION

MARIN KNITTERS GUILD NEWSLETTER:

Reminder: Please email information for the 2016-2017 *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 Knitters' Guild" 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

Website & Ravelry – Nazee Fard

Name Tags – Dana Dunn

Church Liaison – Leona Thoelecke

