
Marin Knitters Guild Newsletter

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President's Message:
Strengthening the Guild
The November meeting raised some major questions about the future of the Marin Knitters' Guild. What do we want from it? What do we like best at our meetings? What would we prefer to see change? How do we maximize contributions of knowledge and skill from our members and remunerate those contributions appropriately? None of these questions is easy to answer. The Executive Committee

will meet to compile a survey to be sent to all members. As we move forward, we need everyone's best thinking. So while you work on your holiday knitting projects, give some thought to what gets you up on a Saturday morning to drive to that month's Guild meeting. Remember to bring a dish to share December 13 for our annual Holiday Pot Luck. We will of course have Show and Tell.
Warmly,
Elaine Johnson



• **Swirled Mint Ice Cream Bars:**

Ingredients:

- * 2 1/2 cups (about 22) finely ground creme-filled chocolate sandwich cookies
- * 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted
- * 1 2/3 cups (10-oz. pkg.) NESTLÉ® TOLL HOUSE® SWIRLED™ Semi-Sweet & Premier White Morsels, divided
- * 1 container (1.5 quarts) Mint Chocolate Chip DREYER'S or EDY'S SLOW CHURNED Light Ice Cream, slightly softened
- * NESTLÉ NESQUIK Chocolate Flavor Syrup

DIRECTIONS:

LINE 13 x 9-inch baking pan with plastic wrap or foil with edges hanging over sides.

MIX cookie crumbs and butter in small bowl. Press onto bottom of prepared pan. Sprinkle 1 cup morsels over crumb crust. Scoop ice cream over morsels; spread evenly with knife or small spatula.

SPRINKLE with remaining 2/3 cup morsels and press down lightly. Freeze for about 2 hours.

TO SERVE, let stand for 5 minutes. Lift dessert out of pan; remove plastic wrap. Cut into bars. Drizzle with Nesquik.

November Minutes Highlights

Attendance: 22
Guests: 2
Old Business:
What to do with the money in our

Treasury? MKG Steering Committee to be created to survey members to find out what they want to do and how

they are willing to contribute to the Guild. Members suggested the Guild should pay an

honorarium to our members who contribute special workshops for the guild; Christine Bo-Linn feels that every member should make some kind of contribution as in teaching something, leading a meeting, etc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Needlepoint store in San Rafael, "Come to the Point" is a good place to get a little yarn for repairs, etc.

Thank you from Operation Gratitude read to members for scarves knitted and sent for the military.

TREASURER'S REPORT: \$2080.69 in treasury with this month's rent still to pay.

This would make a great Christmas Gift: Computer Mouse Pad.

Mouse Pad!



Websites of Note: Knitting Daily and e-PatternCentral.com

Meeting ended with a yarn swap and a Mobius workshop taught by Leona Thoelecke subbing for Diane Sack.

Raffle which had a bonus prize this month, was won by Nazee Fard and an "official" prize was won by Dana Dunn, who will bring the gift next month. \$30 was

added to the treasury from yarn and raffle donations.



KNITTING TIPS:

Reduce Pilling on a Finished Garment:

Drop 2 or 3 drops of glycerin in the water for a complete cycle in the washing machine, if it's wash by hand, only 1 drop, no more because it's greasy!

Glycerin gives back softness to the yarn and you can use in with fabrics too but! NEVER DRY BY MACHINE!!! It will

stick and make all your efforts useless

Choosing a Needle Size for Unfamiliar Yarn:

Double your yarn and thread it through the closest size hole on your needle gauge. Whichever hole it fits through the neatest (neither tight nor with gaping spaces around the yarn) is the best needle size to do your first swatch with.

