



Program Schedule

May 9 Sock it to Me—Bring in socks you’ve made. Bring in your county fair items.

**June 6 Yarn Crawl and lunch in Santa Rosa

June 13 World Wide Knit in Public day.

Needle Care—come with your favorite tips

July 11 Southwest Trading Yarn trunk show

August 8 Living on the Edge—bring in samples of edges

Bring in your group project scarf—the morning surf scarf or the ocean wave. Be prepared to be photographed!

Sept. 12 Hand massage Jennifer Rockwell

**Sept. 19 Potluck and Knit-In Christine’s Houses

October 10 Charity knits—Bring in your items for Operation Gratitude, Squares for Carita, Chemo hats and baby hats

**Nov. 7 Yarn Crawl

Nov. 14 The Granny Square

December 12 Pot Luck Holiday, Yarn Exchange, show off your holiday knits

Jan. 9 Group Project show and tell

Feb. 13 Sarah Oliver talks about the creative process of her beautiful felted purses as well as the business end of her craft.

March 13 Spring Cleaning – Book swap Sweater Swap

April 10 It’s in the Bag – Bring in any bags you’ve made

From President Lois

Thanks to all who helped us learn more about Ravelry. I am now putting all my books and magazines in the library.

Remember to bring in STITCHES reports for our next meeting--- and to STEP UP to volunteer to be on the nominating committee and/or volunteer to be nominated for a one of the Guild offices for the coming year. We need your input and willing participation.



Thanks in advance.

— Lois

Minutes of February Meeting

Meeting Minutes February 13, 2010

Attendance: Lois Errante, Nazee Fard, Leona Thoelecke, JoAnn Hicks, Diane Sack, Ann Van Arnum, Kate Purl, Christine Bo-Linn, Joan Schwartz, Phylis Camp, Gail Korenaga, Dana Dunn, Cathy Aviles, Bonnie Steuble, Ar-

lene Finn, Arlene Eyle, Cathy Puccetti, Judy Miller, Marny Sorges, Sandra Leister, Diane Davis, Elaine Johnson, Clareta Lynch, guest Donna Rich and Carol Jacobs.

President Lois Errante kicked off the meeting welcoming our two guests Donna and Carol.

Old Business - Stitches West begins Thursday February 25 at the Santa Clara Convention Center ending Sunday February 28. Guild members shared what we can experience at the yearly event and provided good advice on buying, parking, attending the fashion show and where to find good eats in the area. You could feel

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February's Minutes, cont.

the thrill, the excitement as we prepare for our next buying adventure. Yarn, Buttons, Pin, Needles, Notions; and vendors who will gladly help you wind your new skein purchases. We are so blessed.

If you cannot attend this year's show mark your calendar for 2011, Stitches is usually scheduled for the last weekend in February in Santa Clara.

Elaine Johnson provided the following information on the upcoming "Going Global" Marin County Fair Theme for 2010

"Our Guild enjoys a good relationship with the Fair now," reported Fair Liaison Elaine Johnson at Saturday's meeting. "They ask us for our input and they listen, which has resulted in improved categories (classes) and increased cash awards over the last few years."

One of our suggested categories, "Coats and Jackets," will be the featured class at this summer's Fair (July 1-5, 2010), with awards from \$100 for a 1st place blue ribbon to \$25 for 5th place. "Women's Sweaters," a popular and hotly-contested class, will offer awards ranging from \$50 for 1st through

\$10 for 5th place. The knitting division will also have a "Fair Theme" class; a new division within Needle Arts, Global Arts, will include different kinds of global stitchery such as Tunisian crochet, Japanese embroidery and mola-making.

Membership consensus after polling dictated we continue to offer a special award from the Guild. Last year we began this tradition with a \$75 award "In Loving Memory of Marie Bonnano," a member who passed away in 2008. This year, the Guild will offer a special prize to be awarded "at the discretion of the judges" to the knitter who achieves "Best in Show." Master knitter Lois won that coveted designation last year and got a rosette ribbon only—no cash.

Remember that entry forms for the Fair are due about a month before the actual entries must be delivered. You can enter an item and then if you find you couldn't get it finished in time, you just lose the \$2 entry fee. Exhibitors' Guides and entry forms will probably be ready for the March meeting. Get knitting, and use the Fair dates to motivate completion of an entry-worthy project. We want to do ourselves proud again this year!

Thank you Elaine

Member's discussion on workshops was well received with several excellent suggestions. Those members who would like to lead a workshop please provide a list of classes you are willing to teach. Once we have all instructors course outlines we will post their information in an upcoming news letter. Discussion included half day and full day workshops as well as possible retreats that could include instructor and project workshop.

Members who are attending stitches classes will also solicit information from instructors on sharing their hand-outs with guild members. There may be a cost associated with coping class handouts.

Treasurer's Report
\$2,087.05 from last months newsletter

Program workshop was a quick tutorial on Ravelry

See you next month.

Respectfully submitted,

JoAnn Hicks
Recording Secretary

Next Meetings:

March 13

**Spring Leaning
Book Swap and
Sweater Swap**

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— *Christine*