

# June 2010

## Marin Knitters' Guild Newsletter

### Program Schedule

June 12, 2010-Potholder Mania!

July 10, 2010-Turkish Cape part one (Vogue pattern # 16 Turkish Cape, fall 2005)

August 14, 2010-Pick up those edges.

September 11, 2010 - learn to read charts

October 9, 2010 Charity knits bring in your items.

November 13, 2010-Favorite needles and tips for care. Bring ideas, your favorite needle container(s), protectors, etc.

### PRESIDENT' S MESSAGE

As we begin a new year, we want to take the time to thank Lois along with the past board members for their service to the guild last year. Great job.

Looking forward, Nazee and I are excited about taking reins and charging into this next year. We have a number of ideas for the coming year that we look forward to sharing with you in the months to come. Cathy Puccetti has some great ideas for programs and we are looking at a possible retreat later in the year.

While the weather is still a bit nippy out I know we are all looking forward to putting away those heavy sweater's and starting to knit those light tops for those warm summer days ahead.

We look forward to see you all at the next meeting.

Marcia and Nazee

### Next Meeting(s) :

June 12, 2010-Potholder Mania, Have fun, learn a new skill and stretch your creative self while using up stash. Bring in at least one potholder to exchange and any more you would like to show. Cotton or wool only, please. Fun contest, show off and exchange.

July 10, 2010-Turkish Cape (Vogue pattern # 16 Turkish Cape, Fall 2005. Lois will get us started. Supplies: pattern, yarn, needles, swatch OR, to learn the technique, yarn and needles only. Note this pattern is no longer available.

## **EVENTS**

May 21, Potluck at Christine's house. 17 attended and had a wonderful time!

June 27 Oakland Fiber Festival (NOTE: since the May meeting, the board decided the costs for table and tent rental would be too high so we will just attend the festivities.)

## **Meeting minutes**

Saturday, May 8, 2010

Co-President Marcia Hammett opened the meeting at 10:00 in the downstairs meeting room of St. Luke's Presbyterian Church. Marcia suggested that we have a ten-minute social get-together at the beginning of our regular meeting to greet new guests and socialize.

Marcia wants the club to consider a ladder system for the election of officers. Many clubs operate with this system. Using this system we would not have as much difficulty recruiting new officers each year. Marcia said that the brochures on our club are outdated and we will now use club business cards instead. Flyers can also be made inexpensively to leave in knitting shops, etc.

The club will take part in the Oakland Fiber Festival on June 27th at Splash Park in Oakland We will have a space and need 3 people for each two-hour shift. The festival is from 10:00 to 4:00.

Vice-President Cathy Puccetti read the results of the recent survey of what workshops the club would prefer. Members would like to learn knitting symbols and also have a sweater workshop.

Treasurer Dana Dunn said that the guild has \$2,083.05 in the treasury. She also asked that members be sure that she has the current e-mail address.

Some members will be exhibiting in the Marin County Fair, which is July 1 through July 5. Our guild is sponsoring the Best in Show Award.

Show and Tell had members showing their latest work. Elaine showed some articles that she is planning to enter in the Marin County Fair.

St. Luke's is running out of prayer shawls. They would be grateful for any we could provide. We have a new member. Jane Cooperman joined the club after the meeting.

Minutes submitted by Ann Van Arnum

24 In attendance: Cathleen Aviles, Christine Bo-Linn, Phyllis Camp, Dana Dunn, Lois Errante, Nazee Fard, Marcia Hammett, Elaine Johnson, Gail Korenaga, Sandra Leister, Carita Lynch, Claire Miller, Cathy Puccetti, Diane Sack, Beth Saucier, Joan Schwartz, Marny Sorgen, Bonnie Steuble, Ruth Suzuki, Leona Thoelecke, Ann Van Arnum, Diane Davis, Arlene Eyler, Jane Cooperman

This year's officers: Marcia Hammett, Nazee Fard, Ann Van Arnum, Cathy Puccetti, Christine Bo-Linn, Dana Dunn

**CHECK IT OUT**—websites, shops, patterns or yarns mentioned during the meeting

Yarnstandards.com—tons of info from the Craft Yarn Council of America

Onefineyarn.com for Not Just Plain Jane sweater patterns

Classic Elite Wool Bamboo 50-50 for military personnel. They like Summer Cottage Antiques in Petaluma—Great buttons!

Colorfulimages.com -business cards on line

## **CHARITIES**

Operation Gratitude collects scarves acrylic yarns. Scarves should be about 6" wide, and 42-48" long.

[www.operationgratitude.com](http://www.operationgratitude.com)

We've been knitting for the Blue Star Moms of Marin. They like scarves, hats, and helmet liners in military colors (navy, black, brown, dk green). Wool only! Scarves should be 9-10" wide and 40-42" long. No fringe or lacework.

[www.bluestarmomsofmarin.org](http://www.bluestarmomsofmarin.org)

Carita collects yarn and 6" crochet/knit squares for the Sonoma Blanket Project. This group puts the squares together to make blankets for the Valley of the Moon Children's' Home.