



NCW Knitters Guild Newsletter

February 2015

Business Meeting February 3, 2015

Presiding: Victoria Bosche, President. Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm, 47 in attendance!

Guests welcomed by Victoria—3 new members joined tonight.

Treasurer report: Sally reported \$3282.07 in the bank account. \$40 in dues received, and she paid out \$378.61 for purchase of the new projector.

Minutes from the January meeting approved.

Membership: Forms to join guild are available at monthly meetings, \$10 for annual dues.

Vic is putting together a list of guild assets, including the projector just purchased. Please be in touch with her if you know of items to list.

Judy reported that our meeting room here at the Eagles is still secure; the other half of the building is currently on the market.

Vic thanked Diann Kale and Gail Evans for providing snacks for the meeting. Sign up sheet was passed to fill the two remaining openings. If you're providing snacks for a meeting, please also bring napkins and plates. The Eagles provide beverages.

The Eagles club encourages us to purchase dinners/drinks there as part of our using the meeting room. Please come early some time and have dinner! Salad bar and a baked potato only \$6, or order the daily special.

Knitters guild has groups on Facebook and Ravelry, and the guild library is on Ravelry thanks to the talents of Hydee Schrader. Check out these resources. Judy commented on how helpful the groups have been to network with other knitters.

Visitors Paula and Peter, from our local AmeriCorps and working in conjunction with the Hat Project, requested yarn donations before Feb. 20th for hats to be distributed locally. Contact Paula at 251-533-9588 if you have supplies to donate.

The 'Color' DVD appears to be missing from guild library, however ownership of DVD was in error. If you know anything about this, please contact a board member.

Current Projects & Committee Reports

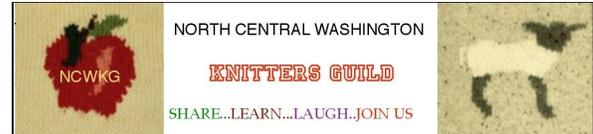
Upcoming Programs: Next meeting on March 3rd. **Program:** Continue 'meet and greet' of more guild members, and then a demonstration of 2 to 3 different seaming techniques. We will break into smaller groups for this exercise. Please bring four small swatches with unfinished edges to practice on.

Workshops/Events:

- **Afghan Sampler**—The group has met, assigned squares and distributed yarn and patterns. A meeting in March will be set to plan assembly of afghan. Each participant should have their individual square completed and blocked to the 12 x 12 inch required size.
- **Pybus University Learn to Knit class**—The class was mistakenly scheduled for our Feb. 3rd meeting and published in Pybus newsletter. Mary Ann and a few selected members left the guild meeting to fulfill this obligation. Another class may be scheduled at a later date.
- **Vale Elementary in Cashmere—teach kids to knit.** Gayle HOLETON is leading and asked for assistants on Tuesdays from 11:30 to 12:30. You must sign in at front office at school. Questions? Call or text Gayle at 425-466-4357.
- **Madrona Fiber Arts Festival**—February 12-15 in Tacoma. For more information visit the website www.madronafiberarts.com

Charity: 55 hats and 12 scarves were delivered to an appreciative group at the Hospitality House. Some kids hats were given to Haven of Hope and Bruce Hotel, and Mary Ann reported she had 18-20 hats headed to Wellness Place this week.

Logo Design: New design unveiled and received a favorable response. Still some font/color changes to be implemented. Thanks to Kathy Dinwiddie for her efforts putting this together.



Door Prize: The Vogue Ultimate Knitting book, won by Mona Webb.

Shop Talk: K1,P2 Yarn—Cody expressed her gratitude to all who have visited her newly opened store, and invited us to come and knit on Thursdays from 5:00-7:00 pm and bring your own wine and a snack to share. She also shared several gorgeous scarves and cowls, and let us know of upcoming classes—skirts, being taught by Marilee Smith-Lorenson, and a lace cotton cardigan by Mary Ann Corning. Location is 1012 Springwater Street in Wenatchee. Shop hours are Tues-Sat, 11:00-5:00, Thurs 11:00-7:00. Website is www.k1p2yarn.com

Cashmere Cottage Yarn—8th Anniversary event on Feb 28th from 11-5:00 pm. Grand prize drawing for Dreamz needle set; first 50 guests receive a gadget; 15% off full price inventory. April sock KAL with KnitPurlHunter. Visit their website for details, cashmerecoottageyarn.com. Knit at shop Wed 1:00-3:00 or 5:00-8:00, Thurs 1:00-3:00.

MAC's Studio is located at 130 Riverview Road, East Wenatchee, west of highway 28 past Hobby Lobby. Mary Ann has reduced her 'basket sales to \$1 per skein.' Visit this month by appointment 669-3099. She has also requested suggestions for possible classes for guild membership.

Tips/Tech/Tools/Misc: Judy tried the 'slipping a stitch' method on first stitch of shoulder shaping, but found that it created a hole in finished seam. She recommended Sally Melville resources as her favorites for good knitting techniques.

Marylee R. shared her 'Sock Ruler' tool for measuring just where to start your heel on socks. She also recommended a 'fix it' tool with different size crochet hooks on each end.

You can use a clip on the side of any bowl as a yarn guide. Another idea was to punch a hole in a small plastic container to feed yarn through.

The 'Russian Join' was recommended to join yarns—look on youtube for this video.

Program: Using our new projector, Victoria presented Craftsy video lesson on Japanese short rows. Members used their prepared swatches to follow the video instruction. This method uses a stitch marker instead of wrapping a stitch, and is especially good for light weight yarns.

Current officers:

President: Victoria Bosche
 Vice Pres: Alicia Caouette
 Secretary: Jane Dunbar
 Treasurer: Sally Thompson

Current chairpeople:

Newsletter: Victoria Olson
 Membership: Tracy Gausman
 Refreshments: Judy Marsalis
 Charity : Mary Ann Corning
 Website/: Jackie Gabaldo
 Door Prize: Lisa Graves
 Library: Sue Enright

SHOW AND TELL



Sherry's little lamb



Carolyn's lovely lacey scarf



Marilee S.L.'s knitted wreath



Judy's beautiful poncho, made from Cascade Pacific yarn



Alicia's gorgeous hat



Sue C.'s cute little socks!



Sue C.'s amazing shawls



Judy's vest for her husband



Katherine's alligator design—hollow so it can "eat" things!



Sock Ruler tool



Tracy's crocheted card holders—good for little or arthritic hands



Two squares of the afghan sampler project