



NCWKnitters Guild Newsletter

October 2015

Business Meeting—October 6, 2015

The meeting opened at 6:05 p.m. with 50 members and guests present. Sherry Anderson and Marcia Janke were thanked for providing the evening's refreshments. This was one of our largest meetings to date, and with a full room it can be difficult to hear. We ask everyone to please keep side conversations to a minimum.

Minutes from September meeting were approved (minutes are included in newsletter).

Treasurer's report: Sally reported a beginning balance of \$2886.78, with September expenses of \$241.11 for check order, new banner, and misc supplies, leaving an ending balance of \$2645.67.

New business: A motion passed to purchase two Patty Lyons instructional DVDs, "Knitting Bag of Tricks" and "Fixing Mistakes" for the Guild lending library.

Both booths at Fair and Quilt Show looked beautiful—the new banner was displayed at Quilt Show, and the sampler afghan was on display at the Fair. Email sign up sheets at these events generated interest from 29 more individuals.

Program: Presentations, displays, and merchandise sales by our four local yarn shops.

Next meeting: November 3rd, 6:00 pm at Eagles Lodge, 1208 N. Wenatchee Ave - across from Red Lion.

Program: German short rows, presented by Susan Wojciechowski.

December program: Potluck and ugly sweater contest.

January program: Ravelry and Facebook updates/tutorials.

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Events/Projects: Madrona Fiber Arts Festival, February 11-16, 2016. We hope to garner interest for this event, and arrange carpooling. A program overview should be available at the end of September, class schedules in October, and registration begins in November. For more information, visit the website <http://madronafiberarts.com/>.

Columbia Gorge Fiber Festival, November 6-8, 2015, Hood River, OR. For more info, go to columbiagorgefiberfestival.com

Check out this site for fiber festivals by region: fiddleheadfibers.com/festivals/FestivalRegion.html

Library/Website: If you post knitting related items on Facebook and Ravelry, you can also post them on the Guild Facebook page. The Guild website has past newsletters and a listing of books in the guild library, www.ncwknittersguild.com. The library is housed at Sue Enright's home, please contact her if you'd like to visit and utilize the library 670-2290 or sueenright7019@gmail.com.

Tips/Tech/Tools/Misc: Sally's tip for counting rounds with patterning: at beginning of round marker, knit the number of stitches for row you're starting, example: you are starting row 5 of pattern, knit 5 stitches. When you return to your knitting, you'll know you're on row 5.

Marilee shared a favorite site for knitting expertise: <http://2sides2points.com>. She also offered to lend her 'Knitting Bag of Tricks' DVD. A motion passed to purchase this and one other DVD for guild library.

Kathy Jo had a vintage canvas bag from Elite Needlework, and on a recent flight found that the handles of bag fit perfectly over the tray table to hold her knitting supplies!

Door Prize: two skeins of Ella Rae Cozy Soft Chunky yarn donated by Knitting Fever, and won by Anna N.

October program featured our four local yarn shops and their owners:

MAC's Studio

Mary Ann dubbed her display "The Dollar Store." She brought baskets (at \$1 per skein) of Patons Astra sport weight yarn, a soft acrylic that is great for kids garments and charity hats. She also had free magazines and patterns for us, along with a some Addi needles. Mary Ann is teaching these classes at WVC: Sock Workshop (one session) on Nov. 7th, and Small Holiday Projects (4 sessions) starts Oct. 21st. Class information is available at www.wvc.edu/directory/departments/conted/. Her studio is located at 130 Riverview Road, East Wenatchee, west of highway 28 past Hobby Lobby. Call before you visit 669-3099.

Cashmere Cottage Yarn

Judith and Jan have been in business for 8 years now! Skacel Trunk show in progress this month. Skacel offers many free patterns online at <http://www.skacelknitting.com/s.nl/sc.2/category.44688/f> Judith and Jan shared a sampling of yarns/projects available at the shop. Domek (shoulder wrap) is a free Ravelry pattern using 'Big Wheel' bulky yarn, 'Fixation' yarn by Cascade is superb for dishcloths. New super bulky yarn from Naturalia, Borgo de Pazzi Firenze. **Classes:** Mary's Stitch Sampler Scarf (only 2 spaces left!), Susan's Finishing Nov. 7th from 1-4 pm, Entrelac Hat, Dragonfly Phone Pouch 'Knitting for a Cause'. Check for details on Facebook. Call 509-782-0382 for info or to register for classes. Knit at the shop on Wed 1:00-3:00 or 5:00-8:00, Thurs 1:00-3:00. 'Thursday Knit Together' begins October 8th knitting Christmas stockings. Located at 102A S. Maple Street in Cashmere.

K1P2 Yarn

Cody is celebrating one year in business at her Wenatchee location! Tonight she brought some new yarns: Naturalia is a super bulky 100% llama, Mountain Colors roving and a pencil roving for knitting, felting or crochet, Noro Rainbow Roll, Forever Sock yarn with fair isle patterning, and lovely Isager merino. **Classes:** Enchantment Shawl Oct 15 & 29, Streamlines Wrap Oct 21 (uses short rows), Kitchen Glove & Potholder, Socks, Cowls, Mitts, and Felted Slippers Nov 4 and 18 using Bev Galeska's Fiber Trend pattern. Visit the website for upcoming classes at k1p2yarn.com, or the shop at 1012 Springwater Street in Wenatchee. Shop hours Tues-Sat, 11:00-5:00, Thurs 11:00-7:00. Knit-ins on Thursday!

Twisted Fine Yarn and Wool

Sandi bought Warehouse Woolery last year, changed the name, and in April relocated the business into downtown Chelan. Her table featured a variety of yarns and products available in the store. Many prepackaged kits (yarn + pattern) were ready and waiting to be knit. Bulky yarns are extremely popular right now, and knit up quickly. Small skeins of Risoni 100% silk can be used in weaving and knitting. Lovely kid's books *Phoebe's Sweater* and *Freddy's Blanket* also contain knitting patterns. **Classes:** Seahawk Hat, Brioche Reversible Blanket, Noro Reversible Cowl, Churchmouse Straight Skirt, Two-at-a-time Toe-up Socks. Melody Baker is our knitting instructor, Betty Keifer teaches crochet, and Linda Moore is in the shop on Mondays to help with your projects.. Shop hours are Mon – Sat 10:00 to 5:00, Thursday 10:00 to 6:00. Located at 210 E. Woodin Ave in Chelan. www.twistedyarnandwool.com

*****Note:** Stephanie Matthews is driving to Chelan for the sock class at Twisted on Oct 20th and Nov 17th. If you're attending and would like to carpool, call her at 509-670-0547 or stephmat@nwi.net.

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With Christmas just around the corner, it seems like a good time to share this piece from Juniper Moon Farm website, written by Susan, back in 2012.

www.fiberfarm.com/2012/11/great-childrens-books-that-feature-knitting

“As I’ve gotten older, I have become That Dreaded Aunt that Gives Books for Presents. The thing is, the kids I know get so much crap for their birthdays and Christmas. So much plastic. So much that will be forgotten and discarded within weeks of unwrapping. It exhausts me, and makes me sad.

So, instead of adding to the great pile of toys, I opt to give books. I know books will never be opened with the excitement of a noisy, brightly colored plastic thing, but books don’t mind not being the star of the show. Books will patiently wait on the shelf, and, long after all the flashy gifts are gone, those books will beckon. Books will take their places and hopefully become their life-long friends. Books are sneaky like that.

Here’s a short list of some of my favorite knitting, yarn, and sheep-related picture books for your consideration:”

The New Sweater: The Hueys Book 1
by Olivea Jeffers

Knitting Nell
by Julie Jersild Roth

Red Knit Cap Girl
by Naoko Stoop

Weaving the Rainbow
by George Ella Lyon

Lester’s Dreadful Sweaters
by K.G. Campbell

Charlie Needs a Cloak
by Tomie dePaola

Yetsa’s Sweater
by Sylvia Olsen

A New Coat for Anna
by Harriet Ziefert

Shall I Knit You a Hat?
by Kate Klise

The Goat in the Rug
by Charles Blood, Martin Link



Marcia J's gorgeous pink & black bag

Show & Tell



Marilee SL's darling ensemble for her granddaughter



Mary Ann's husband likes bright socks; these are in Cascade Heritage Prints



Susan W's fun felted oven mitt



Sue Cawley's hat won Best of Show at the fair!



Guild booth at the Fair



Guild booth at the Quilt Show

