



Knerdy Knitters of the SFV

Minutes of the June 27, 2016, Guild Business and Membership Meetings

Held at Panera, 132 E. Palm Ave., Burbank, CA

P E N D I N G A P P R O V A L

I. **Business Meeting Call to Order:** President Tammy Takahashi called the business meeting to order at 7:16 p.m.

II. **Roll Call**

Members present:

Tammy Takahashi, President
Sarah Smith, Treasurer
Lydia Cowger
Jeannette Hartman

Phuong Lotte
Anastasia McGee
Deb Mobley-Burns
Virginia Van Osel

III. **Approval of Minutes:** Sarah moved to approve the minutes of the May 23, 2016; Tammy seconded the motion, which carried. Anastasia moved to approve the May 23, 2016, membership meeting minutes, which was seconded by Virginia and also carried.

IV. **Finance Report:** The guild has \$1,054 in its account. Two large expenses -- the purchase of membership gift tote bags for 2016-17 and the Aug. 29 WIPN, Chains and Stash Exchange party – will be coming in the next two months.

V. **New Business**

- A. The July newsletter will feature the Gwen Bortner Knitting Workshops offered by the Sand and Sea Guild, the discount offered to members by Needlepoints West, a profile on A Major Knitwork and a profile on member Julie Kornblum, a fiber artists and yarnbomber.
- B. A possible field trip to Needlepoints West was suggested.

VI. **Business Meeting Adjournment.** Tammy adjourned the business meeting at 7:33 p.m.

VII. **Membership Meeting Call to Order:** President Tammy Takahashi called the guild's membership meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

VIII. **Events and Projects**

- A. Charity Knitting: In the absence of Charity Chair Kim Neuhauser, Tammy reminded those present that the guild charity knitting projects will be nests for sick or injured birds and

small wildlife. Organizations suggested were Wildlife Rescue Nests, Knitting is for the Birds and Wildcare. Kim passed out several patterns at the May guild meeting. Members who wish to participate should contact Kim and give her completed nests so the guild's charity work can be tallied.

Anastasia asked members for knitted and crocheted items for an online charity auction she is organizing to benefit a Minnesota couple who have lost their jobs due to medical issues. They are now facing crises of housing, food and utilities. Each item should be photographed for posting online. Anastasia will deliver the items to the winning bidders. For information, contact Anastasia at agmcgee@gmail.com.

- B. Membership gift totes for 2016-17: Two companies, Unionwear.com and eGreen Bag, were recommended to Virginia, who is researching suppliers and costs for canvas tote bags to give to new and renewing members during the upcoming year.
- C. KAL / CAL: Sarah reported that both KnerdyKnitters.com and Ravelry.com/groups/knerdy-knitters-of-the-SFV have been updated with the newest patterns for the Knit-along / Crochet-along blanket squares. Patterns for the July/August KAL are the Leaf Lace Washcloth or the July 2013 Knit-a-long-Square, which uses the Ostrich Plume Stitch to create a panel with lace accents. The CAL pattern is More V's Please by Melinda Miller. All are free to download on Ravelry.com
- D. WIPS, Chains and Stash Exchange Aug. 29: We're searching for a venue that large enough for the stash exchange to be laid out and to accommodate food and 20 to 25 people. Suggested were the Burbank, Glendale and North Hollywood police departments community rooms; Gordon Biersch Brewery Restaurant; Wood Ranch BBQ and Grill; and The Yard House, which is opening in Burbank. Tammy will research costs, room sizes and availability.
- E. LA County Fair Demonstration Knitting weekends: The guild will be volunteering to demonstrate knitting and crocheting and answer questions from the public at the fair's DIY Design Studio Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 10 and 11 and Sept. 17 and 18. Four to five people are needed each day, which runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. An email asking for volunteers to sign up will be going out soon. These people volunteered at the meeting: Lydia, Sept. 10; Deb, Sept. 11; and Virginia, Sept. 18.

Knerdy Knitters entered 40 to 50 items to the fair this year. Anastasia has already received a ribbon for a stuffed, crocheted cat she made for the "Help a Child Smile" category. All entries in this category are donated to Children's Hospital.

- IX. Show and Tell:** The following people shared the following items:
- a. Sarah: Hitchhiker scarf in her own striped yarn.
 - b. Jeannette: Hitchhiker scarf in a purple Madeline Tosh hand-dyed yarn.
 - c. Phuong: Jana scarf/shawlette with a beaded lace edge. The pattern is by Yarns on the House; the yarn is Purple Rain Pride Lace yarn by Forbidden Woolery that she found at Vogue Knitting Live.

- d. Virginia: Hitofude Cardigan with her own custom modifications, and a pair of socks knit toe-up, two-at-a-time.
- e. Anastasia: a red, white and blue Pizzazz crocheted blanket square, and a Little Avery baby sweater by Taiga Hilliard Designs using a yarn she picked up at the 2015 stash exchange. She said it was her first garment and her first time doing two sleeves at a time using the magic loop technique.
- f. Deb: a Pizzazz square in blue, green and cream. She also showed her first pieces of knitting, which she is learning; she's mastered purl stitch recently.
- g. Lydia: a baseball cap in gray and burgundy, and a red Georgia sun hat with a black-edged, faced brim. She's also working on a close-fitting striped poncho.
- h. Tammy: A crocheted poncho with a collar and lapels that she is trying in a white bumpy yarn and a brown-toned Homespun Yarn, and a crocheted bag striped in blue and purple with more colors to come.

X. **Membership Meeting Adjournment:** Tammy adjourned the meeting at 8:36 p.m.

Next meetings:

- Saturday Stitchers, 10 a.m. Saturday, July 2, Starbucks, Burbank.
- TGI Fiber, 7 p.m. Monday, July 11, TGIFridays, Porter Ranch.
- Yarn Club, 7 p.m. Monday, July 28, Panera, Burbank.
- Guild meeting: 7 p.m., Monday, July 27, 2016, Panera, Burbank.