

# **Knerdy Knitters of the SFV**

Minutes of the June 26, 2017, Guild Business and Membership Meetings

Held at the Burbank Police & Fire Department, 200 N. Third St., Burbank, CA 91502

# Approved July 24, 2017

I. Meeting Call to Order: President Tammy Takahashi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., Monday, June 26, 2017.

#### II. Roll Call

# Members present:

Tammy Takahashi, President Sarah Smith, Treasurer Jeannette Hartman, Secretary Elizabeth Booth Nicole Briggs Rachel Decker Corinne Geller Jessica McCarthy Anastasia McGee Deb Mobley-Burns Robin Panza Ivy Ramirez Judy Richards Jacinda Santiago Jennifer Schierholt Virginia Van Osdel Ani Youredjian

## **III.** Approval of minutes:

- **A.** Approval of the May 22, 2017, business meeting minutes: Jeannette made the motion, Tammy seconded the motion, and it carried.
- **B.** Approval of the May 22, 2017, membership meeting minutes: Anastasia made the motion, Ani seconded it, and it carried.

#### IV. Business Meeting:

- A. <u>Newsletter Update</u>: Jeannette reported that she was working to get the April-May-June newsletter out before the end of the month.
- B. <u>Website Report</u>: Since becoming webmistress, Jeannette has been working on getting rid of blank pages; organizing the minutes to fit on one page and be pdfs for easy downloading; installing a new calendar application that will be easier to maintain and adding photos to the KAL and CAL pages. The next phase will be updating the home page and freshening the look of the site.
- C. 2017-2018 Membership Premium: Of the nine mug/cup options presented at the May meeting, the top vote getters were: 1) the 18-ounce cappuccino mug, 2) the stainless steel travel cup, and 3) a plastic version of a commercial take-out cup with an insulated cuff. A vote

- taken among those three resulted in the selection of the cappuccino mug. It will be made in dark green, if our logo can be reversed to white; otherwise the cup will be white.
- D. <u>2017-18 Budget:</u> A budget based on having 45 members and income totaling \$2,175 was presented. During the discussion, the anticipated membership was raised to 50 and a line item for marketing totaling \$125 was added. The revised budget is as follows:

Іпсоме		Expenses	
Dues (50 members)	\$1,250.00	Teacher compensation	\$ (150.00)
<b>Event registrations</b>	\$500.00	Holiday party	\$ (400.00)
Class fees	\$150.00	Annual retreat reception	\$ (30.00)
T-shirt sales	\$400.00	Membership premiums	\$ (300.00)
TOTAL:	\$2,300.00	Business cards (500 +	\$ (75.00)
		shipping)*	
		Office supplies	\$ (100.00)
		Purchase of T-shirts	\$ (400.00)
		TKGA Guild membership	\$ (25.00)
		Website / Email upkeep	\$ (100.00)
		(Domain name due to	
		renew 8/17/17)	
		Meet Up Fees	\$ (\$180.00)
		Marketing	\$ (125.00)
		TOTAL: _	\$ (1,885.00)
		Gain / (Loss) _	\$ 415.00

This budget assumes we have enough membership cards.

A motion was made by Anastasia, seconded by Nicole, to accepted the amended budget. The motion carried.

- **E.** Finance Report: Sarah reported that the guild has \$1,906.05 in its bank account.
- F. <u>Bylaws Update:</u> A committee of Tammy, Virginia, Rachel, Jenn and Elizabeth has been formed to review and update the bylaws. Tammy will send Jeannette the Bylaws to post on the website.

# V. Membership Meeting:

#### A. Events and Projects

1. <u>Charity Projects</u>: Rachel reported that two Meet-Ups have been held for people working on the knitted knockers charity project. A third is being planned. The patterns are on the knerdyknitters.com website and the knittedknockers.org website. The organization is very strict about the yarn used. Anyone submitted knitted knockers should put them unstuffed in a plastic bag with a note stating the pattern's size and the original yarn label.

- 2. <u>Knit- and Crochet-Along</u>: The July-August CAL patterns have been posted to the website; the KAL patterns will be up shortly. Both allow for a range of yarns and items to be produced. Variations were displayed.
- 3. <u>Fandom Challenge Committee</u> Inspired by the weaver's guild's themed challenge, our first challenge is on the theme of "fandom." Knerdy Knitters are challenged to knit, crochet, spin, felt or any other fiber craft something that reflects what each is a fan of: a sports team, an animal, a book, a movie, a time in history anything that you are passionate about. The project must be made entirely in 2017. Projects will be displayed at the Dec. 2 holiday party where guests will vote on their favorite projects and the winners will receive prizes. In August, a committee will be formed to discuss prize categories.
- 4. Holiday party After several years of being held at the Holiday Inn in Burbank, we need to look for alternatives. The management has changed there and we have maxed out the available space. We're looking for a site that has:
  - Food and drinks
  - Space for 35-40 people
  - Good lighting
  - Room for raffle tables
  - Space for the fashion show

- Quiet for conversation
- Availability on a Saturday night
- A cost of less than \$30 a person
- Handicap access

We will have to charge this year, but the guild will provide hors d'oeuvres. Any suggestions should be forwarded to Tammy.

5. <u>WIPS, Chains and Stash Exchange</u>: We will hold this from 6 to 10 p.m. Monday, July 31, at Gordon Biersch Brewery Restaurant, 145 S. San Fernando Blvd., Burbank. The restaurant originally refused to have individual checks, but their prix fixe menus was going to be \$1,000. They eventually agreed to providing individual checks if we meet a \$500 minimum tab. We can only have 25 people. We'll send invitations to members via MailChimp. We'll need to check if we can accept payment via MailChimp.

#### B. Show and Tell:

- 1. Anastasia: A Harvest baby cardigan by Tin Can Knits made in a tweedy brown and white yarn she got at the 2015 stash exchange; the CAL; lavender knockers; and a pug pillow for her pug-loving cat sitter.
- 2. Nicole: a red and purple blanket using the KAL pattern; enhanced with butter soft yarns she picked up on a recent trip to Germany; green knitted knockers.
- 3. Jeannette: ongoing Suzu Shawl by Kat Coyle in Cascade Roslyn, a wool-silk blend.
- 4. Tammy: the KAL; the CAL; a project in Kraemer chunky knit in a basket-weave pattern; crocheted Whirl Mandala Cardigan, a shrug made in circles of color rather than a spiral.
- 5. Virginia: A tunic knit on the diagonal in alternating eyelet and sequined sections of Tahki Crystal and Shibui Twig and a second version done without sequins. The pattern will be in the Knerdy Knitters pattern book being developed by the Design Group. A Stormy Weather Hat designed by Karen Peak; and an agave leaf patterned tank top.

- 6. Elizabeth: a scarf in orange in purple using a slipped stitch pattern. It is a swatch for a pattern that will be going into the KnerdyKnitters pattern book.
- 7. Sarah: The banyan tree block from the last KAL and a shawl.
- 8. Jennifer: her finished Bermuda scarf in olive fingering made of silk and camel hair; a drool bib for a teething friend (one of three in patterns of a starfish, a seahorse and a whale); a copycat hat; a version of the KAL; and a triangular shawl that she knit as part of a KAL with a Siberian knitter; a pair of socks with fish kisses heels.
- 9. Judy: a "Find Your Fade" shawl in navy with sequins and gray to wear at an upcoming wedding. She's on part 10 of 13.
- 10. Rachel: her version of the CAL in black, purple, blue and pink/mauve. She passed around a book by Florence Hartley, *The Ladies Handbook of Fancy and Ornamental Work* containing Civil War patterns for sewing, knitting and crocheting.
- 11. Ivy: A 52" x 60" blanket knit with a diagonal strip in lavender and Oxford gray.
- 12. Ani: A brightly colored blanket for a nephew with a chalet in Arrowhead that will be baked in velvet.
- 13. Jacinda: a beaded lace shawl designed by Rosemary (Romi) Hill called Fiori Autunnali; a lace shrug in purple from a pattern called Belo Casamento Shrug by Marly Bird; and the first quadrant of the KnitPicks Hue Shift Afghan and the start of the second quadrant.
- 14. Corrine: a variation of the 10-stitch blanket.
- 15. Robin: a shawl that she dropped a stitch on and had to put away; burgundy knockers; kumihimo cord.
- 16. Deb: a Shells & Clusters baby blanket in yellow and lavender.
- C. Virginia announced that Tammy's Bermuda pattern was downloaded 3,000 times on Ravelry.com and earned her \$90. (It was free for a week and now is \$4.99 for the public.) It was the #1 download for a day. It will be included in the Knerdy Knitters pattern book.
- VI. Meeting Adjournment. Tammy adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

# **Next meetings:**

- Saturday Stitchers, 10 a.m. to noon, July 1 at Starbucks, 1520 W. Olive Ave.
- TGIFiber, 7 p.m. Monday, July 10, TGIFriday's, 19855 Rinaldi St., Porter Ranch.
- Yarn Club, 7 p.m. Monday, July 17. This meeting will be moving to the lower level Food Court in the Media Center Mall, Burbank. There is more space than was available in Panera.
- Purls and Pooches, 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, July 16, at the Village on Topanga Canyon Boulevard just north of Erwin Street.
- Guild meeting, 7 p.m. Monday, July 24, Burbank Police-Fire Headquarters, 200 N. Third St., Burbank.

Respectfully submitted, Jeannette Hartman, Secretary