

# HUNTERDON COUNTY KNITTING AND CROCHETING GUILD NEWSLETTER



## DECEMBER 2018

### OUR MEETINGS

Meetings are held at Raritan Township Police Station multi purpose room. Our meetings this month will be on Fridays, December 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018, from 10am until 2pm. Business meetings occur at the beginning of the meeting on third Fridays.

Please note that there is no meeting minutes draft attached this month. This was due to not having had a business meeting in November because of the snowy roads. The draft will be provided this month.

### MEMBERSHIP

Our membership stands at 56 members. Dues are \$15 for renewal and \$30 new member one-time fee, which includes a Guild Tote Bag.

## **DECEMBER CO-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

As we wind up our calendar and fiscal year, once again we all feel that these months pass too quickly. Sometimes, I actually feel “breathless” as the days zip by. I make lists, as we all do, in an effort to ensure that I don't forget something important. But, of course, lists are meant to be forgotten, among the hubbub that is the Holidays. So, at the top of every list for this month, I am writing something that I will try not to forget; Enjoy and savor every day!

Speaking of lists, we have a few “housekeeping” items coming up:

### **Holiday Luncheon**

Our annual Holiday Luncheon is on **Friday, January 18, 2019**. It will be held after our business meeting. We have the private room at Capuano's on Church St. in Flemington, and you will be able to order off the menu. Please mark your calendars! Grab bag gift donations are always welcome. Please wrap your donation. Please also let Susan R. or Joan F. know if you are planning to attend.

### **January Dues**

The annual \$15 DUES will be collected in January. Our intrepid Membership Chair, Shirley C. will distribute the updated membership list. That will be accompanied by our new Photo Directory that has been completed by Karen K. and Karen M.

### **Library Display**

During February 2019, we will once again have the opportunity for using the display cases at the Main Branch of the Hunterdon County Library. Please start looking at your completed (or soon-to-be-completed) projects, and selecting the ones that you would like to include in the display.

Best wishes to all of you, and enjoy your holidays with your friends and families!

**Sue**

## **DECEMBER 2018 PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**

The December holidays are fast approaching and there seem to be many projects that are still unfinished. Our Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> meeting will include both the November and December meetings. Our second meeting is on Friday, December 28<sup>th</sup>. There is no formal program planned for either of these meetings. We have several charity activities in progress including Seamens' hats and Twiddlemuffs. If you are between projects, these would be items to consider. Some members continue to work on their felted bags as well as holiday and personal projects so there seems as if there is plenty to keep us busy. Please come and chat, and bring items you would like to share for show and tell. We hope to see you in December!

**Doris**

## **OUTREACH AND ONGOING PROJECTS**

If you know of any local non-profit organizations who would benefit from knitted and crocheted items made by our members, please let us know so we may include them here.

**Warm Up America:** An ongoing project, the goal of this nation-wide effort is to provide warm crocheted or knitted afghans to anyone in need. They are distributed by The Red Cross and Salvation Army to victims of natural disasters, area homeless, and to families and individuals who have lost their homes and belongings due to fire, flood or tornadoes. Forty-nine blocks that measure 7" X 9" are joined together to complete an afghan. Use your leftover and stash yarn to make some 7"x 9" knitted and/or crocheted blocks and bring them to a meeting. Myra will continue to collect them throughout the year.

**Knitted Knockers:** You can find out information about donating knitted knockers for mastectomy patients at [www.knittedknockers.org](http://www.knittedknockers.org).

**1898 SEAMENS' WATCH CAP PROJECT** (idea provided by our member Rosemary G.), details for making and sending at:  
<http://seamenschurch.org/sites/default/files/sci-1898-hat-kristine-byrnes-web-w-schematic.pdf/>

### **WIGS AND FUN HATS FOR CHILDREN**

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

### **TWIDDLE MUFFS FOR COGNITIVELY IMPAIRED PEOPLE**

Refer to our recent email with the crocheted and knitted versions of the Twiddle Muff pattern attached, or you can also find the patterns by doing a Google search.

**Please visit our website at [www.hunterdonknitcrochet.com](http://www.hunterdonknitcrochet.com)**

and our Facebook page!

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## **KNITTING TRIVIA DEPT.**

Did you know that knitting burns 102 calories per hour? We'd all better get knitting so we can burn off all of the holiday goodies we will be having this season!



**MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY CHANNUKAH AND HAPPY  
NEW YEAR!**