



# GRAMKC Newsletter

Wednesday, October 14, 2009

Grand Rapids Area Machine Knitters Club

[www.gramkc.com](http://www.gramkc.com)

Kentwood Public Library

Meetings at 1:00, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

Members:

To join send dues (\$24) to GRAMKC  
c/o 3299 Van Buren, Hudsonville, Mi. 49426

Today; Hat sew-up day, 1:00 p.m. at  
Kentwood Library, 4700 Kalamazoo.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Sept. ending Bal;	\$ 2652.56
Rent	20.00
Printing; newsletter,	4.51
Printing; Financial report	2.89
Fines	1.25
Sales	5.00
Anniversary cake	19.87
Card	4.51
Oct. beg. bal.	\$2598.24
CD bal	\$2707.15

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Nov, 11,'09 GRAMKC meeting 1:00p.m.

Dec. 9,'09 Christmas meeting.1:00p.m.

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## THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

2<sup>nd</sup> Chron; 7:14

Remember the service men and women,  
both home and away.

Nella TenBrooke has been suffering serious  
health problems.

Marjorie Staicer is at Heartland Nursing  
Home in Grand Rapids.

Carole Ammerman is diagnosed with a  
herniated disk and carrated arteries,  
Please keep them in your prayers



## AREA KNIT CLUBS

The Holland Knit Club will meet  
at Evergreen Commons, at 12:30.  
or 11:30 if interested in lunch.

Knitting mittens will be demonstrated.

Call Dorothea for Q & A  
(616-392-3493)

or E-mail; djohn49423@att.net

TODAYS FORECAST: Partly rational  
with brief periods of coherent thought giving  
way to complete apathy by tonight.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Sorry to report that GRAMKC membership has  
dropped severely this year. I hope our members  
(past and present) are continuing to enjoy the  
creativity of machine knitting.

The friendships we have formed are precious.

If you have a need that GRAMKC is not  
answering, your input is not only welcome but  
needed in order to better our club.



Times can be tough. This winter is predicted to  
be very long and cold, there is a need for warm  
hats, mittens and scarves not only for children,  
but also homeless men and women.

We have free yarn available for the knitting for  
the needy. There is still time to knit something.

We will be delivering all donated knit items to  
the Santa Clause Girls again this year, following  
the November meeting.

Please contact Marcia Zylstra if you are  
interested in free yarn.



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## THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Our scientific power has outrun our spiritual  
power. We have guided missiles and  
misguided men. (Martin L. King Jr.) .

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## FOR SALE

Linda Blumberg has Knitting machines and  
equipment she must sell.

**Brother Bulky KH 230** machine &  
**Kr 230 Ribbber.**\$350. w/wood table.

**Brother KH 860 machine, G-Carriage,**  
**Knit Leader, Garter bar. Ribber w/**  
**missing connector plate. All for \$600.**

Call Linda @ 616-361-6004

**MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER MEETING**

GRAMKC's 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary meeting was called to order with 11 members attending, and began with Show and Tell.

Joyce Lenger brought 4 beautiful shawls which will be given to 'Lucky Sisters & Sisters-in-law' This might be Joyce's 'family organization'. Lucky them.

Dorothea John brought 2 each of 4 different sized Christmas Stockings and a white ribbed hat. Janice Anderson brought a pair of red mittens for our Christmas Giving project.

Sue Hockin, while recovering from back surgery, knitted a lavender baby blanket.

So glad you are doing so well, Sue.

Betty Vanderweide showed a beautiful 'cro-hooked' baby blanket and a baby hat for our Christmas Giving project.

Past member, Sylvia Weavers came to let us know she has lot of yarn to sell and showed some mittens made of plush material, which she said she would share the pattern for. They would be simple and quick to make for the needy and donated thru the Christmas Giving project.

The amount of our annual dues was discussed, in questioning about lowering them to encourage more members because of 'these times'. It was decided by majority vote, that \$2.00 per month (\$24 annual dues) was not excessive and club membership has some 'perks' of value.

The spring Workshop is under discussion. It will be held, again, at Pathway Ministries in Byron Center, with 2 demonstrators, not yet confirmed.

Our sincere sympathy for member Linda Bloomberg in the death of her husband Sam. Also for Nella TenBrooke who has had some very serious health issues on top of severe back pains. Thus, our membership list will be coming later.

The Anniversary meeting ended with social time, enjoying delicious cake and coffee.

Thank you, Carole Ammerman for picking up the cake, and for recording the minutes for me.

**THINGS YOUR MOTHER TOLD YOU;**

*Life isn't like a box of chocolates. It's more like a jar of jalapenos. What you do today, might burn your butt tomorrow..*

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**FOR SALE by GRAMKC**

Transfer Carriage; \$80

Color Changers, new.

We have several machines and miscellaneous equipment that should be sold before storage becomes a problem. If you are in need of new or used equipment, check out what's available thru your club.

Contact any GRAMKC board member

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**Wisdom by bits and pieces**

Better to wear out, than to rust out. ☺

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***This space was reserved for sharing your knitting tip or suggestion***

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**WEB SITES**

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LINDA BUSHBY: [www.knittersedge.com](http://www.knittersedge.com)

LORA KINNAN: [www.daisyknits.com](http://www.daisyknits.com)

*If you have not renewed GRAMKC membership, this will be your last newsletter.*

***Have a blessed day, even if you didn't plan too.***