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Quarterly Newsletter March - May 2005

Spring is here! Though it has been a cool one, those hot summer days are right around the corner. When it's too hot to be in the garden wouldn't it be fun to knit a cool tank top, shell or t-shirt with Joy? (See our class calendar for date.) We have lots of new light weight and colorful yarns just perfect for summer! Look for Rowan Cotton Rope, Linen Print and RY Cashcotton. All of them have great pattern support and can give your wardrobe a summer lift. Remember, You can take projects to baseball games for those long innings or when you want an excuse to sit on the porch in the evening

Fall Retreat at Big Cedar

Don't miss out on our Fall Retreat: September 30 - October 2 at Big Cedar Lodge. If you have never been there you are in for a treat! The grounds are beautiful, particularly in the fall and the accommodations are first class! We will knit, eat and learn new techniques, suitable for all levels of knitting. Our workshop will feature Roxana Bartlett. She has written a great book, Slip Stitch Knitting, Color Pattern the Easy Way. Come and learn this exiting easy way to introduce color into your knitting. Roxana is coming to us from Colorado and is well known for her skills as a teacher and her entertaining manner. We will also have Jamie Brown who is known to some of you as a wonderful hand dyer and spinner. You have seen her yarn at the craft fairs and it is to "dye"for. She will show us dying techniques that she uses and display her beautiful yarns. The cost for the week-end will be \$300 plus your discounted room at Big Cedar. The deadline for room reservations is August 31st. Call us for reservations for the retreat and more information.



September 30 through October 2nd

- Reception, Lunch, Workshop and materials \$300
- Room rates vary - contact Big Cedar and get our group rate
- Call us early to reserve your place



Hey knitting groups forming out there!!!

Make a group visit and get a 15% discount if, together, you all spend over \$350. Let us know about your group and we will feature you and your projects on our website.

Featured yarns for June, July and August: **Adrienne Vittadini is 25% off** for the summer months. This fabulous designer line has cotton, silks, linens, wool and cashmere with a feel of luxury and colors that will excite the knitter in you. The patterns are simple and elegant and will compliment any wardrobe. Hurry while quantities are plentiful.

YOU SAY IT'S YOUR BIRTHDAY! WELL IT'S OUR BIRTHDAY TOO!

We're two this month, so to celebrate we are initiating the Birthday Club. Some shop with us within 10 days of your birthday and we'll take off a percentage off equal to half your age. This is one time that being older is better. (Proof of age is necessary)



Many Heartfelt Thanks

We want to pass on the thanks that the RACE FOR THE CURE folks gave us for the beautiful scarves you all knitted for the Survivor Breakfast. It constantly delights and amazes us how much our friends who knit will give of themselves and their craft for those who are in need. Again, THANKS to you all.

Button, button who's got the button?

We do! Arriving Soon ... buttons by local artist Jane West and by the international company of JHB. Sometimes the right button can make the garment and sometimes the right button can inspire a project so come and browse our colorful, extensive collection.

AUGUST Loop-d-Loop Trunk Show! Teva Durham's new book is out – more than 40 novel designs for knitters. "Edgy and exquisite designs resonate with beauty and meaning, and the new era of knitting is celebrated. Knitters of all levels can explore a wide range of techniques..." Watch for specific dates.



Classes and Workshops – June, July and August 2005										
Class	Day	Time	Dates	Length	Cost	Level				
Learn to Knit	Saturday	10:30 – 12:30	June 11 August 6	3 weeks 3 weeks	\$45	Beginner				
Learn to Crochet	Saturday	10:30 – 12:30	June 11 August 6	3 weeks 3 weeks	\$45	Beginner				
Learn to Knit	Monday	6:00 – 8:00	June 14 August 8	3 weeks 3 weeks	\$45	Beginner				
Summer Top (Sleeveless or Short Sleeved)	Saturday	1:30-3:30	June 18 June 25 and July 11	3 weeks	\$45	Advanced beginner				
Kids Learn to Knit	Tuesday and Thursday	10:30 – 12:30	June 21 and 23	2 days	\$40	Ages 8 to 11				
Hip to Knit	Tuesday and Thursday	1:30 – 3:30	June 21 and 23	2 days	\$40	Ages 12 to 16				
Learn to Knit II -Navigating the Pattern	Saturday	1:30- 3:30	June 18	2 weeks	\$30	Advanced beginner				
Felted Flower	Saturday	1:30 – 3:30	July 9	1 day	\$15	Advanced beginner				
Modular Knitting	Sunday	1:30 – 3:30	July 10	2 weeks	\$30	Advanced beginner				
Finishing	Thursday	6-8pm	July 11	2 weeks	\$30	Advanced beginner				
Feather and Fan	Saturday	1:30- 3:30	July 23	1 day	\$15	Advanced beginner				
Kristina Bag	Saturday	1:30-3:30	July 30	2 weeks	\$30	Advanced beginner				
BagSmith Bag	Thursday	6-8 pm	July 28	1 day	\$15	Advanced beginner to intermediate				
Child's button Jacket	Saturday	1:30-3:30	August 6,	3 weeks	\$45	Advanced Beginner to intermediate				
Felted Slippers	Saturday	1:30-3:30	August 6	2 weeks	\$30	Advanced Beginner				
Cotton Tape Market Bag	Saturday	1:30 – 3:30	August 13	1 week	\$30	Advanced Beginner				
Individual Help					\$10/hour	Any project				
Create your own class—Minimum 4 people	Any day and time – please call to schedule				\$7.50/hour/person	Don't see a class you like? Create your own with friends.				

Skill Levels:

- **Beginner:** Never knit before or knit so long ago that you can't remember anything
- **Advanced Beginner:** Can Cast on, Knit, and Purl. Either has taken our Learn to knit class or has learned somewhere else.
- **Intermediate:** Can knit and purl and follow a pattern with little guidance and has knit a simple garment or project.
- **Advanced:** Can follow a pattern with no guidance and has successfully knit differing levels of projects

50% down (non-refundable) reserves your spot in the class, the balance is due at the beginning of class. You will receive 10% off all materials, which must be purchased from Hand Held – A Knitting Gallery.

- **Learn to Knit:** Learn the knit stitch, purl stitch, minimal decreasing and finishing. You will complete a simple project with the class.



- **Learn to crochet:** Learn the basics of crochet. You will complete a simple project with the class.



- **Kids Learn to knit:** We will introduce the world of knitting to young children. Finger knitting will be taught and they will make their own needles and learn to knit a small project.

- **Hip to knit:** Teens learn the basics of knitting and will complete furry flip flops.



- **Learn to knit II - Navigating the pattern:** Following the Learn to knit class the student will learn “knitting lingo” in order to be able to follow a pattern. You will learn decreases, increases and stitch patterns that will enable you to take on more difficult patterns. An advanced beginner project will be completed (i.e., cabled mittens).



- **Felted Flower:** This project class will complete a lovely multicolored flower that is knit then washed for felting.

Can be used as a brooch or pin for a hat or purse.



- **Modular knitting:** This is an exciting technique that will add a new dimension to your knitting. A pillow top of geometric design and many colors will be the project.

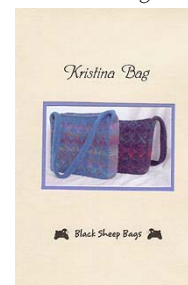


- **Finishing:** Student will learn several types of seams so that they may have a professional look to knitted garments. They will also learn how to complete buttonholes.

- **Feather and Fan Shawl:** A simple but elegant lace shawl that is amazingly easy for the advanced beginner knitter.



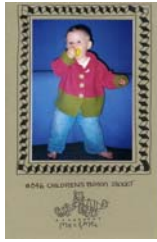
- **Kristina bag:** A felted bag that will introduce the knitter to working in color, Fair Isle technique, in a project using a striping Noro yarn making the project impressive but easy.



- **Bag Smith Bag:** A fun purse kit that can be combined with any novelty yarn to make it your own creation



- **Child's Button Jacket:** A delicious two colored cotton jacket with a back belt. It can be completed with Jane West's designer buttons made to match Blue Sky Cotton.



- **Felted Ballet Slippers:** Fun and easy slippers that are felted for strength and softness. A great Christmas gift for the girls on your list.



- **Summer Top:** Designed especially for the student on our computer with your choice of summer yarn. Please schedule a shopping trip with us before the class to pick your yarn and get your pattern designed.



- **Cotton Tape Market Bag:** Make a bag to take to the farmer's market easily knit in sturdy cotton tape. Has cute crocheted edge, draw-string closure and knit shoulder strap.



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