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New Groups Starting!

Big-n-Littles

This is a group for Mom's | your sheep can knit! and kids (or Grandmoms and kids) to get together and knit or crochet. We'll be meeting on Thursdays from 4:00-5:00, only an hour for those shorter attention spans (and for the kids too)! This is not a knitting class. If you want to learn to knit we can design a beginning knitting class for you and your child.

(re)Tired Apples

Come have fun with us!

No more pencils, no more books. No more students dirty looks! If you are a retired teacher or school employee this group is for you. You just might be surprised at how many retired teachers are learning to knit!

It doesn't matter if you are a beginner or and experienced knitter, this group is bound to be fun! We will be meeting on Friday mornings from 10:00 until noon, so bring your knitting or crocheting and come join us for a cup of coffee and a good time!

Sheep Knitting Contest

Ok, first of all, this is not a contest to see how well

In every newsletter we will be introducing a new knitting contest. We will post pictures of the submissions on the website and you will be able to vote on which one should be the winner. You may do this by either emailing me your vote or by coming into the store to vote. The winner will receive a \$10.00 gift certificate to Knits-n-Knacks.

This month's contest is to knit the cutest, ugliest, or funniest sheep. It can be in any shape or form you would like. All submissions must be in to the store by February 28th and then let the judging begin! You may submit your votes until March 15th. The winner will be announced on our web site and in the Spring newsletter.



Movie Night Knit-in

We would like to invite you to join us for our first ever movie night knit-in. (Don't worry, we won't be here ALL night!) We will be watching old movies (I'll have several to choose from), knitting, and eating popcorn! Yumm!

Be here Friday evening, January 21, from 6:00 until ?????

We'll order in pizza for supper too. Should be lots of fun!

Purls & Prayers Shawl Knitting

All those interested in knitting prayer shawls, for your church or individually, are welcome to come on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays each month, from 4:00-5:30. Knitters of all levels are welcome and may purchase any needed materials at the shop. Prayer booklets, a simple pattern, and printed prayers to enclose with the shawls will be provided by Trinity Lutheran Church. These sessions will begin Feb. 1. Come as often as you are able.

Project of the Month

Every month we will be showcasing a different project made by our knitters. Because of the blustery weather outside, our first project will be hats! You may choose any pattern vou like. Your submission must be made from varn purchased at Knits-n-Knacks and must include a pattern that can be legally copied to share with others.

Submissions must be in by the end of the month and will be displayed here in the store as well as online for the following month.

Check out our website to see what the project for the next month will be.

Procrastinators Anonymous

You know who you are. (So do we, but we're not telling). Bring out those projects you've been putting off finishing and make real progress on them! Saturday, February, 19th and March 19th from 10:00-4:00. Bring a finger food to share and BE HERE!

Class Schedule

Beginning Knitting I /II Tuesday, Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 5 Saturday, Feb. 5, 12, 19 1:00-3:00

Tuesday, Mar. 1, 8, 15 1:00-3:00

If you have never knitted before, this class is for you. Also, if you know how to knit and purl but want to take it further, this class is for you too. For those of you who already know the basics, we will make a baby sweater which will teach you all of the things you need to know to make an adult sweater. Three sessions at a cost of \$30.00 + materials.

Intermediate Knitting Tuesday, Mar. 1, 8, 15 10:00-12:00

Make a sampler scarf and learn to make different types of lace, read charts, cables, ribbing and more. 3 classes \$30.00 + materials.

Socks Wednesday, Jan. 19, 26, Feb. 2 10:00-12:00

Saturday, Feb. 5, 12, 19 10:00-12:00 Thursday, Mar. 3, 10, 17 1:00-3:00

Knitting socks is all the rage these days with all the cool self-patterning and hand dyed yarns available. Come learn to knit socks with us. You will learn to use double pointed needles in this class but some previous knitting experience is required. This class meets for three sessions at a cost of \$30.00 + materials.

Felted Stained-glass Bag Tuesday, Feb. 1, 8, 15 3:30-5:00

Make a gorgeous felted bag with a 'stained glass' look. This bag is created by using self-striping yarn. 3 sessions at a cost of \$30.00.

Wild Woman Felted Bag Tuesday, Mar. 1, 8, 15 3:30-5:00

This is an easy basic felted bag with a wild woman on the front. Cute and fun! 2 sessions, \$20.00 + materials.

Chevron Cape Friday, Feb. 4, 11, 18 1:00-3:00

Worked from the top down in a chevron and garter ridge pattern, this beautiful cape stays snug with crocheted buttons. This will be a 3 session class at a cost of \$30.00 + materials.

Shell Lace Stole Wednesday, Feb. 9, 16 10:00-12:00

This beautiful lace stole is a simple lace pattern that is easy to work so if you've been curious about lace knitting, this is a really easy project to start with. This class will be 2 sessions at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.

Pretty Baby Blanket Thursday, Feb. 3, 10 2:00-4:00

You choose which pattern you would like to do from a selection of patterns we will show you. From simple to a little bit more complicated, they are all beautiful. 2 sessions, \$20.00 + materials. Extra sessions \$10.00 each.

Drawstring Cabled Bag Friday, Feb. 4, 11, 18 10:00-12:00

This little cabled bag is a great way to learn to do cables and read charts. Be brave! 3 sessions, \$30.00 + materials.

Flip-Top Mittens Thursday, Jan. 20, 27, Feb. 3 2:00-4:00

It's a mitten, now it's not! The tops of these mittens fold back to allow use of your fingers whenever you want. 3 sessions at a cost of \$30.00 + materials.

Knitter's School Monday, Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 7 10:00-12:00

What do those abbreviations mean? What's gauge all about? How do I know what size yarn or needles to use? Learn the answers to these questions and many more. 3 sessions at a cost of \$30.00.

Gloves Tuesday, Feb. 8, 15, 22 1:00-3:00

Yup, that's right, 5 fingers on each hand! You can do it! 3sessions, \$30.00 + materials.

Skating Hat and Mittens Tuesday, Feb. 8, 15, 22 10:00-12:00

These are like the ones we used to wear when we were kids and are a delight to make and wear. This is also an easy intro to cables or fair isle if you choose that style. 3 sessions at a cost of \$30.00 + materials.

Take Me to Your Leader Thursday, Feb. 17, 24 2:00-4:00

Make the cutest little alien you've ever seen! 2 sessions, \$20.00 +materials.

Class Schedule (continued)

Entrelac Scarf, Shawl or Throw Tuesday, Jan. 18, 25 1:00-3:00 Wednesday, Mar. 2, 9 10:00-12:00

In this class you will learn to do entrelac, knitting in tiers of diamonds that end up looking like basketweave. It is a beautiful yet easy technique. You choose to make a scarf, shawl, or throw. This is a 2 session class at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.

Felted Slippers Friday, Jan. 21, 28 1:00-3:00

There will be lots of happy toes this winter in these warm and toasty slippers! Two sessions at a cost of \$20.00 + materials.

Felted Mittens Saturday, Jan. 22, 29 10:00-12:00

Friday, Mar. 11, 18 1:00-3:00

You'll never have warmer mittens than these! These are great and easy to make. 2 sessions, \$20.00 + materials.

Cabled Scarf Saturday, Jan. 22, 29 1:00-3:00 Monday, Mar. 7, 14 10:00-12:00

Now don't get scared. Cables are much easier than they look! You choose which one to make and cable away! Easy! 2 sessions, \$20.00 + materials.

Rosalie Scarf Saturday, Mar. 5, 12 10:00-12:00 Thursday, Mar. 24, 31 2:00-4:00

This is a great intro to lace knitting—easy and it only uses 1 ball of yarn! 2 sessions, \$20.00 + materials.

Swirls Fair Isle Hat Monday, Feb. 14, 21, 28 10:00-12:00

Learn to knit fair isle (2 colors per row) and read charts with this ski hat. 3 sessions, \$30.00 + materials.

Ripple Beret and Scarf Friday, Feb. 25, Mar. 4 1:00-3:00

Tuesday, Mar. 22, 29 10:00-12:00

In this class you will learn to knit a beautiful ripple beret and scarf. 2 sessions, \$20.00 + materials.

Aran Afghan Monday, Jan. 24, Feb. 7, 21, Mar. 7 1:00-3:00

This is a traditional Celtic aran afghan to interest even the most advanced knitters. It is completely symmetrical and covered with braids, twist, and bobbles. Not for weak hearts! 4 sessions, \$40.00 + materials.

Lacey Fan Shawl Wednesday, Mar. 16, 23, 30 10:00-12:00

This shawl is knitted by knitting individual fans and joining them to the last one in modular fashion. 3 sessions, \$30.00 + materials.

Knit Your First Sweater Monday, Jan. 31, Feb. 14, 28, Mar. 14 1:00-3:00

We'll help you choose a pattern for your first sweater then help you get it done! Now's the time to take the leap into big girl knitting! 4 sessions at a cost of \$40.00 + materials.

Nordic Mittens Thursday, Mar. 3, 10, 17 10:00-12:00

Learn to knit Latvian style fair isle mittens. Not for beginners. 3 sessions, \$30.00 + materials.

Design Your Own Class

We try to offer a variety of classes at a variety of times but we know that sometimes your schedule just won't work with ours. Maybe we're not offering the class you were hoping for. Just give us a call and we'll figure out just what you need and work out a time and date that works for both of us.

Open Knitting Every Wednesday afternoon or Thursday morning

Come join us on Wednesday afternoons or Thursday mornings to just sit and knit (or crochet), have a cup of coffee, and generally just have a good time. Our open knitting is free and fun for all!

Wrap-me-up Knit Along Wednesday Afternoons in February and March

Join us to knit a scarf or a shawl knitted mosaic style with the yarn or yarns you like. We'll work it out together, swap yarn, and get creative together. This is a free group but we do ask that you purchase your yarn for the project here at the shop. When we finish, we'll display the finished projects in the shop and on the shop's website. Let's see what a variety we can come up with.

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 9:30-5:00 Wednesday 9:30-6:00 Saturday 10:00-4:00 Closed Sunday

Come sit-n-knit with us!

We're on the web! Www.knits-nknacks.com

Store Policies

- Space for classes is limited.
 Please register as soon as possible. Out of consideration for our teachers, your non-refundable payment is due when you register. You can register at the store or by phone.
- Class fees do not include supplies. Supplies are available through Knits-n-Knacks.
 While you are welcome to bring your own tools (needles, hooks, etc.) we do ask that you purchase the yarn required for your class at Knits-n-Knacks. Please arrive before the scheduled class time if planning to purchase materials at that time.
- If there are not enough students registered prior to the first day of class, the class will

- be cancelled and a full refund will be given.
- Homework is required for all classes. If you do not do your homework or miss a scheduled class, it will be up to the teacher as to whether or not a make-up class will be scheduled.
- If additional class sessions are required to complete the project, an additional \$10.00 per session will be charged.
- A 50% nonrefundable deposit will be required for special orders
- Needles may be exchanged for needles only, if in the original package, with receipt, and within one week of purchase
- All yarn returns must be accom-

- panied by a receipt and returned within 3 months of purchase. As you know, dye lots change and as a result, we've been ending up with a lot of odd balls (yarn, I mean). No cat hair or cigarette smoke, please! Allergies, you know.
- If you drop out of a class or fail to complete it, no refund will be given.
- We regret that such a long list of policies has become necessary, but we hope you will bear with us and come knit up some fun!