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APRIL 2024 UPDATE



Dear Stitches,

Suddenly, it's Spring! A new season is here, bringing plenty of fresh inspiration along with it. From basic pullovers to eye-catching feature raglan cardigans, this season's knitwear designs are all about comfort and simplicity. As they always do, tees and tanks, sleeveless tops and shells are all making a comeback. These lightweight garments are perfect for staying cool in the warmer months while showcasing your knitting and crocheting skills.

One prominent look we're seeing is the combination of stockinette with lace accents on different parts of the garment. Whether it's lacy sleeves on an otherwise simple stockinette sweater, stockinette sleeves on a lace garment, or lace-yoked sweaters, it's a trend we will be seeing a lot this spring. It makes sense, both from a temperature and knitting/crocheting perspective: playing with contrasting textures provides much-needed ventilation, adds a "breezy chic" visual interest, and breaks up the monotony of a single-pattern project.

As Spring takes shape, we are experiencing a resurgence in traditional fashion-forward vibes. Random, uneven, and irregular stripes are "in". This break away from symmetry creates eye-catching results with unpredictability and playfulness. The cardigan is definitely having a moment -- be it thin and lacey, zipped, librarian style, oversized, boxy, long or cabled. Cardies should be on your knit list all year, as it will be a key knitwear trend for all of 2024. As far as neck treatments are concerned, good old V-neck sweaters are back, as well as off-the-shoulder sweaters with a wide fold "Bardot" turtleneck neckline. Knits are the new "IT" items, and oh yeah, crochet bucket hats are back!

Regarding key colors, VOGUE tells us this season is all about soothing shades of blue, and to also embrace the richness of cherry or crimson red, the subtlety of peach in its various warm tones, and the calming allure of lilac for a tender touch. These shades not only align with fashion trends, but also provide a perfect canvas for expressing your personal style.

It's clear that the coming months will be a celebration of creativity, style, and timeless elegance. Whether you're a seasoned stitcher or just picking up your needles or hook for the first time, there's a trend for everyone to explore and embrace!

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*** GREAT NEW STUFF ***

As you embark on your knitting and crocheting journeys this Spring, bear in mind that the beauty of knitwear fashions lies not just in their visual appeal, but in the joy and satisfaction that they bring to the hands that create them. So, grab a new yarn, pick your pattern, and stitch your way into a Spring filled with timeless style and creative expression. Here are some new releases for your stitching pleasure...

EMMA'S YARN Crazy Beautiful Club April 2024 colorway features waves of periwinkle with raindrops of deeper blues and rusty swirls (shown upper left). Look closely and you'll see pops of purples and peaches. April 2024 is like a dance in the spring rain! Available here on base "Simply Spectacular DK" (\$28.50, 100 grams, 255 yards, 75% superwash merino/25% nylon, CYCA #3). This yarn would be a smashing choice for our April 2024 knit along, *Lima Cowl* (details page 4)...

New shades of QUEENSLAND COLLECTION "Cairns" are here (\$16.50, 100 grams, 190 yards, 60% cotton/40% acrylic, CYCA #4), a delightful variegated cotton blend with a unique construction that reminds us of a cross between a tape and a chainette, with shades inspired by the landscape and natural beauty of the Australian continent. Our shop sample is *An Italian Summer Scarf*, a free Ravelry pattern download. This little scarf with a classic look is very easy to adjust in length, yarn weight or fiber content. The pattern is straightforward, simple to memorize and quite addicting. The scarf is worked flat, back and forth, from one tip to the other. It's all garter stitch with built-in I-cord edges and beautiful eyelets throughout. You'll be using half your yarn for the part of the scarf (increasing from the tip to the midway point) and the rest of your yarn for the second half (decreasing from the midway point to the other tip). What's not to love?

Stitch your way into the season with MADELINE TOSH's sophisticated spring-inspired colorways, featuring a mix of dreamy pastels and bold hues. This is a color palette in full bloom, with tonal and variegated shades "Twist Light" (\$30.75, 118 grams, 474 yards, 75% superwash merino light/25% nylon, CYCA #2), "Tosh DK" (\$30.75, 225 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #3), and "Triple Twist" (\$30.75, 130 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #4). Build your own Spring bundle...

Coastland is a new design by ELIZABETH SMITH (\$8.00, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations, shown page 7 lower left). Designing patterns is Elizabeth's passion. *Coastland* is a summer tee inspired by the sandy, rocky landscape found on the coastal beaches of Maine, where she lives. It features an allover textured eyelet slip stitch pattern with a fun, subtle pop of contrasting color on the sleeves, making it a lovely summer top that you can layer over a tank or camisole. Knit with our yummy BERROCO "Pima Soft" (\$7.95, 50 grams, 124 yards, 100% pima cotton, CYCA #3) in two contrasting shades. Did we mention there's also a matching cowl?

Thanks to our knitting friend Mary Lou F for telling us about Isabell Kraemer's *Ayami* (\$7.08 US, Ravelry Pro download, shown at right). This gorgeous worsted weight pullover is worked seamlessly from the top down. Starting with the wide neck shaping, short rows are worked back and forth to create a higher back neck. The cables and textures yoke is then worked in the round to sleeve separation. Sleeve stitches are placed on hold to work the body top down, with the textured pattern repeated at the lower edge above the ribbing. The body circumference is generously sized from 36" to 65" finished measurement. Sleeves are worked top down in rounds to the cuffs. Minimal finishing is required...



*** MORE GREAT NEW STUFF ***

Designer Andrea Mowry of DREA RENEE KNITS tells us: "My favorite ingredients for shawl knitting are color and texture! *Melt* combines garter stitch with playful stripes, two color brioche and even lace to keep you knitting 'just one more row' all the way to the bind off". This shawl is knit sideways and the entirety of the shawl is encased in a polished I-cord edge. The *Melt* pattern is available through Kathy's Kreations Pro download (\$8.00, shown upper right) and uses a DK weight 100% superwash merino -- we recommend our MADELINE TOSH "Tosh DK". The DK gives a major squish factor, while the merino yarn is incredibly soft with loads of drape -- perfect for wrapping up in!



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Lose yourself in Melanie Berg's *Beachy Keen* shawl with its gentle waves of sand and surf, where textured bands of ocean blues and sunny oranges alternate against the smoky gray garter stitch background (\$6.50, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations, shown page 5, lower left). It uses fingering weight yarn and looks great with a solid background and a gradient set like our SWEET GEORGIA "Party of Five" sets. *Beachy Keen* is all about easygoing summertime vibes!

Shrugs -- they're back! In addition to special occasions, shrugs are an easy-fitting spring or summer layering piece when needed for office wear or an overly air-conditioned theater or restaurant. Our pick is the *Snug Shrug Cardigan* by KNIT SISU (\$8.00, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations). We were impressed with this beautiful simple design ever since Jill Tamminen wore hers during a MALABRIGO Friendship Shawl Zoom meeting KAL last month. This is a super easy knit that leads to a super cozy cardigan that will have you snuggling up in a fashionable style! This design is perfect for beginner knitters daydreaming about a first sweater project. MALABRIGO "Rios" (\$17.50, 100 grams, 210 yards, 100% superwash wool, CYCA #4) is an excellent choice for this project, new colorways in stock...

Another outstanding shrug/bolero is the *Foliage Shrug* by Petra Breakstone (\$6.00, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations). This worsted weight shrug is knitted some in the round and some flat with an absolutely gorgeous lace pattern gracing both sleeves. The ribbing of the sleeves is carried right through the middle/back of the body. The lace pattern decreases and increases throughout but comes back to the original cast on number...

Speaking of easy-to-slip on layers, Andrea Mowry of DREA RENEE KNITS presents *The Traveler Shell* (\$9.00, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations, shown page 7, upper right), a drop shoulder, open cardi with big pockets. Andrea tells us that it is easier to take on and off in small, confined spaces (hello, planes and automobiles). This short-sleeved fingering weight cardigan is worked from the bottom up, seamlessly, except for the underarms. The shoulders are finished with an exposed seam using the 3-needle bind off. The collar and cuffs are picked up and knitted out from the body. The pockets are knit separately and sewn on once the cardigan is finished...

We look forward to new TOSH colorways each month. Launching April 1 is April's Hue of the Moment from MADELINE TOSH, "Bird Is The Word" (shown lower left). Every bird tells a color story, stories that only reveal themselves fully on close inspection. "Bird is the Word" invites us to look beyond its dramatic swaths of hawk wing and eggshell to see its specks of indigo, umber and gold. Available here now on bases "Twist Light" and "Tosh DK". Receive a free Ravelry pattern download for the "Winging It" shawl (shown page 8, upper left) with your purchase of this colorway during the month of April...

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*** APRIL KNIT ALONG ***

Ready to cast on something fabulous for spring? *Lima Cowl* by Laura Dobratz is a cowl for every occasion (\$6.00 pattern, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations, shown in Emma's Yarn "Drapey DK", upper left). Whether you love a toasty cowl around your neck, a "tall enough to pull up over your ears" kind of cowl, or even jazzing up a plain top without too much warmth, this pattern is for you. Truly made for any occasion, it's knitted in the round in an easy-to-memorize stitch repeat. So perfect, so cute, so quick!

This project makes a great gift! Toss one on your needles this month and you'll be ready for your next gift-giving situation (it's never too early to get ahead). Kathy chose this as our knit along since "5-in-1" projects are trending, which means that instructions are given for multiple gauges in five weights of yarn from fingering to bulky -- yarn weight is your choice! Made in fingering weight, it adds a little interest to your outfit, and the heavier weights add warmth to the style. Choose your yarn from our collection and come knit with us every Friday throughout April 2024 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Work on this, or any other project purchased here at Kathy's Kreations (we're crochet friendly, too!). If you can't join us in person, please post your progress on our Ravelry page, *We Love Kathy's*; Instagram (#kathyknitz) or Facebook (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA)...

*** UPCOMING CLASSES (call us at 724-238-9320 to register for all classes) ***

Our "Let's Knit" class series with instructor Karen McCullough continues on **Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**. Instructions continue for the home stretch of the *Knit Envelope Cardigan*, knit in worsted weight yarn and featuring a delicate textured stitch, shawl collar and 1/2 length bat-wing sleeves. Registration is \$20 per student for instruction, plus purchase of pattern and project yarn from Kathy's Kreations. Karen is also available for knitting and crocheting "HELP" by appointment (anything from pattern interpretation to how-to's), with beginners and newbies always welcome...

The best alternative to double-pointed needles, ADDI FlexiFlips make knitting small circular projects -- socks, cuffs, mittens, hat crowns -- super easy, super fast, and super comfortable! Kathy had frustrating issues for years working with traditional double-pointed needles and getting pesky ladders. She found FLExiFlips to be the solution to her dpn knitting woes. ADDI FlexiFlips act as flexible double-point needles, consisting of two needles and a short cord in between which rest comfortably in the hand and are easy to use. Stitches are distributed over two needles and then knit with a third, resulting in only two needle changes per round. Available in several different materials and length combinations to suit your needs and style. Join Kathy on **Saturday, April 13, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm** to learn how to use these remarkable needles. The class project is Kathy's *Roman Rib Mitts* design (pattern included with registration). Class size is limited. Registration is \$20 per student for instruction, plus purchase of FlexiFlips needles and 120 yards bulky yarn for project from Kathy's Kreations...

The "Let's Knit" class series continues **Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm** with the *Painted Diamonds Tote Bag* (shown lower right). This bag is knit with mitered squares in one piece, NO SEAMS! I-cord straps are added afterwards. This project looks fantastic in cotton blend self-striping yarns like our new QUEENSLAND "Cairns" yarn, or NORO "dinosaur eggs", or choose a wool blend like BERROCO "Sesame" multi-color wool tweed. Registration is \$20 per student for instruction, plus purchase of pattern and yarn from Kathy's Kreations. This makes a fantastic tote for farmer's markets, grocery shopping or the pool/beach...



*** UPCOMING CLASSES (continued) ***

Want to learn to crochet? Join instructor Karen McCullough on **Saturday, April 20, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm** for *Beginning Crochet*. Registration is \$20 per student for instruction plus purchase of a size G or H crochet hook and smooth worsted weight yarn from Kathy's Kreations. No prior experience is needed. Karen will get you started with the basic stitches you need for your first project...



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*** TRENDING NOW ***

Uncomplicated, simple sweaters are favored now, as new knitters attempt their first garments and more experienced knitters look for timeless, versatile wardrobe pieces. Some of our best project ideas come from customer recommendations. Our knitting friend Lee T told us about a couple of appealing PEACE FLEECE designs that fit the bill. *Sassy Cardigan Sweater* by Bonnie Desroches (\$7.50, Ravelry Pro pattern download available through Kathy's Kreations) features tailored shoulders enhanced by optional shoulder pads which add a structured look to this traditionally-styled Aran weight cropped cardigan. Another excellent layering piece for spring is *Simple Pie Vest* (\$7.50, Ravelry Pro pattern download available through Kathy's Kreations, shown upper right). A simple sweater vest does wonders for keeping warm on unexpected chilly mornings, both for guys and gals. This classic Aran weight sleeveless pullover features squared off V-neckline and armhole treatments. We think both would be fabulous in MADELINE TOSH "Triple Twist TML" (\$29.50, 130 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #4)...

*** TIPS AND TRICKS ***

Have an old teapot gathering dust? If you're not having tea time, you could use it as an impromptu yarn bowl for knitting or crocheting. Simply insert the yarn into the pot and bring the yarn end out the spout!

In a "pinch", use a binder clip to hold your knitting needle points together!

Our March 2024 knit along *Friendship Shawl* is now just a memory, although still a work in progress for some late bloomers. Thanks to those who participated in a fun KAL that connected us with a community over a shared love of knitting. We learned so many tips from Jill Tamminen of KNIT SISU during MALABRIGO KAL zoom meetings, like these beneficial purls of wisdom for lace knitting:

- When inserting a lifeline for lace knitting, use a contrasting thread **SLIGHTLY LARGER** than your main yarn as this will make it easier to pick up stitches if the lifeline is needed.
- DO NOT insert your lifeline through stitch markers unless they are the removable type.
- Use one size larger needle tip in your right hand when binding off a shawl to achieve a looser, stretchier bind off. Keep the body stitches on the same left hand needle as you used throughout the piece.

Storing off-season knitwear is a great way to make room for things you want to wear now. It keeps your wardrobe organized and your fave items easier to spot. It's also a good time to repair damaged items and clean everything with before putting away.



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Sort and say so long to items you don't wear anymore (pass it on or donate it). Make any needed repairs to snags or holes. We recommend EUCALAN for cleaning your sweaters and woolies before putting them away. Make sure you check that everything is completely dry before you put it away for the season. Most items can go into airtight containers, either folded or rolled to reduce wrinkles. Tuck in a little lavender sachet or cedar balls for extra protection against moths. Keep everything in a cool, clean, dry, dark place...

*** LYS DAY IS SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024 ***

LYS Day (Local Yarn Shop) has brought thousands of "yarnies" from across the US and Canada to go to their local shops to see exclusive, unique products created specifically for LYS Day. Think of it as an international Yarn crawl!



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One of the special things going on at Kathy's Kreations is from the MADDY TOSH GROUP. Launching April 26, 2024, we will feature a MADELINE TOSH LYS Day exclusive Spring Fever colorway (shown upper right), paired with a brand-new free 2-skein spring shawl/stole pattern with a scalloped edging by designer Lena Skvaagerson, to make a bold joyous statement like a field of showy tulips in full bloom -- yours with the purchase of this colorway!

There will also be a free knit or crochet pattern giveaway with your purchase of BERROCO YARN and a few other surprises from our favorite designers, as well as complimentary snacks and refreshments.

Our Spring Break workshop at the Ramada Inn of historic Ligonier will coincide with **LYS Day Weekend, April 26 - 28, 2024**. AND, our instructor will be master knitter Tanis Gray, whose amazing knitting designs have been featured in many major publications and books worldwide (over 650 published designs in her portfolio). At this time, the workshop is completely filled with a waiting list, but we will be glad to notify you if more space becomes available...

*** IN THE LYS DAY SPOTLIGHT ***

EMMA'S YARN, one of our shop favorites, was started by a (then) 15 year-old home-schooled student who fell in love with dyeing yarn when learning ratios in her math lesson. Her eye for color is amazing! It wasn't long before she started selling small batches in her parents' yarn shop, and when that proved to be successful, moved production from her kitchen to a dye studio downtown. Her sister, Aspen, joined her after graduating college and together they built EMMA'S YARN into what it is today -- a wholesale company providing Local Yarn Shops with high-quality, hand-dyed yarn from sunny Florida.

Today, a few years later, they are a small team of 13 members made up of family and close friends. With 16 different bases, over 100 crazy beautiful colorways, and new ideas pumping all the time, there is no end to our fun in sight! Emma tells us: "Growing up in our parents' LYS, we learned that there is truly nothing like a good local yarn shop. Aside from the value and support they provide to their customers (help with knitting, help reading patterns, help choosing the best supplies, etc.), they provide a unique and special place in the community for all sorts of makers and fiber friends to come together. In order to best support local yarn shops, we only sell our yarn through them".

Kathy's Kreations has stocked EMMA'S YARN since the beginning, and we recently found out that Emma got married (congratulations!). To honor the occasion, her mom Laura Dobratz designed a wedding shawl for Emma to wear on her wedding day (photo lower left). The *Along for the (b)ride* pattern is extra special and Emma made such a beautiful bride! She wanted a laceless shawl to keep her warm in the breeze, and this was the absolute perfect accessory that she will continue to wear forever and ever! This crescent-shaped, pi-shawl is the perfect elegant piece to keep you warm while staying stylish, whether that is during a beautiful backyard wedding, for prom, or a night out on the town. Knitted from the top down, with a simple and sophisticated stitch pattern, it ends in a slightly ruffled edge for a hint of whimsy. This shawl takes 600 yards of fingering weight yarn, and looks great in a solid or a speckled colorway (pattern \$6.00, available through Kathy's Kreations Ravelry Pro download). This is the perfect heirloom, and is a great wrap for cool spring or summer enchanted evenings. You can always find an abundant supply of EMMA's YARN on our fingering & DK weight yarn shelves...



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*** UPCOMING EVENTS ***

MAD MAY -- It's becoming an annual happening here at Kathy's Kreations! Throughout the month of May, we will be featuring **MADLINE TOSH** promotions during our Friday knit alongs (and there are five of them this year!). Please RSVP as space is limited. There will be door prizes and snacks, so join us on:

May 3, 2024 -- It's our Cinco de Mayo celebration, ole!

May 10, 2024 -- Mad Hatter Tea Party with a tea sampling from **CRUMPET'S TEA SHOP**

May 17, 2024 -- National Pizza Party Day (yes, there will be pizza!) Each year on the third Friday in May, millions of pizza lovers join in extolling the qualities of pizza!

May 24, 2024 -- Kick off summer and Memorial Day weekend with a beach vibe

May 31, 2024 -- May Madness concludes; bring in a photo of yourself as a baby or toddler, and we'll have fun guessing who's who!



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*** LACE KNITTING TODAY ***

Lace knitting is a staple of spring and summertime stitching, both in knit and crochet. With its intricate patterns and delicate designs, it has long been associated with tradition and elegance. That doesn't mean it is stuck in the past. There are several exciting ways you can infuse an updated look into your lace knit and crochet projects this season.

Break free from tradition by embracing bold and vibrant hues, rich jewel tones, or even gradients that transition from one color to the next. Bright colors can bring a contemporary edge to lace patterns, making it a perfect choice for statement pieces such as shawls, scarves and even garments. Combine stripes and color to create visually striking lace pieces with a contemporary look.

Traditionally, lace knitting is synonymous with delicate lightweight fibers, but by choosing to work with DK, worsted or Aran weight, you can achieve dramatically different results. Lace doesn't have to stand alone. Combine lace with cables, colorwork or brioche to create intricate, visually appealing designs that break away from traditional lace patterns. This fusion of techniques can result in a stunning, one-of-a-kind pieces that showcase your stitching skills. Adding beads to your lace projects is a fantastic ways to modernize them. These embellishments can create a glamorous and eye-catching effect that will stand out. Try exchanging allover lace patterns for cleverly placed insertions, or tiny eyelets to add just a hint of lace.

Embrace contemporary lace patterns, add beads for a touch of glamour, and incorporate lace into unexpected ways to create a stylish and versatile wardrobe. Lace knitting may have its roots in tradition, but you can breathe new life into this timeless art form. Although knitwear is a year-round staple, we invite you to immerse yourself in the intricate beauty of modern lace knitting this season. Whether you're a seasoned lace enthusiast or new to the captivating world of openwork, your spring stitching journeys are about to get even more enchanting!

*** SLEEVE CONSTRUCTION ***

Have you heard about the "European Shoulder" in sweater construction? In a regular set-in sleeve construction, the shoulder seam sits straight at the top of the anatomical shoulder. In contrast, with the European shoulder construction, the standout feature is that the shoulder seam is shifted towards the back of the garment, so the seam is not at the top of the shoulder. Having the shoulder seam positioned further back on the shoulder provides for a much better hang to the sweater and therefore, a better fit. The top parts of the back and front are not symmetrical. Instead, the front wraps over to the back, and the shoulder seam creates a refined line across the upper back of the sweater. According to **DROPS DESIGN**: "A properly structured European Shoulder should run straight across the back, giving a sturdy and stable fit on the upper body". Look for it...



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*** CALENDAR OF EVENTS ***

An RSVP is appreciated for all in-store events (classes, knit alongs) as space is limited. Any changes to our hours due to inclement weather or re-scheduling will be posted on our Facebook page and Instagram...

*** APRIL 2024 KNIT ALONG (KAL) ***

One of the best things about being a knitter or crocheter is that we are a community of makers. Although stitching is a solitary activity, knitters and crocheters enjoy gathering to share their successes, laugh about mistakes, and learn from one another. Stop by on **Fridays during April 2024, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**, for our fun knit along, *Lima Cowl*. When we're knitting or crocheting, it's always happy hour! Not working on the KAL? You're still welcome to come -- it's free! PLEASE BRING A PROJECT PURCHASED HERE AT KATHY'S KREATIONS (maybe one that doesn't require much concentration, so that you can engage with the people around you). Follow us on "We Love Kathy's" Ravelry page or Facebook (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA)...

*** "LET'S KNIT!" CLASS SERIES ***

Join instructor Karen McCullough for learning the how-to's for the *Knit Envelope* wrap on **Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**. This group is always fun, and Karen always has interesting techniques and tips to share. Check out the details page 4...

*** FUN FRIDAY ***

Come in for the fun and leave with friendships! Meet with us on **Friday, April 19, 2024, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**. Join our knitting community for fellowship, stitching, and how-to's for projects purchased here. Whether this is your first project or your hundredth, this is the place for you to learn, grow, connect, and enjoy being with other knitters and crocheters. RSVP please, as occupancy is limited...

*** BEGINNER CROCHET CLASS ***

Want to learn how to crochet? Join instructor Karen McCullough to learn the basic stitches and how-to's on **Saturday, April 20, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**...

*** FLEXIFLIPS KNITTING CLASS ***

FlexiFlips have revolutionized the way we knit in the round! Join Kathy Zimmerman on **Saturday, April 13, 2024, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm** to master this technique...

*** STEEL VALLEY YARN CRAWL 2024 ***

The 11th annual 2024 Steel Valley Yarn Crawl is happening from **Friday, July 26, through Sunday, August 4, 2024** (tell all your friends!). It's 11 for 11! The 11 participating shops are Chicken Knitz, Kathy's Kreations, Kid Ewe Knot, McWalker Yarns, Moon and Yarn Craft Room, Raggz Fiber Arts, Sewickley Yarns, The Shop on Grant, Wildchild Stitches, Yarn Bits and Bobs, and Yarns By Design. Passports will be available for sale beginning June 1, 2024. Save the dates!

Private knitting and crocheting "help" is available by appointment. Additional group classes are available for groups of 4 or more. Kathy's Kreations has been the "helpful hands" of experienced knitting for over 44 years (Celebrating our 44th anniversary in business on April 1, 2024)...

LYS DAY is **Saturday, April 27, 2024** & it's also our Spring Break weekend -- stop by to see what's new for this event. Come check out the colorful spring yarns and dare to bloom brightly! KEEP KNITTING AND CROCHETING!

Kathy