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Madeline Tosh August 2022 Hue of the
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AUGUST 2022 UPDATE



Dear Stitchers,

When it comes to summer travel projects, there's no better place to find them than at Kathy's Kreations! Don't take a break from knitting or crocheting just because it's summer. We've got smooth, delicious natural fiber yarns for lightweight tops, shawls and small accessory items – wonderful to have in your hands, and on your needles or hook. Find a shady spot or turn up the a/c – stitching is fun all year 'round and is very entertaining!

Go sleeveless this summer! Versatile tank and tee designs aren't just for the Dog Days of August. These wardrobe basics make great layering pieces as well, to make the most of your handknit and crocheted wardrobe. Cute and casual, pieces like the *Seven Sisters Top* and *Twofer Top*, featured on page 2, have a sweet simplicity that spans spring, summer, and fall.

INTERWEAVE tells us: "If it's not yarn or needles, but you need it to complete your project, it's a 'notion.' The notions you prefer to keep in your bag are deeply personal and depend on the way you knit or crochet." For example, knitters like Kathy never travel anywhere without a cable needle. Some swear by our BATES handi-tool or a sharp pair of scissors. Others live dangerously and go without, but some notions are near-universal. Whatever your skill level, essential notions should have a place at your side when stitching. Must-have notions you can find on our shelves are an accurate tape measure, removable stitch markers, a bent-tip tapestry needle (aka Chibi), and a notions bag to carry them all.

It's time once again for the Steel Valley Yarn Crawl (July 29–August 7, 2022). These are the ten best days of summer for knitters and crocheters – don't miss out on the fun. We've got lots of fun stuff planned to welcome you to our newly-remodeled shop!

IT'S "THE BEST OF SUMMER STARTS HERE!" MONTH!

All regularly-priced, in stock EMMA'S YARNS
are 10% off from August 8, 2022 thru August 31, 2022 (after the Crawl)

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Kathy's Kreations will have extended hours for the Steel Valley Yarn Crawl:

9:00 am–4:00 pm Fridays and Saturdays 7/29, 7/30, 8/5, 8/6

10:00 am–4:00 pm Monday through Thursday 8/1, 8/2, 8/3, 8/4

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Open 10:00 am–7:00 pm Thursday, August 18, 2022 for Night Market

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*** GREAT NEW STUFF ***

The recent summer heat wave has us thinking “made in the shade”, specifically knitting and crocheting outdoors in a shady spot or indoors in the cool a/c. Take a look at what’s new, what’s now...

Our August 2022 EMMA’S YARN Crazy Beautiful Club selection is fun and refreshing! Pops of cool teal, hot pinks, and summer greens and gold all “grown up” with some neutral specks throughout –it’s a great summer shade and works really nicely with many of our favorite colorways. Available now on base “Super Silky” (\$31.00, 100 grams, 400 yards, 80% superwash merino/20% silk, CYCA #2, shown upper left)...

The *Twofer Tank* from Heidi Kirrmaier (\$8.50, Ravelry Pro download available at Kathy’s Kreations, shallow square neck version shown page 8, upper left) is designed to be reversible; wear with either the V-neck or the shallow square neck to the front! It is knit seamlessly from the top down. You can start with a provisional cast on, or a regular cast on for the shoulder straps – both options are provided in the pattern. The edges are finished as you go, so there is no finishing work other than weaving in your ends (perfect for easy summer-time knitting!). The intended ease is approximately 2” - 4”. The body measures approximately 12’ from the underarm, but the length is easily modified. If you wish to lengthen it, you may need more yarn. The instructions include notes for making optional small adjustments to the armhole depth. Any DK weight yarn that gives a medium dense fabric will work for this design. Our recommended yarn is BERROCO “Isola” (\$16.50, 100 grams, 284 yards, 38% cotton/36% linen/26% viscose, CYCA #3), a fantastic gradient yarn. This yarn is an easy choice for summer tops and the colors transition beautifully making every project a little fun and classy. Another excellent choice is BERROCO “Pima Soft” (\$7.95, 50 grams, 124 yards, 100% pima cotton, CYCA #3), a lovely and delightfully soft two-ply cotton...

A loose-fitting summer top knit in worsted weight, the *Seven Sisters Top* by Sloane Lacasse (\$6.00, Ravelry Pro download, shown page 8, lower right) is a perfect versatile piece to wear alone in hot weather or under a jacket on a cooler day. This basic sweater has a relaxed silhouette and ribbing at the neck, sleeves and hem. Our pick for this sleeveless pullover is JUNIPER MOON FARMS “Cumulus” (\$20.50, 100 grams, 251 yards, 94% cotton/6% nylon, CYCA #4), a super soft cotton with a touch of nylon for durability. This yarn is also available in rainbow and dappled options if you’d like a splash of color...

Is fresh TOSH in your future? MADELINE TOSH sets the standard for excellence and beauty in hand-dyed yarns. The luster of their rich colorways is unparalleled. Our August Hue Of The Moment is here, “Everything on Pause” on base Tosh DK (\$29.95, 225 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #3), a buttery yellow background with flecks of olive, teal, deep pink and brown. It’s the ideal shade for a summertime knitting escape. Also available in a very limited supply is “Tosh Vintage” shade human kindness (\$20.00, 115 grams, 200 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #4). This gorgeous green & turquoise speckled shade is on sale for \$20 instead of the usual \$29.50. Customers are encouraged to “Pay it forward” by donating the savings to a charity or a good cause...

The *Sea Star* blanket by the BERROCO design team is a pick-up-as-you-go hexagon design (free Ravelry pattern download, shown lower right). Create the size that works for your space with our soft, machine washable BERROCO YARNS “Sesame” yarn (\$17.95, 100 grams, 230 yards, 43% wool/39% acrylic/9% cotton/9% nylon, CYCA #4). Wool, cotton, and nylon come together for a colorful self-stripping yarn flecked with tweed, color and texture. New shades have recently arrived...



*** MORE GREAT NEW STUFF ***

Rosanna by designer Elizabeth Smith (\$8.00, Ravelry Pro download available from Kathy's Kreations, photo shown right) is a short-sleeved cardigan suited for light layering. It is knit seamlessly from the top down and features simple eyelet details and a slight A-line body silhouette. The front bands are buttonless for a more open, layering-style look, but there are tips for adding buttonholes, if preferred. DK weight is recommended — two excellent choices are EMMA'S YARN "Drapey DK" (\$33.50, 100 grams, 231 yards, 70% superwash merino/30% silk, CYCA #3) or MADELINE TOSH "Silk Merino" (\$36.50, 205 yards, 50% superwash merino wool/50% silk, CYCA #3)...



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Socks are one of our favorite portable projects for the summer. Small, lightweight, and fun to knit, they're easy to take along wherever you go and are very entertaining. Need a refreshing indulgence for your sock needles? Playing with mini skeins from EMMA'S YARN is both sweet and salty in Lisa Ross's new top-down shortie socks, *Margarita Mix* (\$6.00 Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations). Mix and match colors and experiment with speckles to create your very own concoction. Splashes of lace are sprinkled onto stockinette for a standout sock that flies off the needles. There's no need to make them match, so the second sock is just as fun to knit as the first. Enjoy some summer fun with this satisfying project...

For a particularly easy-breezy sock pattern, try CHURCHMOUSE CLASSICS *Oxford Socks* (\$8.00, Ravelry Pro download available at Kathy's Kreations), a smart little sock with a super-easy short row shaping at the toe and heel. It's easy to master, easy to remember, easy to start, and easy to finish! It's also a snap to play with simple stitch patterns, to change up the cuff and foot, and to knit to any length you like.

Another CHURCHMOUSE favorite is *Turkish Bed Socks* (\$6.00 Ravelry Pro download available at Kathy's Kreations). These little slipper socks are quick to knit and easy to fit — just the sort of "bite-sized" satisfaction that makes a great travel project. They make great gifts as they take just one skein of a soft, squishy, sumptuous yarn like our DREAM IN COLOR "Smoochy Cashmere" (\$34.50, 4 oz., 400 yards, 70% superwash merino/20% cashmere/10% nylon, CYCA #3). These are perfect travel slippers — especially for hotel rooms, road trips, or long flights. And if you're more in the mood for a 'stay-cation', they're quite cozy at home, too. Nice for around the house or travel, and great to wear with clog-style shoes. We'd love to hear from you about your favorite sock patterns — which do you like to knit?

Are you a knitter who slows down in the hottest part of the year, or do you knit right through the summer? Knitwear can be super useful even at the peak of summer. How many times have you stepped into an overly air-conditioned building and wished you had something to throw over your shoulders? Or gotten a chill at an outdoor evening event? Shawls to the rescue! Ask us about MKALs *Sharon Air*, *Florida Road Trip* or *Tropical Dilemma*...

Ooh la la by designer Isabell Kraemer (\$6.00, Ravelry Pro download available at Kathy's Kreations, shown lower left) is worked seamlessly from the top down. The back is worked in plain stockinette stitch while the front features a lace pattern panel at the center. Knitting starts with the cast on of the shoulders for the back. Once the short row-shaped shoulder slope is done, the back is worked flat to the underarm. Shoulder stitches are picked up to work the front to the same length. At the underarm, both front and back are joined to work the body top down in rounds to the bottom hem. Sleeve stitches are picked up around the arm openings to work the sleeves (short or long) top down in rounds. Neck finishing is worked last. Our shop model was knit with DREAM IN COLOR "Smoochy Cashmere" (\$34.50, 4 oz., 400 yards, 70% superwash merino/20% cashmere/10% nylon) in colorway Juliette...



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Sharon Air



MKAL

*** AUGUST 2022 KNIT ALONG ***

Summer is starting to wind down, which means it's time for another Casapinka mystery knit along! The *Sharon Air MKAL* (mystery knit along) begins August 12, 2022! *Sharon Air* is not just a knitting pattern; it is an experience with Sharon from Security (pictured upper left). The pattern is available as a Ravelry Pro download here at Kathy's Kreations for \$12 and goes for six weeks. This may just help you get your knitting mojo back after a long, hot summer. You will follow

Sharon on her travels as our super hero cat sets out to bring to justice the scariest perp she has ever faced (she is in prep mode right now). You will also enjoy our weekly surprises of recipes for different things, and as usual, we ask you to trust us and not over-analyze it or try to get us to spill the beans. The first clue drops on August 12, 2002, then every Friday, with six clues over 6 weeks.

This is a new shape of shawl for us and rather uncommon. It wraps nicely and can be made longer. It is suitable for the intermediate knitter. You have to just trust the cat. There is some relaxing knitting and some pay attention knitting.

Four skeins of fingering yarn are needed for this project and we have some Emma's Yarn kits available in "Super Silky" (\$125 per kit). This is a perfect stash buster and remember that you don't need to use all the same brands or materials. You can also mix merino and silk, merino and nylon, etc. You can use any 4 colors of yarn. They can be a fade, variegated, color blocked, whatever you want. A few sections will require contrast but you will have enough to alter the assigned color when you get there, so don't get hung up on that. You don't need a lot of contrast for this shawl.

Please join us in person every Friday throughout August 2022 from 10:00 am–2:00 pm to work on this, or any other project purchased here at Kathy's Kreations. If you can't join us in person, follow our progress and posts on our Ravelry page, *We Love Kathy's*; Instagram (#kathyknitz) or Facebook (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA)...

The Florida Mystery Road Trip Shawl is in progress for a bit longer and it's never too late to join in the fun! We still have kit combos from EMMA'S YARN available and will be glad to help you assemble a unique, personalized foursome of fingering weight yarns and complimentary MIYUKI beads for embellishment. Kathy is using EMMA's "Practically Perfect Sock" for her Osprey combo shawl in progress and is following the "main route". We're looking forward to seeing where this knitting journey takes us next!

*** UPCOMING CLASSES ***

Karen McCullough's "Let's Knit" class series continues on **Tuesdays, August 2, 2022, and September 6, 2022, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm**. The featured project is Casapinka's *The Snark-o-Meter* (\$12.00 Ravelry download pattern, available through Kathy's Kreations), clues two and three. This was originally our Summer 2021 Mystery Knit Along. This class will continue throughout the summer, worked in sections each month.

The Snark-o-Meter is a design for a rectangular shawl with lots of different textures and a potpourri of pattern stitches, approximately 20" wide and approximately 64" long. It's quite adaptable for length. You will need four skeins of fingering weight yarn (approx. 375 yards each) and US size 4 and 6 needles, 24" or longer. One or two variegated skeins are just fine, and all four as speckles are fine as well. Color B should be tonal, solid, fades or speckled, but not variegated. Single ply will also work, but you will need to size down a couple of needle sizes. Also, if you have more than four colors, this lends itself to that beautifully. Skill level is intermediate beginner. Class fee is \$20.00 per class session plus purchase of Ravelry download pattern and yarn.

Our *Building Blocks* class series with instructor Karen McCullough is on hiatus for now and will resume in September, date to be announced. Karen is available for "help" and one-on-one private knit or crochet lessons by appointment...

*** UPCOMING CLASSES (please call 724-238-9320 to register or for details) ***

Summer is flying by, and sock instructor Marian Lech has a few projects for her next class **Thursday, August 25, 2022, 10:30 am–12:30 pm**. The “Sock of the Month” sock is knit with two strands of fingering and two US size 4 circular knitting needles, 24” length. It is a basic top-down sock, great for winter wear with boots or clogs. If you want to try something different, Marian will have a mitt, fingerless or traditional, using many of the techniques we learned in knitting socks. The recommended yarn is DK weight, and our DREAM IN COLOR “Cosette” is ideal for this project. Class fee is \$20.00 plus yarn, pattern is included free with this class...



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Are you a knitter who throws the yarn with your right hand? Want to learn how to do a Continental style purl? Instructor Stacey Rivera will be teaching “Continental-style Knitting Made Easier” with her tips and tricks to get you on your way. The class is scheduled for **Saturday, August 20, 2022, 10:30 am–12:30 pm**. Class supplies include worsted yarn & US 7 or 8 knitting needles. Class fee is \$20.00...

Soon enough, summer will be drifting into fall and it will be pumpkin season. Learn to make this delightful piece to hang on your door or wall on **Saturday, August 27, 2022, 10:30 am–12:30 pm**. Class fee is \$30, wire frame & ribbon included...



Garner and brioche are two go-to ingredients for creating a cozy shawl to knit and wear. The *Satellite Shawl* takes it to the next level with gorgeous textures and contrasting colors, stripes, short rows and that squishy brioche pattern (shown upper right). Join instructor Stacey Rivera on **Saturday, September 10, 2022** for the how-to’s needed to make this wrap. Class supplies include 625 yards fingering weight for main color, plus three contrasting colors in 250, 300, and 200 yard amounts, US size 4 32” circular knitting needle, a locking stitch marker, tapestry needle and row counter. Class fee is \$20.00 plus purchase of \$7.00 pattern from Kathy’s Kreations Ravelry Pro...

*** FORT LIGONIER DAYS ***

This premier fall festival is scheduled for **October 13, 14, 15 & 16, 2022**. Commemorating a key battle of the French & Indian War, Fort Ligonier Days offers a variety of activities around the beautiful Ligonier Diamond Park, throughout the historic town, and at the authentically reconstructed Fort Ligonier. Kathy’s Kreations will be running both indoor and outdoor sales all weekend!

*** FALL FLING 2022 ***

Kathy’s Kreations 12th annual “Fall Fling” Knitting Workshop Weekend will be held **September 30, 2022, - October 2, 2022** at the Ramada Inn in historic Ligonier, hosted by Kathy Zimmerman. Keri Fosbrink (photo shown, lower left) of Connellsville, PA will be our featured instructor. She is the owner and dyer behind YOUGHIOGHENY YARNS and has been creating small batch hand dyed yarns since 2015. Playing with color combinations is what she enjoys the most. Each colorway she creates is crafted by hand in her home dye studio.



Keri will be teaching a nine-hour workshop series that will help you decode using hand dyed yarns in your projects. You’ll spend the weekend learning how different dye styles work up; exploring how different stitch patterns change when worked with different dye styles, and learning how to match up those dye styles to your patterns. The workshop series will feature a special knit cowl pattern designed specifically for this event to show attendees how different stitches work with three (3) different dye styles. Yarn kits will be provided and attendees will have the choice of four (4) color options. Please contact Kathy for your choices and to register for this event (call 724-238-9320)...

*** STEEL VALLEY YARN CRAWL ***

What IS a Yarn Crawl? Urban Dictionary describes it : “To tour/visit/salivate over a city’s local yarn shops for extreme fiber enthusiasts”. A yarn crawl is an event where a group of stores come together to provide fiber fun for knitters, crocheters, spinners, and weavers as they travel from one store to the next.

Kathy’s Kreations is among six local yarn shops in the Greater Pittsburgh area that will be participating in the 9th annual Steel Valley Yarn Crawl from **July 29–August 7, 2022**. Please make plans to join us for ten fun-filled days “crawling” your way through Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania, visiting our area yarn stores. This self-guided tour is not only a perfect getaway, it is a great way to see the latest products for your knitting and crocheting pleasure and to “shop local”. For 2022, we’re returning with plenty of time to smell, touch and squeeze your favorite yarns – in person! It is an excellent opportunity for fiber enthusiasts to discover new project ideas, classes and yarn. Meet up with your “yarn buddy” friends and other fiber enthusiasts and take day-trippin’ to the max with this summer splurge adventure. See what makes each shop special, win prizes and interact with fiber enthusiasts from all over the country!

The Yarn Crawl features a “passport” to get stamped at each of the participating shops, in no particular order. Your \$15 passport, AVAILABLE NOW AT KATHY’S KREATIONS, is your ticket to events. Once you’ve purchased your passport, you will receive a Katrinkles wooden engraved needle gauge with ruler and a chain to add stitch markers from each shop that you visit. Visit each shop, get your passport stamped, collect a stitch marker. Purchase your passport (availability limited) and join in the fun. Customers are encouraged to bring along a tote bag from a previous crawl for shopping and address labels with your phone number information for filling out tickets are always helpful.

Participating shops include: Kathy’s Kreations, Kid Ewe Knot, McWalker Yarns, Raggz Fiber Art, Sewickley Yarns, and Yarns By Design. To add to the fun, you will have lots of chances to win PRIZES! Along the way, we hope that you will discover new ways to fuel your fiber passion and meet local fiber artists up close and delight in their wares. Best of all, re-ignite your love for all the yarns that western PA has to offer.

There is no purchase required to get your passport stamped. You may visit as few or as many shops as you possibly can. As of this writing, **everyone who visits all 6 shops will be entered into a drawing for two merchandise gift baskets, each valued at over \$300.**

Kathy’s Kreations will have extended hours for this event. For general information, please visit the website, Ravelry Steel Valley Yarn Crawl group, thesteelvalleyyarncrawl.com or contact thesteelvalleyyarncrawl@gmail.com

The rules of engagement include:

- Passports must be purchased from one of the participating yarn stores
- Each participant must have their own passport. Only ONE passport per person.
- Each participant must fill out the contact information on the passport, Please print clearly – we need this information to be able to contact you!
- Each participant must be present at each yarn shop to receive their stamp (i.e., no proxy crawling!)
- Each participant must be at least 18 years of age.
- All completed passports must be turned in by the end of business on August 7, 2022 to the last store you visit.



- All winners will be posted online on our Ravelry and Facebook pages and will be contacted within 30 days at the end of the yarn crawl.
- Winners who have not claimed their prizes within 30 days will forfeit them and alternate winners will be chosen.
- Please be respectful and comply with the Health and safety precautions at each shop.



*** STEEL VALLEY YARN CRAWL ***

At each shop, you will receive a free drawing ticket good at that shop only with your passport stamp and stitch marker charm. In addition, you are eligible for bonus door prize tickets with your purchase at each shop (\$25 purchase, 4 extra tickets; \$50 purchase, 10 extra tickets; \$100 or more, 25 extra tickets). These tickets may only be deposited at the shop that gave them to you.



A very big "THANK YOU" to our vendor suppliers who have generously contributed to our door prize baskets – ACCESSORIES UNLIMITED, BERROCO YARNS, BRYSON DISTRIBUTING, COCOKNITS, DREAM IN COLOR, EMMA'S YARN, MADELINE TOSH, PLYMOUTH YARNS, RIVER RAT YARNS, SIMPLE PLEASURES, and SKACEL KNITTING as of this writing. Thanks also to our shopgals, shop friends, instructors and Facebook techy Vina McLeod Rudolph (social media publicity).

Stay in touch for additional information on our Facebook page (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA) and Instagram (#kathyknitz) about special happenings in the shop and new product arrivals. There are more surprises in store, including the release of a new pattern from designer Kathy Zimmerman, *Splish Splash* (shown upper right), in an exciting custom colorway from DREAM IN COLOR YARN (shown lower left, page 6). The pattern is written for both fingering and DK weight yarn (bases "Smoochy Cashmere" & "Cosette DK".) Stacey Rivera of RIVER RAT YARNS will be here throughout the Yarn Crawl for a Meet & Greet, featuring some yarns which she has hand-dyed exclusively for this event (ask to see Neptune's Kreation). We will also feature artisan Marian Lech's SIMPLE PLEASURES yarn bowls, fabric yarn cozies, and project bags to help keep you organized.

What's our store theme this year? "Splish, Splash"—it's a mermaid bash! You'll find mermaids throughout our store, on everything from our shopping bags to snacks to our windows. Stacey Rivera has painted a mermaid mural in the small window that is outstanding! Thanks to Lil Graber, Nanette Ringler and Vina Rudolph for helping to make the window displays happen, and to Karen McCullough & Linda Cable for general behind-the-scenes help & baskets.

Friday, July 29: SOCIAL MEDIA DAY— meet & greet Vina McLeod Rudolph;
hand-crafted stitch markers & jewelry by Linda Cable

Saturday, July 30: SIMPLE PLEASURES — meet & greet Marian Lech

Sunday, July 31: meet & greet Stacey Rivera

Monday, August 1: MERMAID MONDAY — meet & greet Stacey Rivera

Tuesday, August 2: CASAPINKA DAY — Donna Gottschalk is in the shop
and *The Snark-o-Meter* "Let's Knit" class with instructor Karen McCullough

Wednesday, August 3: EMMA'S YARN DAY — Donna Gottschalk is in the shop

Thursday, August 4: meet & greet Stacey Rivera

Friday, August 5: SOCIAL MEDIA DAY — meet & greet Vina McLeod Rudolph;
hand-crafted stitch markers & jewelry by Linda Cable

Saturday, August 6: SIMPLE PLEASURES — meet & greet Marian Lech

Sunday, August 7: meet & greet Stacey Rivera

*** KNITTING TIPS & TRICKS ***

A cool tip from FROGINETTE on Instagram: Are you frustrated when having to pick up and knit stitches, or do you find it satisfying? It's amazing to see a new piece of knitting growing from another in a whole new direction, all the while adding structural integrity. For buttonbands, dip the tip of the knitting needle into the "ladder" immediately next to the edge stitch (push the selvedge stitch column with the tip of the needle to reveal the rungs of the ladder). The ratio of picked up stitches to rows will depend on the stitch and row gauges of the new fabric versus the original one. Neat results!

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*** CALENDAR OF EVENTS ***

Your safety and well-being are of our utmost concern. All in-shop events have returned, but please call ahead for space availability. In accordance with the CDC's recommendations: "People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with Covid-19 should wear a mask". Hand sanitizer is available throughout the store and you are encouraged to use it before shopping. Please check in with our Facebook page (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA) and Instagram (#kathyknitz) for any updated CDC information or changes to hours...

*** AUGUST 2022 Knit Along (KAL) ***

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 August 2022, 10:00 am–2:00 pm, for our fun knit alongs. 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 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 group, Instagram (#kathyknitz) and Facebook (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA)...

*** STEEL VALLEY YARN CRAWL, July 29–August 7, 2022 ***

Kathy calls this event "the ten best days of summer"! Save the date and make plans with your friends – you'll be glad that you did!

*** NIGHT MARKET IN LIGONIER ***

Night Market 2022 is back on Thursday, August 18, 2022. We'll be open until 7:00 pm, stop by for a look-see at what's new and some special bargains on our clearance table.

*** FUN FRIDAY, August 19, 2022, 10:00 am–2:00 pm ***

Come in for the fun and leave with friendships! **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...

*** SOCK CLASS SERIES, Thursdays, August 25, 2022 10:30 am–12:30 pm ***

Instructor Marian Lech presents tips and tricks for applying sock knitting techniques to knitting mitts. Spaces available; see page 5 for details/registration...

*** LET'S KNIT! SERIES, Tuesday, August 2, 2022, & September 6, 2022, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm ***

The featured project is Casapinka's *The Snark-o-Meter* (\$12.00 Ravelry download pattern, available through Kathy's Kreations), clue two in August and clue three in September. See page 4 for details...

Private knitting and crocheting help is available by appointment. Additional group classes are forming for groups of 4 or more. Kathy's Kreations has been the "helpful hands" of experienced knitting for over 42 years!

Our friends at CHURCHMOUSE YARNS tell us: "May you find plenty of time to relax this summer – whether it's by the pool, by the sea, on a shady porch, or in your favorite knitting spot. And may a soothing project always be in reach!" Enjoy the rest of your summer!

KEEP KNITTING AND CROCHETING!

Kathy

