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JANUARY 2022 UPDATE



Dear Stitchers.

To knitters and crocheters, craftsmanship matters! In a world of disposable, mass-produced goods, skilled artisanship and genuine handcrafted quality stand out. We love warmth with style – you can look great and be cozy no matter the outside temperature and weather conditions. Handknits made with natural fibers are natural insulators that provide extra warmth. The added bonus is that you are the BOSS of your project from start to finish – from choosing the pattern to selecting just the right yarn in just the right color, to adjusting measurements for fit – it's all in your hands, literally!

What are makers making now? This winter is all about adding more depth to your look with textures, neutral hues and monochromatic dressing. We are seeing a return to cozy sweaters, both textured and in colorwork. Color blocking is having a moment – this is an easy way to make a fashion statement without a lot of fussy stitch manipulation. Throw-back ski gear is back for another round, both on and off the slopes. Sweater dresses with looser, flowier silhouettes are having a flash of popularity as we navigate between venturing out in the world again while still spending a lot of time at home. Warm hats crafted with super bulky yarns are remaining popular, with pompom toppers, of course!

While much has changed since Kathy's first design some 41 years ago, knit and purl stitches have remained pretty much the same as always. We're truly excited to share our latest products with you to help round out your winter wardrobe – yarns, project ideas, gadgets, tools – all of which just might become your new favorites!

IT'S "WARM WINTER WISHES!" MONTH!

All regularly-priced, in stock bulky & super bulky yarns (all brands, CYCA #5 or #6)
are 10% off during January 2022

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*** GREAT NEW STUFF ***

Discover Winter's warmer side with hand-knit or crocheted sweaters and accessories! Our latest toasty projects will have you saying "good-bye" to winter's chill with stylish layers for the season. Our current mantra is: Make something for you in 2022! The New Year means a fresh line-up of projects, new fibers to work with, and perhaps novel techniques to try in something just for yourself – there's a lot of fun in store! We're looking forward to sharing it all with you, so let's ring in the New Year and warm up to winter with yarns, products and ideas like these...

EMMA'S YARN tells us that their most favorite part of every single month is creating new colorways for you to enjoy. We will be participating as a Crazy Beautiful Club yarn shop throughout 2022. Pictured upper left is base "Super Silky" in the gorgeous, moody colorway for January that kicks off a wonderful new year of color (\$30.50, 100 grams, 400 yards, 80% superwash merino wool / 20% silk, CYCA #2). If you aren't familiar with the Club, each month Emma's Yarn develops a color just for participating yarn shops exclusively for 3 months. This gives you early access to new colors and they tend to spill secrets to us sooner than the general public, (we'll share as soon as they'll let us!)...

The perfect flexible double-pointed needles (dpns) have arrived in a new longer length – say hello to ADDI "Flexiflips 2 (squared)", now in sizes US 7–11 (\$34.50). With its unique shape and textured shaft, these are perfect for knitting projects when you don't want to work with standard dpns, but need something smaller than a regular circular needle. When you knit with ADDI's "Flexiflips", you hold your stitches on two needles and knit with the third. The tips are 5" long for easy grip and each needle is 11.8" long. Its ergonomic square shape helps create even stitches and tension...

It's not too early to plan Valentine's gifts! *Valentine Plaid Hats*, a design by Cassandra May, are adorable patterns you can customize in any of four sizes for your baby or toddler (\$6.00 pattern, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations shown page 8, upper left). This cute Fair Isle baby hat knitting pattern has three different plaid designs with a row of hearts around the brim. Your little one will be ready for Valentine's Day! Our shop sample uses three shades of KRAEMER "Perfection Worsted" (\$6.95, 100 grams, 200 yards, 30% US wool, merino blend/ 70# acrylic, CYCA #4). This hat is knit in the round and requires a knowledge of stranded knitting (we offer private knitting lessons on how-to's, so you can learn something new!)...

More shades of MANOS DEL URUGUAY "Franca" yarn have arrived (\$38.50, 100 grams, 114 yards, 100% superwash merino, CYCA #6). This is a soft, fluffy, super bulky weight single-ply roving-style pure merino superwash yarn. Its bright, hand-dyed, playfully speckled colorways have a spunky charm. "Franca" has a way of making simple stitches bold just by its thickness. It adds a happy spark to any project and will keep you cozy on the chilliest of winter days. The hand-dyed tonal, speckled and variegated shades provide plenty of options for warm ponchos, accessories and outerwear.

Ask to see our "Franca" shop model *Grizzly Bear Beanie*, a design by Kari Pedersen (\$4.99 pattern, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations, shown lower right). This chunky textured beanie is a unisex design that looks great on everyone! Although we knit ours in super bulky weight, there are many ways to customize this for fit, size, brim and yarn weight. The pattern comes with directions for child/junior, adult medium or adult large. Of course, you will want to top this with one of our faux fur pompoms from McPORTER FARMS (\$12.50) or FURREAL (\$10.95)...



*** MORE GREAT NEW STUFF ***

A quick and satisfying knit, the *Winter Dreamer Hat* by Kalurah Hudson is a perfect relaxing weekend project (\$5.00 Ravelry Pro pattern download available at Kathy's Kreations, shown right). This pattern features a unique, striking ribbed cable pattern worked in a bulky weight wool for added warmth and plump stitch definition. Directions include a chart as well as written instructions. A link to video tutorials for the tubular cast-on and cables stitches is provided, so you get to learn something new!



@Kalurah Hudson

The special cables create a 4X1 rib that expands once blocked, so it's highly recommended that you use a natural fiber like BERROCO YARN "Ultra Alpaca Chunky" (\$12.50, 100 grams, 131 yards, 50% super fine alpaca / 50% Peruvian wool, CYCA #5). All of our bulky/chunky yarns are on sale this month, so you have plenty of choices!

Attention, DREAM IN COLOR fans! The new POP UP CLUB limited edition selections start in February and the spring collection will feature four installments, one each month through May. We will once again be featuring these shades on base "Smoochy Cashmere". It's not too early to reserve yours...

What knitting brings you the most joy? For some, it's cables. For others, rhythmic textures, and still some prefer simple stockinette. Or maybe it's not a technique, but color? One thing for sure, lots of knitters love to make socks! BERROCO "Sox" (14.95, 100 grams, 437 yards, 75% superwash wool/25% nylon, CYCA #1) is a superb woolen sock yarn that patterns all by itself in stripes as you knit your socks in the round. One 100-gram ball of this machine washable yarn makes a pair. Choose from an assortment of engineered color patterns, such as the new National Parks collection, with fun colorways like Redwood, Joshua Tree, Yellowstone and Glacier to start off the year with some stash enrichment...

You've spent hours making your projects. Shouldn't you care for them like they are special? EUCALAN FINE FABRIC WASH is a naturally derived no-rinse laundry product that provides a softer, cleaner, fresher, delicate wash for your finer clothes and handknits. Choose from our selection of sizes (trial, 3.3 oz. and 12 oz.) and scents (eucalyptus, jasmine, lavender, natural unscented and grapefruit), all designed to deter moths. We like to include the trial size when giving a hand-knit or crocheted gift...

If it seems like we are really into hats lately, we are! CHURCHMOUSE CLASSICS *Colorwork Cap* (\$8.50, shown page 6, upper right) is a delicious taste of stranded colorwork in a four-color motif. This cute cap is fun and engaging! CHURCHMOUSE skipped the typical shading of traditional Fair Isle design, but kept to the guideline of using only two colors per round to keep it simpler for first time stranders! The pattern comes with six colored charts and a plain chart for choosing your own combination, as well as tips for working stranded colorwork. This cap shines in a DK weight warm and wooly yarn, like HiKOO "Kenzie" (\$10.50, 50 grams, 160 yards, 50% NZ merino/25% nylon/10% angora/10% alpaca/5% silk noils, CYCA #3)...



When is an afghan an afghan? And when is it a throw? It's all about the size. A throw is for our lap or shoulders, while an afghan's made to curl up under — and not always alone! Whichever you prefer, winter is a great time to make one or the other, because it's an instance where your project can actually keep you warm while you are making it. CHURCHMOUSE AT HOME *Vintage Crocheted Throw & Afghan* (\$6.50, pattern) is a handsome, nostalgic stitch that will be at home in any décor. This pattern is also available as a baby blanket. We have new shades of easy care PLYMOUTH "Encore Worsted" that are perfect for this project (\$6.95, 100 grams, 200 yards, 75% acrylic/25% wool, CYCA #4)...



*** JANUARY 2022 KNIT ALONG ***

Now that the holidays are over, it's time to cozy up with an enjoyable project for yourself, like the *Rickle Shawl* by Laura Aylor of FOGBOUND KNITS (\$6.00, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy's Kreations). This wrap was recommended to us by our knitting friend, Gail G. who tells us that it's "easy, mindless knitting with spectacular results, and fits perfectly over my shoulders". That's exactly why we chose it for our January 2022 Knit Along – it's just what we need for a cozy winter project. Thanks for sharing your project, Gail!

About *Rickle*, designer Laura Aylor says: "It's so much fun to watch the shape and the color variations interact! My test knitters used variegated yarns, leftovers, and planned stripes. The shawls are all amazingly different!" This shawl can be knit at any gauge and to any size, although DK weight seems to be the most popular. If you want a 60" wingspan, there is a chart giving you the numbers you need from 3 to 6 stitches per inch, so you won't need to do any math. Kathy will be knitting this in DREAM IN COLOR "Classy", a hand-dyed superwash merino with superb drape.

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

*** UPCOMING CLASSES (Please call us at 724-238-9320 for registration & information) ***

Our ongoing class series "Let's Knit A Cowl!" with instructor Karen McCullough continues on **January 4, 2022, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm**. The session includes a wrap-up for completing the *Willow Cowl* neck shaping and top hem edging, plus a new project, *Knit Mandala Cowl* by Mary Dickerson (shown lower right). This colorful cowl uses 400 yards of self-stripping DK/light worsted weight yarn, a US size 8 circular needle in 32" length, and provides lots of fun textures in a generous infinity loop...

Our *Building Blocks* class series with instructor Karen McCullough continues on **Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm**. This series was designed by Michelle Hunter specifically to help expand your skills while you navigate through knitting techniques and principles while knitting sampler squares that will eventually make an afghan. This month's topic is *Slip Stitch*. Because every stitch is not worked, slip stitch patterns are quick to knit. A slip stitch fabric is dense and is a good choice for garments where warmth is desired. Karen will present the how-to's for properly executing this interesting technique, plus provide "rules" for slipping them...

For all of you who have been wanting to knit socks (but are afraid to try!), we have an upcoming sock class series for you! By popular demand, instructor Marian Lech is offering a knitting *Yoga Sock* class on Thursdays, **January 20, 2022, and January 27, 2022, 10:30 am–12:30 pm**. This is an introductory class for sock knitting – no heels or toes! We have some great-self-stripping yarns available now, so come early to purchase your yarn. Registration fee is \$20.00. Please call 724-238-9320 to register and for details!

Marian is also planning a sock class series for 2022. Beginning **Thursday, February 3, 2022**, students will begin their journey down the knitted sock highway. She plans to offer classes every month, with some projects geared toward beginner sock knitters, and progressing to some a little more challenging. It is recommended that you have previously taken her *Yoga Sock* class to learn the basics of sock knitting. Class will be held **10:30 am–12:30 pm**, with additional time afterwards for individual help. More details will be available in our February 2022 newsletter update, so stay in touch...



*** PANTONE COLOR OF THE YEAR 2022 ***

Encompassing the qualities of blue, yet at the same time possessing a violet-red undertone, PANTONE COLOR INSTITUTE has named Very Peri as its color of the year 2022. This shade blends the faithfulness and constancy of blue with the energy and excitement of red. This warm and friendly blue has a carefree confidence and joyful attitude, and it emboldens expression and experimenting. This enthusiastic blue hue displays a dynamic presence and a whimsicality that lends itself to unpredictable color harmonies and spontaneous color statements. We can't wait to see how our hand-dyeing suppliers interpret this! Kathy has designed a special pair of fingerless mitts to celebrate this shade...



*** BOX STITCH MITTS (shown lower left) ***

An original design by Kathy Zimmerman

Size: Adult's medium

Finished measurement: 8" around palm

Gauge: 20 stitches / 27 rounds = 4" in pattern stitch

Materials: 150 yards Aran weight yarn; US size #6 and #7 double-pointed needles OR SIZE NEEDED TO OBTAIN GAUGE, Flexiflips or method of choice for working circularly; removable stitch markers; CHIBI tapestry needle for weaving in ends
Suggested yarn: WONDERLAND YARNS "March Hare", photographed in shade #214 Alice's Frock

BOX STITCH PATTERN STITCH (Multiple of 4 stitches)

Rounds 1 & 2: *Knit 2, purl 2; repeat from * around.

Rounds 3 & 4: *Purl 2, knit 2; repeat from * around.

Repeat rounds 1–4 for pattern.

Directions: With smaller needles, cast on 40 stitches. Join to work in rounds; place marker for beginning of round, being careful not to twist work. Work in rounds of purl 2, knit 2 ribbing for 4". Change to larger needles. Work in box stitch pattern for 2 rounds, placing a different color thumb gusset marker two stitches before end of round.

THUMB GUSSET

Slipping markers every round, work thumb gusset as follows:

Round 1: Work in box stitch pattern as established to thumb gusset marker, slip marker, knit to end. NOTE: gusset stitches are worked in stockinette (KNIT every round).

Round 2: Work in box stitch pattern to thumb gusset marker, slip marker, m1R (make one right), knit to end, m1L (make one left). See page 6 for written how-to instructions.

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 until 16 stitches made for thumb gusset, end Round 1.

Next Round (close thumb gusset): Work in box stitch pattern as established to 3 stitches BEFORE THUMB GUSSET MARKER, (knit 2 together) twice, place last stitch worked back onto left hand needle and bind off, bind off next 13 stitches, (knit 2 together twice), place remaining gusset stitches back onto left hand needle, bind off all stitches until beginning of round marker is reached: 36 stitches remain.

Work even in box stitch pattern as established for 9 rounds. Change to smaller needles. Work in purl 2, knit 2 ribbing for 1". Bind off in pattern. Weave in ends and enjoy!

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*** 31st ANNUAL LIGONIER ICE FEST ***

Don't be left out in the cold – support a Ligonier tradition! The Ligonier Valley Chamber of Commerce is celebrating the 31st annual Ice Fest. We invite you to be a part of the excitement of this extraordinary experience! DiMartino Ice will display over 50 artistically crafted ice sculptures on the Diamond and throughout town. Enjoy freshly-popped Kettle Korn, horse-drawn sleigh rides (weather permitting), and the Ligonier Fireman's famous spaghetti dinner in the Town Hall Community Room beginning at 11 am Saturday. And, of course, stop in to visit and shop around town. Kathy's Kreations will be open 10:00 am–4:00 pm on Saturday, January 22, 2022 and 12 noon–4:00 pm Sunday, January 23, 2022 for your shopping pleasure...



A KNITTER'S WISH FOR THE NEW YEAR

Fellow knitters,

May your needles be strong and your circular cables soft,

May your yarn never tangle or break.

May you have enough WIPs to keep you happy, but never so many that you feel overwhelmed.

May you play yarn chicken and win.

May you never be judged for knitting in public.

May you never be judged for your choice of fiber.

May you never be judged for the size of your stash.

May any finished object you give away be lovingly received and truly cherished.

And, finally, may 2022 be filled with quiet, peaceful, cozy moments so that you may knit to your heart's content.

– by Marianne, gleaned from Facebook

*** KNITTING INCREASES ***

In her 12/27/2021 internet article “Knitting Increases, Up Close” on *Interweave.com*, Joni Coniglio discussed knitting increases. She wrote: “The primary purpose of increases in knitting is to shape the fabric by adding new stitches. However, there is a cosmetic element to consider. As with most knitting techniques, there are several different increase methods to choose from. Each method has certain characteristics that distinguish it from others. All increases have direction in that they lean to the right or to the left. So, how does one go about deciding which increase to use in a particular situation?”

For her *Box Stitch Mitts* pattern on page five, Kathy chose to create stitches in the strand between the needles, by knitting the strand of yarn that connects two stitches, called a make 1 (m1). This method involves twisting the stitch to eliminate a hole, which is desirable for mitt thumbs.

Here's how:

Make 1 Right (m1R): insert the left needle from back to front under the strand that runs between the two needles. Knit this strand through the front loop so the left leg twists to the right over the right leg.

Make 1 Left (m1L): insert the left needle from front to back under the strand that runs between the two needles. Knit this strand through the back loop so the right leg twists to the left over the left leg.

In addition to illustrations on this technique, Joni also explores a variety of other common increases, including some that create stitches in existing stitches. Want to learn more? Check out our in-person *Let's Knit A Cowl* and *Building Blocks* knitting class series with instructor Karen McCullough, or schedule a private lesson. Make a New Year's resolution to learn something new...

*** SPRING BREAK 2022 ***

Are you ready to improve your skills with guidance from experienced fiber artists, or discover the newest techniques and tools? Our workshop retreats are engaging and will stretch your creative horizons in a supportive, enjoyable environment. Learn from world-class instructors who will help you develop and advance your skills!



Kathy's Kreations invites you to join us for our 11th annual "Spring Break" Knitting Workshop Weekend, to be held **April 29–May 1, 2022**, hosted by Kathy Zimmerman. Cynthia Spencer of Pine Grove Mills, PA and *Really Clear Designs* pattern fame will be our featured instructor. She has spent the past 17 years writing patterns and surrounding herself with knitting, quilting, color & creativity.

Cynthia will be teaching the intermediate skill level nine-hour workshop at the Ramada Inn in historic Ligonier with colorwork techniques, intarsia, and Fair Isle/steeking topics. First will be "Fair Isle" techniques with a mug mat project on Saturday morning (shown lower left). Saturday afternoon's topic is "Intarsia" knitting with the *Diamond Head Hat* project (shown upper left). Sunday morning, we will needlefelt the mug mat and learn to steek.

The weekend package includes an after-hours grab & go boxed meal and special shopping time at Kathy's Kreations (Friday evening); an informal meet & greet on Friday evening to get acquainted; an optional Friday evening knit-along; lunch both days; extended lunch break on Saturday with time to shop in the pretty little town of Ligonier, and goodie bags. Registration is \$275 per person. Overnight lodging is not included and is optional for local participants. The Ramada has set up a special rate for us, so please make your own reservations by calling 724-238-9545. Space is limited on a first-come, first-served basis, and the workshop is already 3/4 filled...

*** SAVE THE DATE (call 724-238-9320 for details/reservations) ***

Kathy's Kreations is delighted to announce that Keri Fosbrink of Connellsville, PA will be our featured instructor for our 12th annual "Fall Fling" Knitting Workshop Weekend, to be held **September 30, 2022–October 2, 2022**, hosted by Kathy Zimmerman. Kathy first met Keri at the Pittsburgh Knit & Crochet Festival when Keri was still a new stitcher. More recently, Kathy has hosted several YOUGHIOGHENY YARNS trunk shows.

Keri Fosbrink 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. She loves seeing what her yarns grow up to be. Keri's a self-taught knitter and crocheter who also enjoys designing, quilting, cooking, and baking.

Keri will be teaching a nine-hour workshop at the Ramada Inn in historic Ligonier 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 those dye styles to your patterns. The workshop series is open to all skill levels...

*** GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST AND SERVICE PROJECTS WRAP-UP ***

Thanks to all who stopped by last month to view the "Grinchtastic" gingerbread house, designed by Michelle Bartels, and on display in our storefront holiday window. We are delighted that not only did this entry win "Best of Class", but "Best of Show" as well! Congratulations!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our service projects during the holiday season. We helped to collect hats for the Laurel Highlands Knitting Guild Caps for Kids service project, who were able to donate over 190 cold weather items to the Salvation Army. Our customers made over 150 dishcloths for the "We Care Tree" for the Ligonier Food Bank. Your support and generosity are sincerely appreciated!





*** 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, we ask that you kindly wear a mask while shopping here, and maintain social distancing. 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 information or changes to our hours during inclement weather...

*** "LET'S KNIT COWLS!" Tuesdays, January 4, 2022, and February 1, 2022; 1:00 pm– 3:00 pm with instructor Karen McCullough ***

*** JANUARY KNIT ALONG (KAL) ***

Charles Dickens wrote: "There is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as laughter and good humor". He must have known about our knit alongs! Stop by on Fridays during January 2022 for our fun knit alongs from 10:00 am–2:00 pm. We'll be casting on for *Rickle*, a new and easy shawl by Laura Aylor of FOGBOUND KNITS. Not working on the KAL? **You are still welcome to come – simply bring any knit or crochet project purchased at Kathy's Kreations and join the group (free!).** Follow us on "We Love Kathy's" Ravelry group January 2022 thread, Instagram (#kathyknitz) and Facebook (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA).

*** "BUILDING BLOCKS CLASS SERIES" Tuesday, January 18, 2021, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm with instructor Karen McCullough ***

*** FUN FRIDAY January 21, 2022 ***

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..

*** BEGINNER YOGA SOCK KNITTING CLASS Thursdays, January 20, 2022, and January 27, 2021, 10:30 am–12:30 pm with instructor Marian Lech ***

Marian's sock classes are so popular that we've had to add extra dates to accommodate everyone!

*** SOCK CLASS SERIES Thursday, February 3, 2022, 10:30 am–12:30 pm with instructor Marian Lech ***

*** LIGONIER ICE FEST SATURDAY, January 22–SUNDAY, January 23, 2022 ***

Enjoy the ice sculptures and fun activities around the Diamond, and be sure to stop in to see us to pick out a new project!

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KEEP KNITTING AND CROCHETING! Kathy