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MARCH 2022 UPDATE

Dear Stitchers,

C'mon, Spring! We're looking forward to longer days and lighter layers as we transition into warmer weather. It's time to refresh your wardrobe for early spring – shed those chunky sweaters and head coverings for shawls, ponchos, and lighter weight cardigans.

Let's look ahead for the first glimpse from DROPS about what's going to be hot in the knitting and crocheting world in the next few months. It may seem a bit *déjà vu*, but some trends are lingering. Drop shoulder garments and cropped, boxy, oversized sweaters that stop at the high hip continue to be very much on trend, knit in pastel colored yarn. From colorwork to lace to embroidery, you can't go wrong with a flower-themed knit. Everything blooms in spring and designs mimicking petals, blossoms, flowers and leaves are everywhere this season! Lace is to spring & summer what colorwork is to winter. Side wrap ties at just above the hip area are also popular. Although there are some colorwork sweaters, the majority of the round-yoke designs for the warmer months are of the lace variety. And there is a lot to choose from!

Fall & Winter 2021's vest trend continues in the form of sleeveless summer tops in cotton or other cool fibers. They're also relatively small and quick to make, so you usually get to wear the project in the same season that you're stitching it! Not to mention that they're the best way to avoid getting stranded on "sleeve island" – you don't have to go there at all!

There *is* something new for this season: ruffled embellishments. When a picot bind-off seems bland, go for a full-on ruffled, flared, scalloped, or sawtooth edge for your warm weather knits. Feel free to use them liberally on yokes, sleeves, collars, and even sock cuffs. What better way to usher in spring?

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*** GREAT NEW STUFF ***

We're on the threshold of a brand new season with lots of possibilities to spark your creative imagination. Discover a wide range of gorgeous patterns, captivating yarns, knitting needles, crochet hooks, stitching accessories and much more. Start making something handmade with love for family, friends, or yourself today. Here's some knitting and crocheting inspiration for you. Spring forward!

The March 2022 Crazy Beautiful Club selection has us [march]-ing on into spring. Emma really surprised us with this gentle spring color, a lovely Matcha-y shade of light green speckles with some lively speckled green and pink spots (shown upper left). It's calming, yet exciting, and has us looking forward to all that comes with warmer days ahead. It also coordinates well with so many other EMMA'S YARN shades. Available now in "Practically Perfect Sock" (\$28.50, 100 grams, 400 yards, 80% superwash merino/20% nylon, CYCA #2) and "Super Silky" (\$30.50, 100 grams, 400 yards, 80% superwash merino/20% silk, CYCA #2). Get ready to knit or crochet something beautiful for spring with this soothing shade – shawls, socks, scarves, cowls, or whatever strikes your fancy...

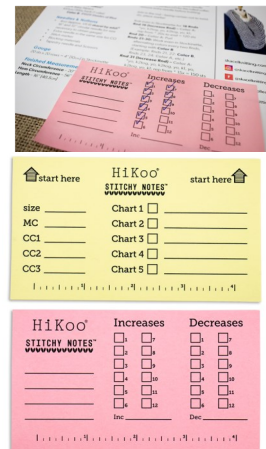
Changeable weather temperatures can be hard on your hands, leaving them chapped, chafed, and irritated. EMMA'S YARN now distributes "Love + Leche" Anywhere Balm all natural, hand-poured little mini-lotions in small tins (\$5.50). Only essential oils are used to scent them, and they feature beeswax, coconut oil and calendula-infused almond oil. This product is great for split fingers and dry skin, too. Look for them at our checkout counter – the perfect size necessity for purse, travel, or on-the-go project tote!

It's what you've been waiting for, and it's back in stock! MADELINETOSH is a Texas-based hand-dyer of yarn, using only ethically sourced luxury fibers from around the world. With over 100 colorways, ranging from speckles and tonals to variegated and outrageous brights, there is truly a color for every project! It was recently named as one of our customer favorites for its unique, rich luster and the exquisite glaze hand-dyed effect. New supplies of the following yarns are on our shelves, but selling out quickly:

- "Tosh Merino Light" \$26.95, 420 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #2; single ply
- "Tosh Sock" \$29.50, 395 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #2; tight twist
- "Tosh DK" \$29.50, 100 grams, 225 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #3; twist
- "Silk Merino" \$36.50, 205 yards, 50% superwash merino wool/50% silk, CYCA #3; twist
- "TML Triple Twist" \$29.50, 130 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #4; Aran, twist
- "Vintage" \$29.50, 200 yards, 100% superwash merino wool, CYCA #4; worsted, twist

Springtime is the perfect time to discover the World of Nature interpreted in self-stripping yarn with new pastel and bright shades of NORO "Kureyon" (\$11.50, 50 grams, 110 yards, 100% wool, CYCA #4). This rustic wool yarn is an excellent choice when knitting or crocheting outerwear garments and is beloved especially for felting (fulling) projects. The name reflects how people in Japan say "crayon"...

Never lose track of where you are in your pattern again, with the new HiKOO "Stitchy Notes" (\$3.50 per pad, shown lower right). Custom designed to easily keep track of colorwork charts or increases/decreases, they also feature a handy 4" ruler to ensure you're staying on gauge. There are 25 notes per pad, and you'll be amazed at how handy they are. You can find these at our checkout area ...



*** MORE GREAT NEW STUFF ***

The March 2022 Pop-Up Club selection from DREAM IN COLOR is here! It is shown at right on base “Smoochy Cashmere” (\$35.50, 4 ounces, 400 yards, 70% superwash merino/20% cashmere/10% nylon, CYCA #2). The color for March is a cousin to last month’s color. It will knit up beautifully when paired with the February 2022 color and another richer/darker color, but it also looks amazing by itself.



©Dream in Color

DREAM IN COLOR has recommended a shawl project for this colorway, *Polyphony* (shown upper right). Sarah Abram chose coordinating shades Tiny Blue and Black Pearl as the coordinating colors. It is available as a Ravelry download (\$6.00) with a 40% off discount code during March 2022 with purchase of the yarn. About this shawl design, Sarah says: “Much like the traditional vocal music from Georgia, *Polyphony* has three parts that go in different directions and have varying degrees of detail, but as a whole creates a warm and beautiful tapestry.”

Three new colors of HiKOO “Sueno” are now on our shelves (\$17.50, 100 grams, 255 yards, 80% superwash merino/20% viscose, CYCA #3) – sage, medallion (bright gold), and mountain fog (light taupe). This yarn looks wonderful when worked in top-down pullover *Anker’s Sweater – My Size*” by PETITE KNIT (\$6.75, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy’s Kreations). The yoke is worked in sections of rib with increases in the round, followed by classic raglan increases when the stockinette lower section begins. There is no finishing other than weaving in ends. This sweater also looks great when knit with HiKOO “Sueno Tweed” (\$18.50, 100 grams, 255 yards, 60% superwash merino wool/16% viscose bamboo/15% viscose flecks, CYCA #3). A short sleeve version is also available as a nod to summer on the horizon, *Anker’s Summer Shirt* (\$6.75, Ravelry Pro download available through Kathy’s Kreations)...

Silky soft with a gorgeous halo, MANOS DEL URUGUAY’s cloud-like “Cabrito” (\$18.50, 25 grams, 230 yards, 80% kid mohair/20% polyamide, CYCA #1, shown lower left page 6) is a laceweight blend of kid mohair and nylon for strength and durability. It is hand-dyed in luxurious shades, from bright and bold to soft and subtle like the neutrals shown in the photo (La Perla, Steampunk, and Kindness). Use it by itself for a gossamer-like fabric, or pair it with any of our other yarns to add a soft aura and additional warmth. Light and airy, it is perfect as a carry-along or on its own.

Project Ideas: *Gather Round* by ESPACE TRICOT and designer Melissa Clulow (free Ravelry download) is a top-down cap sleeve pullover that looks great in a combination of single-ply fingering yarn and “Cabrito” laceweight silk and mohair blend. The simple silhouette is neatly finished with I-cord detailing at collar, cuffs, and hem resulting in an elegant layering piece that can be dressed up or down. The tie at the hemline adds a unique detail to an otherwise minimalist garment. Wear this alone or over a long-sleeve tee! Another great pullover idea for combining yarns is *Sorrel* by WOOL & PINE designs (\$9.50), knit top down with a richly textured linear dip stitch yoke and reverse stockinette body, easily customized.+



SIRDAR “Jewelspun Aran” (\$13.95, 200 grams, 546 yards, 100% acrylic, CYCA #4, shown lower left) is a self-striping acrylic yarn comprised of a single ply with a tight twist. It blends opulent colors to mimic the popular hand-spun look in a soft, light yarn that’s as easy to care for as it is to wear. “Jewelspun” has frequent color shifts that will add interest and dimension to your knit and crochet projects. This is a wonderful choice for everything from blankets to sweaters to shawls. With its generous yardage, this yarn is a great value and leaves you with fewer ends to weave in. Choose from six flattering shades to bring Scandinavian-style “hygge” coziness to your wardrobe...

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***MARCH 2022 KNIT ALONG ***

Each time you cast on a project, it's an opportunity to learn something new and build your skills, whether it's mastering a different skill or perfecting a favorite basic. Several of our customers are telling us that they are ready to move on from the accessories of winter and want to learn how to knit a sweater. Casapinka comes to the rescue again, with the *Panic Sweater* which will be published in mid-March with a knit along (shown upper left).

It is an oversized DK weight pullover sweater that was designed for a first-time sweater knitter, although more experienced knitters are welcome to join! It has simple textured yoke stitches with optional short row shaping, is worked top down, is seamless, and features long or short sleeves. It is not cropped (but easily can be), is just slightly on the shorter side and is designed to have 6–12" of positive ease. Casapinka calls it her "Will Spring Ever Come?" pattern.

Local Yarn Shop Day is April 30, 2022, and Casapinka is planning to design a cowl or shawl to celebrate the occasion. No specific details yet, but it should be a two skein fingering weight project. We'll post more details on social media as soon as we get them!

Please join us in person every Friday during March 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 and post on our Ravelry page, *We Love Kathy's*; Instagram(#kathyknitz) or Facebook (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA)...

*** UPCOMING KNITTING CLASSES (please call us at 724-238-9320 for registration & info) ***

*** TIME AND DATE SUBJECT TO CHANGE IN EVENT OF SEVERE WEATHER ***

On **Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm**, the *Let's Knit* class series knitting fun continues as Karen will present *Ambiguous*, a cowl design by Michelle Hunter. Ramp up your knitting skills with a stunning two-color reversible cowl using HiKOO "Sueno". The stranded cowl (also known as Fair Isle knitting) features instructions about hand positioning, yarn dominance, managing floats and a surprising take on an old favorite. The cowl is available in two sizes to suit your style.

Class supplies include two skeins of HiKOO "Sueno", one skein each in two contrasting colors; two US 5 16" (small cowl) or 24" (larger version); US size F crochet hook for provisional cast on; 10 yards smooth contrasting waste yarn; tapestry needle; markers. Registration fee is \$20.00 plus purchase of the pattern (\$6.00 Ravelry pro download)...

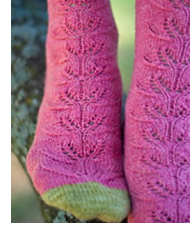
Our *Building Blocks* class series with Karen McCullough continues on **Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm**. This series was designed by Michelle Hunter specifically to expand your skills while you navigate through learning knitting techniques and principles while making sampler squares that will eventually make an afghan. This session, we discover SSK (Slip, Slip, Knit), a left-leaning decrease that closely mirrors a k2tog (knit two together). It is this symmetry that make it the decrease of choice for many garments and lace knitting. Karen will demonstrate how to work this essential decrease. It's not too late to join in on this class series. Registration fee is \$20, plus purchase of *Building Blocks* and yarn for project...

Thank to everyone who attended Karen's "Cannula Sleeve" Program at Bethlen Home Graceful Aging Wellness Center and to our customers who have volunteered to knit items...

Last month, our instructor Marian Lech welcomed new sock knitters with an introductory *Yoga Socks* class that continued with a follow-up class on *Heels, Feet & Toes*. The students and teacher had so much with socks that Marian has decided to start a "Sock-of-the-Month" class. It was hard for her to choose which ones to feature, since there are so many wonderful patterns. Every month, instructor Marian Lech will choose a pattern that will add to your knitting skills. Class fee for all sessions is \$20.00 plus pattern (if applicable)...

*** CLASS SERIES (continued) ***

The official Sock Kick-off will take place on **Thursday, March 17, 2022, 10:30 am–12:30 pm**. The featured sock is *Summer Slice* (shown right). It is a toe-up, heel flap/gusset pattern with lots of techniques to master and a custom fit. Marian recommends our EMMA'S YARN "Practically Perfect" merino/nylon blend. This free pattern is available on Ravelry and requires 400 yards of fingering/sock yarn, and 2.25 mm or 2.5 mm needles (two 24" circular needles are recommended).



©Cassandra Dominick

About *Summer Slice*, the designer Cassandra Dominick says: "This lace pattern reminds me of a refreshing slice of watermelon on a hot summer day. You could substitute many colors of yarn to represent different kinds of fruit. This sock could be made out of a multitude of different kinds of sock yarn, but the lace would show up best in a solid or slightly semi-solid yarn."

To entice you a little more, Marian will offer additional sock classes on the following dates:

Thursday, April 21, 2022 Men's Socks *Ankle Snugs* with toe-up construction, worsted weight yarn. Marian tells us that this class is "for Tony, her 'Main Man Sock Knitter', so he has a pair to wear." These would also make a great Father's Day gift!

Thursday, May 26, 2022 *Toe-Up Baby Socks, Two At A Time*, a great introduction to knitting two socks at the same time. But, if you are a one-at-a-time knitter, that's fine also.

Thursday, June 23, 2022 *Jayme's Sock Recipe*, a basic Toe-Up Sock that a novice knitter, or someone needing a little refresher, would be comfortable knitting.

*** SOCK KNITTING TIPS ***

Carol H tucks her working ball of yarn inside her sock as she knits. This keeps it secure and prevents tangles...

*** KATHY'S MYSTERY OPENWORK COWL (not photographed) ***

Lightweight layers are still essential in early spring. Here is a lovely accessory to welcome the new season. Spring 2022 will introduce our knit wardrobes to some of the dreamiest, wearable colors yet. If ever there was a time to adopt a new favorite color, it's right now with soft lilac (surprisingly sleek and offering a new perspective on purple). You can also expect to see canary yellow (it veers a bit toward lemon), moody hot pink (somewhere between fuchsia and magenta), salted caramel (a neutral that's way more upbeat than khaki or classic tan), bold scarlet (with a tinge of orange) and a mystifying sky blue. Kathy chose a heavy gauge cotton, JUNIPER MOON FARM "Cumulus Rainbow", for this project (shown lower left), in a shade that embodies several trendy shades.

FINISHED MEASUREMENTS: approximately 11" X 34"

MATERIALS: One cake JUNIPER MOON FARMS "Cumulus Rainbow" worsted weight yarn, approximately 250 yards; US size 10-1/2 (7.0 mm) circular knitting needle, 24" length; stitch marker; tapestry needle for weaving in ends

GAUGE: Approximately 12 stitches/ 16 rounds = 4" (gauge not critical for this project)

PATTERN STITCH (multiple of 2)

Round 1: Purl all stitches.

Round 2: *yarn over, knit 2 together (K2tog); repeat from * around.

Repeat rounds 1 & 2 for pattern.

DIRECTIONS

Cast on 104 stitches. Join; being careful not to twist stitches. Knit all stitches for 1". Change to pattern stitch and work until piece measures 10", end with round 1. Knit all stitches for 1". Bind off loosely. Weave in ends and enjoy...



*** BLOCKING KNITS ***

One of the most frequently asked questions from new sweater knitters relates to blocking their finished project. When we saw Laura Hulslander's recent blog post on the INTERWEAVE website February 9, 2022, it immediately caught our attention. Here's what she had to say:



“3 THINGS BLOCKING CAN FIX (AND 3 THINGS IT CAN'T)

Blocking knits is the final step in knitting a project – a step overlooked by many knitters. Many of us just want to knit; when the knitting is done, we feel that the project is done. However, blocking knits can make a huge difference in how the final project looks; it adds that last bit of polish that changes your knits from looking ‘homemade’ to ‘handmade.’ It can also fix some of your knitting problems. Here's a short list of things blocking can (and can't!) do.

*** THINGS BLOCKING CAN FIX ***

1. **Make lace pretty!** Lace is the most dramatic example of what blocking can do. Before blocking, lace looks like a sad, shriveled-up heap of holey knitting. By stretching the fabric during blocking, all the yarnovers open up to reveal an airy, lacy fabric. It is a vital step in the lace knitting process; do not skip blocking lace!
2. **Even out stitches!** Soaking the project helps even out the overall tension, allowing the stitches to settle in together. Blocking knits makes for a smoother fabric and easier seaming. Stranded colorwork in particular benefits from a good blocking to even out the stitches and make a more cohesive fabric.
3. **Make your project SLIGHTLY bigger!** If your finished sweater is a little snug, you can sometimes block it to fit. (For you more buxom lasses, this can be a good way to get a better fit through the bust.) However, this works for very small adjustments; if the sweater is just too small and you get stuck while trying it on, blocking will not fix it. Also bear in mind that this fix is temporary; you'll need to block your sweater to the larger measurements every time you wash it. Needless to say, it's better to swatch and GET THE CORRECT GAUGE before making the sweater than it is to stretch it to fit afterward.

*** THINGS BLOCKING CAN'T FIX ***

1. **Curling stockinette stitch!** Stockinette stitch worked without any borders is always going to curl. ALWAYS! No matter how much you block that cowl, it's going to coil up like a cannoli as soon as you unpin it. To avoid this, choose a different stitch pattern or work it in the round and sew the ends closed.
2. **Big changes in size!** You can't make a sweater 6 inches bigger than it was originally knit – it's simply not possible. At best, you'll stretch out the stitches in a most unattractive way; at worst, you'll stretch the yarn to its breaking point and destroy your sweater. If your sweater is too small, it's best to frog it and RE-KNIT IT AT THE CORRECT GAUGE, or pass it along to someone who fits into it.
3. **Really uneven tension!** Blocking can smooth out stitches, but it won't magically fix uneven tension. If your knitting is “rowing out” looking like railroad tracks or showing dramatic gauge differences between your knit and purl rows, you'll need to adjust your knitting style. Try a different method (e.g., if you're a continental knitter, try English or combination knitting) or use two different size needles (e.g., work knit rows with a size 5 needle and work purl rows with a size 4 needle) to fix this problem.

Have I made you a believer in blocking knits? Try blocking your next project and see what a difference it makes! – Laura”



Want to learn more about blocking your handknits? Ask Kathy about her upcoming blocking class later this spring (date to be determined). In the meantime, we offer finishing services like weaving in ends, seaming and blocking. You've spent a lot of time on your project – attention to detail makes a big difference between “handmade”, not “homemade”!

*** SPRING BREAK 2022 (call 724-238-9320 for availability) ***

Kathy's Kreations presents our 11th annual "Spring Break" Knitting Workshop Weekend, to be held **April 29–May 1, 2022**, hosted by Kathy Zimmerman. We are delighted that Cynthia Spencer of Pine Grove Mills, PA and REALLY CLEAR DESIGNS will be our featured instructor for this event.

Cynthia will be teaching an intermediate skill level nine-hour knitting workshop at the Ramada Inn in historic Ligonier, PA with colorwork techniques, intarsia, and Fair Isle/steeking topics. 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 with Cynthia to get acquainted and to hear about her latest "Florida Road Trip" mystery knit along; an optional Friday evening knit-along; lunch at the Ramada both days; extended lunch break on Saturday with time to shop in the pretty little town of Ligonier, and goodie bags. Yarn for the intarsia hat, a felting kit with needles & foam board, and a felting pen will be provided along with the goodie bag items.

At this time, the workshop is filled, but a waiting list is available in the event of a cancellation. It's Local Yarn Store weekend, so plenty will be going on at Kathy's Kreations!



*** FLORIDA ROAD TRIP ***

The Florida Road Trip Mystery Knit Along begins April 30, 2022. Cynthia Spencer and Valerie Reed have once again designed a fantastic mystery shawl this year, to celebrate Local Yarn Store Day on April 30, 2022. They "went" to Maryland last year and Pennsylvania the year before. This year, they will take you on an armchair journey further south, to be inspired by the natural wonders (and a few human-made wonders) of Florida.

To participate, you'll want to do two things:

1. Buy the Florida Road Trip pattern on Ravelry (as a Ravelry Pro shop, we can do that for you – ask for details!)
2. Buy the yarn.

Our combos include four hand-dyed-in-Florida skeins of EMMA'S YARN "Practically Perfect Sock" (\$115.00; 80% superwash merino/20% nylon; 400 yards; 100 grams; CYCA #2; shown lower left). Kits are available to pre-order by March 15 to ensure availability to start on LYS Day. We will do our best to keep a supply in stock. Other options from DREAM IN COLOR are also available, as well as choosing your own combo from our shelves...

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

Kathy's Kreations invites you to join us for our 12th annual "Fall Fling" Knitting Workshop Weekend, to be held **September 30, 2022–October 2, 2022**, hosted by Kathy Zimmerman. We are delighted to announce that Keri Fosbrink of Connellsville, PA will be our featured instructor. 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, and registrations are now being accepted by calling Kathy at 724-238-9320...





*** 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 recommendation: "People may choose to mask at any time. People with symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with Covi-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 our hours in the event of inclement weather...

*** LET'S KNIT! Tuesday, March 8, 2022; 1:00 pm–3:00 pm with instructor Karen McCullough*** We're knitting a reversible Fair Isle cowl! Date subject to change...

*** MARCH KNIT ALONG (KAL) ***

Stop by on Fridays during March 2022, 10:00 am–2:00 pm, for our fun knit along! We'll be casting on to knit *Panic Sweater*, a technique-packed pullover designed by CASAPINKA. This project is designed with first-time sweater knitters in mind. 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 March 2022 thread, Instagram (#kathyknitz) and Facebook (Kathy's Kreations; Ligonier, PA).

*** SOCK CLASS SERIES Thursday March 17, 2022; 10:30 am–12:30 pm with instructor Marian Lech *** Open to everyone, spaces available; please call for details

*** BUILDING BLOCKS CLASS SERIES Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 1:00 pm–3:00 pm with instructor Karen McCullough *** Date subject to change

*** FUN FRIDAY, March 18, 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...

*** SPRING BREAK AND LYS DAY, April 29–May 1, 2022 ***

Kathy's Kreations will host our 11th annual Spring Break with featured instructor Cynthia Spencer, who will be teaching colorwork and steeking knitting topics. It is also LYS (Local Yarn Store) Weekend so there will be plenty of action here in the shop. Cynthia's latest Mystery Florida Road Trip knit along will be kicking off that weekend, so stay tuned...

*** STEEL VALLEY YARN CRAWL, July 29–August 8, 2022 ***

Six Pittsburgh area "brick and mortar" local yarn stores will be joining in this fun yarn crawl that Kathy calls "the ten best days of summer." See upper left for a list of shops that will be participating. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for updates...

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 41 years!

Spring is the season for a refresh, an upgrade or a totally new direction. We're "all in" with the latest, greatest styles for building your wardrobe. **KEEP KNITTING & CROCHETING!**
Kathy