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The store remodel is done!

Come in and check out the more open layout of the shop. We now have more space for merchandise, and classes are no longer crammed into a limited space. So far the overwhelming response to the new look is very positive. As I right this article I am expecting my first large group in the store for a workshop. It will be good to see how the layout works for this group.

The subject this quarter is **Yarn!** It may seem strange to be talking about yarn in the summer, but for many enthusiasts knitting is a year round activity. To that end we have stocked some lovely yarns for summer knitting. We have the entire line of the exciting new yarn Sugar Rush by Queensland Collection. We also have Bambool by Elizabeth Lavold. And of course we have started to receive Noro's Silk Garden. We are working diligently to expand our selection of unique and high quality fashion yarns. Keep checking back to see what else we have added as time goes on.

What I want to share with my customers most is some great resources on the internet for knitters. **Knitty.com** Have you designed a pattern, or are you looking for just that perfect pattern for your yarn? Knitty.com is a great place to go. All of the patterns on this website are submitted by individuals who design patterns for the fun of it. You can easily waste an entire day looking through all the

wonderful patterns as well as exploring the other resources available.

Ravelry.com This website is a worldwide knitting community that has thousands of patterns, both free and purchase, that are original designs from members. There is also lots of information about yarns and a search function that allows you to search for patterns by yarn. This website requires a free membership and allows you to store all sorts of information in your profile about the yarns, patterns and other knitty stuff you have. There are also numerous forums and groups that might support your individual interests.

Knittinghelp.com Post a question, find a video, or just browse the free patterns. This website is geared mainly to help you through problems, but don't stop there. Like other knitting resource sites this one also has forums and free patterns.

Knittingdaily.com: This website is primarily a marketing website for Interweave Press. It is a daily e-mail with information on upcoming books and magazines as well as individual patterns. There are frequent pearls of wisdom as well as links to video tutorials. About once a month or so they also provide a free pattern for subscribers.

Happy Knitting!



Classes

Photos of most class projects are now on our website!

All fee-based classes come with a 20% discount on your entire purchase the day of the class excluding books, magazines, patterns, classes and sale merchandise..

While class space may be available the day of class, we prefer our students sign-up in advance so they can get a supply list, and so we know how many will be attending. Class minimum is 3 students. If we do not have enough students signed up 3 days prior to class, it will be cancelled. Those who are pre-registered will be notified and their registration fee refunded. Students must cancel at least 3 days before class to receive a credit. Sorry, no refunds unless we cancel.

Please note: due to problems with no-shows for classes we now require payment in advance in order to be considered registered for a class.

Open Technique Sessions

For anyone wishing to learn a certain technique you can schedule time to learn in a small class or private setting. These sessions are available on Saturdays and Sundays and are free of charge. Check the calendar for available dates. Limited to three students per session. Note: no student discount for free classes.

Saturday Afternoon Sessions Available: 1:00 to 4:00

August 15, September 5, September 19

Sunday Afternoon Sessions Available; 1:00 to 4:00

July 26, August 2, August 9, August 30, September 27

Thursday Evening Sessions Available: 5:00 to 8:00

July 14, August 4, August 25, September 22.

Call to reserve your seat. NOTE: These sessions are also a great opportunity to learn basic knitting or crochet techniques.

Project Based Classes:

Beading

Bead Embroidery: Instructor Kathleen Wright

This three-part series will take you from the beginning stages of designing your embroidery pattern to finishing your bracelet or brooch. We started the second series in June. Sessions 2 and 3 will be on July 12th and August 16th. If you started the series last quarter but did not complete, you are free to register for sessions this quarter to finish the series. \$15 per session. Pre-pay for all 3 classes in the series and save \$5 per session.

Part 2: July 12; 1:00 to 4:00. Adding texture and dimension. Coloring foundation to blend with the

beadwork.

Part 3: August 16; 1:00 to 4:00. Finishing the piece.
Advanced Precious Metal Clay; Instructor Natalie Hansen If you took the beginning class last quarter then you already know what a terrific instructor Natalie is. In this return class she is bumping the project up a notch. You will be making a larger pendant and have enough clay for a second piece. The class fee includes a 12 pc. set of tools and 25 grams of clay. You may purchase additional clay.

August 29; 10:30 to 4:30. \$90

Note: there are 10 hour parking spaces available in the parking garage. Due to the length of this class we recommend you use these spaces rather than have to move your car in the middle of the class.

Speed Bumps Bracelet: Instructor Kathy Bell

Using Peyote stitch and seed beads in a couple different sizes you will make a lightly textured bracelet. If you have wanted to learn Peyote Stitch then this class will be a good one for you. Knowledge of the stitch is encouraged but not required.

July 14; 5:00 to 8:00; \$30, Includes Pattern

Russian Rope Bracelet; Instructor Kathy Bell

This project is based on the netting stitch and makes an elegant rope. Embellish the closure with some fringe and spectacular focal beads and you will have a stunning finished piece.

July 19; 1:00– 4:30; \$35, includes pattern

Guatemalan Cuff Bracelet: Instructor Kathy Bell

Stitch a foundation piece in quick two-drop peyote stitch and then embellish it with a dense covering of fringe. This bracelet is a great stash-buster as well as a good project for using chip-stone beads.

Knowledge of Peyote Stitch recommended.

August 1; 10:30 to 1:30; \$30 including pattern

Beaded Crayon Ornament; Instructor Kathleen Wright.

This class is based on the new ornament book from Kalmbach Publishing and the book is required for the class. *Note: We will be scheduling other classes from this book in future months.* This class uses Tubular Herringbone stitch and makes an adorable ornament that can be personalized.

August 4; 5:00 to 7:00; \$20

Crystal Path Bracelet; Instructor Kathy Bell

If you love crystals then you will want to learn this pattern to show them off. The stitch is similar to triangle weave and the bracelet works up easily and quickly. It isn't too early to start working on Christmas presents.

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August 25; 5:00 to 8:00; \$30 including pattern.
The following 2 classes will require the purchase of a pattern of your choice from the store. Several people have admired the ornaments we have on display in the store. You will learn they aren't as intimidating as you think.

Peyote Stitch Ornament Cover: Instructor

Kathleen Wright. This class is a two part class and requires you already know basic peyote stitch. You will learn how to read a pattern as well as how to do decreases. The first session you will start to work on the panels for the ornament cover. The second session will cover joining the panels and embellishing them. The two sessions are 5 weeks apart. You should be able to complete your panels in the time between sessions.

Part 1; August 22; 12:00 to 3:00

Part 2; September 26; 12:00 to 3:00

\$55 for the series. Pattern not included.

Peyote Stitch Crystal Drop Ornament: Instructor

Kathleen Wright. If the ornament cover class seems overwhelming to you then perhaps this class will be more your speed. You will make a peyote stitch strip following a pattern, zip the piece into a tube and attach it to a crystal drop. The primary focus is learning to read a pattern. There is no shaping or embellishing in this class. You should be familiar with beadweaving techniques and preferably have a basic understand of Peyote stitch.

September 12; 12:00 to 4:00; \$30, pattern not included.

Brick Stitch Mandala; Instructor Kathy Bell.

Use some textured rings, a stunning central bead, and the brick stitch to make a fabulous pendant. This pattern works quickly and is a great gift idea.

September 13; 1:00 to 3:00; \$20 including pattern.

Free-Form Right Angle Weave Cuff; Instructor

Kathy Bell. If you have taken the free-form peyote class from Kathy then you will likely be interested in this project. You will need to know the Right Angle Weave stitch for this class. If you don't know it yet then be sure to enroll in an open technique session to learn it. This project is a great way to use leftover beads from other projects as well as our bead mixes.

September 22; 5:00 to 8:00; \$30 including pattern.

Knit and Crochet Classes

Knitted Holiday Hats; Instructor Laura

Carpenter. These fun little hats will be great gifts and it is never too early to start working on holiday knitting. You will learn to change yarn colors in

circular knitting as well as how to add beads after knitting. *At the time of the writing of this newsletter we only have 3 spaces left for this class. If you want to take this class then sign up NOW!*

July 28; 5:00 to 8:00; \$25 including pattern.

The 4 Seasons Throw:

Instructor: Laura Carpenter Based on the Block of the Month program offered at most quilt shops, we are offering a knitted Block of the Month program. Using the booklet The Four Seasons Throw you will learn a new knitting stitch each month that you will use to make a block for a blanket throw. After you have made as many or as few blocks as you would like you will stitch them together into a blanket. You can take as few or as many of the sessions available. If you complete all 12 blocks you will take your knitting skills from beginning level to intermediate. Since this project is done in blocks you will have no problem working on it throughout the year. If you pre-pay for at least 3 sessions you will receive the booklet for free. *This program was very popular last quarter and several people have expressed an interest in us repeating it. At the end of these three sessions a completing session will be scheduled.*

Each session is \$15.

Thursday August 6; 5:00 to 8:00

Thursday August 20; 5:00 to 8:00

Thursday September 10; 5:00 to 8:00

Beaded Ogee Scarf; Instructor Linda Kangeter.

This scarf is one of the most popular patterns in the shop and several people have expressed an interest in the class being offered again. The knitting skill level is beginner and the beads make it a stunning project. The pattern uses sock-weight yarn and size 8 seed beads.

August 23; 1:00 to 4:00; \$25, including pattern.

Beaded Hexagon Scarf; Instructor Linda Kangeter.

This is the latest pattern from Linda and looks more complicated than it really is. You will use slip stitches to put your beads in place and the pattern of the beads results in a hexagon pattern on the surface of the scarf. As with most of Linda's patterns this one uses sock-weight yarn and size 8 seed beads.

September 20; 1:00 to 4:00; \$25, pattern included.

Don't forget our charity knitting day on the second Friday of each month. We plan to have someone from the newspaper come by in July. A great turn-out for this day will make a more noteworthy presentation for the newspaper.

Please join us if you can on July 10th.

July 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Wednesday Evening Social 5:00 to 8:00pm	2	3	4 Closed for the Holiday
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12 Bead Embroidery Part 2 1-4	13	14 Speed Bumps Bracelet 5-8 pm Open Technique 5:00 to 8:00	15 Wednesday Evening Social 5:00 to 8:00pm	16	17	18 Art Glass Trunk Show
19 Russian Rope Bracelet 1-4:30	20	21 ASG Beading Workshop and Needle Nutz	22 Wednesday Evening Social 5:00 to 8:00pm	23	24	25
26 Open Technique 1-4	27	28 Christmas Hats By Laura 5-8 pm	29 Wednesday Evening Social 5:00 to 8:00pm	30	31	

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9 Open Technique 1-4	10	11	12 Wednesday Evening Social 5:00 to 8:00pm	13	14	15 Open Technique 1:00 to 4:00 UFO Night 5-Midnight
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Other Store Events this Quarter

Art Glass Trunk Show

Featuring the artwork of Vickie Lee, Heather Hopman, Scout Handford, and M-Designs.

This is a one-of-A-kind opportunity to see and purchase handcrafted beads and finished silver jewelry from local artists. These three glass artists have uniquely individual styles. We carry a very small representation of the artwork of Vicki Lee and Heather Hopman. If you are a fan of art-glass then this is the best opportunity we can offer you to see a wider selection of art glass.

July 18th

Kazuri Beads Trunk Show

Fair Trade Beads from Africa

These beads are all hand-made by women in Kenya. They participate in the entire process from harvesting the clay from Mt. Kenya to glazing the finished beads. Proceeds from the sale of these beads in America goes back to these women and enables them to be self-sustaining. For more on the Kazuri story go to

<http://www.kazuribeadsusa.com/>

August 8th



A few photos of class projects!

From left to right; Holiday Hats, Beaded Ogee Scarf, Ornament Cover and Intermediate Precious Metal Clay

The Final Page

Since the front page was all about knitting resources on the internet, the final page will be all about beading resources on the internet. The very first newsletter I wrote for the store mentioned some discussion groups that I belong to. I will repeat the information for the two Yahoo! groups I am in. These groups are filled with beaders of all categories. There are the newbies who are just getting started and are asking for advice on how to get going. Then there are the shop owners like me, Beki Haley from Out on a Whim, and a variety of other internet and brick-and-mortar shop owners. There are many designers as well who share their patterns for free, or for sale. These members are diverse, talented, and a great source of support. Groups.yahoo.com is the main website. The three groups I am a member of are Seedbeaders, Beadchat, and Beadchat for Lefties. Beadchat by far is the most active. The left-handers group is a great place to go for patterns that have been converted for the left handed beader.

There are numerous blogs out there and certainly too many to list here. One I will mention is This Years Dozen. You can sign up for a monthly e-mail from this blog site. Each month a new pattern or technique is e-mailed out to members so that they can learn something new each month. Not every tutorial is strictly beading related, but who cares! Knowledge is FUN! The web address is thisyearsdozen.wordpress.com.

If you are looking for a pattern try www.bead-patterns.com. There are scads of patterns by numerous designers. You can search by designer. This website is another great place to kill a day. There is also a digital magazine from this website. The magazine is produced by Deb Moffett-Hall who's patterns we carry. The website for the magazine is www.bead-patternsmag.com. Since Deb Moffett-Hall is the editor than you can bet there will be lots of patterns for ornament covers in the magazine.

The last resource I want to mention is the You Tube site. You can find all sorts of beading and knitting related tutorials on this site. Just enter a search criteria and enjoy everything You Tube has to offer; www.youtube.com. Be sure to check out the videos that Auntie's Beads has to offer. Happy Beading and knitting!

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