



July 2011 E-Newsletter

So much news, so little time...

July promises to be an exciting month with lots of new fiber on the horizon. After a trip to TNNA again this year, we unearthed a few new and exciting projects for your knitting pleasure. And, the new sock/hat of the month club is finally ready for roll-out. You can join the sock club for six months (every other month), the hat club for six months, or both for a full year's knitting pleasure. Visit the website for details.

Books, books, books... But, one in particular has me drooling: Knit Noro! You'll find it in the shop and please do sit down, relax, and turn those pages so you too can drool. I keep my copy in the car because you never know when you might be sitting at a traffic light with time to snatch a moment's pleasure. Knit Noro has one fabulous pattern after another... So classic!

We also received new copies of One Skein Sock, Folk Shawls, Homespun Handknits, Amagarumi Knits, and both Green Mountain Spinnery books. On order is Knit, Swirl by Sandra McIver. If you love top down sweaters then Knit, Swirl will really pique your interest. The 18 fabulous designs are all one piece, one seam circular knitting and all very stylish. The sample we saw from the cover was knit with 10 glorious shades of Mountain Colors.

Also new from Schaefer is the **Linen Stitch Scarf...** stylish and elegant! Visit our website to see the scarf and various colorways. We'll be happy to special order you a kit. Cost is \$52.

Atenti bags are made in the USA, exquisite, and available by special order. See the catalog in the shop or visit their website to pick the style and design of your choice. <http://www.atentiwholesale.com/> I carry the "overnighter" made with a rich Italian tapestry and it can hold about four projects. Pre-paid special orders will be 20% off retail.

We are also awaiting a shipment of Malabrigo worsted in some yummy colors. Sometimes, following a show it takes a while for suppliers to get home and put their feet underneath them but I hope this will be coming soon!

It's a Cotton Sale!

We have a wide assortment of cotton fibers from various suppliers. Some are discontinued, others are odd lots that won't be reordered. You'll find O-Wool Balance,

Rowan All Season Cotton, Debbie Bliss Eco Fair Trade, Queensland Cottolino, Frog Tree Pima Silk, and Elsbeth Lavold Bamboucle at 25% off. And, if you find another cotton fiber that isn't in the list but that you absolutely must have, then just ask us about extending the discount.

WE'VE GOT CLASS(es)

“UFO” Camp - *Does your knitting bag have an unfinished project in it? More than one? Maybe you set that project aside awhile ago & aren't quite sure where you left off on the pattern, or just need a little structured knitting time to get going again.*

Join us for UFO Camp. Let's get motivated to finish those projects, and move on to something new. Saturday mornings from 10:30-12:00; July 16, 23 & 30. \$5/session.

Sock Camp - Join us for 4 days of fun filled sock knitting! Socks are the perfect summer project. Take a break from the family & relax in our air conditioning to learn the basics of socks, or try a more challenging sock pattern. We have a pattern for every skill level from absolute beginner to the savvy sock knitter.. and we'll guide you through every step. Saturdays from 1:30-3pm; July 16, 23, & 30. \$35.00

Even better, sign up for both UFO Camp & Sock Camp to save \$10.00 off the total cost.

Christmas in July Stocking - Learn all of the techniques necessary to make socks with an afterthought heel, plus color stranding in this fun (large) sock class. And in this class there will be no worries about second sock syndrome! Saturdays from 4pm-5:30; July 9, 16, and 23. \$35.00

Join us for our “Out of the Box” party!

100 bags of Plymouth Encore – that's right, 100 – will be arriving soon and we invite you to join us when we “open the boxes” on Saturday, July 2nd. Purchase a full bag (10 skeins) right out of the box and take 20% off. That's less than \$50/bag. If there's a sweater or afghan in your future, it's a perfect time to get started. This offer will be good for the entire holiday weekend and include all Plymouth patterns at a “buy one get one” price. Please note: the sale is predicated on receipt of order, as promised. If it does not arrive, we will reschedule and notify you of new date.

Holiday Cookie/Cake of Yarn Swap

Bring in your favorite unique cookie recipe now and get a 10% off coupon to use on your next purchase. In late November we'll release the complete collection of our knitters' cookie recipes to all participants, at our first annual cookie recipe/yarn cake swap. Please note: we don't want to add to your holiday hustle & bustle; we will swap cookie recipes and a yarn cake. No extra cookies to bake, just fun!

Shawls for Summer Knitting



I seem to have found my niche in shawls and sweaters with an occasional hat thrown in just to say I finished something... so can justify putting another project (or two) on the needles. This rectangular feather and fan pattern is knit with Ella Rae lace (1 skein) held with Debbie Bliss Angel (2 skeins) for the most luscious silky softness. If you're not a lace knitter, then make this your first lace project. Feather and fan is a four-row pattern, with just one lace row in the repeat... so simple, it becomes "meditative." Select Ella Rae in the colorway of your choice or any of our fine sock yarns and pair it with an Angel mohair to create pure elegance.

Happy knitting, spinning, and crocheting... and Happy Summer!
Kathleen