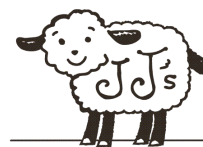




Knit Wits

Monthly Newsletter



Children's Knook

From the Owners

The school year is rolling in again, and so are the new fall yarns! We are introducing many new yarns, including a large assortment of chunky yarns, which are “in” for fall knitting. And, chunky’s always have the benefit of working up *quickly* into garments. We also are bringing in various weights and styles of variegated and space-died (hand-painted) yarns. Yarns will begin arriving the end of the month!

Also, a big thank you to everyone who visited our booth at Sweet Dreams on July 25th. Congratulations to Mary, the winner of the prize drawing at Sweet Dreams for the personalized Christmas stocking.

August's Featured Yarn

Berroco Comfort Chunky
This yarn is soft, extremely easy to work with, and is perfect for garments, blankets, prayer shawls, hats, and more. Comfort Chunky works up quickly, and is machine washable and dryable. Come to the shop to see this yarn worked up in a sweater – you won't believe the feel, and it only takes 3 skeins of yarn! Offered at a 25% discount this month, this yarn is only **\$4.30** a skein! This is a great yarn for crocheters as well. Add to your stash for a project now or one in the near future.



Demonstrations

Demonstrations will last approximately 1/2 hour and are designed to introduce you to concepts that will hopefully assist, encourage, and inspire you.

Colorwork

Have you wondered how to use bobbins and multiple colors of yarn on one row of your project? Perhaps you would love to make a Christmas stocking, but are not sure you would enjoy the technique. Before you jump into a project, come see how to incorporate color patterns into your work. You may just find you would enjoy the challenge!

Date and Time: August 22nd, 10:00am

Reaching Out

Let's get together, have fun, and reach out to our community to touch lives.

Join us for an all-day event on Thursday, August 27th. This day will be designated to knitting and crocheting squares that we will put together to create blankets to send to the Linus Project, an organization that distributes blankets to children who are seriously ill, traumatized or otherwise in need.

This is a great way to use up your ‘extras’! Make sure your yarn is washable and dryable, and we'll provide pattern ideas and assistance. Don't worry about colors or how many squares you make - let's focus on **making a difference** in a child's life!

Next month we will be making chemo hats that we will donate to the Cancer Center at Augusta Health (previously AMC). Look in September's Knit Wits for more information.



Geogheheim's Trunk Show

Don't miss seeing these beautiful personalized stockings! Pick out the style that you would like to use to decorate your mantel

this holiday season. These personalized stockings are a wonderful Christmas gift idea, and are very fun to make. The Trunk Show will be at the Knook from August 17th - September 6th.

Worried about working with different colors? Don't miss the colorwork demonstration on August 22nd.

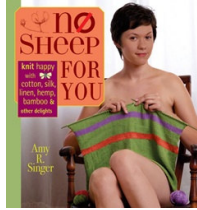


Keep your eyes open for the next trunk show arriving in September. This show will feature garments from Quick Knits to Wear from Brown Sheep.



Tips and Tricks

The following are yarn substitution tips taken from a newly stocked book at the Knook: No Sheep For You by Amy R. Singer – a *terrific* book about knitting without wool.



1. For softness, choose something with a loose spin – such as silk, a silk blend, or bamboo.
2. For stitch definition, choose a tightly spun yarn
3. For durability, choose something like a tightly spun cotton or flax or hemp and knit tightly
4. With cable work, knit tightly and avoid heavy yarns as the garment will stretch.
5. Take a look at great yarn reviews at: <http://www.knittersreview.com/yarn.asp>

Looking Ahead...

September Specialty Classes

Basic Socks

Socks make a wonderful gift that can literally last a life time. We will be knitting a sock from the cuff down, and you can choose the method you want to learn: the Magic Loop method, 2-Circular method, or double pointed method. You will have two 3-hour classes.

Date(s): Monday evenings, September 14th and 21st *OR*
Saturday mornings, September 19th and 26th

Time(s): Monday evenings, 5:30-8:30pm
Saturday mornings, 9:00am-noon

Cost: \$30/person

Cables

Learn how to work cables while beginning a hat and scarf combo just in time for fall! You will be pleasantly surprised how simple these complex-looking creations really are. This is a one-session class.

Date(s): Saturday morning, September 12th *OR*
Thursday morning, September 17th

Time(s): Saturday morning, 10-11:00am
Tuesday morning, 10-11:00am

Cost: \$15/person (not including supplies)



"The Lord is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him."
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Product Spotlight

Debbie Macomber Gift Sets

Debbie Macomber's books warm your heart as you witness how she brings women together through the age-old craft of knitting. Her books keep you intrigued and will make you both laugh and cry. Debbie Macomber is also a knitter, and has written Knit Along books, which feature the patterns that the characters in the book are knitting. What a great gift!

If you purchase the set of the novel the corresponding Knit Along, you will receive a 10% discount!

August's Specialty Classes

As always, for participating in a class at the Knook, you will receive a 10% discount on all class supplies and purchases on the day of the class.

1. Tunisian Crochet

This method is simple enough for the novice crocheter, and also an interesting addition to the repertoire of the experienced. Come learn how to have your work look like knitting! This fun technique can be used to create garments and accessories with the look of knitting made with the ease of crochet. This will be a 2 session class, and we will complete a decorative pillow.

Date(s): Monday evenings, August 17th and 24th
Saturday mornings, August 22nd and 29th

Time(s): Monday evenings 6-7:00 pm
Saturday mornings 11:00am-noon

Cost: \$25 (not including supplies)

Materials: Size G Tunisian crochet hook, which we have in stock

2. Moebius

Using a pattern from Cat Bordhi's book, A Treasury of Knitting, you will learn the 'Moebius Cast-on' while knitting the Scottish Waves moebius. This moebius is a useful and decorative piece. Use it as a scarf, hood, cowl, or just an accessory to your outfit. This is incredibly fun and interesting! This is a one session class.

Date(s): Tuesday morning, August 11th *OR*
Saturday afternoon, August 22nd

Time(s): Tuesday morning, 10-11:00am
Saturday afternoon, 2-3:00pm

Cost: \$15 (not including supplies)

Materials: -At least 400 yds of worsted weight yarn
-Size 9, 60" circular needle
-Stitch markers