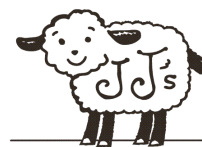




Knit Wits

Monthly Newsletter



Children's Knook

From the Owners

Going to Sweet Dreams this year? If you're heading to Stuarts Draft on Saturday, July 25th, to enjoy the food, games, and crafts at this fun event, be sure to stop by to say hello! We will have items for sale and also have a grand prize drawing for a hand-knit item valued at \$40.00. (You'll have to stop by the booth to see the hand-knit item)

In observance of Independence Day, we will be closed on Saturday, July 4th.

NOTE: We will be closing at 3:00pm on Saturdays.

Summer Sale

We are making room for new fall yarns, and will be hosting a Summer Sale from July 1st - 25th. Everything currently in stock is discounted 25%, (excluding books).

This is the perfect opportunity to get all the supplies you need for your next project!

No additional discounts apply during this sale.

The Perfect Organizer

by Tony Milionta

Do you want an organizer that is customized to your needs to store all of your knitting and crocheting supplies? One where you can choose the color, style, and functionality that suits what you want and need? Be sure to join us for a demonstration by Tony Milionta, designer and creator of his patented organizers.

These wonderful organizers are compact and make it easy to store and find all your needles, hooks, and supplies.

Tony has also created various project bags that are perfect for keeping your project clean and organized -no matter where you travel. Take them to the beach or to the campground, and your project is accessible and ready!

If you have any questions, please feel free to call for more details. We will email more details soon!

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Yarn of the Month is:

Silk Rhapsody

By Art Yarns

A blend of 70% mohair and 30% silk, this is an elegant and sophisticated yarn. The mohair and silk are strung side-by-side which enhances the drape and shine of the yarn. At 260 yards per skein, one will make a wonderful lacy scarf. Once you feel this yarn, you will fall in love! Enjoy a 25% discount on this yarn during the entire month of July.

Summer Knitting Camps



Bring your child (and/or someone special) to a summer knitting camp! Each young person will have a **choice of 3 projects**, each of which have been purposefully selected to teach the fundamentals of knitting. They

will enjoy the satisfaction of seeing their first project completed! Each camp will be 4 days long, with 4-hour sessions each day. We will be supplying catered lunches, and **all the necessary supplies are included** with the camp fee, which is \$75 per person (\$70 per person for two or more). See below for more details:

Summer Camp 1:

Ages: 8-12

Dates: July 6th – 9th

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm each day

Project Choices: Purse, Hat, or Scarf

Summer Camp 2:

Ages: 13-17

Dates: July 20th – 24th

Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm each day

Project Choices: Doll sweater, Wristies, or Scarf

"The way of the righteous is like the first gleam of dawn, which shines ever brighter until the full light of day."

Proverbs 4:18

New Faces Campaign

The store is expanded, and we now have room for more of your friends!

From July through August, bring in and/or refer **5 people** that have not yet visited us, and enjoy **one item** of your choice at **40% off** during the month of September! We will be keeping track of all our new visitors, so make sure to tell your friends to tell us that you sent them!

Upcoming Specialty Classes for August

Moebius

Using a pattern from Cat Bordhi's book, A Treasury of Knitting, you will be learning the 'Moebius Cast-on'. Wear this moebius across your shoulders, as a scarf, or a hood. The yarn you choose will determine the look of your finished project. Come by the Knook to see this moebius in person. This class will be **two** 1-hour sessions. Cost: \$25 (not including supplies)

Tunisian Crochet

This technique is a mix between crochet and knitting, and produces a garment that almost looks woven. It is also referred to as the "Afghan Stitch" or "Afghan Crochet". We will be making a pattern from the book "Tunisian Crochet-The Look of Knitting with the ease of Crocheting" by Sharon Hernes Silverman. This class will be **one** 2-hour session. You will be surprised how quickly this project flies! Cost: \$25 (not including supplies)

Dates and times for these classes have not been scheduled yet. Give us a call and let us know which class you prefer and a suitable date and time.

July's Featured Product

Art Yarns Mohair Splash

This fabulous yarn is new to our shop, and when knitting, the beads and sequins self-pattern in a very mermaid like way. This yarn is 74% silk with glass beads & sequins and 26% mohair. An incredible combination yarn to knit with – and each skein has a generous 165 yards of BLING.

July's Specialty Classes

Pre-registration is required.

As always at the Knook, you will enjoy a 10% discount on all class supplies and purchases the day of your class.

1. Lace Class – intermediate level

We will cover how to work from a chart, use a lifeline, a suspended bind off, and a flexible cast on. This will be a 2-session class offered at the following times:

Monday's: July 13th & 20th : 6-8:00pm

Saturday's: July 18th & 25th: 10am-noon

Your choice between two projects:

Cowl/Wimple: It's small, light, delicate, affordable, and an absolutely exquisite accessory. This lace garment is wonderful to knit as the weather heats up, and will be ready and waiting for you once the weather cools down. The 'Silk Smoke' pattern by Jackie E.S. will keep your neck warm and will be sure to attract numerous compliments. You will need 525-680yds of lace or fingering weight yarn, about 15 ring markers, and a size 4 - 16" circular needle.

Bridal Wedding Sachet: This is a perfect little bag for the bride-to-be. It features a delicate pattern with an intricate leaf edging with beads. This lace option is more challenging, but well worth the work! You will need about 200yds of lace or fingering weight yarn, about 15 ring markers, and a set of size 1 dpn's.

2. Entrelac Scarf Class - intermediate level:

What a fun technique to learn, and your friends will be amazed at your complex-looking garment! This scarf patterns uses chunky or worsted weight yarn – **Noro is perfect!** You will learn how to pick up stitches on right and wrong sides of your work. This workshop will be two 2-hour sessions on the following dates:

Tuesdays: July 7th & 14th : 6-8:00pm

Saturdays: July 11th & 18th: 1-3:00pm

Tips and Tricks

1. If your hands get tired or cramped while crocheting, try putting foam pencil grips (such as Bic) onto your hooks.
2. When working with a bulky yarn that you are concerned might stretch out of shape, try this: Find a sewing thread that closely matches the color of your yarn, and hold this thread along with your yarn as you work.
3. To store wool here are some good tips: keep yarn in airtight containers (freezer storage bags or plastic containers), keep the storage area clean, do not use moth balls (instead use lavender as a repellent), and if you suspect moth problems, consider using pheromone traps in your storage area.

