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APRIL 2018 UPDATE



Dear Stitchers,

It's time to stitch away stress! April is Stress Awareness month and to celebrate, the Craft Yarn Council hosts its annual campaign to encourage knitters and crocheters to pick up a hook or a pair of needles and stitch their stress away. In addition, the Council has proclaimed Saturday, April 21, 2018, as LYS (Local Yarn Shop) Day -- think of it as a nationwide yarn crawl and join us for the fun! We are featuring a special colorway in yarns from WONDERLAND YARNS just for this event, learn to knit kits, along with snacks, a basket drawing and more.

Since the mid-1990s, the Council has surveyed hundreds of thousands of knitters and crocheters about why they enjoy knitting and crocheting. Consistently over time, stress relief ranks at the top, along with creative fulfillment. In addition, a growing number of studies have been completed about the amazing benefits of knit and crochet to one's mood, mind and even the body. Many of us use these crafts to unwind. 68% of people responding claim that their mood improves after they knit or crochet. 85% of people responding who knit or crochet experience stress reduction.

Is knitting and crocheting therapeutic? Oh my, yes! We slow down when we stitch. We relax, and those who have been at it for a while experience the benefits of yoga-like meditation. Unlike other forms of meditation, though, knitting and crocheting result in a beautiful, handcrafted, wearable work of art. Projects reflect items that are as unique as the person who stitched it. These needlearts enrich our lives.

This month brings with it the exciting Creative Arts Festival in Pittsburgh on April 6 - 8. Look for Kathy in booths 601 & 602. Enjoy knitting, crocheting, and more in the company of several hundred like-minded fiber friends -- this gathering is a 'Burgh happening! We're hoping that you experience joy in each and every stitch this spring, and we're celebrating with a special promotion...

"APRIL IS KNIT, CROCHET & RELAX MONTH!"

**10% off all purchases of in-stock, regularly-priced PLYMOUTH YARNS
throughout April 2018**

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LYS DAY Saturday, April 21, 2018

We will be open Sunday, April 22, 2018 12 noon - 3:00 pm

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*** GREAT NEW STUFF ***

Springtime is here and the colors are blooming. Why not create some knits that become your signature style for the season? Our latest collection features garment styles and accessories that are focused on modern, classic silhouettes and that are defined by elegant, charming details. Our yarns will help you hit the refresh button with a color palette that says spring. Simplicity with a twist -- for everyday chic that's spring ready!

The Spring/Summer 2018 issue of *knit.wear* (\$14.99, cover shown upper left) features 16 beautiful eco-friendly textured knits for spring. This edition focuses on sustainability in yarns and garments, which the editors predict will be the next big trend. They have curated a collection of conscientious knits inspired by lush botanicals in the Verdant Vines story, all made in ecologically friendly yarn. You'll also find elevated but wearable designs in sustainable eco-wise fibers for a "Sea Blues" spring resort getaway. If you are one of those knitters who say "more cables, please!", you'll love the 4 sweater designs by Michele Wang. The projects are inspiring and lovely, created to fill you with both inspiration and food for thought. Enjoy a number of stylish knits you'll want to wear right now -- get started today!

Let *Knitscene Summer 2018* (\$7.99) inspire you with seasonal patterns, expert tips/tricks, and more as you advance your knitting skills. This issue is all about poolside knits -- nine cute and flowy summer tops for covering up swimsuits or for stylish backyard enjoyment and relaxation. This edition is also about color. The six Panels projects explore the color-block fashion trend using completely different methods: striping, modular knitting, intarsia, and intarsia in the round. If you find intarsia to be intimidating, Melissa Leapman's Color Play series will help you to navigate the how-to's. Rounding things out, two sock patterns and a wrap pattern make good lap knitting for travel or backyard deck lounging. It's almost time to grab your knitting and head outdoors (we can't wait!). Because the editors couldn't have this issue be anything but jam-packed, they've included a bonus mini-collection of summer patterns to give you even more to knit this season...

What's new for wee ones this spring? Baby blanket kits are the hottest trend in baby projects. DMC has introduced *Hug This!* -- a kit packaged in a clear plastic box with a plush toy that hugs a plump skein of variegated 100% acrylic yarn just right for knitting or crocheting a cozy stroller blanket (free pattern included). When you finish making the blanket, roll it up tidily and tuck it into the toy's arms, simulating a hug. This project will make a special baby shower gift -- they are so cute! The toys may look familiar -- the most popular animals from the *Top This!* collection are featured -- bear, bunny, dog, cat, monkey and lamb. In addition, DMC has added three new charming whimsical characters to adorn its *Top This!* hat kits from sizes baby to adult -- raccoon, unicorn and fox (\$10.50 each). Yes, we will be bringing a supply of all these kits to the Creative Arts Festival, but they are selling out quickly (please call to reserve and we will try to accommodate your request)...

Sock knitting is very popular among our customers -- prepare yourself to be inspired by our latest arrivals! New from WOOL AND THE GANG and REGIA is "Kinda Magic Sock Yarn" (17.50 kit, 80 grams, 350 yards, 75% virgin wool / 25% polyamide, CYCA #1, shown lower right). Cast on 60 stitches and this self-patterning yarn will create a cool special effect design that works like magic as it goes along. You can concentrate on your stitches and this ball will do the rest.

REGIA sock yarn "Tutti Frutti" (\$19.50, 72% cotton/18% polyamide/10% polyester, 459 yards, CYCA #1), is a wool-free collection that looks as tasty as a cool slice of watermelon on a hot day and is a breathable, extra soft treat for your feet in fun colors for summer...





*** MORE GREAT NEW STUFF ***

Spring is "served" with our latest batch of DELICIOUS YARNS colorways, just for you. The bakers have been busy, and your fresh-out-of-the-oven treats are here. We hope that you'll love this happy collection as much as we do!

Grab your hooks and needles and dig into these exclusive new flavors, made upon sport weight superwash merino wool. DELICIOUS YARNS has cooked up new color savorings for this season (\$28.50 each, 100 grams, 100% superwash merino, 310 yards, CYCA #3). "Taffy" is a kettle-dyed and speckled delight in the color they are calling *Lollipop*. Add some "Frosting" in *Nutmeg* and "Sweets" in *Macaron* and it mixes up into a flowery (or dare we say flour-y?) blend of yummy! There is a free cowl pattern (knit or crochet, your choice) with your purchase of any of these yarns...

ROWAN SELECTS "Mako Cotton" (\$13.50, 50 grams, 109 yards, 63% cotton/37% lyocell [tencel], CYCA #4) is a limited edition, very fine, light, airy cotton, spun from extra-long Egyptian fiber. Its tube-like form gives natural elasticity allowing the knitting to move with the wearer, making this modern yarn perfect for the Athleisure trend. With the options of soft neutral shades or some bright splashes of color, it will make the perfect addition to your summer wardrobe!

ROWAN "Cotton Cashmere" is a dream come true for warm weather knits and crochet projects! The durability and strength of cotton merges seamlessly with the softness of cashmere for a lightweight yarn that you'll want for all your spring and summer projects. Shawls, tees, tanks and more will drape fantastically and wear even better with this lovely machine washable yarn. ROWAN is the master of next-to-skin softness and "Cotton Cashmere" is a sure winner...

Intriguing, interesting stripes are everywhere this season. According to TAHKI / STACY CHARLES: "In addition to bold color pairings, stripes have gone multi-directional, cutting the figure at all angles to create unique silhouettes". What better yarn to use for striped warm weather gear and summer home decor than tried-and-true TAHKI "Cotton Classic" (\$7.50, 50 grams, 108 yards, 100% mercerized cotton, CYCA #3)?

You can expect that our new shipment of MAD/TOSH HAND-DYED YARNS "Vintage" won't be around for long -- they never are (\$24.50, 100 grams, 200 yards, 100% superwash merino, CYCA #4)! This versatile worsted weight yarn is perfect for hard-wearing sweaters and accessory projects. "Vintage" is machine washable, which makes it perfect for gift knitting and crocheting. The colors are exquisite! Kathy has been obsessing about the "Two Track" (\$6.00, Ravelry Pro download) oversized, unstructured boxy sweater side-to-side knit, ever since her friend Judy wore one to knitting guild. Gotta have it, gotta have it knit with Tosh!

We hope that you will make it a goal to teach someone to knit this spring. What better way to celebrate the first-ever LYS (Local Yarn Store) Day April 21, 2018? We will be featuring DREAM IN COLOR *Fearless Learn to Knit* kits (\$20.50, age 6 and up) with a clever storybook, lovely hand-drawn pictures, instructions, yarn and needles to complete a first project -- a



charming little garter stitch kitty made from a simple square (shown lower left). Beautiful US size 8 BRITTANY birch needles are included. Here's an excerpt that will help with the learning: "Into the window -- grab a bite -- back through the window -- into the night". This kit makes it fun and easy to learn...



*** APRIL KNIT ALONG ***

Excitement is building for the next installment of our Progressive Needles Knit Along with Michelle "Knit Purl" Hunter, our knitting hero! Join Michelle on April 5, 2018, as she leads followers through the much-anticipated creation of the *Transient* shawl, worked in HiKOO "Concentric" yarn (\$48.50, 200 grams, 437 yards, 100% baby alpaca, CYCA #4, shown upper left). The first section of the pattern will be posted at 9:00 am EST on Thursday, April 5, 2018 at www.knitpurlhunter.com

Materials for this mystery knit along include 1 cake of HiKOO gradient "Concentric" and a US #8 32" circular knitting needle. We have a large selection of colors available for your knitting pleasure, and will feature this yarn for you to try during the Creative Arts Festival April 6 - 8 at booths 601 & 602. Supplies of yarn are limited, so be sure to get yours early!

*** UPCOMING CLASSES ***

Our *Building Blocks* class series with instructor Karen McCullough continues on Tuesday, April 3, 2018, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Each month, Karen introduces you to a new skill with a different block from Michelle Hunter's *Building Blocks* book. This month's pattern stitch is "SSK", a left-leaning decrease that closely mirrors a K2tog (knit two together). Students will learn how to execute the smooth-lying SSK decrease correctly while working a decorative openwork rib pattern.

If you look for knitting patterns that are easy to work, but don't look like they were easy, look no further than the Garter Stitch Basketweave Blanket (shown upper left, page 8). Appropriate for new and experienced knitters alike, the minimum of purl stitches makes for a fun and relaxing knit, while the easily learned pattern stitch has just enough detail to keep you from being bored. Fans of textured knitting will fall in love with the oodles of visual interest in this basketweave fabric with a seed stitch border. Kathy's Creations has the pattern available to purchase and just the perfect yarns for this project. Choose HiKOO by Skacel "Simpliworsted" to make a casually elegant throw for your sofa. Or, select CRYSTAL PALACE "Cuddles" for an easy care, cozy warm baby blanket or lapghan. You will need a US size 10 40" circular needle. Join instructor Kathy Erhard on Saturday, April 21, 2018, from 9:00 am - 12 noon here at Kathy's Creations. Registration fee is \$25 for the class, which includes the pattern. Call 724-238-9320 to register...

In our series of lace classes, students will master lace knitting one section at a time. Join our instructor Kathy Erhard as she demonstrates lace skills and work along to make your own gorgeous lace shawl as a wearable showcase of your skills. Our next class is scheduled for April 21, 2018 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm at Kathy's Creations, and will be held the third Saturday of each month from April through October. It's not too late to join the group and take your lace skills from casual to experienced as the series continues!

This month, the lace patterns in Michelle Hunter's *Building With Lace* shawl just keep getting prettier as cabled texture is added to the delicate lace. Cables make everything more attractive and lace patterns are no exception. Don't let working cables slow your knitting down by fiddling with a cable needle. Learn how to make left- and right-crossed cables without a cable needle (yep, that's right!) and discover how to make Michelle's shawl, along with your other cabled projects, fly off the needles. Students are using the gorgeous HiKOO by Skacel *Rylie* yarn, so see Kathy for this yarn or a suitable substitute and bring a size US 5 24" circular needle. Knitters can cable with confidence with *Rylie* as stitches stay in place if accidentally dropped off the needles. Registration fee is \$20 per class. Please call 724-238-9320 to reserve your spot...



*** WHERE'S KATHY? ***

Friday, April 6 - Sunday, April 8, 2018: It's been said: "Creativity is contagious. Pass it on". Let's do just that! The Pittsburgh Creative Arts Festival (formerly known as The Pittsburgh Knit & Crochet Festival), the area's premier needlearts Conference and Market, will be held in Hall A at David L. Lawrence Convention Center. Look for Kathy in the Market at booths 601 & 602! We plan to bring a large selection of yarns from DREAM IN COLOR, DRAGONFLY FIBERS, WONDERLAND YARNS, DELICIOUS YARNS, HiKOO and more, as well as the needles, gadgets and stitching accessories for which we are well-known. If you are planning to come to this event and would like us to bring a particular yarn or product, simply give Kathy a call at 724-238-9320. We would be glad to accommodate your special requests, if we can.

The Festival will be in Hall A this year, which is a larger space than previous years. Therefore, we are featuring an additional half booth area for free interactive and engaging demos. Stop by and "test drive" the popular new ADDI FlexiFlips (an exciting alternative to double-pointed needles for working in the round). Available in sizes 0 through 8, these are specially designed 21 cm circulars that rest comfortably in the hand, and act as flexible double-pointed needles. Each set includes three "FlexiFlips" of the same size and are packaged in a handy reusable storage tube. You may also knit or crochet a few rounds with an innovative new yarn, HiKOO "Concentric", Michelle Hunter's choice for her Progressive Needles Knit Along beginning April 5, 2018 (see page 4 for details).

Kathy's Kreations is proud to be a sponsor of *FIBER FORWARD*, a juried exhibition that celebrates the art of knit and crochet. It will be on display during the Pittsburgh Creative Arts Festival at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center; Pittsburgh, PA during April 6 - 8, 2018. The *FIBER FORWARD* exhibition is produced by the Artisans of Knit and Crochet, a group of Pittsburgh fiber artists. It is based on the desire to promote knitting and crocheting, spotlighting great artistic works by contemporary artisans. Please be sure to stop by the Exhibit if you are attending the show -- there will be some very creative works displayed!

Friday, April 20 - Sunday, April 22, 2018: Kathy's Kreations invites you to join us for our 7th annual Spring Break knitting weekend, hosted and taught by our own accomplished knitter, designer and nationally-recognized instructor Kathy Zimmerman. This workshop is a unique way for knitters to come together, learn from a nationally-recognized knitwear designer and enjoy the camaraderie of fellow devotees. The weekend workshop will feature "Knit To Fit", previously taught at Stitches events by Kathy plus added information on adapting commercial patterns, sizing, and more! If you are not sure how to adapt that beautiful sweater you love to fit your body, Kathy shares her professional designer tips and her "worksheet method" for getting a custom fit worthy of your time and effort! Now, you can truly make it your own! For information on the weekend, please contact Kathy at 724-238-9320 or kathy@kathys-kreations.com to request a flyer and registration details. Spots are almost gone, don't miss your chance!

*** LOCAL YARN STORE DAY ***

Do you know about the first annual Local Yarn Store (LYS) Day, April 21, 2018? This coast-to-coast event is designed to show support for small businesses and the brick-and-mortar shops, while bringing together a unique community of knitters and crocheters. Think of it as a nationwide yarn crawl. Think of all the benefits that a LYS offers that an on-line store cannot. Touching the yarn, seeing the colors, seeing sample garments and projects and getting personal assistance are in-store experiences that you can't find on the internet. We are celebrating our crafts with a special exclusive "LYS Love" colorway in yarns from WONDERLAND YARNS just for this event (shown right), along with snacks, a basket drawing and more. Come join us!



*** FINDING YOUR KNITTING TRIBE ***

Our thanks to Andrea Springer, aka The Knitting Savant, for graciously allowing us to reprint this article which appeared in the March-April 2018 issue of The PA/WV Register. Thank you, Andrea -- you rock!

"Do you have a knitting 'tribe' -- a group of like-minded crafters to spend a few hours a week with? If so, count yourself lucky. I never cease to be amazed by the variety of places knitters and crocheters settle in for craft and conversation. Your local yarn store (LYS -- ed. note, Kathy's Kreations) can be a great place to meet others who share your passion, but I've found fiber friends in coffee shops, churches, libraries, parks, bars and on cruise ships. We're everywhere, and our time spent together produces good things -- even if it's simply conversation around the table.

One of my favorite groups gathers around once a month at a local restaurant -- not to knit but to visit, eat and swap handknits. The Dishcloth Exchange has a permanent date on the calendar -- the first Monday of the month at 6:30 pm. We meet at a predetermined restaurant, carrying gift bags holding our treasures to trade, and with no real agenda but to enjoy each other's company. After the food and the conversation, we pass the unmarked bags around and see what surprises materialize that month. Some dishcloths are colorful and practical, some have a seasonal theme, and some are lacy and almost too lovely to use. Once they're open, we pass them around, admiring stitch patterns and yarns used. We compliment creative uses of patterns and fine handwork that went in to the finished product. At the end of the evening, we decide the next meeting location, and we start working on our new dishcloth for the next month.

I love meeting with my knitting tribes, working on my projects and sharing an activity that has meaning for all of us. At the same time, I love opening the kitchen drawer that holds the work of my friends -- humble dishcloths that see daily service and make me smile every time they're used.

One of my favorite dishcloth patterns is one you probably know by heart, a six-stitch repeat worked over and over (see pattern below). I have no idea what the formal name of this stitch pattern is, but I always refer to it as the "three three" pattern because of the three knit stitches and three purl stitches. It's a great pattern for beginners and the finished dishcloth has a nice texture and lovely look.

BASIC "THREE THREE" DISHCLOTH (stitch detail shown lower right)

Materials: One skein worsted weight cotton

Needles: US 7 or 8

Notions: Tapestry needle for weaving in ends

Pattern: Cast on an odd number multiple of 3 stitches (three times an odd number) to your desired width (usually 39 or 45 stitches)

Row 1: *Knit 3, Purl 3; repeat from * to last 3 sts, end Knit 3.

Repeat this row for all following rows, binding off in pattern when the dishcloth reaches the desired size. Weave in ends."

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Andrea Springer blogs at www.knittingsavant.com where she helps folks remember that they have everything they need to be successful in knitting and in life. You can share comments with her at andrea@knittingsavant.com or follow Knitting Savant on Facebook and Twitter.

Kathy's Kreations cordially invites you to become part of our "tribes" at our Friday knitalongs, Panera First Monday group, Knitting In the Afternoon 2nd Tuesday or Sit & Knit 2nd Saturday. Kathy recommends PLYMOUTH YARNS "Fantasy Naturale" for the dishcloth (it's on sale!)



*** YEA FOR CROCHET! ***

A big THANK YOU to Sharon Greve for graciously granting permission to reprint her article from her column *The Dropped Stitch* which appeared in the PA/WV Register, March-April 2018 issue. Your work is greatly appreciated, Sharon!

"Timeless and versatile crochet has become one of the best-loved handcrafts. For that reason, National Crochet Week was declared in 1998 by the Crochet Guild of America (CGOA). In 2000 the week declaration became National Crochet Month for March.

Crochet's widespread appeal is because it is easy to do and is adaptable to endless pleasing interpretations. Novices are attracted to the simplicity and challenge this art offers in choices of fiber, texture, stitches, color, and unending designs for all skill levels.

With hook and thread/yarn, agile fingers are capable of producing an endless variety of beautiful traditional and modern designs. Once stitches are learned, creative designs are quickly created for numerous uses. One of the most beautiful designs is Irish Crochet, famous since 1743 when the royal Dublin Society awarded prizes for outstanding art examples. During the famine of 1846, it became more generally popular when rare patterns of old lace were so skillfully copied by Irish girls.

The word crochet is derived from the French *croche*, meaning hook. Originally, the crochet hook was only one of many tools used in the intricate process of lace making. As time moved on, a repertoire of stitches and designs evolved. Crocheting graduated into a separate and pleasurable art. In the beginning, it was almost entirely a convent art, classified with other types of handiwork under the general heading of 'man's work.' At the time, nuns taught it to their pupils and the proceeds from sales of crocheted articles helped to alleviate much poverty. It was then that crochet became one of the graceful accomplishments of well-born young ladies. Sherpherd's Knitting is actually crocheting in slip stitches.

Crocheting offers a variety of project choices: (1) Laces as delicate as cobwebs for tablecloths, doilies, and shawls as well as others more suitable for curtains and bedspreads. (2) Rugs and afghans in glowing colors in which texture and design are artfully blended which spell beauty and utility for every home. (3) Crochet knows fashion, too. A crocheted hat and bag can 'dress up' an outfit for any occasion. A lacy cocktail sweater can 'make' an evening. Fashion and crochet have united to design some of the most sought-after accessories.

Machines have brought us many comforts and luxuries, but when it comes to a touch of beauty, nothing will ever replace the loveliness of the 'handmade'. There is a joy in wearing it -- a subtle magic than the machine cannot copy or equal. That is the secret of the charm of crochet, as knitters have also discovered, whether done for profit, a hobby, or a means to brighten a wardrobe or a home. It is an art that grows on you.

Celebrate Crochet!"

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*** SAVE THE DATES ***

Please mark your calendars for the 5th annual Steel Valley Yarn Crawl slated for August 3 - 12, 2018. Join us for ten fun-filled days "crawling" your way through participating yarns shops in the Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania area!

This self-guided tour is a great way to see what our local fiber arts community has to offer and to meet other yarn crafters. It is an excellent opportunity for fiber enthusiasts to discover new projects, classes and yarns as they peruse the offerings at each store (in no required order). The crawl will feature a "passport" to get stamped at each store. Ask us for details regarding purchasing passports and bags, which should be available in early May, and for special event plans. To add to the fun, you will have lots of chances to win PRIZES! Supplies of passports will be limited, so be sure to contact us to get yours early!





***** CALENDAR OF EVENTS *****

Join the "First Mondays" group for an evening of knitting, crocheting and fellowship, at Panera Bread Greengate in Greensburg, PA. Next meeting dates are Monday evenings **April 2, 2018 and May 7, 2018; 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm.**

***** "KNITTING IN THE AFTERNOON" AT KATHY'S KREATIONS Tuesdays, April 10, 2018 and May 8, 2018; 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm (rsvp please) *****

Join us for stitching & lots of fun conversation. All skill levels of knitters & crocheters are welcome! Please call ahead to rsvp in case of a scheduling change...

***** SATURDAY SIT-N-KNIT April 14, 2018 and May 12, 2018; 10:00 am - 2:00 pm; (rsvp please) *****

Join us at Kathy's Kreations for fellowship and stitching for projects purchased here. Open to all skill levels...

***** FUN FRIDAYS, April 20, 2018 and May 18, 2018; 10:00 am - 2:00 pm *****

Come in for the yarn 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 and enjoy being with other knitters and crocheters just like you. Please call ahead to let us know you will be coming, as space is limited.

***** APRIL KNIT-ALONG (KAL) *****

Stop by on Fridays in April from 10 am - 2 pm (rsvp please) to work on our newest KALs with your stitching friends to cheer you on. This month, we feature the "Transient" Shawl, a Progressive Needles Knit Along with Michelle Hunter (see page 4). Not working on the KALs? 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 April 2018 thread...

***** "BUILDING BLOCKS" TUESDAY APRIL 3, 2018, and May 1, 2018, 10:00 am - 12 noon *****

***** "BASKETWEAVE BABY BLANKET" SATURDAY April 21, 2018, 9:00 am - 12 noon**

***** "BUILDING WITH LACE" Saturday, April 21, 2018, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm *****

Master lace knitting one technique at a time! Join instructor Kathy Erhard on the third Saturday of each month throughout October 2018 for a skill-building series based upon Michelle Hunter's phenomenal book *Building With Lace*. Each class will focus upon a technique to broaden your understanding. The sessions include classic favorites, original designs, and even some beading. See details on page 4...

Private knitting and crocheting lessons available by appointment. Learning to knit or correcting mistakes are not the only reasons to have a one-on-one tutoring lesson. Learn new techniques like lace or short rows, or get help with a pattern before starting -- our instructors can do it all! Additional group classes are forming -- ask us for details. We would be glad to do a specific class topic for groups of 4 or more. Kathy's Kreations has been the helpful hands of experienced knitting for more than 38 years!

Spring has begun -- hooray for the arrival of longer days and warmer weather! The new season is full of beautiful knit styles, stunning new yarns and enchanting new crochet looks for all of your occasions. As we celebrate our 38th year in business, we're here to continue helping you to enjoy your craft. **KEEP KNITTING AND CROCHETING!** Kathy