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JANUARY 2015 UPDATE



Dear Stitchers,

Now that the holiday gift-stitching frenzy is over, what's next? Let's break out the woolens and warm layers! It's the perfect time of year to wind down, look forward to what 2015 holds, and, of course, sneak in some "me" knitting and crocheting. Winter cold snaps have us reaching for our needles and hooks even more than usual. Cozy up and plan to make something special for yourself in the new year.

What better way to meditate on resolutions than by making traditional winter wardrobe staples like a toasty hat, texting mitts, or trendy poncho? At Kathy's Kreations, we're using texture, color, and clever twists on basic silhouettes in must-make garments and accessory designs. January is all about creating a bright escape from chilly winds and keeping warm.

Who doesn't need a luxurious "fireside" sweater when winter surrounds us? It's downright essential! TAHKI yarns tells us: "One look that has been enjoying some prominence this season is the mock-ish turtleneck. Falling somewhere between a standard T-neck and the shorter mock-T, the look is a touch more casual and feels less restrictive than the familiar neck-hugging version".

Quick accessories like chunky infinity loops are very popular right now -- we have a new supply of bulky yarns that are ideal for cowls, scarves and loops, plus fresh ideas for what to make with them. Kathy has designed an original cowl pattern knit with TAHKI YARNS "Zona" on page 5 to inspire you. Bulky yarns are on sale all month long. Don't hibernate -- create!

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*** GREAT NEW STUFF ***

There's a comfortable, satisfied feeling that comes from making sweaters and accessories that are both beautiful and functional -- these aren't dressy or finicky pieces, but garments and accessories that feel homey and relaxed, familiar. This winter, we've brought together a cozy, casual collection of project ideas and yarns that represent the kinds of things that we really wear in everyday life. It's a rare thing in a culture that values speed and disposability -- our crafts are methodical, meditative, and thoughtful. Its gratification is delayed. But we do it for the joy of making wonderful things with our own hands, adding usefulness and beauty to the world with every stitch. Knitting and crocheting are what you make it, so make it an adventure! Your next stitching adventure starts here...

Knitter's Magazine K117 (\$6.95) was inspired by panels and patches. Editor Rick Mondragon tells us: "You'll find garments that combine lovely yarns, flattering colors, and worthy stitch work. Some are quite straightforward and simple, others involve clever construction or detailing, and a few challenge you and advance your skills with new techniques or approaches".

We are pleased to announce Kathy's design trio is featured in this issue, adding some orange punch in spicy combinations. Rick says: "Orange is the new black. No, I am not talking about a TV show, but a fashion trend confirmed by a friend's recent expedition to Paris where it is the power color in many designer boutique windows. Mannequins are clad and accessorized in orange -- not the pure hue, but variations of it". Saffron and cumin accents frame a cayenne-colored textured pullover for *Spice Trade*, with its panels of ribs and cluster stitches separated by cables (shown upper right, page 3). This contemporary classic Aran-influenced sweater was knit with KNIT ONE, CROCHET TOO "Sebago" (\$7.95, 50 grams, 146 yards, 100% Australian superwash merino wool, CYCA #4), now in stock. *Blocks a la Carte* (shown lower right) joins simple basketweave panels worked in two colors -- and two directions -- with a garter band in yet a third color to mix it up. This elegant play on color blocking uses earthy colors of HiKOO "SimpliNatural" (\$24.95, 100 grams, 183 yards, 40% baby alpaca / 40% fine merino wool / 20% mulberry silk, CYCA #4). Last but not least, *Carved Cedar* (shown upper left) lets solid-colored texture take center stage in a classic silhouette. Cables twist and shift along the length of this sculptural pullover. This issue will help you learn a trick or two, push your color limits, and practice skills -- go for it!

Swatches are magical, as we all know! They can offer insight into a finished fabric and even predict success or failure in a future garment. KNITTER'S PRIDE Needle View Sizer (\$3.50) is valuable not only for checking needle size, but also for the magnifying bar that measures a 4" X 4" or 10 cm gauge. It's easy to use -- no more excuses not to check gauge!

Sweater coats and ponchos are the perfect layering items to protect against fluctuating temperatures. They are cozy and blanket-like, in a simplistic way. Some drape nicely and give a new look to any outfit. Wrapping a sweater coat with a leather belt creates a modern look. These garments are also a great way to incorporate pattern texture into your wardrobe. Choose a style that feels good on you.

What's on our knitting needles? The sigh-inducing softness, luscious drape, and rich shades of DREAM IN COLOR "Classy with Cashmere" (\$30.50, 100 grams, 200 yards, 70% superwash merino wool / 20% cashmere / 10% nylon, CYCA #4) has inspired Kathy to knit her perennial favorite, CHURCHMOUSE CLASSICS "Easy Folded Poncho" (pattern \$5.50). This project is perfect to knit while travelling, visiting with friends, or when taking a break in between other more complicated projects. Who doesn't love the simple pleasure of stockinette in a delicious yarn?



*** MORE GREAT NEW STUFF ***

TAHKI YARNS "Knit Essentials" (\$18.50) is this season's collection of want-to-knit silhouettes in TAHKI's all-natural, all-American attitude signature styling. Fashionable without being overly-trendy, the 22 classic knit designs feature timeless TAHKI yarns in pullovers, tunics, vests, jackets and cardigans plus plenty of accessories, especially cowls. Our favorite is the "Confidence" Pullover, a comfy raglan pullover featuring side slits and a boatneck collar that adds to its relaxed look. Ask to see our shop model in progress. Shown at lower left in "Zona" (\$8.50, 50 grams, 119 yards, 35% cotton / 28% wool / 26% acrylic / 11% nylon, CYCA #5), is a trans-seasonal cotton wool blend in marled colorways, with all shades now available on our shelves. See page 5 for Kathy's original cowl design using this beautiful new yarn...



ARAUCANIA YARNS are inspired by the long-respected ancient South American crafts made from handpainted natural yarns. Each hank is different! Its individual beauty emerges as artisans blend color in the kettle to create several unique shades. These beautiful tonal, tone-on-tone, and multi-colored natural hand dyed yarns employ traditional dyeing techniques and wool production. "Huasco" (\$25.50, 100 grams, 454 yards, 100% extrafine merino wool, CYCA #2) is a hand dyed, fingering weight yarn made from extra soft merino wool. It comes in beautiful, vibrant, unique color combinations that compliment each other well. This would work up into a stunning shawl showcasing the rich colors of each single skein...

Peru's heritage and culture of textile artistry is one of the richest in the world. MIRASOL YARNS "Ushya" (\$18.50, 100 grams, 114 yards, 98% merino wool / 2% polyamide; CYCA #6) has a chainette construction, which gives it bulk and loft while remaining light and fluffy. The air pockets created by this unique construction will keep you warm. With a suggested super bulky gauge of 2 - 2.5 stitches per inch, you'll be able to finish projects quickly...

Season after season, we look to the BERROCO brand for imaginative, beautiful, comfortable yarns and innovative patterns. Whether you're just getting started or have knitted/crocheted for years, BERROCO YARNS can always be trusted to spark your creativity with reliable results. Two new season-spanning yarns have just arrived -- "Modern Cotton" and "Indigo". "Modern Cotton" (\$8.50, 100 grams, 209 yards, 60% pima cotton / 40% Modal rayon, CYCA #4) comes in a palette of soft neutrals and cheerful brights. It is a blend of Pima cotton and Modal rayon with a soft hand, beautifully twisted to showcase stitch details. Jeans-friendly "Indigo" (\$11.50, 100 grams, 95% cotton / 5% other fibers, CYCA #4) is made from recycled denim and cotton, perfect for casual sweaters...

Attention, sock mavens! We have recently received new shipments of LANG "Jawoll Color" (\$16.50, 100 grams, 460 yards, 75% superwash wool / 25% nylon, CYCA #2). This self-striping classic "workhorse" sock yarn has been tried, tested, and approved for many years. Each skein includes a spool of heel reinforcement yarn to strengthen the life of your socks...

Heathery tweeds are popular right now, and we have new shades in two marvelously soft yarns that do not disappoint. ROWAN "Felted Tweed DK" (\$12.95, 50 grams, 91 yards, 50% wool / 25% alpaca / 25% viscose, CYCA #3) is a wonderfully tweedy yarn with a slightly felted appearance. The rustic color palette makes this yarn ideal for fair isle, striping and other color work. ROWAN yarn masters have worked their magic to create an Aran weight to bridge the gap between DK and Chunky. "Felted Tweed Aran" (\$13.95, 50 grams, 95 yards, 50% wool / 25% alpaca / 25% viscose, CYCA #4) is the latest addition to the Felted Tweed family, perfect for jackets, sweaters, hats, scarves and other accessories...





*** JANUARY 2015 DREAM CLUB ***

In September 2014, we introduced Dream Club, a monthly yarn club that is brought to you by DREAM IN COLOR YARNS. Each month features a pairing of a unique hand-dyed colorway with a pattern that will showcase that month's yarn. The projects all use a single skein, some in special yardage put-ups exclusively for these designs. New project kits will arrive during the first week of every month through February 2015, all spun and hand-dyed in the USA. This exclusive event is only available through participating local yarn shops like Kathy's Kreations. This month's yarn and colorway are perfect for lifting your spirits on a cold winter's day.

The yarn selection is "Starry", an exquisite blend of 98% superwash merino / 2% lurex. This is the same great yarn that you love as "Smoochy", but with a fun hint of sparkle. Tiny silver fibers are spun into the yarn to give your finished project a special gleam. The unique put-up for this offering is 4 ounces / 450 yards. This month's project is "Salista" socks by Andi Smith, who has designed a stunning pair of lace socks. The socks, knit on two circulars, highlight the silver sparkles and deep blues and purples of January's colorway. Kits sell for \$33.00.

We have designated "Dream Club" as one of our Friday knit along projects. If you can't make it to our Friday knit alongs, please keep up to date with postings to our "We Love Kathy's" group. There is also a "Dream Club" group on Ravelry with projects and special information. Let the knitting fun continue...

*** PROBLEM SOLVING ***

Need to repair an off-white heirloom garment or item like a baby blanket, and the yarn is no longer available? Eleanor Swogger suggests hand-dyeing a natural yarn with different types / brands of tea (red, black, green, etc.) to achieve a vintage-looking shade. Experiment until you are satisfied with the shade, then set with hot water and white vinegar...

Placing buttonholes evenly:

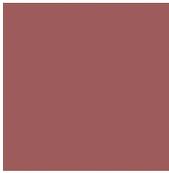
- 1) Take a strip of no-stretch string or a piece of paper exactly the length of beginning and ending points for the buttons.
- 2) Fold the string or paper into four equal segments.
- 3) Mark these four segments with a pen or pencil and hold the string/paper up to the knitting.
- 4) Place markers or pins where the buttons are to be placed.
- 5) You can also mark the string or paper with size of button to know how big to make the buttonhole.

Note: Don't make the buttonholes exactly the same size as your buttons, Make them a little smaller if possible so that the buttons will stay in the hole. *Knitting Daily, 6/17/2011*

*** A SPRING THING AT KATHY'S KREATIONS ***

Join Kathy Zimmerman for a day-long event at Kathy's Kreations on **Saturday, May 16, 2015!** Kathy will present techniques for working pattern stitches based upon a multiple of 3 – textured patterns in the 3-hour morning session (see lower right), and colorwork patterns in the 3-hour afternoon session. The student will have a "hands on" opportunity to knit samples of each, and learn new skills such as central double decreases, multiple stitches from one stitch, broken stripes, working multiple increases and decreases, slip-stitch knitting and much more. Learn to place a bit of texture, a band or a panel of a pattern into an unadorned sweater or accessory to create your own "original". Registration fee is \$35 per session. Early bird registration before March 31, 2015 is \$60 for both, with early-bird registration for both sessions including a light lunch. Space is limited, so please reserve early. For additional details, please contact Kathy at 724-238-9320 or e-mail kathy@kathys-kreations.com





*** COLOR OF THE YEAR 2015 ***

Since 2000, the Pantone Color Institute has designated a Color of the Year to express a shade that reflects around the world. The selection of this shade is more than simply a fashion statement, but it is a color that crosses all areas of design, expressing mood, emotion and attitude of consumers.

Marsala, the Color of the Year (shown upper left), according to Pantone, is: "Much like the fortified wine that gives Marsala its name, this tasteful hue that embodies the satisfying richness of a fulfilling meal, while its grounding red-brown roots emanate a sophisticated earthiness. Complex and full-bodied, this hearty, yet stylish tone is universally appealing; translating easily to fashion, beauty, industrial design, home furnishing and interiors". Look for this shade to pop up everywhere as we go forward into 2015.

Why Marsala? From Pantone: "Equally appealing to men and women, Marsala is a stirring and flavorful shade for apparel and accessories, one that encourages color creativity and experimentation". Why not choose a yarn in this timely color for your next project?

*** KNITTING TIPS ***

Loose stitches or gaps on the first round are common when knitting in the round. You can easily fix these problems by pulling the yarn tail when you go back to weave in loose ends...

For self-striping yarns: When beginning the second ball of yarn, start with the end of the ball that will result in the colors reversing back to the beginning color.

*** KATHY'S SLOPESIDE COWL ***

If you love openwork that looks far more complex than it really is, Kathy has designed this beautiful-but-easy cowl in cotton/wool blend TAHKI "Zona". For an infinity loop, cast on twice as many stitches or somewhere in between using a multiple of 6 sts. Be sure to purchase more yarn, if you make this larger. We'd love to hear from you on our Ravelry group, "We Love Kathy's", if you choose to work on this project. Please keep us posted and stay warm!

FINISHED MEASUREMENT: Approximately 8" wide X 22" circumference

MATERIALS: 230 yards bulky weight weight yarn; US 9 (5.5 mm) circular knitting needle, 24" length; circular stitch marker/counter; tapestry needle for finishing

GAUGE: Approximately 3.5 stitches = 1" (not critical)

PATTERN STITCH (stitch detail shown lower right)

Rounds 1 & 2: Knit.

Round 3: *K3, yo (yarnover), central double decrease (slip 2 sts together as if to knit two together, knit 1, pass the 2 slipped stitches over the knit stitch), yo; repeat from * around.

Round 4: Purl.

Repeat these 4 rounds for pattern

DIRECTIONS:

Cast on 76 stitches; join to knit in the round, being careful not to twist stitches.

Set-up pattern: Work 3 rounds knit 3, purl 3 ribbing. Purl 1 round.

Work in pattern stitch until piece measures approximately 7-1/2" or desired length, end with round 4 of pattern.

FINISHING:

Work 3 rounds knit 3, purl 3 ribbing. Bind off all stitches in pattern.

Bind off loosely. Block gently and enjoy!

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*** KNITTING CLASSES WITH JEANNE OSMAN ***

A pleated ruffle, horizontal braids, a beaded overlay, and textured eyelets make the "Faberge Shawl" an interesting knit (shown at left). Learn to create this beautiful wrap with instructor Jeanne Osman on **Saturday, January 17, 2015, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm**. Choose from two sizes -- kerchief with a 38" wingspan or shawl 56" wingspan (in parentheses). Yarn requirements for students to bring: 200 (290) yards fingering weight yarn in the ruffle color and 220 (340) yards fingering weight yarn in background color; 174 (312) size 6 seed beads; US size 6 (4.00 mm) and US size 5 (3.75 mm) circular knitting needles in 29-32" length; tiny crochet hook for adding beads (1.0 mm) and stitch markers. Class materials will be available for purchase prior to class. Registration fee is \$20.00 plus pattern and noted supplies. For details, call Kathy's Kreations at (724)238-9320 or e-mail kathy@kathys-kreations.com

Many knitters have difficulty getting a neat appearance when knitting with double-pointed needles -- it can be quite frustrating! Learn the how-to's of working "Magic Loop", a technique in which you work in the round with a single circular needle. Instructor Jeanne Osman will be teaching "Magic Loop Method" on **Saturday, February 7, 2015, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm**. The class project is CHURCHMOUSE "Welted Fingerless Mitts" (\$5.50, shown page 8, upper left). Students will also learn how to make a tidy one-row buttonhole for the thumb opening. This one-skein pattern is one of our shop favorites, and the mitts are great for texting or for layering over leather gloves when the temperature drops. Ask to see our sample mitts, knit from MANOS DEL URUGUAY "Silk Blend DK" and DREAM IN COLOR "Everlasting DK" Student must provide 100 yards of DK weight yarn; US size 6 circular needle 29" or 32", two stitch markers and 6 - 10 small buttons (optional). Class materials will be available for purchase prior to class. Registration fee is \$20.00 plus pattern & noted supplies. For details, call Kathy's Kreations at (724)238-9320 or e-mail kathy@kathys-kreations.com

*** KEEP YOUR SWEATERS LOOKING GREAT IN SWEATER WEATHER ***

Most fibers, whether natural or man-made, need special attention to guarantee that your hand-knit sweater keeps on looking super for several seasons to come.

- Fold your sweaters: Don't hang them. That will result in a larger sweater or a mis-shapen profile.
- Remove pills from sweaters regularly: Pilling is caused by rubbing during wear. Purchase a hand-held de-pillor or a small electric shaver made for this purpose. Or, pick them off by hand.
- Remove dandruff, hair and lint regularly: Purchase a baby's or child's hairbrush. The softness will enable you to quickly brush off these sorts of unattractive sweater companions.
- Repair the sweater quickly: If a button falls off or a small hole appears, repair the sweater the moment you discover it. If not, the hole may get bigger or you might just shove the sweater into the back of the closet.
- Wash most sweaters by hand: Unless the yarn label tells you to machine wash, never do so. Woolen sweaters should be washed by hand using EUCUALAN or a gentle soap solution. Do not use WOOLITE or other detergents as this could weaken the fiber. Use lukewarm or cool water. Turn it inside out to wash, and do not wring.
- Store sweaters carefully: Do not use moth balls. Use cedar, mixed herbal sachets or dry bay leaves between clothing layers.
- Wash any sweater you put away for storage: This is important to avoid a free meal for moths.
- Store sweaters dry: Whether you are storing your sweaters for a season or a few days, never put a sweater away damp. This will encourage the growth of mildew or mold, which cannot be removed. It may also spread to surrounding clothing and will smell bad.

Source: [wikihow.com/care-for-sweaters](http://www.wikihow.com/care-for-sweaters)

WHERE'S KATHY? ***

January 24 & 25, 2015 Ligonier Ice Fest

March 27-29, 2015 11th Annual Pittsburgh Knit & Crochet Festival There is a new bigger-space location and a later date for this year's Festival. The 2015 Festival will be held at the Westin Pittsburgh located at the downtown Convention Center from Friday, March 27 through Sunday, March 29, 2015. You can find us there in large corner booth #16 near the main registration entrance. We would appreciate your input on the brands and products that you would like us to have on hand in our booth. Save the dates!

Thursday, April 23, 2015 Kathy's Kreations Day at Kraemer Yarns & Textiles Join us for a tour of an operating textile mill and see how yarn is made! There is no charge for the tour but lodging and transportation are on your own. You may make purchases from KRAEMER's yarn shop, where you will find every color of every yarn they produce.

May 16, 2015 A Spring Thing at Kathy's Kreations

July 31 - August 9, 2015 Steel Valley Yarn Crawl

*** STEEL VALLEY YARN CRAWL BONUS PROMOTION ***

We hope that you held onto your 2014 Steel Valley Yarn Crawl tote bags. Remember that we told you there would be a surprise after the first of the year? Kathy's Kreations is sponsoring a special event. Simply bring in your Yarn Crawl tote on **any or every Saturday during January 2015** to receive **15% off** as much regularly-priced merchandise that you can fit into your bag (and that's a big tote!). Steel Valley Yarn Crawl 2014 participants **MUST** present bag. All sales are final and cannot be combined with any other discount or offer.

*** UPCOMING KNIT ALONGS (KAL) ***

During the past year, our knit along projects have included cowls, scarves, mitts, socks, and more. Weekly knit-alongs will continue **every Friday throughout 2015**, so make it your New Year's resolution to join us either in person or on our Ravelry group, We Love Kathy's. If you are unable to come in person, please contact us to mail order supplies so that you can work along with us. January's knit along is your choice of *Salista*, the Dream Club knit lace socks project, the mystery cabled scarf *Endgame*, or finishing works in progress purchased here.

We are pleased to announce that one of January's knit along projects will be the next Progressive Needles KAL with Michelle Hunter. There's something about a buttery-soft tweed, with its contrasting slubs of color and rustic, earthy stitch texture, that demands attention in the colder seasons. A gorgeous tweed conducts the symphony of Winter better than any other yarn. We are pleased to announce that January's knit along will be the next Progressive Needles KAL with Michelle Hunter. Beginning on January 1, 2015, Michelle will slowly release the pattern for *Endgame* -- a gorgeous cabled scarf, worked with HiKOO tweed "Kenzie" yarn. Please check in at www.knitpurlhunter.com on New Year's Day after 9 am Eastern time. This mystery KAL will introduce new stitch patterns and techniques that are all supported with FREE video instruction. We have all 10 new shades of "Kenzie" available in stock. Materials for the project include 3 or 4 skeins "Kenzie" in a single colorway; 10 yards waste yarn in a similar gauge and contrasting color; US size 6 (4 mm) knitting needles, US 7 knitting needles or size to get gauge of 5 sts = 1", a cable needle and tapestry needle. The scarf will measure approximately 6.5" wide and your choice of 56" or 70" long.

Several attendees from our 2014 Fall Fling asked about getting together to work on completing the Navajo knitting project begun during the retreat (shown lower right). We will be meeting **January 10, 2015, from 11 am - 3 pm** here at Kathy's Kreations to work on the "Ply List" sweater from knit.purl magazine fall / winter 2014 or the scarf begun at the retreat class.

Not working on our KALs? You are welcome to come -- simply bring any knit or crochet project purchased at Kathy's Kreations and join the group (it's free!)





*** CALENDAR OF EVENTS ***

Join the "First Mondays" Club for an evening of knitting, crochet and fellowship, at Panera Bread Greengate; Greensburg, PA. Next meeting dates are Monday evenings **January 5, 2015** and **February 2, 2015; 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**. All skill levels of knitters and crocheters welcome!

*** "KNIT KNITE" AT KATHY'S KREATIONS Tuesdays, January 13, 2015 and February 10, 2015; 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm (rsvp) ***

Join us for an afternoon of stitching & lots of fun conversation. Please note that Knit "knite" will be held in the afternoon for January and February for ease of travel. All skill levels of knitters & crocheters are welcome! In the event of nasty weather, please call ahead in case of cancellation...

***SATURDAY SIT-N-KNIT January 10, 2015 and February 14, 2015; 10:00 am - 2:00 pm ***

Come sit 'n knit! Join us at Kathy's Kreations for fellowship, stitching, and how-to's for projects purchased here. Open to all skill levels...

*** FUN FRIDAYS, January 16, 2015 and February 20, 2015; 10:00 am - 2:00 pm ***

Join us for fellowship, stitching, and how-to's for projects purchased here. Please call ahead to let us know you will be coming, as space is limited. All skill levels of knitters & crocheters are welcome!

*** BUILDING BLOCKS CLASS SERIES WITH LISA CARNAHAN ***

Lisa Carnahan recently taught a series of classes based upon Michelle Hunter's latest book, "Building In Color". A make-up class for "Building In Color" is scheduled for **Saturday, January 17, 2015, 10 am - 12 noon**. Finishing class is slated for **Saturday, February 21, 2015, 10 am - 12 noon**. Fee is \$10 plus purchase of project yarn and a one-time purchase of the "Building In Color" book by Michelle Hunter.

*** ICE FEST WEEKEND JANUARY 24 & 25, 2015 ***

The Diamond in Ligonier is magical in winter. Join us for this special event with ice sculptures and artisans in action around the Gazebo plus merchant sales and special activities in town. We will be open additional hours **Sunday January 25, 2015 from 12 noon - 4:00 pm** -- come join us!

*** JANUARY KNIT ALONG (KAL) ***

We've got the cure for cabin fever! Stop by **EVERY Friday in January from 10 am - 2 pm** (rsvp please) to work on our newest KALs with your stitching friends to cheer you on -- your choice of lace knit socks "Salista" Dream Club project or Progressive Needles KAL Kenzie Cabled Scarf. 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!).

*** KNITTING CLASSES WITH JEANNE OSMAN ***

Join instructor Jeanne Osman for "**Faberge Shawl**" on **Saturday, January 17, 2015 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm** and "**Magic Loop Method**" on **Saturday, February 7, 2015, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm** (class project shown upper left). See page 6 for class descriptions and student supplies to bring. Class materials will be available for purchase prior to class. Registration fee is \$20.00 plus pattern and class supplies. For details, call Kathy's Kreations at (724)238-9320 or e-mail kathy@kathys-kreations.com

Private knitting and crocheting lessons available by appointment. 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 over 34 years !

Whether it's flurries of snow or flurries of activities, stay warm and cozy. May you find peace, joy, contentment and the best of times in the little things in life -- every word, every gesture, every stitch. **KEEP KNITTING AND CROCHETING!**

Kathy