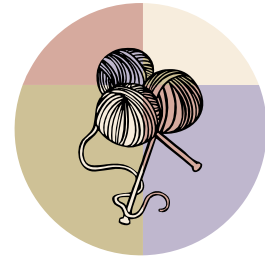


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MAY 2014 UPDATE



Dear Stitchers,

Does yarn make you happy? If you answered "yes" to that question, chances are that you are an avid knitter or crocheter. We like looking at yarn, touching yarn, imagining the possibilities in each gorgeous skein and can't wait to get started. Knitting and crocheting are sensuous activities which provide the wonderful feel of yarn sliding through our fingers and beautiful knitting needles and hooks. We feast our eyes on our work as it develops in our hands. We create items with love and attention to detail. Turning balls of yarn into colorful creations like garments, accessories and home decor is vital to our sense of well-being. This season brings yarns in new colors, textures and fiber blends -- all good things to keep us happy and content!

We think Spring and Summer stitching is best enjoyed with a glass of iced tea or lemonade, lounging on a sunny porch at home or deck chair at the beach, gazing somewhat lazily at the outdoors and appreciating the long-awaited sun-sweetened air. Warm weather knits should allow you to look away from your project to take in your surroundings, so they should feel relatively uncomplicated but still enjoyable, and they should use soft, cool fibers that won't weigh you down or heat you up under the Summer sun.

Knitting and crocheting are embraced by people from all walks of life, who benefit from its peaceful, relaxing repetition. While stitching can be calming and meditative, it can also be intellectually stimulating and has incredible health benefits. It helps us to cope physically and mentally. Knitting and crocheting makes people happy, from the people who stitch, to those who receive the finished item. There's more than creative satisfaction in the happiness-inducing warmth and color of yarn. Don't stop stitching -- it keeps you healthy!

IT'S "HAPPINESS IS MORE YARN" MONTH!
10% off all purchases of 2000 yards or more
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*** GREAT NEW STUFF ***

We don't know about you, but here at Kathy's Kreations, we knit and crochet year-'round. We usually change the type of projects and fibers we choose to work with, switching from wool and alpaca to cotton, linen and silk. Summer is a great time to make small, portable projects, such as socks, hats, lacy mitts, light weight scarves / wraps, and so on. This season offers a bumper crop of patterns and beautiful new yarns to keep you in stitches during the warm weather months. In this update, we are showcasing all our new beautiful yarns and design collections for Spring / Summer 2014, as well as our perennial favorites worked in new and exciting ways. We hope that you like them as much as we do...

May not only brings flowers and blooms, but special occasions like Mother's Day, proms, showers, graduations and weddings. One of our most popular projects ever, CHURCHMOUSE CLASSICS "Shoulder Cozy" (\$5.50, shown upper left) is a perfect choice to wear for any of these special events. Also, it's perfectly casual over a simple T-shirt with your favorite jeans. Slip it on quickly if the a/c gets too chilly or wear it as a layering piece outdoors on cool mornings. You can also pleat the neck with a pretty shawl pin or brooch. You won't believe how versatile this capelet / cowl can be! Worked on size 13 circular needles, it is a quick knit. Ours is worked with one strand each ROWAN "Kidsilk Haze" and "Summer Tweed", now in a new pull skein put-up. Combining the luxury of silk with the durability of cotton, "Summer Tweed" (\$11.50, 50 grams, 131 yards, 70% silk / 30% cotton, CYCA #4) is a perfect year-round yarn. We recommend that you touch as well as look to discover the full beauty in all its gorgeous shades. The nebs of tonal colors create a wonderful, rustic textural look in the knitted fabric making this yarn a unique selection for both look and feel. Stranding it with soft-as-air "Kidsilk Haze" creates inviting color combinations...

Aptly named, ROWAN YARNS "Silkystones" (\$13.50, 50 grams, 109 yards, 52% silk / 48% linen, CYCA #4, detail shown page five, upper right) has a silky sheen reminiscent of wet stones. A melange of toussah silk and linen, each shade of this worsted weight yarn is a blissful union of subtle, calming colors and would look simply divine knit up into lightweight summer garments...

You can't ask for a better Spring/Summer yarn than TAHKI "Cotton Classic" (\$6.50, 50 grams, 109 yards, 100% mercerized cotton, CYCA #4). A long-time favorite among knitters, it's smooth hand, beautiful sheen, easy care factor, and reasonable price point make it a standout for warm weather garments. Available in a whopping 109 colors that run the gamut from earthy neutral tones, bright pop colors, and understated, classic, dark and light primary colors, "Cotton Classic" is made for items featuring colorwork (currently a hot trend). Stitches are crisp, clean, and show colorwork patterns beautifully. This is also the yarn of choice for Lisa Carnahan's "Baby Washcloths & Afghan Squares", a collection that can be stitched together for a cuddly blanket. These squares are the ideal take-along project for summer travels...

The subtle appeal of pastel, sun-washed colors in natural fibers brings cool comfort to summer knits. New colorways in CLASSIC ELITE YARNS "Bella Lino" (\$11.50, 50 grams, 164 yards, 58% linen / 26% viscose / 16% cotton, CYCA #3), are here, reminding us that summer shore vacations will be coming up at last. It's time to get busy knitting your vacation wardrobe! "Bella Lino" is a yarn that really lives up to its name, literally "beautiful linen"! The colors in the long repeats of the linen-blend harmonize beautifully on a natural linen hued base, reminding us of all things beach-related -- sand, seashells, sunsets and ocean/lake views. "Cordelia" from *Oceanside* booklet 1401 (\$16.95, shown lower right) is an easy-to-knit eyelet shawl worked from the center top down to the knit-on fringed edge. Perfect for an evening stroll along the boardwalk...





*** MORE GREAT NEW STUFF ***

CLASSIC ELITE YARNS' newest pattern collection, *Silhouettes 1404* (\$16.95) features designs with unusual silhouettes and shaping details. These easy-to-wear garments help us to look at construction in brand new ways from knitting sideways to unique hemlines and unexpected shapes. *Hiawatha* (shown at left) is a drape-front cardigan vest with both open and closed back options. It is knit in "Firefly" (\$9.50, 50 grams, 155 yards, 75% viscose / 25% linen, CYCA #3), for a look that is a bit dressy, light and flowy, with a hint of shine. *Eaton* (shown lower right) is a two-tone raglan pullover with lace panel at center front. The back has a shirt-tail hem and side seams curving around toward the front...

For more sources of inspiration from CLASSIC ELITE YARNS, take a look at these booklets. Several of the shawls from these collections are now on display in our bay windows and throughout Kathy's Kreations.

- *Sunny Day 1402* (\$16.95): Whether at the beach or at the park, we all enjoy feminine garments with delicate details, from lace to ruffles. This collection presents eleven flirty projects for warm weather.
- *Panache 9149* (\$9.95): a dozen openwork scarves, shawls and wraps, each one a knit-worthy beauty.
- *High Seas 9142* (\$9.95): accessory designs in seven yarns, destined to become heirlooms and your favorite wardrobe "mix and match" basic staples.
- *Ebony & Ivory 9204* (\$9.95): designs in Mountain Top collection "Vail"; we love the *Brown-Eyed Girl*, an easy-to-knit wrap or scarf worked entirely in garter stitch. Changes in texture are achieved by changing needle size and increasing and decreasing stitches.
- *Cascading Waters 9186* (\$9.95): designs in gorgeous kettle-dyed "Alpaca Sox"; *Blue Bird*, a stunning wrap knit point to point in a checkerboard stitch.

You know that we love gadgets and tools. SUSAN BATES "Handi Tool" (aka cool tool here at Kathy's) is finally back on our shelves, but our supply is dwindling fast. With a crochet hook on one end and a small gauge knitting needles on the other, no stitching tote is complete without one for fixing mistakes and wayward stitches...

During our recent tour of KRAEMER YARNS textile mill, Kathy was able to see every colorway of every yarn spun by KRAEMER. She returned with new supplies and colors of *Perfection Worsted*, *Perfection DK*, *Fountain Hill*, *Tatamy Tweed DK & Worsted* and *Alpaca Handknitting*. In addition, we also have a large selection of roving in naturals and colors for needle felting projects...

ROWAN YARNS' line of knitting and crochet yarns perfectly pair classic styling with a contemporary aesthetic, with patterns that are equal parts timeless and contemporary. Recycling is becoming increasingly important in a world coming to terms with the challenges of environmental, economic and climatic change. New shades of ROWAN *Purelife Revive* are here (\$12.50, 50 grams, 137 yards, 36% recycled silk / 36% recycled cotton / 28% recycled viscose, CYCA #3). *Revive* is made from used garments which have been selected according to the silk, cotton and viscose content. These are then carded to make the regenerated fiber, which is then spun into this beautiful, high quality yarn, which gives life to new hand knitting designs. More shades of ROWAN *Softknit Cotton* have also arrived (\$9.50, 50 grams, 115 yards, 93% cotton / 8% polyamide, CYCA #4). This yarn is incredibly soft and supple -- and so touchable! This blend has a bit of polyamide for durability, and comes in bright and pastel colorways perfect for your summer knitting and crocheting...





*** FALL FLING WORKSHOP WITH MICHELLE HUNTER ***

Kathy's Kreations invites you to join us for a "fall fling" knitting workshop weekend from September 26 - 28, 2014, hosted by Kathy Zimmerman. We will be focusing on "little things", technique-driven accessories just for fun or with holiday knitting in mind.

Knitting instructor extraordinaire and designer / author Michelle Hunter will teach a nine-hour workshop, "Small Wonders", at the Ramada Inn in historic Ligonier, PA. Techniques include Navajo knitting (creating sheer stripes, a big fashion trend, shown upper left), how to expertly place a zipper into your knitting, and mastering two-color/two-handed colorwork cable knitting. Gain confidence with strategies to hold, carry, and weave yarns expertly. Learn to knit deliciously fun stitches and patterns that only look difficult to execute. Many of the techniques covered in class are supported with free online tutorials at Michelle's website, www.knitpurlhunter.com, to continue the education and support long after our workshop!

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate and beyond.

REGISTRATION: The weekend package includes an after-hours knitting hearty soup & salad bar party and special shopping time at Kathy's Kreations (beginning Friday evening 5 pm - 7:30 pm); morning coffee breaks and two lunches at the Ramada; classes Saturday and Sunday at the Ramada Inn of Ligonier; extended lunch break on Saturday with time to shop in the pretty little town of Ligonier and goodie bags. The early bird price is \$225 per person for the 9-hour workshop if pre-paid by July 1, 2014; \$275 after that date. For detailed class descriptions / student supplies, please e-mail kathy@kathys-kreations.com or call (724) 238-9320 to request a flyer. Workshop registration is limited on a first-come, first-served pre-paid basis, so please e-mail Kathy or call 724-238-9320 and send a check for the full amount to Kathy's Kreations. We are pleased to report that this workshop is already half-filled.

Overnight lodging is not included and is optional for local participants. The Ramada has set up a special rate for us, so please make your own reservations by calling 724-238-9545.

Please mention that you will be with Kathy's Kreations Fall Fling.

KATHY'S KREATIONS regular hours will be extended on Sunday, September 28, 2014, from 12 noon - 3 pm. Attendees will receive a 10% discount on all regularly-priced knitting supplies and yarn all weekend.

*** KRAEMER YARNS TEXTILE MILL TOUR REPORT ***

Thank you so much to the Schmidt family and the superb staff of KRAEMER YARNS for their generous hospitality during our April 10, 2014 tour. Victor, Davey, Eleanor, Clara and the entire crew worked so hard to provide our group of 24+ with a very special behind-the-scenes tour of KRAEMER TEXTILES. What a wonderful experience! The tour of the factory operations was fascinating and Eleanor's fun hand-dyeing class was exceptional. Ask to see Kathy's hand-dyed skein of "Rosa" 100% superwash merino wool from KRAEMER's Natural Collection, which will someday be made into fingerless mitts. She calls her original colorway "Friendship". It was also great to sit and stitch with the ladies of the Wednesday evening SnB -- a very talented and gracious group of women (the desserts were awesome, too). Thanks to all for making us feel so welcome...

*** MOTHER'S DAY ***

Did you learn to knit or crochet from your mother, an aunt, a sister perhaps? In this month of celebrating moms, let's also remember to celebrate the women in our lives to whom we are connected by needlearts. This quote refers to knitting and crocheting, and was tucked inside a Lo-Lo bar container. It is worth passing along, as it may trigger a fond memory for you, too.

"It's addictive and it's soothing, and for a few minutes anyway, it makes me feel closer to my mother." -- Anita Shreve

*** KNITTING TIPS: MEMORY ENHANCERS ***

Spring Break 2014 is now just a pleasant memory of a fabulous weekend learning experience. One of the threads in Kathy's "Details, Details, Details" was how to remember what you are to do in certain techniques.

We are all more familiar these days with a "make one, m1" increase but have difficulty remembering how to do the left-slanting m1L (make one with a left slant) versus the right-slanting m1R (make one with a right slant) without running for a reference book illustration.



To make one **left** (m1L): Insert the **left** needle from **front** to back under strand between last stitch knitted and first stitch on left needle. Knit, twisting strand by working into loop at back of needle to avoid a hole. Try remembering this phrase, attributed to Stephen West as the original source: I **left** the **front** door open.

To make one **right** (m1R): insert the left needle from **back** to front under strand between last stitch knitted and first stitch on left needle. Knit, twisting strand by working into loop at front of needle. Try remembering this phrase, also attributed to Stephen West as the original source: I'll be **right back**.

These phrases can also be helpful in remembering cable crosses. The stitches for a **right** cross cable are always held to the **back**. The stitches for a **left** cross cable are always held to the **front**.

*** MORE LACE KNITTING TIPS GLEANED FROM THE INTERNET ***

--- Lifelines in Lace knitting: When knitting a lace shawl that has an edging knitted on to live stitches, be sure to add a lifeline to the last row before starting the edging. Any dropped stitches in the edging itself could translate into ladders that go into the body of the shawl.

--- For complex patterns (ex., lace knitting), place a stitch marker after every pattern repeat to keep track of where you are in the pattern. Beware, though, you may need to shift your stitch marker one or two stitches to the left or right as you complete some patterns. Coilless pins make good stitch markers as they are removable.

--- For your own personal use, you may photocopy a copyrighted pattern which you have purchased. You may actually wish to have the chart enlarged, to make it easier to read and spot mistakes. Use highlighter pens on the copy to mark off rows or directions as you work, to help you keep your place. Your original pattern then remains intact in case you would like to make the project again. Keep your notes with the pattern in a plastic sleeve for storage.

--- When learning a new lace pattern stitch, consider making a practice sample to try out the new pattern before beginning your project. Using smooth yarn and corresponding needles to match (not one that will give you a loose look), work a sample of two to three pattern repeats in each direction. You will get a feel for the pattern and discover where you are most likely to make a mistake.

--- The type of yarn or material which you use for your lace knitting lifeline can make a difference. Try using dental floss for mohair and hairy yarns as the floss will glide through easier. Fine gauge cotton in a highly contrasting color works well with wools as it does not distort the stitches. Some knitters actually recommend 1/8" or 1/16" width ribbon as it makes it easier to get back on the needles if you need to rip out. It has the advantages of not leaving untidy remnants of unmatching fiber. It is slick and can be removed easily. It will fold in half within the stitches and form a nice pocket in which to easily slide the needle if you do need to rip back a portion of your project.

*** SEAFOAM SHAWL ***

This beautiful knitted lace scarf pattern, designed by Joan DiRito, is compliments of the SKACEL COLLECTION (www.skacelknitting.com)

SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

SIZE: Approximately 14" wide and 84" long after blocking

MATERIALS: 920 yards sock / fingering weight yarn (CYCA #1);

Addi Turbo or Addi Lace 24" circular knitting needle 3.75 mm (US 5);
tapestry needle

FEATURED YARN: Trekking Hand Art by ZITRON 75% wool / 25% nylon (shown color 551)

Yarn and needles can be found at Kathy's Kreations

ABBREVIATIONS : K - knit; sts - stitches; yo - yarn over

STITCH PATTERN

Seafoam Stitch Pattern

Row 1 (right side): K.

Row 2 (wrong side): K.

Row 3: K 6, * yo twice, K1, (yo three times, K1) 3 times, yo twice, K3; repeat from *.

Row 4: K, dropping all yo's.

Rows 5 & 6: K.

Row 7: K1, * yo twice, K1, (yo three times, K1) 3 times, yo twice, K6; repeat from * to last 5 sts, yo twice, K1, (yo three times, K1) 3 times, yo twice, K1.

Row 8: K, dropping all yo's.

Repeat these 8 rows for pattern.

NOTES: Shawl is knit lengthwise, then stitches are picked up on the width edge to finish.

INSTRUCTONS

Cast on 306 sts. Work Seafoam Stitch pattern for 14 repeats. Bind off all sts.

FINISHING

Width Edges: Pick up approximately 100 sts across width end (on long loops of yo sts, knit into front, back and then front again). K 2 rows. Bind off. Weave in loose ends. Block piece.

*** CROCHET BERRY PARFAIT BLANKET ***

Thanks to KRAEMER YARNS for sharing this crochet baby blanket pattern designed by Michelle Tang. The traditional ripple stitch is reversible, so it looks great on both sides. High contrast colors give it a bright, fresh look.

FINISHED MEASUREMENT: 37" X 45"

SKILL LEVEL: Advanced Beginner

MATERIALS: Perfection Worsted yarn 3 skeins (600 yards) each of three colors; US size I
crochet hook, tapestry needle for weaving in ends

ABBREVIATIONS: ch - chain; DC - double crochet; sts - stitches

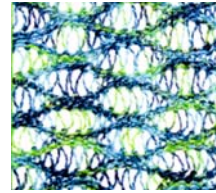
GAUGE: 14 sts / 7 rows = 4" in stitch pattern

NOTES: The stripe repeat for this blanket is 3 rows color A, 3 rows color B, and 3 rows color C. At the end of each color section, cut the yarn and join the new color, crocheting over ends as you go. The 3 stitches for the turning chain counts as first DC for the next row.

INSTRUCTIONS: Chain 143 sts.

Row 1: DC in 4th ch from hook. *DC in next 4 sts, decrease two times, DC in each of the next 4 sts, 2 DC in each of the next 2 sts; repeat from * across row, ending with 2 DC in last st. Ch 3 & turn.

Row 2: DC in first st (counting the ch 3, there are 2 DC in this first st), *DC in each of next 4 sts, decrease two times, DC in next 4 sts, 2 DC in each of next 2 sts; repeat from * across row, ending with 2 DC in last st. Ch 3 & turn. Repeat row 2 changing colors every 3 rows until blanket measures 43" long. End with 3 rows of Color A. Do not ch 3. Fasten off yarn. Weave in ends and block, if needed.



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*** WHERE'S KATHY? ***



May 1- 3, 2014 TNNA Trade Show One of our roles as your local yarn shop (LYS) is to educate and inform you of each season's key fashion trends, providing you with a wide range of project ideas, products and technical how-to's for successfully completing expressions of your creativity. Kathy and Lisa Carnahan will be attending the National Needlework Association's Trade show in Indianapolis -- stay tuned in next month's update for a report of things to come!

May 18, 2014 Laurel Highlands Knitting Guild Annual Spring Workshop; Ramada Inn of Ligonier Peggy Dailey will be teaching a two-hour cast-on technique followed by four hours of an Aran Knitting / Exploring Cable Charts Workshop with our own Kathy Zimmerman. If you've never knit a cable from a stitch chart (or never thought you could), this class is for you. Charts are a useful tool to convey knitting instructions while providing the knitter with a visual impression of how the finished stitches will appear. Kathy will discuss interpreting chart symbols and tips for keeping track of more than one pattern. The "hands on" class project is a pair of sideways knit fingerless mitts which originally appeared in a Classic Elite Yarns webletter*. The student will have an opportunity to knit a basic rope cable in combination with a more complex cable. Call Kathy at Kathy's Kreations for details and more information.

September 19 & 20, 2014 29th Annual Knitter's Day Out KDO is a day and a half of classes, shopping, and camaraderie devoted to knitting and fiber arts. Kathy will be teaching once again at this event at Central Penn College in Summerdale. Her class topics include: Trendy Topper Hat (an original hat design); Three-Peat Potpourri (a medley of stitch patterns based on the number three like Trinity Stitch, etc.); and Shawl Construction. Once again, Donna Dunlap and Eleanor Swogger of KRAEMER YARNS will be manning Kathy's market booth. More details about the event will be available next month at www.knittersdayout.org

November 13-16, 2014 Knittreat at Bedford Springs, PA Kathy will once again be teaching at Knittreat, as well as having a small market. Kathy is teaching "Making Waves", an openwork lace technique class. Students will have their choice of the Shaelyn Shawl of Wave Stitch Scarf projects. More details will be available in future updates.

*** SAVE THE DATES ***

We are pleased to announce that Kathy's Kreations will be participating in the Steel Valley Yarn Crawl from **August 1 - August 10, 2014**. Please join us for ten fun-filled days "crawling" your way through seven participating yarns shops in the Pittsburgh and western Pennsylvania area! Bring family, meet up with friends, make new friends, and see all the great things each shop has to offer. It is an excellent opportunity for fiber enthusiasts to discover new patterns, classes and yarns as they peruse the offerings at each store (no required order). The crawl will feature a "passport" to get stamped at each store. To add to the fun, you will have lots of chances to win PRIZES! Along the way, we hope that you will discover new ways to fuel your fiber passion and meet local fiber artists up close and delight in their wares. Best of all, re-kindle your love for all the yarns and fibers that western PA has to offer. This event is still in the planning stages -- stay tuned for more information as the dates draw nearer. Participating shops as of April 27, 2014 include: Dyed In The Wool; Kathy's Kreations; Kid Ewe Knot; Natural Stitches; Wolf Creek Yarns; Yarns By Design and Yarns Unlimited.

*** MAY KNIT ALONG (KAL) ***

We will meet here at Kathy's Kreations **EVERY Friday in May** from **10 am - 2 pm** (rsvp please) to work on our newest KAL -- the Willow Cowl, which is a free pattern on Ravelry. This design by Amelia Lyon is perfect for that single skein of sock yarn in need of a special project. It looks complex, but it is simply a combination of knit stitches, a basic decrease stitch, and yarn-overs...





*** 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 **May 5, 2014** and **June 2, 2014 ; 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**. All skill levels of knitters and crocheters welcome!

*** "KNIT KNITE" AT KATHY'S KREATIONS Tuesday evenings, May 13, 2014 and June 10, 2014; 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm (rsvp) ***

Join us for an evening of stitching & lots of fun conversation. All skill levels of knitters & crocheters are welcome! In the event of nasty weather, please call ahead in case of cancellation...

*** FUN FRIDAYS, May 16, 2014 and June 20, 2014; 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!

*** SATURDAY SIT-N-KNIT May 10, 2014 and June 14, 2014; 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...

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

Lisa Carnahan will be teaching a series of classes based upon Michelle Hunter's latest book, "Building In Color". If you are interested in expanding your colorwork knitting skills and increasing chart reading skills, please call or e-mail us to register. Our next session will be held **Saturday, May 17, 2014, 10 am - 12 noon**. The class topic is "Short Rows", a technique consisting of partially worked rows that add length to a specific area. This added length is used to create contour and shaping within a garment. Fee is \$10 plus purchase of project yarn and a one-time purchase of the "Building In Color" book by Michelle Hunter.

*** MAY KNIT ALONG (KAL) ***

We will meet here **EVERY Friday in May** from **10 am - 2 pm** (rsvp please) to work on your choice our newest KAL, Willow Cowl. Not working on a KAL? You are still welcome to come -- simply bring any knit or crochet project purchased at Kathy's Kreations and join the group (free!).

*** MITERED KNITTING CLASS WITH KATHY ZIMMERMAN ***

Learn the how-to's to create a basic mitered garter stitch square and for customizing your look to create the desired fabric. **"Mitered Knitting" will be taught on Thursday, May 8, 2014, from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm**. Class project is a "baby blocks" blanket or small throw, shown upper left. Class supplies include worsted weight yarn in two contrasting colors, locking stitch markers or small coilless pins, and US 8 knitting needles (straight or 16" - 24" circular). The baby blanket requires 800 yards worsted weight yarn (main color) and 200 yards each in three or four contrasting colors to complete. This project may be worked as a throw using self-striping worsted weight yarn, using approximately 1400 - 1600 yards. Registration is \$20.00 -- please call Kathy's Kreations at 724-238-9320 to sign up. Class size is limited...

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 !

Enjoy the merry little month of May by knitting or crocheting a little each day. Yarn is good! KEEP KNITTING AND CROCHETING!

Kathy