

KATHY'S KREATIONS 141 East Main Street Ligonier, PA 15658 724-238-9320 NOVEMBER 2013 UPDATE



Dear Stitchers,

Have you seen your first snowflakes of the season yet? As autumn drifts into winter here in the Laurel Highlands, we are getting serious about layering strategies. We experience this balancing act every year around this time -- are we ready to break out the serious winter gear or can we still get by with lighter-weight shawls and fingerless mitts? When the weather is so unpredictable, it's important to have options, particularly when it comes to accessorizing!

Scarves, cowls and shawls are as popular as ever, but this season, hats seem to be the new "must have". Slouchy styles, ear flaps, pompoms, large cables, and of course, plenty of color and texture are in order. Colorways cover the spectrum from bright neons to earthy neutrals, in a variety of yarn weights from fingering to super-chunky. Splurge and take sumptuous to a new level using luxury fibers for these small projects. Metallics with a subtle amount of sparkle are "in" as a funky fall trend, and we're loving it!

For garments -- drape, silhouette, and texture combine in unique ways this season, from dramatic to smart, from casual to pretty. Simple yet thoughtful, classic designs become head-turners -- they are enjoyable to stitch and easy to wear. Casual, chic knits will send you out and about in style or keep you comfortably indoors. We've got quite an assortment of sweater projects and head-to-toe comfy, cozy accessories that are sure to keep you feeling warm while looking fashionable, just in time for winter's chill. And our latest promotion will positively curl your toes!

# "NOVEMBER IS SOCK MONTH! 10% off all in-stock, regularly-priced fingering weight yarns in our Sock Station during November 2013

# Hours: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Monday through Saturday Holiday Open House Friday, November 29, 2013 Saturday, November 30, 2013 and Sunday December 1, 2013 (Sunday hours 12 noon - 4:00 pm)

Kathy is usually away on Wednesday, but the shop is open

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# \*\*\* GREAT NEW STUFF \*\*\*

Knitting and crocheting gives us a break from our everyday lives. They help us rejuvenate, re-energize, and get our creativity flowing. Take your knitwear to new heights this stitching season, with gorgeous details and stylish comfort. Fiber fashion is deeply focused on color, texture and technique for new heirloom knits. Colorwork, dropped stitches and diagonal graphics drive pattern collections, while rustic and rich are the focus in yarn. Here's what's new, what's now...

In *The Unofficial Harry Potter Knits 2013* (\$14.99), you'll discover over 30 knitting patterns featuring magical details in lace, cables, and colorwork, all inspired by J.K. Rowling's Harry Potter series. This brand new literary-inspired magazine will transport you into a world filled with transformative knits, empowering mythology, and classic garments inspired by beloved characters and stories. There are house scarves with modern stripes, a sweater fit for a sorcerer, socks that will knock you off your broom, and an entrelac "flames" shawl (shown upper left). When dark wizards seem to lurk in every corner, don an owl cardigan with keen eyes to watch your back. Pull on your mitts -- not only can they keep your hands warm while your fingers remain nimble, but they also provide a hand place to stash your wand. There's quite a bit of fun for fans of this epic modern fairy tale, but who doesn't need a little magic in their lives?

For most knitters, winter is the best season of all -- time to knit cozy and warm pullovers in the best yarns to be found. *Knitscene winter 2013* (\$14.99) is the perfect magazine for those knitters, with 23 must-knit projects worked in delicious yarns that make the process thoroughly enjoyable. Explore cables, asymmetrical hems, easy drape, and thick lace cowls with this special issue from INTERWEAVE that captures stylish, wearable knitwear. Inside *Knitscene*, knitting gets the royal treatment in a story featuring beautiful purple yarns. Or, take the road less travelled with a woodsy theme inspired by nature. Tubular cast-ons are demystified in a tutorial and three projects that are destined to become favorites. This issue is designed to transport your knitting dreams into reality...

This is the time of year when our FedEx and UPS drivers bring box after box of new yarns, patterns, tools and accessories. Opening them is almost as much fun as Christmas morning! Our newest hand-dyed yarn arrivals include MADELINETOSH (new fall/winter colors in Tosh Sock, Merino Light & Pashmina), HOLIDAY YARNS (Flock Sock), and DREAM IN COLOR (Smooshy, Groovy). We're loving these colors and yarns -- they are sure to go fast because it is SOCK MONTH!

From the editors of *Spin-Off* magazine comes the fourth edition of the popular special issue *Jane Austen Knits* (\$14.99). Drawing on a love for literature and the Regency era, this magazine is full of knitwear inspired by the novels of Jane Austen Although the garments were inspired by her narratives, they can be worn with ease and comfort in our current time. The 31 knitting patterns in this installment will challenge the advanced knitter, engage the intermediate knitter, and invite the beginning knitter. Her works are still relevant today, still inspiring conversation and debate, still engaging our minds and our hearts, and now, our knitting needles. On these pages, you will visit the countryside of a Jane Austen novel full of feminine lace details and sturdy menswear. Wrap up in shawls, cardigan, and spencers with unique closures and flattering necklines. Knits have ornamentation with ruffles, ribbons, and knitted lace. Sensible "manor" knits include mittens, a night cap, a tea cozy, and socks; all for days and nights spent inside the comfort of your manor. These knits are practical, with added details that true craftsmen can appreciate (Jane's Dancing Stockings, shown right)...

## \*\*\* MORE GREAT NEW STUFF \*\*\*

We are thrilled to announce the arrival of six fresh, new designs from CHURCHMOUSE CLASSICS. As usual, we can't decide which one to knit first. We want to make them all!

- --- Fir Cone Lace Shawl & Scarf (\$7.50, shown at right this page): Designer Becky Ffitch was inspired by traditonal Shetland lace patterns found in historic stitch dictionaries. This lace weight rectangular shawl and scarf begin with sideways sawtooth garter-stitch edgings. The length is then knitted in a classic Fir Cone Eyelet pattern that's lacy enough to make you feel pretty and opaque enough to be cozy. Bonus ideas for using edgings are included. Just the thing for chilly
- late autumn mornings! Racing Raindrops Scarf (\$5.50, shown lower left this page): The little beads that adorn this scarf look like raindrops. Written for two sizes (lace or fingering weight), both have 120 sparkling raindrops!
- --- Boyfriend Watch Cap (\$5.50, shown lower left page four): Knit this cozy, deeply cuffed cap for him. Then borrow it back -- if you can! It's handsome worn turned up for traditional sailor style, but we love it uncuffed and slouchy, too. Worked in a heavy worsted-weight yarn, this cap is a quick knit, which is great because you're bound to be asked for more.
- --- Colorwork Cuffs & Mittens (\$7.50, shown lower left page six): One important knitwear trend for winter and beyond is an abundance of color and the popularity of colorwork techniques. There is plenty of inspiration and design opportunities in this pattern with fingerless glove option, 3 edgings and 3 charts. It has been said that if you keep your pulse points warm, you'll stay warm all over. These tweedy cuffs prove that theory nicely. And you can turn the "cozy quotient" up or down for outdoors or in. Pick your favorite colors of fingering weight yarn, a colorwork chart, an edging, then finish as little cuffs, fingerless gloves or full mittens. Add color choice to the mix and the possibilities are infinite!
- Flora's Cap (\$5.50, shown upper left page four): Fans of the film Cold Comfort Farm, based on Stella Gibbons's witty 1932 novel, will recognize that this sleek, slouchy topper was inspired by the white cap worn by Flora Poste during her railway journey from London to Beershorn Halt. Our seed-stitch version in a sport weight silk blend travels well from town to country and spans the seasons neatly.
- Seaworthy Gansey Cap (\$5.50, shown lower right page seven): Knit in a tightly spun --traditional 5-ply Guernsey yarn or light fingering-weight sock yarn held doubled, this allweather cap is handsome on men and women alike. The eight-part decrease rounds create a flat circular top, while a firm gauge keeps the gansy-textured crown band standing at attention for pillbox styling. Or you can pull it down low over your ears like a beanie when the wind blows!

Finally, a wool-free sock varn! Knitters and the lucky people they knit for have long clamored for a wool-free sock yarn, something that wouldn't irriate or overheat. Meet "CoBaSi Multi" (\$8.95, 50 grams, 220 yards, CYCA# 2), a cotton, bamboo, and silk blend that also has a generous amount of elastic nylon. We introduced the solid shades earlier this spring, and now there are multi-colors, making it a perfect candidate for color work and warm weather. Soft



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and machine washable, this will also be a go-to for hardy baby garments. The posssibilities are thrilling, so get some and cast on. Also great for crochet items...

Other new HiKoo additions are eight new colorways of KeNZie (ask to see our "Colormatic" knit-along cowl in this yarn), new shades of "Simplicity" (machine washable but sturdy yet soft, superb stitch detail; also in metallics for glitter & sparkle) and "Simpliworsted Marl" (four new multi-color shades)...



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#### \*\*\* EVEN MORE GREAT NEW STUFF \*\*\*

Chunky yarns ask for big, bold silhouettes that wrap you in comfort, warmth, and style. Grab a skein or two of some of the great new yarns we have available this season and get knitting and crocheting. Supersized BERROCO "Brio" (\$15.50, 100 grams, 109 yards, 49% wool / 48% acrylic / 3% other, CYCA #6) is lofty and light. Each brilliantly dyed colorway of this thick-and-thin wool blend is infused with glittering metallic strands that are completely soft to the touch -- a

quick and easy way to add sparkle to your winter wardrobe. Eight multi-colored accessories and garments using "Brio" and "Lodge" are featured in booklet #338 (\$9.95). BERROCO "Lodge" has mesmerizing color transitions punctuated with vibrant tweed flecks. The lofty wool blend is spun into a single ply and works up quickly into gorgeous stripes (\$8.50, 50 grams, 98 yards, 47% wool / 47% acrylic / 6% rayon, CYCA #5).

Another new bulky yarn arrival is BROWN SHEEP COMPANY's "Lanaloft Handpaint Bulky" (\$22.50, 7 oz., 160 yards, 100% wool, CYCA #5). We are loving this yarn for cozy cowls and accessories. Need an easy care bulky weight yarn? New supplies of machinewashable JAMES BRETT "Marble Chunky" (\$14.50, 200 grams, 341 yards, 100% acrylic, CYCA #5) are here, great for friendship shawls and throws. This yarn is ideal for cozy infinity loop scarves, cocoon-like shrugs or oversized vests. Thick yarns + loose gauges = breathable warmth!

Customers frequently ask us what other customers are making. Hands down, the hot yarn for fall is HIKOO "KeNZie" (\$9.50, 50 grams, 160 yards, 50% New Zealand merino wool / 25% nylon / 10% angora / 10% alpaca / 5% silk noils, CYCA#4). Take weekend comfort to the next level with this cuddly soft fabric in luxurious fiber. This yarn was selected for our October KAL, Colormatic Cowl, the hot project. Due to popular demand and late comers, we have extended our KAL so that everyone can join in on the fun EVERY Friday throughout November, too. There's more good news -- eight lovely new colors have been added to the KeNZie pallette and we've got them all. For more inspiration, check out the amazing "Turtleneck Jacket", a sweater coat/pullover made with KeNZie in fall/winter issue of *knit.wear* 

*Playful Woolly Toppers* (\$20.95, softcover) features 10 bright and spirited hats for all ages. Each design uses two differently colored yarns, and with a variety of techniques used, there is something for knitters of all skill levels in this collection. Each pattern is multi-sized to fit the whole family. Also new from WOOLLY WORMHEAD is a clever hat for the entire family, "Sumner" (\$6.50). This design is knit in the round, with a hemmed double head band and knitted tucks. Learn new skills while making this project: provisional cast-on, joining live stitches, and knitted tucks...

PLYMOUTH YARNS presents "Plymouth Aran Designs" Book 649 (\$7.50), a collection of contemporary Aran patterns for the present day, using PLYMOUTH "Encore", "Galway" and "Worsted Merino Superwash" yarns. Cables are classic and always in style, and the shapes are casual weekend wear, with sophistication in the details...

Attention, sock mavens! We have been replenishing our sock station for "Sock Month". Look for new shipments of machine washable CRYSTAL PALACE "Mini Mochi" in the latest self-striping colorways (\$9.95, 50 grams, 195 yards, 80% merino wool / 20% nylon, CYCA #2) and solid shades of AUSTERMANN "Step Classic" infused with aloe vera and jojoba oil (\$17.95, 100 grams, 460 yards, 75% superwash virgin wool / 25% nylon, CYCA #2). Both of these yarns are also good choices for lacy shawls and scarves, as well as socks...



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# Pretty as a Posie Hat

A complimentary pattern designed by Lynn Sponholz for skacel collection, Inc.

#### SKILL LEVEL: Intermediate

YARN WEIGHT: DK / Light Worsted

#### SIZE AND MATERIALS:

Size	One Size
To Fit Head Circumference	20" - 22"
Yarn	1 hank (117 yds)

Featured Yarn: Simplicity by HiKoo, 55% Merino Superwash, 28% Acrylic, 17% Nylon, 117 yds / 50g. Shown in Color #010

#### addi Needles:

4 mm (approx US 6) 24" circular needle or size needed to obtain gauge.

#### Additional Notions:

Stitch markers (10); tapestry needle.

All yarn and needles distributed by skacel collection, Inc.

#### GAUGE:

22 sts and 28 rows = 4" x 4" in Stockinette Stitch

To save time, check your gauge and read all instructions thoroughly before beginning.

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

Cast on 110 sts.

Row 1 (RS): "K2, p2; rep from " to last 2 sts, k2.

Row 2: "P2, k2; rep from " to last 2 sts, p2.

Repeat Rows 1 & 2 until ribbing measures 1\*, ending after completing Row 2.

Begin Flower pattern:

Rows 1 & 3 (RS): Knit.

Rows 2 (and all WS rows): Purl.

Row 5: K3, "yo, k2tog, k9; rep from " to last 8 sts, yo, k2tog, k6.

Row 7: K4, "yo, k2tog, k9; rep from " to last 7 sts, yo, k2tog, k5.

Row 9: K5, "yo, k2tog, k9; rep from " to last 6 sts, yo, k2tog, k4. Row 11: K3, "k2tog, yo, k1, yo, SKP, k6; rep from " to last 6 sts, k2tog,

yo, k1, yo, SKP, k3.

Row 13: K2, "k2tog, yo, k3, yo, SKP, k4; rep from " to last 9 sts, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, SKP, k2.

Row 15: K3, "k2tog, yo, k1, yo, SKP, k6; rep from " to last 8 sts, k2tog, yo, k1, yo, SKP, k3.

Row 17: K2, "k2tog, yo, k3, yo, SKP, k4; rep from " to last 9 sts, k2tog, yo, k3, yo, SKP, k2. Row 19: K4, "yo, SK2P, yo, k8; rep from " to last 7 sts, yo, SK2P, yo, k4.



Rows 20, 22, 24 & 26: Purl. Rows 21, 23, & 25: Knit. <u>Begin Decreases:</u> Row 1: "K9, k2tog, pm; rep from " to end of row = 100 sts. Even Rows 2 - 18 (WS): Purl. Odd Rows 3 - 17: "Knit to 2 sts before marker, k2tog, sm; rep from " to end of row = 20 sts after Row 17. Row 19: K2tog to end of row = 10 sts. Row 20: P2tog to end of row = 5 sts.

#### FINISHING:

Cut yarn, leaving a 36" long tail. Use a tapestry needle to run yarn through rem 5 sts. Pull tight and sew seam with rem tail. Weave in end and cut.

ABBREVIATIONS are available online at:

http://www.skacelknitting.com/s.ni/sc.2/category.61987/.f

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A big thank you to Skacel Collection for this re-print of this hat, which uses HiKoo Simplicity yarn, a luscious superwash wool blend, now available on our shelves. Enjoy!

#### \*\*\* FALL KNIT ALONG \*\*\*

Several of us are still working on our Fall Knit Along with Michelle Hunter, the Colormatic Cowl in HiKoo "KeNZie" yarn (finished item shown right), and several of you have asked if it is too late to join in on the fun. It's not too late -we have plenty of "KeNZie" in stock and would love to have you join us!

Complete instructions for this colorful project can be found at www.knitpurlhunter.com. We will continue to meet here **EVERY Friday in November** from **10 am - 2 pm** (rsvp please). Not working on this KAL? You are still invited to come -- simply bring any project purchased at Kathy's Kreations and join the group (free!). Here is your chance to work secretly on holiday gifts to surprise your family or finish up cozy works in progress for winter wear...

# \*\*\* TIPS AND TRICKS \*\*\*

Fibers with a high wool percentage can be joined invisibly with "spit splicing" Overlap two ends and dampen with saliva or water. Place the overlapped ends between hands and rub together quickly until you feel some heat. Repeat until the ends are felted together. This works especially well with single-ply yarns...

For best results with crochet projects, it is essential to match up the correct size hook with the yarn weight and fiber. The type of hook can make crocheting with certain fibers easier and more pleasant. For slippery yarns (rayon, mercerized cotton or bamboo), choose a bamboo, wood or plastic hook which will "grab" the fiber. For a yarn with "drag" (chenille or some novelties), try a slick metal hook. If you find yourself struggling with your project or have trouble getting gauge, experiment with a different type of hook. Another type of hook, even in the same size, can alter gauge. You may also find yourself relaxing more with a bamboo or wooden hook, as compared to an aluminum one -- this can make a significant difference!

When working knitted lace projects, it is a good idea to count your stitches after every row to make sure you have not missed a yarn-over or decrease. It's much easier to fix a mistake on the row it is made rather than to try and fix it several rows later. If your project has a large number of stitches, place stitch markers between each pattern repeat so you will know a new repeat is coming up...

# \*\*\* INVISIBLE SEWN BIND-OFF FOR SOCKS \*\*\*

It's sock month and we found this stretchy bind-off for toe-up socks at Knitting Daily. This technique gives a neat, attractive, elastic edge which works well with garter or ribbed cuffs. Do not pull the working yarn too tightly; allow enough room for the bind-off to be stretchy. Begin by threading a "Chibi" tapestry needle with a yarn tail four times the circumference of your finished sock cuff.

- Insert the Chibi knitwise (as if to knit) into the second stitch on the left-hand needle and pull the yarn through to the back. Insert the Chibi purlwise (as if to purl) into the first stitch on the left-hand needle, pull the yarn through to the front, and transfer this stitch purlwise to the right-hand needle. Repeat this step once more.
- 2. Insert the Chibi knitwise into the second stitch on the left-hand needle and pull the yarn through. Insert the Chibi purlwise into the first stitch on the left-hand needle and pull the
  - yarn through. Drop the first stitch off the left-hand needle. Repeat this step until 2 stitches remain.

3. Insert the Chibi knitwise into the second stitch on the left-hand needle and pull the yarn through. Drop both stitches off the left needle.

VARIATION: To make the purl bumps show on the right side of the work, substitute "purlwise" for "knitwise" and "knitwise" for "purlwise" in the instructions.

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### \* ANNOUNCING PLANS FOR SPRING BREAK \*\*\*

**Kathy's Kreations** invites you to join us on April 25 ~ 27, 2014 for our **3rd annual "Spring Break" Knitting Workshop Weekend**, hosted by Kathy Zimmerman.

Margaret Fisher, nationally-recognized knitting instructor and author of "Seven Things That Can Make or Break A Sweater", will teach a twelve-hour workshop at the Ramada Inn in historic Ligonier, PA. The weekend will kick off with a Meet & Greet with Margaret on Friday evening. On Saturday, Margaret will teach a six-hour class "A New Slant on Vests". On Sunday, Margaret will teach "Superb Seams" in the morning, followed by "Demystifying Set-In Sleeves" in the afternoon. The weekend package includes an after-hours knitting pizza party or Soup & Sliders and special shopping time at Kathy's Kreations (Friday evening); an informal meet & greet on Friday evening to get acquainted; morning coffee breaks and two lunches at the Ramada; classes Saturday and Sunday; extended lunch break on Saturday with time to shop in the pretty little town of Ligonier and goodie bags. The price is \$275 per person, with early bird registration of \$225 before January 31, 2014.

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. Space is limited on a first-come, first-served basis, so please e-mail or call 724-238-9320 and send a check for the full amount to Kathy's Kreations. Attendees will receive a 10% discount on all regularly-priced knitting supplies and yarn all weekend.

#### \*\*\* WHERE'S KATHY??? \*\*\*

- November 7 10, 2013: Pittsburgh Knit Crochet's KNITTREAT at Bedford Springs Spa & Resort in Bedford, PA. Kathy will be teaching a very special shawl class based on Stephen West's design "Westlake", a top-down shawl featuring bands of garter stitch, stockinette, and twisted ribbing. The twisted ribbing sections zigzag diagonally to create a slightly asymmetrical triangle. For information, visit www.pghknitandcrochet.com or call 412-963-7030.
- March 14-16, 2014: Pittsburgh Knit & Crochet Festival at the Four Points Sheraton in Mars, PA just off the Cranberry exit of the PA Turnpike. Kathy will once again be in Market booths #2 & #3. Market hours have been extended: 12 noon - 7 pm Friday, 9 am - 5:30 pm on Saturday and 9 am - 4 pm on Sunday. This is the 10th year anniversary of the Festival and Debbie Macomber, Nicky Epstein and Lily Chin will be the event headliners. Nicky Epstein's latest book features doll clothing for 18" dolls. Kathy's Kreations will be a drop-off center to collect hand-knit or crochet doll clothes for donation to area children's hospitals. Additional details will be included in future newsletters. And watch for an upcoming doll display in our winter holiday storefront windows. For information, visit www.pghknitandcrochet.com or call 412-963-7030.

#### \*\*\* HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE \*\*\*

Shopping in Ligonier is always like a step back in time, but especially during the holidays -less stressful than the "mall experience" on Black Friday. Please join us for our annual Holiday Open House weekend Friday, November 29, 2013 and Saturday, November 30, 2013, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm and Sunday, December 1, 2013 12 noon - 4:00 pm...

#### \*\*\* CAPS FOR KIDS \*\*\*

Kathy's Kreations is assisting the Laurel Highlands Knitting Guild with their annual Caps For Kids program. The guild is collecting clean, new handknit or crocheted cold-weather items like hats, mittens, scarves, slippers, and gloves for distribution to needy area children at Thanksgiving and in early December. The items will be distributed through the Ligonier Valley Service Unit of the Salvation Army and other area agencies. Kathy's Kreations will gladly accept donations...



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#### \*\*\* 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 **November 4, 2013** and **December 2, 2013; 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm**. All skill levels of knitters and crocheters welcome!

# \*\*\* "KNIT KNITE" AT KATHY'S KREATIONS Tuesday evening, November 12, 2013 and December 10, 2013; 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 to make sure we are meeting...

#### \*\*\* FUN FRIDAYS, November 15, 2013 and December 20, 2013; 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 \*\*\*

Come sit 'n knit! We will be gathering at Kathy's Kreations on Saturday mornings **November 9, 2013** and **December 14, 2013; 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.** Join us for fellowship, stitching, and how-to's for projects purchased here. Please bring your knitting, crocheting and any projects to show and share. Open to all skill levels...

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

Make One is a method of increasing with several advantages and a smooth finish. Join instructor Lisa Carnahan for the continuing "Building Blocks" educational series. We have had such an overwhelming response to this series that we have two groups meeting on **Saturday**, **November 23, 2013, at either 10 am - 12 noon, or 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm.** It's not too late to join the group. Fee is \$10 per session, purchase of yarn for project, and a one-time purchase of the "Building Blocks" booklet by Michelle Hunter. Lisa will hold a class for "catching up" with blocks on **Saturday November 2, 2013, 10 am - 12 noon.** 

#### \*\*\* FALL KNIT ALONG \*\*\*

Join us EVERY Friday in November from 10 am - 2 pm (rsvp please) to knit along...

#### \*\*\* NEW KNITTING CLASS \*\*\*

Join instructor Jeanne Osman on **Saturday, November 16, 2013** from **1:00 pm to 4:00 pm** and learn to knit the "Hitchhiker"! It is a shallow, slightly asymmetrical shaped triangular shawlette (shown upper left) that can be wrapped around the neck several times. The ends are long enough to tie it in a knot. Worked in simple garter stitch, it's warm, stretchy, reversible and makes any variegated, hand-dyed sock yarn really shine. One of the short sides of the triangle features a saw-tooth border that evolves naturally during the knitting and gives the shawl its unusual shape. Student supplies include 575 yards of fingering weight yarn, US size 2 circular knitting needles 32" length. Registration fee is \$20 for instruction, \$6 for Ravelry Pro pattern download instructions. Call Kathy's Kreations at 724-238-9320 to register...

# 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 33 years !

Knitting and crocheting enables us to make connections and fellowship bonds with other fiber enthusiasts. This Thanksgiving, we are grateful for the special relationship we enjoy with each of you. Enjoy the fabulous world of "sticks & string" -- KEEP KNITTING AND CROCHETING! Kathy