

## Classes at Common Threads Yarn Shop



### August 2010

*We have limited space all classes have a maximum class size of 8 to 10 so be sure to either call (889-8650) or drop into the shop to sign up. You will need to sign up to take the class. Be sure to call or drop by the shop if you have a class you would like to see us offer.*

#### **Open Knitting and Crochet Night**

Join us every Thursday from 6 to 8 pm. for open knitting and crocheting. Bring along your works in progress and your finished projects to show and share.

#### **Knitting and Crochet clinics**

Tuesdays 1 to 3 pm

Fridays 1 to 3 pm

We want to make the shop available to our customers who may need extra help on a specific project, or have a question about a technique or who may need help with a project that uses yarn purchased elsewhere. This also provides a dedicated help person who will not be interrupted by other activities at the shop.

The cost of the clinic will be \$5 for each session. You can receive help with either knitting or crochet projects during these clinics. If you have a problem and do not know how much help will be needed you can ask a shop employee and they will let you know if you need to attend a clinic.

The clinics have been popular this summer but not so busy that we need to have people sign up in advance. When everyone gets back from the beach in the fall we may need to ask you to sign up in advance.

Fee: \$5

Taught by Judy

#### **Project of the month classes**

We are starting a series of project of the month classes. Each class will be a small project that will teach you a new skill. We are offering a crochet project of the month and a scarf of the month class. The crochet project of the month charge will be \$5 and the scarf of the month cost will be up to the instructor since these will be more complex projects.

### **Crochet project of the month**

Tuesday August 10, 2010  
6:30 to 8:00 pm

This month's project is an attractive facecloth. You will learn how to work slip stitch in a pattern and for the more ambitious we will have a special edging. The project uses 3 colors of cotton; we will have kits available soon.

Class fee: \$5, materials extra

Materials: sport or worsted weight cotton in 3 colors Size I or J hook. Note: *because of the use of a slip stitch in this pattern you will need to use a hook a size larger than the hook you would normally use for the weight of yarn you select.*

### **Scarf of the month**

Saturday August 28, 11 am to 12:30 pm

The scarf of the month will begin in August and will usually be held the fourth Saturday of the month from 11 am to 12:30 pm.

The first project is the backyard leaves scarf from the book Scarf Style. In this class you will learn a very clever way to make an edge that does not roll or fold back for the scarf. You will also learn how to read a chart and how to read a chart that uses both right side and wrong side rows.

Class fee: \$15

Materials: 200 to 300 yards of Aran weight yarn. Size 8 needles. (Sample was done in Debbie Bliss Luxury Tweed, which we no longer carry. Rowan Silky Tweed would work well in this project).

Taught by Judy

### **Knitting classes**

We have classes to improve your skills, KALs and project classes

### **Improve your Skills:**

#### **Study in Steeking**

30\$ - up to 8 students

Saturday, August 21st from 11am - 12:30

Saturday, August 28th from 1-2:30

Are you terrified of steeks? Don't be! In this two-session class, you will learn everything you need to know about the gentle art of slicing apart your knitting. Using a small, non-threatening pattern that Mandy designed especially with the novice steeker in mind, you'll knit and then steek a pair of pulse warmers.

During the first session, we will cast on for the pulse warmers and discuss the construction and use of steeks. We will reinforce the steeks using the crochet method and cut the steeks during the second session.

**Prerequisites:**

You should be comfortable knitting in the round on a circular needle and have a healthy sense of knitting adventure. If you don't know how to crochet, that's okay! Mandy will show you the simple crochet stitches used for steek reinforcement.

**Materials**

Class fee: \$30.00

Two contrasting skeins of Ultra Alpaca Light

16" circular needle in size US 2 or 3

size B crochet hook

sharp scissors

darning needle

six buttons

Taught by Mandy

**Beginning socks/Sock workshops.**

Saturday August 7, 1 to 2:30 pm

Tuesday August 24, 6:30 to 8 pm.

This is your opportunity to finish your first sock or begin the second one. Sock workshops will be scheduled twice each month; with one held on Saturday and one held on Tuesday evening. We will also discuss/demonstrate different methods of sock construction. Class is open to those who have not knit socks and those with socks in progress.

If you have a question about the socks you are working on or if you need help with the gusset or short rows or Kitchener stitch this is the class for you. If you have not knit socks before you can come to get started on a basic sock. You can also come just to have some knitting time on a sock in progress.

**Materials:**

400 yards of sock weight yarn, markers, Size 2 needles (the type depends on the technique you are using, check with Judy if you have questions).

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Or bring an unfinished sock.

Limited to 8 participants per session

Workshop fee: \$15 per session.

Taught by Judy

**Join a Knit along:**

*We are finishing this knit along this summer*

*The Great American Aran afghan will start up again in early September*

*A simpler sampler afghan suitable for beginners will also be offered as a knit along this fall.*

**Great American Afghan KAL (knit along)**

**Saturdays, 9:00 to 10:30 am**

(August 7, August 21, and Sept. 4 (note: we will not have class August 14 or Sept. 11)  
We are completing 2 squares each month. However, you can progress at your own speed and even though the KAL has started *you are welcome to join at any time*. You can also come if you have started the Aran afghan and would like some help.

\$5 per session

Taught/led by Judy

Call the shop to sign up--or if you have any questions: 889-8650.

### **Great American Aran Afghan (knit along)**

Saturdays, 9:00 to 10:30

Begins Sept. 18

We will begin by completing 1 square each month until after Christmas. Anyone who is finishing the Great American afghan or would prefer to work on this afghan is welcome. If you have already started the Aran Afghan you are also welcome. You can progress at your own speed if you wish.

Class fee: \$5 per session

Taught by Judy

### **Crochet classes**

#### **Open Crochet**

Mondays 6:30 to 8:30 pm

If you crochet this is your night. Bring your project to work on and to share. Beginning crocheters are welcome.

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