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February 2014

The Longest Month of the Year

*The winter has us in its grip
And that is one thing clear,
It seems that February is
The longest month this year.*

*I'm tired of the snow and cold
And never ending night,
It's dark out when I leave for work
I never see the light.*

*We've brunt a forest worth of wood
To keep the cold at bay,
And barrels of clear kerosene
To keep the dark away.*

*This month has twenty-eight full days
(Thank God not thirty-one),
Except for on those special years
When we add one day for fun!*

*In March the weather starts to warm
(For me that's none too soon),
And then we'll deal with mud and slop
Until the month of June.*

*For now we'll salt and shovel snow
And deal with cold and ice,
And hope that once this month has passed
The weather will turn nice.*

*So here's to old St Valentine
And Washington and Lincoln,
But it's too cold to celebrate,
At least that's what I'm thinkin'.*

*Oh slowly comes the spring time,
And summer rushes past,
Then autumn has a quick decline,
But winter always lasts.*

March Classes

Beginning Spinning Tuesdays March 4-25 7PM-9PM Learn the basics of spinning on a wheel. Price includes fiber and use of wheel in the shop. Class limited to 4 students. \$125.00

How to Knit Lace Wednesdays March 5-26 7PM-9PM Lace knitting can be made easy with just a few tricks. Learn about lifelines, how to use markers, and how to read charts. Limit 4 students. Class fee \$80. Materials, needles, and pattern are all available in the shop.

How to Read & Repair Your Work Thursdays March 6-27 7PM-9PM Learn to keep your place by knowing how to read your knitting. Learn to count rows, identify stitches, and correct basic mistakes without starting over. Class is limited to 4 students. Class fee is \$80.

Please Note:

We will be closed April 18-21 for the Easter Holiday.

Tickets for the 2015 Winter Retreat are Available

Our 2015 retreat will again be at the Willowood Inn in Baraboo Wisconsin. The dates are January 23-25. The prices are as follows:
\$125/person double occupancy if paid by April 1, 2015
\$175/person single occupancy if paid by April 1, 2015

Your payment is due at the time of your reservation. We must pay for the Inn in advance, so all reservations are NOT refundable. Please make your payment by cash or check only. Since this is a "bare bones" price, we do not accept credit cards for reservation payment. Space is limited to 30 attendees, and to date only 24 spaces remain.

The price includes Friday night dinner, 2 nights of lodging, breakfast on Saturday and Sunday. Saturday lunch and Saturday night will again be "pot luck". We'll let you know which meal to bring a dish for. All rooms have refrigerators, private bathrooms, outside entrance, separate heat controls, and are located on the main level. Parking spaces are provided right outside your door. The common room is well lit, warm, and has a beautiful view of the Baraboo Hills. Contact Penny at the shop to make your reservations.