

Through the Shop Window

...the "little shop around the corner" on Mill Street



"From the unique to the antique!"

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July 2016

The Great Outdoors

It is summer, and time to head for the "wilderness" of the local campground. Yes, we'll leave the relative comfort of home for life in the great outdoors. We'll take the trailer-22' of air conditioned comfort (we don't have AC in the house), sit in the shade of the awning (we don't have a porch at home), and enjoy a freshly mowed lawn (that I didn't have to cut)-such is life in the wild.

Of course, we do have to contend with the bugs, which have no regard for knitters, spinners, or anybody else. They don't care that you've just dropped a stitch or are in the middle of counting your rows. You're a quick meal, and they will have it now! A well-placed swat and they are a thing of the past-such is life for the pests.

Did I mention the wonderful meals from the smoker, grill, and Dutch oven? I don't know which smell is sweeter-the hickory smoke or the roasting chicken (did I mention the mosquitos-they are coming for dinner, also).

And, if it rains it doesn't matter (except to Tootsie who won't go out when it's raining). We'll sit inside and enjoy our crafts and a movie or two (as the mosquitos swarm the camper looking for any way in).

And just when it couldn't get any more perfect-it's Sunday afternoon and we have to break camp and head home (just the thing the mosquitos have been waiting for-an opportunity for a little bite).

So, as the weather breaks and reveals a perfect late afternoon (the weather is always nicest when you have to leave), we pack up, hitch, and head home for another week of work, and one less weekend of summer. Did I mention the mosquitos?

Classes

School's out, but we do summer classes-call for details!

Summer Hours

Tues-Fri 7PM-9PM

1st and 3rd Saturday and Sunday each month

11AM-4PM

Open Workshop is on the 1st and 3rd Sunday each month.

2017 Winter Retreat

The event will be held January 26th-29th at the Willowood Inn in Baraboo, WI. Tickets are \$135/person double occupancy and \$185/person single occupancy. We will be leaving on Thursday evening after work (6:00 PM) and returning on Sunday afternoon. We will again be assigning participants items to bring for the meals. **The first half of the ticket price is due now.** There are only 4 spaces left, so don't wait. This event sells out every year, so don't miss it!

We will be closed July 1 thru July 4 for the Holiday.

You can sign up for the Online Newsletter by using the link newsletter@woolwarpandwheel.com

So, don't be left out-make sure you get the current information-sign up today!

Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival

It's time to start planning to attend the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival in Jefferson, Wisconsin. This year the festival will September 9-11. Check the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool web site for all the details, classes, competitions, vendor listings and special events.

If you are interested in classes, please check the Sheep and Wool web page often, as most classes have limited seats and fill fast.

We will have the entire shop there, and will be located in the East barn of the country store. We hope to see you there! Shop early-shop often, and enjoy the fiber arts.