

# Through the Shop Window

...the “little shop around the corner” on Mill Street



“From the unique to the antique!”

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## *It Is What It Is*

*We've done TNNA. We did get some new things for the shop (very unique, different, and fantastic). You'll see them beginning to arrive about mid-summer. Right now, the rush is on to make room for the new stock. So, here we go again!*

*We began a make-over of the shop the day we returned, and are almost done. We've added new lighting, new displays, and studio space for Penny and myself. Since our equipment has been moved out of the retail space, we will be able to accommodate the new stock AND provide a more open space to shop. We hope to get some fresh paint on the walls to brighten up the space a bit. (I will say that painting is not my most favorite thing to do, so we'll have to see about this.)*

*How did we do it? Well, something had to give-and that was the teaching space. Class sizes will be reduced to a maximum of 3 people, and there will be limited space for open workshop, since those function will now be “outside” during good weather and in the studio when the weather isn't cooperative.*

*Penny is in a state of shock-not because of the new studio space, but because she now has view of all of her stash (the term “yarn hoarder” has crossed her lips-OMG, she just found two more bins full PLUS what is hidden in the camper and the bed of the truck. She is very creative when it comes to yarn storage). If your stash is not as big as Penny's, then you need to shop more!*

*I for one can't wait to get the looms open and a project or two going. Penny's frame looms can also be set up and used again. And her yarn stash-it is what it is. Of course, I have yet to unpack mine. We'll have to see who the hoarder is!*

## **School's Out for Summer-But...**

**Our regular class schedule will resume in September. If there is something you would like to learn over the summer, contact Penny at the shop and we'll schedule a one-on-one class for you.**

### **Please Note:**

We will be closed the following days:  
July 3-7 for the holiday  
August 15-17 for Spring's wedding

### **Our summer hours are:**

**Tuesday-Friday 7 PM-9PM&Saturday and Sunday 11 AM – 4 PM**  
**The shop is closed for all major holidays.**

The shop will be participating in the “Christmas At Sea” program this year. Stop in the shop and we'll be glad to tell you about the program and how you can become part of it.

[www.seamenschurch.org/christmas-at-sea](http://www.seamenschurch.org/christmas-at-sea)

## **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

\$175/person single occupancy

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 15 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.