

Through the Shop Window

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



...where fiber artists gather.

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Constant Change

I know our shop is alive and well. Why? Because it is in a state of constant change. It is not stagnant, but is in constant flux. New products, changing displays, new customers- nothing stays the same. We keep adding, changing, and re-evaluating what we're doing.

This year at TNNA we are seeking new yarns- those that can't be purchased by consumers "on-line", but those only available from the manufacturers through retail shops. We are seeking high-end, innovative, unique products to add to our inventory. We want to be able to provide you with the newest and best that is available.

To make room for what's new, we will be making some changes to our base offerings- and in the process be offering you some sale prices. What's on sale? Well, you'll have to come in and see for yourself.

I don't know about you, but I'm exhausted just thinking about all that's going on!

And, it's not just knitting and crochet. Spinning and felting fibers are also high on the list of things to add. We're now doing "Mrs. Bucket's Batts"- 2 oz carded batts of blended Merino and Blue Face top, a touch of glitz for a bit of bling, and of course, Angora from our own Mrs. Bucket. Penny personally selects the colors and fibers then cards them "in house".

And, if that isn't enough, We'll start weaving in the shop again this summer. There's always something going on.

So, if you haven't been to the shop in a while, now's a good time to stop in and see what's going on. Summer is a great time to build your stash- it will be September before you know it. And, if you want a new pair of wool socks or a new hat for next winter, now is the time to start knitting. If you're a spinner, there's nothing as nice as sitting in the shade with you wheel. Take advantage of the summer. It just doesn't last that long!

Summer Hours

Tuesday and Wednesday 7 PM-9 PM

Thursday and Friday 11 AM-9 PM

The First and Third Saturdays and Sundays of the Month

11 AM – 4 PM

Open Workshop will be on the First and Third Sundays of the month.

We will be closed for the following events:

TNNA June 8-13

Fourth of July Holiday July 1-4

Labor Day & Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Fest Aug 30-Sept 11

We will have reduced hours June 1st and 2nd

The shop will be open 7 PM-9PM on those days so Penny can attend her family reunion

We offer one-on-one customized classes as well as individualized help on the projects you have "in process". Please feel free to contact us in the shop to schedule a time slot.

We're Going to TNNA!

Penny and I will be attending the National Needle Arts Association convention. We'll be looking for all things "new" in the industry to supplement the shop offerings. New products should arrive just in time for the Wisconsin Sheep and Wool Festival Show.

2018 Winter Retreat

January 25-28

Tickets are now available for the 2018 Winter Retreat to be held at the Willow Wood Inn in Baraboo, Wisconsin. Participants will be welcomed at the Inn where the fun will begin on Thursday evening, and will continue until checkout on Sunday. Ticket prices are \$135 per person (double occupancy) and \$185 (single occupancy). Price includes 3 nights lodging, breakfasts, and main course for the evening meals. Participants will be asked to bring a side dish or luncheon item to share.

This is a very popular event, and sells out each year. **The first half payment is now due. Balance due September 30.** Since we pay the Inn in advance, tickets are non-refundable (unless we can re-sell your room prior to the retreat). Contact Penny at the shop for more information or to reserve your place. See you there!