

Through the Shop Window

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The Most Powerful Words

Have you ever stopped to think what the most powerful words in the English language are? They might surprise you. These two simple words alone are nothing special. In fact, they are very ordinary and are used by millions of people every day. However, when used together and properly applied, they can hold total control over a person, rendering them completely powerless. They can destroy one's life, happiness, and self worth. No matter how big, strong, or important a person is; these two simple words can completely destroy them.

What I find even more amazing is that no outside force is necessary. Nobody else can use these words against a person-people can only use them against themselves. And, what's more amazing is that it is the victim who gives the words their power. Can you guess what the words are?

"I can't."

To say them and believe them is to defeat yourself. You'll never accomplish a task unless you believe you can. If you believe you can't, you'll never begin.

However, if you believe in yourself instead of the words, you'll soon learn what a lie they are, and "I can't" will become "I did!" There isn't anything you can't accomplish if you believe in yourself and are willing to work for it. Everything requires effort, and it all starts with belief.

April Classes

Beaded Shawl Tuesdays, April 2 - 23 7PM-9PM Beads can add both style and functionality to a garment. This class will explore one method of using beads in knitting. We'll focus on what we believe is the easiest method to incorporate beads into the knitting process. The class fee is \$60. The kit for the class is available in the shop-cost determined by the type of material you choose. Sign up and purchase your kit early for the best selection.

Beginning Spinning Wednesdays, April 3 - 24 7PM-9PM This is our last offering of this class before the summer holidays. Spinning is relaxing, easy, and practical. If you knit or crochet, here's your chance to make your own yarn. This class takes you from your first time behind a wheel to completing a skein of 2 ply yarn. Don't have a wheel? Not a problem. The class fee of \$120 includes the use of a wheel in the shop. If you have a working wheel of your own, the class fee is \$100. Fees include all materials. The class is limited to 6 students.

Felted Clogs Thursdays, April 4-25 7PM-9 PM If you know how to knit, you can make your own shoes. This class will teach you to make felted clogs. They are easy, comfortable, and practical. You can add soles (available on line) to make your shoe wearable outside as well. Materials and patterns are available in the shop. The class fee is \$60 and includes the felting. Limit 6 students. Please call in advance to reserve your spot.

2014 Winter Retreat Tickets are Available

The 2014 Winter Retreat will be held January 24-26 at the Willowood Inn located in Baraboo, WI. Tickets are \$125/person double occupancy, or \$175/person single occupancy, and include: 2 nights lodging, dinner on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday. Tickets must be paid in advance (check or cash only), and are not refundable. This has been one of our most popular events. Our new Inn also provides first floor accommodations and private baths. The meeting room is warm, and excellent lighting, and a beautiful view of the Baraboo Hills. So make your plans now to take a winter break and to join us for a relaxing weekend of working with fiber (the resale shopping isn't bad, either). Tickets have been selling, so reserve your place today! Please contact Penny to secure your reservation.

Just a reminder

The shop's summer hours begin on May 1st and will continue through August. Our summer hours are Tuesday-Friday, 7 PM – 9 PM and Saturday and Sunday 11 AM – 4 PM.