

# Through the Shop Window

For the best in fiber,  
yarn, and equipment....



...shop the sheep.  
Wool, Warp & Wheel

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## *Be Calm and Carry On*

*I can't believe May is gone. It seems like only yesterday it was cold and raining-wait, it was just yesterday! The grass is growing at record pace, the corn is flooded and rotting in the fields, and the weather has no regard for the calendar. What's a mother to do!*

*Our building has not sold as of yet, so you may rest your fears that we would have snuck away in the night leaving you with no local yarn shop. In fact, we leave for TNNA in a couple weeks to order new stock for the Sheep and Wool Festival.*

*Spinning and needle felting are on the up-swing. Knitting is slipping in popularity (or knitters are just working out of their stashes). Summer is almost here-the perfect time to crochet some dish cloths (unless your me-just because you can crochet doesn't mean you should. Some things are better just left alone).*

*As the weather warms, the traffic in the shop will pick-up, and the traffic on Hwy 12 going north will come to a complete stop! (I think the Richmond By-Pass is for all practical purposes DOA). Barring any great earth shaking event, we will just be calm and carry on. (Like the Titanic drifting in the ice field) And, just when we're comfortable-BANG -all hell will break loose.*

*A little excitement might be a good thing-as long as it's just a little. I don't think I can stand too much excitement these days. So, if your summer is shaping up to be a little on the "hectic" side- just say calm and come on it. Your local yarn shop is still here to help you. With our afternoon hours on Thursdays and Fridays, a little fiber time might be the delight you need. Penny's got the coffee on, and there's always an empty chair! And, if you are extremely lucky, you might see the Grand Baby Deluxe. And, for those of you suffering from the heat-let me remind you that the shop is air conditioned.*

*See you soon! And remember, just be calm and carry on.*

## **Summer Hours!**

Tuesday and Wednesday 7 PM - 9 PM

Thursday and Friday 11 AM-9 PM

The First and Third weekends of the Month

11 AM – 4 PM

Open Workshop will still be on Sundays of the first and third weekends of the month.

Summer hours will be in effect until September 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Please Note:**

We will be closed

June 13-18 as we will be attending TNNA in Cleveland, OH,

July 13-15 for a Sloth Weekend.

And June 29-July 8<sup>th</sup> for vacation!

We offer one-on-one customized classes as well as individualized help on the projects you have "in process". We can help you with knitting, crochet, spinning, weaving, felting, as well as other fiber related art forms. Need a summer project? We can help! Need a special project to do with the kids this summer-take a felting class and keep those little hands busy and out of trouble. How about some mommy-daughter time (or maybe some "alone" time) take a class!

## **2019 Winter Retreat**

The 2019 Winter Retreat will be held in Fontana, Wisconsin at the Heritage House Inn. The dates are Thursday, Jan 24 through Sunday, Jan 27. Check in is at 1:00 PM on Thursday, and departure is noon on Sunday. Those attending will be asked to help provide a meal for the weekend. The Inn is divided into 3 suites, each having 2 bedrooms, a full kitchen, a living room with a fireplace, and at least 1 full bathroom. Some rooms have a view of Lake Geneva. Sorry, there are no private rooms, so plan on shared space. We meet in the Common Room, which is large enough to spaciouly accommodate all of us, and has space for spinning, knitting, and plenty of space for relaxing. We may also add a quick class for those who are interested in learning a quick technique or two.

At this time, all the spaces are filled. If you are interested in getting on the waiting list, please contact Penny at the shop.