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Dearest Fiber Friends,

It's May, the month of flowers and Mothers and the transition to summer. We thought we'd be moving into our new bigger brighter space at the end of the sidewalk this month but our landlords aren't being as cooperative as we'd like. They are supposed to give me a definite move in day in the next week and I will immediately get the information out to all of you. We're so anxious it's hard to be patient. I just keep dreaming of wider isles, more natural light, a big classroom and an office with a door I can shut to hide my messy desk from view. Thank you for all your kind offers for help with the move and for the loyalty and support that makes us a yarn store that needs a bigger space. We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for all of you.

What's new? We took the couch and fireplace out to make room for all the new summer yarns that have been arriving. We've got THE LILY CHIN COLLECTION, *Hand Painted* cotton and chenille from Aracaunia, Self-striping cottons from Katia, 4 Ply from Sirdar, *Zephyr Lace Kits* from Fiddlesticks, *Crafty Alien* kits and patterns, **Square Palmwood** knitting needles and crochet hooks from Kollage yarns, new from Noro - Cotton Hill, Hotaru and Daria Multi, *Sandra* and *Laurel* from Schaefer, **Cherry Tree Hill** solid colors in fingering, and many new patterns and pattern booklets.

Classes for May 2007 at Babetta's

In our project classes you can learn to knit anything from scarves to socks to felted purses to lace shawls to hats to sweaters. Pick your project and join in the fun. Our knitters inspire each other to try new things by sharing ideas and showing off their latest creation. Sign up for one of our classes and you will receive a coupon for %10 off your next purchase. If our class times aren't convenient we also offer private lessons in Knitting Crochet, Spinning and Weaving by appointment.

Pre-registration is required as class sizes are limited. Please choose your dates carefully. Because of scheduling conflicts and complications, make-up classes will only be allowed under special circumstances and individual consideration.

Tuesdays May 8, 15 & 22

Intermediate Knitting 6pm – 7:30pm fee \$40

Wednesdays 9, 16 & 23

Intermediate Knitting 1pm – 2:30pm fee \$40

Salina Shawl free pattern included with yarn purchase

3:00pm- 4:30pm fee \$40

Crochet all levels 5:30pm – 7pm fee \$40

Thursday May 10, 17 & 24

Florence Shawl from Fiddlesticks 6pm – 7:30pm fee \$40

Saturdays May 5, 19 & 26

Beginning Knitting 2pm – 3:30pm fee \$40

Intermediate Knitting 4pm – 5:30pm fee \$40

Knitting Group dates May 5 & 19 10am – 2pm

Block-a-month Friday May 25 4pm-5:30pm
or 6pm- 7:30pm

Mother's Day Sale

May 12

One Day Only!

10% off Knitting Baskets & Bags

15% off Leaflet Patterns

20% off all Kits

Granny Square Workshop May 18 6pm-7:30pm

Basic crochet skills needed. Bring worsted yarn in 3 colors and G or H hook. Fee \$15

"Magic Loop Sock Conversion Workshop

May 26 10am-1pm fee \$30 Learn how to change your favorite sock patterns to use the "Magic Loop". Pattern and conversion formula included

Continental Knitting Workshop May 29 6-8pm

Basic knitting skills needed. Bring yarn and needles. Fee \$20

Class sizes limited so sign up early!

Free Pattern for May 2007 Triangular Colibri Shawl

Materials: 1 ball Colibri Yarn from Katia for shoulder shawl, 2 balls for larger shawl, size 10 circulars 24" or longer. This scarf is a triangle knit from point to point width wise and this basic formula can be used for any yarn but check out the Colibri it's very unique.

Cast on 6 stitches

Row 1 – knit

Row 2 – knit in the front and the back of the first stitch, knit across

Repeat these 2 rows until piece is about 16" wide for small shawl or until first ball of yarn is gone for large size and join new ball.

Next row – knit

Next row - knit first 2 stitches together, knit across

Repeat these 2 rows until you have 6 stitches and bind off.

Note - You might want to mark your increase and decrease edge with some scrap yarn to make it easier to keep track of which row you're on. I wet blocked my shawl but this is not a must.

Pattern Correction for April- When decreasing in the middle of your mitered square on the even numbered rows, the pattern should read – sl 1, k2tog, pss0. We apologize for the any frustration caused by this misprint.

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