

Terri's Yarns & Crafts

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NOTES FROM AVA

Since I'm late getting this issue of the newsletter out, I decided to combine the summer and fall issues.

It's hard to believe that it is time for back-to-school sales. I know we are all looking forward to cooler weather. With that come thought of the holidays, decorations and gift giving.

Check out the Saturday Seminars. They are one time, introductory classes with fall and holiday themes. A great way to try something new without a large investment and have fun while you do it. I'll post pictures of the projects on my blog (see address above) and at the shop at least 1 week to the time of the class.

As always, Happy Crafting



Dates to Remember

September 5	Labor Day
September 11	Grandparent's Day
September 23	1st day of autumn
October 10	Columbus Day
October 31	Halloween
November 6	Daylight savings time ends
November 11	Veterans' Day
November 24	Thanksgiving Day
December 7	Pearl Harbor Day
December 22	1st day of winter
December 25	Christmas Day
December 31	New Year's Eve
January 1, 2012	New Year's Day

Class Schedule

Beginning Knitting

Wednesdays September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12 7:00 pm

You'll learn how to knit, purl, do basic increases and decreases, and read a pattern.
Cost: \$55.00 (includes all materials, tax, and class fees)

Beginning Crochet

Thursdays September 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20 7:00 pm

Cost: \$55.00 (includes all materials, tax, and class fees)

Join us and learn to crochet! You'll learn the basic stitches, how to read a pattern, and have several small projects completed at the end of the five week class.

Saturday Seminars

Saturdays 2 pm \$15.00 per session (includes all materials)

Something different! Join us for a Saturday afternoon this fall and explore different craft techniques. Come once or come every time. All ages are welcome.

August 27	Fall Wreath Decorating
September 10	Bow Making 101
September 24	Painting On Fabric
October 8	Plastic Canvas Keepsake Box
October 22	Beginning Decorative Painting
November 5	Holiday Cards
November 19	Embroidered Holiday Ornament
December 3	Easy Clay Ornaments
December 17	Quick And Easy Jewelry Items



Advanced Knitting

1st, 3rd, and 5th Tuesdays 7:00 pm

Cost: \$5.00 (plus materials if needed)

Please call at least 3 days in advance to sign up for the class or seminar. Payment is due in full at the beginning of the class. Sorry, no refunds. If you need to miss one of the sessions, I will make up that class at a time convenient to both of us.

Holiday Ideas

With the news lately, it's easy to get down and not want to think about the holidays. They will be here soon, however. With a little planning maybe we all can make this holiday season as happy and stress free as possible.

Collect twigs and small branches from trees. Spray paint them gold or silver. Put a piece of foam in the bottom of a small basket. Arrange the twigs and branches in the basket, filling in with fall leaves (real or silk) and gourds and pumpkins. Put a pretty bow on the side. You have a centerpiece for you fall table.

If you knit or crochet, you know that you collect all sorts of odds and ends of yarn. Sort through your stash and put similar colors and weights together. Make small squares (4" x 4" is good) and lay them aside. When you have several done, use a color that co-ordinates to put the squares together. One square makes a coaster. Eight squares will make a pillow. You can make a small bag with just 2 squares or use 4 for a larger one. The pattern stitches used don't matter so use the squares as a way to learn new patterns. You can even work swatches for all of those patterns you want to do later. Just make notes about what yarns you used for calculating the gauge.

Paint small canvas boards with background colors of acrylic paint. Choose a theme to go with the person who will receive the finished product. Use paints, glitter, ribbons and trim, sequins or beads to make a picture. Or better yet, start the picture and have someone else add to it. That way the whole family can get involved in a gift for grandparents. It's fun to see what happens when several people collaborate.

Have a fun holiday season!

Hats, Hats, Hats!

This is the second year for our Hats, Hats, Hats! collection. Last year Terri's collected 25 hats for donation to charity. I would like to see that number increase this year. Between now and December 1, bring any hat to Terri's for donation and get 10% off any purchase made that same day. They can be knitted or crocheted, adult or child as long as they are washable. Let's see how many heads we can warm this coming winter.

For you knitters, here's a pattern to get you started. I'll post an easy crochet hat pattern on the website and my blog.

Easy Knitted Hat

A One Size Fits All Ribbed Hat

Materials:

90 yards of bulky weight yarn
size 10-1/2, 16 " circular knitting needles
1 stitch marker
ruler
scissors

Gauge: 12 st & 21 rows in pattern

Size: fits head from 15" circumference (child) to 23" circumference (adult) when stretched

Abbreviations:

k: knit
p: purl
k2tog: knit the next 2 stitches together
p2tog: purl the next 2 stitches together
st: stitch or stitches

Instructions:

Cast on 60 st. Place a marker on the needle and join the knitting into a round, being careful not to twist the stitches.

Round 1: (k3, p3) 10 times.

Repeat until the hat measures 6-1/2" from the cast on edge.

Decrease for the crown:

Round 1: (k2tog, k1, p2tog, p1) 10 times - 40 st.

Round 2: (k2, p2) 10 times.

Round 3: (k2tog, p2tog) 10 times - 20 st.

Rounds 4 - 6: (k1, p1) 10 times.

Cut the yarn with a 12" tail. Run the tail through the stitches on the needle. Fasten the yarn. Weave in any ends.

