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A wool shop and place to knit, spin, weave and crochet

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Store Hours For Spring:

Tuesday:	10am - 6pm
Wednesday:	10am - 4pm
Thursday:	10am - 6pm
Friday:	10am - 4pm
Saturday:	10am - 3pm

On My Needles

I finished knitting the Wriley yesterday and now have to block it and weave in a few ends. This wrap is going to be perfect for the days ahead. So excited to wear it.

Now that is complete I have been swatching with a few yarns for the new projects that I have been thinking about. It turns out that the gauges for these projects are either in the 20sts or 22sts to 4" range. That opens up a lot of possibilities.

I selected Creative Linen which is a nice blend of cotton and linen for the 20sts I need for either the Anker, Cloudbreak, Staffin Light, Sille Slipover or the Lacey Loop Tee. I am also going to swatch with the Bozzolo which is a really soft cotton. Modern Linen is another that I haven't tried recently. Can't wait to see which I like better.

For the 22st range I swatched Daisy which is a silk and linen blend. Not a favorite for a garment but would make a lovely cowl or scarf. A new yarn called Serica which I really am liking a lot. The Serica is a silk and tencel blend that has great drape. Another interesting yarn is the Scroll that has some slubs in it so you don't get a smooth fabric but

a really interesting look. I swatched Moustache held double which was also really nice. I still have a few to go before I will make a decision. I am looking at a few patterns in this range. There is the Tegna, Stromboli, Fabel Tank or the Arches Tee. The Arches calls for 21sts for 4" which is in the realm of all the swatches I have been making for the 22st gauge.

I have really enjoyed working with some of these favorite yarns that I had not played with in a while. The biggest surprise for me was the Creative Linen. It isn't as hard to work with as the Modern Linen and will get softer with time as will the Modern Linen. I like the sheen on the Modern Linen better. Each yarn has pros and cons and by swatching you can find which one you like best for the project you have in mind.

Check Out Ravelry

I have decided that I will be making the Lacey Loop Tee but haven't selected the yarn yet. The swatches should be in the shop this Wednesday. I will create a topic on the Forum for you to post your thoughts. I haven't decided on the Tee and maybe you could help me with that. Check out the ones I am thinking about and let me know your favorite. Do you have a favorite summer top? Maybe one you have made and would like to make again? If you do please share it with all of us on the Forum.

Wine, Design & Mystery Box

Mira is gathering the goodies together for our next Wine, Design & Mystery Box. I can't wait to see what she sends in the box. It is really hard not to open the box before you get here. Please let me know if you plan to attend at least a few days in advance.

End of Season Sale

A few select yarns will be on sale beginning on Wednesday, March 25th through the 31st. There will

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be some chunky yarns and some DK at great prices This is a great time to buy for your gifts for next Christmas.

Bless the Nest with the Friends of Becky S.

We had a lovely time last Saturday as we talked about all the wonderful items that have been donated. All the lovely items in the box that we are getting ready to send and what to make next. The pretty French Macaroon pattern was selected as a nice one to make next. Want to join us?

Knit, Spin, Weave or Crochet

Thursday evenings from 5:30pm until 7:30pm the space is yours to enjoy with other fiber enthusiasts. Please let me know you are planning to attend no later than the day before. Thank you.

Special Dates to Note

End of Season Sale - March 25th - 31st
Wine, Design & Mystery Box - April 8th
Lacey Loop Tee - April 11th
Undecided Tee - April 18th

For the Crocheters

Kelly will be holding classes in April. As always, don't forget to let us know no later than Thursday morning if you will be attending that Saturday's class. Learn to crochet, improve your technique or learn something new, try some Tunisian or a new lace stitch

PreTeen/Teen Crochet Class

Kelly has added a 2nd crochet class to the lineup. This class is specifically tailored for the preteen/teen age group. Call for details.

Now Is A Great Time To Weave

Is weaving right for you? Try a three session weaving class with Teresa and find out. Schedule your classes and we will get a loom ready for you to sit down and begin weaving. Already weave, brush up on some finer details or try something new.

Ashford Spinning & Weaving

There are fabulous Wheels and Looms from Ashford in stock. Not sure which one you want, call ahead and I will have that equipment ready for you to sample.

BAM Fiber Tools

If you want the best fiber processing equipment I have a wonderful selection of hackles and combs from BAM

Spinning & Felting Fiber

Don't forget that there are always amazing fibers for our spinners. Silks, blends, corriedale, merino, lambswool, hand dyed and naturals. These fibers are also very good for needle felting.