



SEPTEMBER

That means falling leaves, cooler temperatures and a new sale!

End of summer greetings Fiber Friends!

There is so much news to share and so little space. Here in bulleted format are the highlights!

- BROWN, basic-go-with-everything brown is our color of the month. Everything in stock that is BROWN will be 15% off.
- HOLIDAY SPARKLE SALE! This Friday and Saturday (pre Labor-Day, Sept 2 & 3) our new sparkly holiday yarn will be 15% off.
- We will be closed for Labor Day, Monday, Sept 5. Enjoy the long weekend by visiting the Fourth Street Festival AND then knitting with the yarn you have purchased from In A Yarn Basket!
- Fall classes are starting soon and the schedule is posted on our web page: <http://www.inayarnbasket.com> We have some exciting new classes (drop spindle spinning), a Monthly Mystery Block (MMB) knit-a-long, technique and FREE classes.
- Super Scarves for the Super Bowl 2012 is winding down. Bring your scarves to us and we will ship them to the appropriate place for you. We have a box ready to go with several dozen lovely scarves.
- Cascade has had a drastic price increase -- that's the bad news. We will always carry Cascade and it is still a good deal for the money but brace yourself for the \$2 per skein increase. Gulp
- The good news is we have expanded our Brown Sheep line to include Nature Spun Worsted. It's a perfect alternative to Cascade 220 and has more yardage per skein at a lower price.
- We have many lovely new yarns, kits, patterns, books and magazines. Stop in to see and pet the yarns - angora, alpaca, llama, merino and other fluffy fibers.

There you have the short version! If you need to move on to other emails, head to work or play, fix a meal or go to bed you can stop reading now. Thanks for your time and we hope you visit us soon. But if you want to see some pretty pictures and read more about what is happening here on South Walnut Street, read on!

CLASSES: We have a new teacher! Amiee Dewar, spinner, knitter and super talented person will be teaching drop spindle spinning, the perfect affordable introduction to spinning. If you have a drop spindle hiding in your closet, dust it off and bring it but we will have \$15 wooden ones that are Amiee approved. Don't forget that we offer 10% off supplies purchased for class.

In addition to the on-going basic classes like beginning and intermediate knitting, crochet and socks, we have included some skill-building technique classes: Moebius Crochet, Seaming, Cables, 2 At Once Socks and Building a Log Cabin. Oh wait, that log cabin thing is not going to be your retirement home in the woods -- it is one of our FREE classes and a stash buster. Depending on the amount of yarn you want to downsize, your project could be a place mat or an afghan. Log Cabin designs are fun, creative and relaxing -- the perfect project for TV/movie watching or car trips.

Our MMB --the Monthly Mystery Block Club -- begins September 6Th and is a fun way to improve your pattern reading and knitting techniques while creating a lovely heirloom. For \$5 per month you will receive a pattern, be able to purchase any worsted weight yarn for your block at 10% off and receive as much help as you might need. On the last Tuesday of the month, the current month's block will be revealed and of course yours will look just like ours! There are 12 different block patterns and the first Tuesday of every month the new pattern will be available. After all 12 blocks have been completed, you will receive the actual book of patterns the name of which we are keeping secret because we know there are those out there who would work ahead or maybe knit January's block in December. You over-achieving rule breakers know who you are!

NEW YARNS: There are soooo many new and exciting yarns arriving we have been frantically moving things around. At this moment we aren't quite sure where we put the Jeannee but we will find it.....maybe in the baby yarn section??!! We have not only increased our inventory with our tried and true yarn companies like Plymouth, Cascade, Knitting Fever and Brown Sheep, but we added new, smaller, US companies to our vendor list. Pagewood Farm, Interlacements, Jojoland and Dream In Color yarns are stunning, unusual and reasonably priced.



This is Rick Rack by Interlacements. Hand-dyed rayon in stunning colorways, 1200 yards sells for \$37.00. Don't rush and get your calculator we did the math for you and it comes to 3 cents a yard. Yup, 3 pennies, \$0.03 a YARD! And at that price we still wind it for free.....OK, well, we always wind yarn that you purchase here for free but winding 1200 yards does take a while so we are very thankful for the electric winder! Think about the gorgeous shawls, scarves or sweaters that can be made from this yarn.

How about something beaded? We have scarf KITS with beads included, also from Interlacements, so you know they are drop dead beautiful. Don't fret if you are not quite comfortable knitting something beaded on your own. Word has it that the Beaded Scarf will be a class but you might want to come in and check out the color selection.

Sock yarn is wildly popular and that is no surprise. It is so versatile you can make more than just socks from colorful, washable, fingering weight yarn. Pagewood Farm's *Yukon* and *Denali* are some of our new hand-dyed Superwash Merino & Nylon yarns. If you want just a bit more luxury, try OnLine's *Linie 33 Cosmo* with Cashmere! Even with Cashmere you can make a pair of sock for less than \$24; pretty sweet and a lovely gift. Any day we are expecting the latest colors of *Opal Sock* yarn. We have not carried Opal in a couple of years but decided to bring it back because the colors are extraordinary and the new fibers are soft. Our new Noro sock yarn is *Taiyo* and the colors do not disappoint -- well duhh, it is Noro! We think the Taiyo is softer than the Silk Garden Sock and our yarn rep reported that orders have supported that 'feeling'. There are so many new sock yarns out there now and we are eager to try as many as possible so watch for our announcement about a sock club..... Sock knitters rock!.

We will probably have to start a 12-step program for the One Ball Novelty Scarf knitters! Of course we will be the first to join; "Hi, my name is Linda and I'm addicted to Triana & Rios -- and Flounce but only on the weekends." These fun and funky yarns make accessory scarves that never fail to bring a smile. They are easy and quick to knit, reasonably priced and did we mention addicting??

Gather a couple friends and have a scarf knitting party. They also make great donations for charity events --- if you can stand to part with them! Pictured here is the latest addition to our wild and crazy yarn selection; *Paparazzi*, 100% silk ribbon embellished with designer fabric, sequins, faux pearls and beads. It is ELEGANT!! (And is included in our **Sparkle Sale** Friday & Saturday, September 2 & 3)



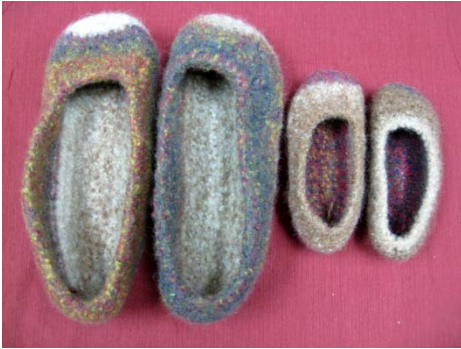
That's enough for now. Have a relaxing holiday weekend and don't forget to check out our new classes. Operators are standing by to take your calls.....

Thank you for your support and positive reinforcement -- even small retail merchants need to know they are loved and valued! Keep those needles and hooks clicking.

The Yarn Basket Crew,
Julie, Linda, Karen, Jeanne, Katy and Kathy

PS: Mark your calendars and plan to attend a party / reception / Knit Night event on September 29. Cheryl Topoligus knitted everything from the book [Spud and Cloe At](#)

the Farm. And we do mean everything even the hay bales! We want to celebrate her accomplishment and show off the yarns she used so it's Party Time!



This is one of our favorite patterns on Ravelry. These Duffers are made from Jojoland 100% worsted wool and there was enough yarn left-over to knit the child size. Follow the pattern for the smallest size but use one strand of yarn instead of two and change your needle to size US #8. PRESTO! These are fun, easy and quick --- a perfect gift for almost everyone.

Helpful hint #1: If you don't know your Aunt Mary's foot size, send them UN-FELTED with felting instructions so she can try them on as she felts insuring the perfect fit.

Visit our back room sale area for a nice selection of discontinued colors in Cascade 220 and Lamb's Pride. They felt great and are perfect for Duffers.