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## Schaefer Yarn Tour: April 17, 2010

Beat Ithaca's snowy gray winter by planning a fun spring trip! Join us for a tour of [Schaefer Yarn](#) on Saturday, April 17, 10 am - Noon. In addition to a tour of Schaefer Yarn's production facility, you will receive a undyed skein of [Anne](#) sock yarn and the experts at Schaefer Yarn will show you how to *dye your very own unique skein!* Afterwards, you can purchase from the great selection of Schaefer Yarn from their stock at **10% off**, including those that are not among our regularly stocked items!

Space for this tour is limited so we require advanced registration. Please see [the details here](#) and reserve your spot today!

## Happy Stitching Hour

Come to the next Happy Stitching Hour on **Friday, March 5, from 5 to 7 pm**. Join us for this social knitting time, meet some new people, re-connect with others, and just hang out. We'll chat, knit, gossip, stitch, wind down after the long work week, and shop this month's Happy Hour Sale! We will not be offering any knitting instructions or help, just a knitting visit.... The event is free. First come first serve. We have seats for approximately 15 people. Feel free to bring a snack or drinks to share!



## March Happy Hour "Lamb's Pride" Sale

One Day Only! On Friday, March 5, take **20% off\*** all in-stock **Brown Sheep Lamb's Pride Worsted** and **Lamb's Pride Bulky!** This 85% wool, 15% mohair blend is one of our most popular yarn for sweaters and felting projects. Come stock



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### Join A Club!

Are you a **sock** or **fair isle** knitter? Do you want to refine your techniques? Join our [Sock Club](#) or [Fair Isle Club!](#)

[Become a Fan of Knitting Etc. on Facebook](#)

[Calling for Submissions](#)

We invite submissions of

up this Friday!



\* Sale prices apply to in-store purchases of in-stock items only and cannot be combined with other discounts.

## Pattern Writing Workshop with Dawn Page

Our former "Resident Knitting Encyclopedia," Dawn Page, is back in town! For those who have not met her, Dawn is a very experienced knitter and designer. Dawn shared her wealth of knowledge in yarn, techniques, and design with experts and novices alike before she moved away.

Dawn has agreed to lead the "[Writing and Adjusting Patterns](#)" class she used to teach many years ago at Knitting Etc. when she visits Ithaca on Saturday, April 10. In this six-hour workshop, she will show you how to write and adjust patterns to fit your unique self! Call 277-1164 to reserve your spot in the workshop, come with pencil and paper for note taking, and be ready to learn!

## Lace Club



If you enjoy knitting lace, or are comfortable working with increase-decrease-yarnovers and wish to explore how varied combinations of these stitches can make beautiful fabrics, please join our new [Lace Club](#). Kiko Nobusawa - who first learned only to purl in a 5th-grade afterschool class, but has reawakened to knitting in

recent years (and finally progressed beyond garter stitch) - will host the group from 5-7 pm on the fourth Fridays of the month.

A non-refundable \$20 annual fee allows you to participate in this monthly session for show-and-tell, sharing ideas and experiences with yarns and lace patterns, discussing project possibilities, etc., and to purchase [lace](#) and [fingering](#) weight yarn at 15% off during the meeting.

Please note that, as with the [Fair Isle](#) and [Sock](#) Clubs, this group is not meant to be instructional per se. So while you don't need to be

patterns or writings on knitting-related topics for our newsletter. If we use your work, you will have your fame and receive a \$50 gift certificate!

The submission must be your original design or writing that has not been accepted for publication elsewhere.

By making your submission, you give Knitting Etc permissions to publish your work and distribute it in our newsletter and on our web site.

**Pattern Submissions:** Please specify the yarn used and gauge with color photographs of the finished product.

Please include a couple of sentences about yourself to be published with your pattern or writing.

E-mail all submissions in plain text or Microsoft Word format to: [submissions@knittingetcithaca.com](mailto:submissions@knittingetcithaca.com)

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a lace expert, we do ask that participants have enough confidence in basic-to-intermediate skills for self-direction. If you are an interested beginner, we encourage concurrent enrollment in one of the lace scarf classes or similar opportunity for expert instruction.

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## Upcoming Classes

Plus: Get a one-time 15% discount while your class is in session!

### Beginning Drop Spindle Spinning

Have a yarn you've been dreaming of, but which doesn't exist in any store? Want to discover how that fluff turns into a skein of lovely yarn? The possibilities are endless! This spinning class is aimed at beginners, and the class will cover: drafting loose fiber into a cohesive yarn, use of twist, plying, finishing a yarn, and some tips on choosing a fiber to suit a project.



The recommended spindle and natural undyed fleece are available for purchase at Knitting Etc.

[Dates & Details](#)

### Socks on DPNs

This class is great for knitters who just completed the "Knitting Basics" classes to move forward!

Learn all about socks: their construction, techniques for knitting in the round on double pointed needles, how to work a heel, and how to graft the toe. Theresa George will walk you through all the steps by making a mini-sock (which fits a child) so you will be on your way to make your first real pair.

[Dates & Details](#)



### Undulating Waves Lace Scarf

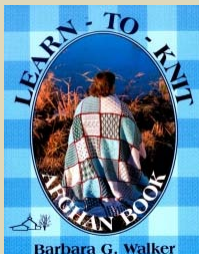
This class is perfect for intermediate to



advanced knitters wanting to learn to knit lace with beads! Make the beautiful Undulating Waves Scarf in [Schaefer Susan](#) (100% mercerized cotton) or [Heather](#) (55% superwash merino, 30% silk, 15% nylon). In one Sunday afternoon Laura Nelkin, who designed the scarf, will teach you how to read charts, knit with beads and make the scarf's lace pattern to get you started. You will be able to finish on your own.

[Dates & Details](#)

## Stitch Master Afghan Squares



Learn to knit many different stitch patterns and techniques for interesting and engaging texture. You'll make a square from each "chapter" or technique in Barbara Walker's *Learn to Knit Afghan Book*. This includes cables, slip-stitch color work, knit/purl combinations, lace, mosaic color, and more!

[Dates & Details](#)

## Eventide Beaded Scarf



Eventide is based on an incredibly easy 6 stitch "cross stitch" pattern. It is made by working double yarnovers that add length to your stitches so they float and appear to be woven not knitted. My inner weaver loves this! Beads are used on each end of the scarf creating an arrow of bling! Laura will show you many techniques in working with beads, including: stringing beads, purling and knitting with beads, working yarn-overs with beads, and more.

The sample scarf (in [Schaefer Audrey](#)) is on display at Knitting Etc.

[Dates & Details](#)

## Guided Projects

Are you ready to take on an exciting and challenging project? Do you need guidance on a project that you've been stuck on forever?

Perhaps you want to see what others are knitting and seek inspirations for your next project.

The Guided Projects class is for more experienced knitters who will get to work on independent projects. The instructors are ready to help, from selecting an interesting project appropriate for your skill level, modifying patterns to suit your needs, to identifying and fixing your mistakes.

This Guided Projects class gives you the flexibility of attending any 5 weekly classes of your choosing within 3 months of signing up. After attending 5 classes, you can continue to come by paying for 5 more (which is a distinct possibility after you find out how much fun these classes are!)

[Dates & Details](#)

## Pattern

### Catherine Wheel Reversible Scarf

By Sharon Darlow

#### Materials

2 skeins contrasting sock yarn  
Size F crochet hook

#### Measurements

8.5 inches wide by 60 inches long (Before blocking)



#### Gauge

This pattern is a multiple of 6 + 4 stitches.  
(Every 6 stitches represents a wheel- For a smaller scarf and less wheels across, chain 6 fewer stitches; for a larger scarf and more wheels across, chain 6 more stitches).

#### Abbreviations

Sk - Skip  
SC - single crochet  
DC - double crochet

Chain 40 with color A.

Row 1: 3 DC in 3<sup>rd</sup> chain from hook. **\*Sk 2 chains, 1 SC in next**

**chain. Sk 2 chains, 7 DC in same chain.** Repeat from \* until you reach the last chain. Do 4 DC and switch to alternating color (Color B) in the last DC.

Row 2: Do 1 SC. Chain 3. \*In next 7 stitches, do a DC, BUT only pull through the first 2 stitches, leaving last loop on hook. Continue until there are 8 loops on hook, wrap yarn and pull through all 8 loops. Chain 3. Do 1 SC in center chain of shell. Repeat from \* until last stitch. SC in this stitch. DO NOT CHANGE COLORS.

Row 3: Ch 1 and turn. \*SC in 1<sup>st</sup> stitch. In center of the 7 stitches below, do 7 DC. SC in next SC. Repeat from \*. End row with a chain 1. Turn  
CHANGE COLORS to color A.

Row 4: Chain 3. In next 3 stitches, do a DC- leaving a loop on the hook until there are 4 loops on the hook. Wrap and pull through all 4 loops for a half wheel. \*Chain 3. SC in center DC. Chain 3, Do the 7 DC repeat (In next 7 stitches, do a DC, BUT only pull through the first 2 stitches, leaving last loop on hook. Continue until there are 8 loops on hook, wrap yarn and pull through all 8 loops.) Repeat from \* until last stitch. Do a half shell at this end of the row (In next 4 stitches do a DC, leaving a look on hook, wrap and pull through all 5 loops.

Row 5: Chain 3, \*Do 3 DC for a half shell. SC in next SC. Do 7 DC in previous row's DC join. Repeat from \* until end. At the end of the row, do 4 DC to make a final DC.  
CHANGE COLORS.

Repeat rows 2-5 until you have reached your desired length. End scarf with a row 4 for symmetry.

Finishing: Do a SC edging around the entire edge of the scarf to finish off the edges and to hide your "Carries" along the one edge of the scarf.

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