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Happy New Year Fiber Friends,

Well here we are in January. It's a new year. The days are getting longer and I'm another year older and hopefully wiser. For me this month is like that moment when I get to the top of a hill, pause and look around, take a deep breath, exhale slowly and collect my thoughts to refocus. This naturally follows after a month like December. Thanks so much to all of you for making our first Holiday Season so busy and successful. It was like a warm whirlwind of that loving human energy and excitement that propels us through the colder darker and sometimes stressful days of the holidays.

February 1st is our first Anniversary. Can you believe it? I feel so fortunate to be smack in the middle of this whole experience. Everyday is full of things to do (I've learned to be okay with the fact that I'll never catch up), things to learn and friends to be with. I promise to stay on the lookout for smarter and more helpful products, better books, new and beautiful fiber products to offer and new class and workshop ideas. This past year has given me so many lessons about running a business and I can't wait for the upcoming year's education.

We have been adding new and exciting companies and products as I seek out distributors that have better customer service thus allowing Maya and I to serve you better. We've already received Claudia Hand Painted Yarns, Stitch Diva Studios Patterns, Lana Grossa Sock Yarns and Patterns, Anny Blatt Yarns and Patterns and many new books. The publishers promise me Nicky Epstein's new book "Fabulous Felted Bags" any day now! February is going to be full of deliveries so I'll be trying to make space for more product appear out of thin air. Here's how you can help....

<u>" Come in and Celebrate our First Anniversary – Pay no Tax from Feb. 1 – Feb. 8"</u>

Exciting things to look forward to in the next couple of months are,

Destination Art on March 17th and 18th Babetta's Yarn and Gifts has been invited to participate in the 3rd annual Destination Art Event with The StampArt Shoppe, Art Ellis, JR Flamingo's, A Piece of Mind and Cje's Gallery. Next time you're in we can tell you all about it. Flyers will be available soon. It's an "ART PARTY" and the theme this year is Masquerade.

Stitches West is just around the corner. February 17, 18, & 19, 2006 at The Santa Clara Convention Center. If you'd like to be part of the Capitol Corridor's Stitch 'n' Ride event we'll have flyers in the shop or you can download one yourself at www.capitolcorridor.org. Click on promotions. There are some free patterns there too.

February Lessons

<u>Beginning knitting Mondays</u> 5:30pm - 7pm cost \$40 Feb. 6, 13, & 20 <u>Needle Felting Tuesdays</u> 10 am - 11:30am cost \$40, \$50 with kit Feb. 7, 14, & 21 Different projects taught every week.

Beginning Knitting Wednesdays
11am - 12:30pm cost \$40 Feb. 8, 15, & 22
Beginning Crochet Wednesdays
5:30pm - 7pm cost \$40 Feb. 8, 15, & 22
Advanced Beginning Knitting Saturdays
4pm - 5:30pm cost \$40 Feb. 11, 18, & 25
Intermediate Project Knitting Tuesdays
6:30pm - 8pm cost \$40 Feb. 7, 14, & 21
Intermediate Project Knitting Wednesdays
1pm - 2:30pm cost \$40 Feb. 8, 15, & 22
Make Socks with the Magic Loop Saturdays
2pm - 3:30pm cost \$40 Feb. 11, 18, & 25
Lace Knitting Project Thursdays
6:30pm - 8pm cost \$40 Feb. 10, 17, & 24

Private Spinning and Weaving Lessons on Mondays by appointment. Private Knitting and Crochet Lessons weekday afternoons by appointment.

Knitting Group Saturdays Feb. 4 and 18

Workshops this month: Learn to Knit Valentine's Hearts \$30 includes Kit Feb. 11th

Needle Felted Embellishing on Felted Projects \$30 includes Kit Feb. 25th

Workshops Coming in March – Knitting With Beads and Shadow Knitting Classes coming in March – Make a Felted Easter Basket and Fairisle Knitting

Free Pattern for February 2006 "Pandora's Diagonal Scarf"

Materials: 2 Balls Trendsetter's Pandora or 1 Hank ALP from Feza & Size 13 Needles

Cast on 20 stitches

Row 1- knit

Row 2 – increase in the first stitch(knit in the front and the back of stitch), knit 17, knit last 2 stitches together.

Repeat these 2 rows until you have about a yard of yarn left for binding off. Watch it magically form diagonal stripes.

"Help us Celebrate Our 1st Anniversary"

Anniversary Sale Feb. 1st to Feb. 8th All Purchases "Tax Free"

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